Government of Pakistan Finance Division (Expenditure Wing)

No. 7(1)Exp.IV/2023-463

Islamabad, the 20th February, 2024

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: AUSTERITY MEASURES FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24

The undersigned is directed to convey that to ensure prudent utilization of public money, the Prime Minister, in terms of Rule 15(1)(a) of the Rules of Business, 1973, has been pleased to approve the following Austerity Measures for Financial Year 2023-24 with immediate effect:-

- i) There shall be a complete ban on purchase of machinery and equipment from current budget, except for medical machinery / equipment;
- ii) There shall be a complete ban on purchase of all vehicles except ambulances, buses for educational institutions, solid waste vehicles, tractors, fire fighting vehicles, motor bikes; and
- iii) There shall be ban on creation of new posts under PSDP / current budget during Financial Year 2023-24.

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Distribution:-

- 1. All members of the Austerity Committee.
- 2. All Secretaries / Additional Secretaries In-charge / PAOs of Ministries / Divisions / Departments.
- 3. Secretary to the President, Islamabad.
- 4. Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister, Islamabad.
- 5. Secretary, National Assembly Secretariat, Islamabad.
- 6. Secretary, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
- 7. Secretary, Wafaqi Mohtasib, Islamabad.
- 8. Federal Tax Ombudsman, Islamabad.
- 9. Secretary, Election Commission of Pakistan, Islamabad.
- 10. Auditor General of Pakistan, Islamabad.
- 11. Controller General of Accounts, Islamabad.
- 12. Accountant General, AGPR, Islamabad.
- 13. Chief Accounts Officer, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Islamabad.
- 14. Additional Secretary, Finance Division (Military), Rawalpindi.
- 15. All Additional Finance Secretaries / Sr. Joint Secretaries / Joint Secretaries, Finance Division, Islamabad.
- 16. Special Assistant to the Finance Secretary, Islamabad.
- 17. Webmaster, Finance Division, Islamabad.

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