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Budget Matter

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Dear

Generally the Union Budget is presented in Parliament on 1<sup>st</sup> February of the year. Since, the General Election of the Lok Sabha is likely to be held in April/May, 2019, this year the Central Government will likely present the Interim Budget 2019-20 on 1<sup>st</sup> Feb., 2019. After the presentation of Interim Budget 2019-20, it is proposed to seek a Vote on Account to cover the Government's requirement of funds for the first four months (April to July) of the next financial year (excluding expenditure on New Service items) and will include provision for:

- (i) One third of the expenditure provision included in the Budget for 2019-20; plus
- (ii) Expenditure required over and above the one-third provision, for meeting contractual liabilities/obligatory commitments due during April-July, 2019 for which provisions have been made in the Budget for 2019-20. Each such case will be precisely justified.
- 2. Requirement of funds for expenditure during April-July, 2019, may be carefully and judiciously reviewed and information arranged to be furnished positively by 10<sup>th</sup> January, 2019, in respect of each Grant controlled by you, in the enclosed proforma. The requisite data is also required to be fed in UBIS by the prescribed date failing which the requirement of the Ministry/Department would be locked for computing the requirement under VoA.
- 3. A "NIL" report may also be sent where additional funds over and above one-third of the Budget 2019-20 provision are not required.
- 4. It may be noted that during the Vote on Account period, no expenditure on "New Service' can be incurred until the Demands for the whole year have been voted and the related Appropriation Bill has been passed authorizing expenditure for the whole year.

Yours sincerely,

(Arvind Shrivastava)

To

All FAs of Ministries/Departments

## PROFORMA FOR VOTE ON ACCOUNT FOR 2019-20: In respect of items where additional funds in excess of one-third of the Demands for Grants are required during April to July, 2019.

(Rupees in crore up to two decimals-Gross figures)

| S.  | Item  | Demand | Revenue | Revenue | Capital | Capital |
|-----|---|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| No  |   | No.    | Voted   | Charged | Voted   | Charged |
| i   | Total Budget Estimate 2019-20   |        |         |         |         |         |
| i   | Amount required in Vote on Account over and above 1/3 of BE 2019-20 during April to July, 2019 for :-  (a) Contractual or Obligatory payments of 2019-20  (b) Other deferred expenditure commitments of 2018-19 |        |         |         |         |         |
| iii | Total [(a) + (b)]  Total amount required in Vote on   |        |         |         |         |         |
|     | Account [i + ii]  |        |         |         |         |         |