

**G-35012/3/2019-IFD**  
**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Jal Shakti**  
**DoWR,RD&GR**

Shram Shakti Bhawan, New Delhi  
Dated-05.03.2020


**Sub.- Preparation/submission of notes for consideration of the Cabinet and Cabinet Committees: Empowered Technology Group-reg.**

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith OM letter no. 1/50/1/2016-Cab dated 29<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 received from Cabinet Secretariat on the subject cited above.

2. Vide above mentioned OM, Cabinet Secretariat has issued instructions regarding submission of all Departmental proposals (including their centrally funded Autonomous Bodies and Laboratories) in excess of Rs. 500 crore for procurement of technology/technology products and for R&D, before the Empowered Technology Group prior to their submission to Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC). In cases where such proposals are to be placed before Cabinet/Cabinet Committee, the draft Cabinet/Cabinet Committee notes, along with inter-Ministerial comments shall be shared with Empowered Technology Group.

3. The said OM is attached for strict compliance on immediate basis.

Encl. as above.

  
(Y.P. Yadav)  
Under Secretary (Fin-II)

To,

- I. All Wing heads (DoWR, RD&GR)
- II. All Division heads (DoWR, RD&GR)
- III. All Branch heads (DoWR, RD&GR)
- IV. All Section heads (DoWR, RD&GR)
- V. All Organization heads (DoWR, RD&GR)

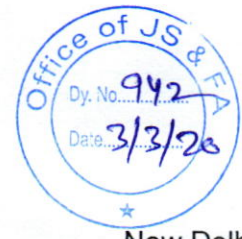
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- i. Sr. PPS to Secretary (DoWR, RD&GR)
- ii. PPS to JS&FA

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No.1/50/1/2016-Cab.  
Government of India  
Cabinet Secretariat  
Rashtrapati Bhavan



New Delhi, 29<sup>th</sup> February, 2020

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject:** Preparation/ submission of notes for consideration of the Cabinet and Cabinet Committees- Empowered Technology Group- reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to Cabinet Secretariat, Office of the Principal Scientific Adviser to the Government of India Order No. Prn.SA/Adv./DCNTG/42/2019 dated 28.02.2020 constituting an empowered Technology Group, as an institutionalized structure to proactively lay down, coordinate and oversee national level policies relating to procurement and induction, and Research and Development (R&D) in technologies that require large outlays in resources both financial and human and to render sound and timely advice for determining direction and trajectory of Government's R&D and Technology Development Programmes (copy enclosed).

2. In this regard, it has been decided that henceforth all Departmental proposals (including their Centrally funded Autonomous Bodies and Laboratories) in excess of Rs. 500 crore for procurement of technology/ technology products and for R&D, will be placed before the Empowered Technology Group prior to their submission to the Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC). In cases where such proposals are to be placed before Cabinet/ Cabinet Committee, the draft Cabinet/ Cabinet Committee notes, along with inter-Ministerial comments, shall be shared with the Empowered Technology Group.

3. Further, the Notes for Cabinet/ Cabinet Committees should separately and clearly reflect the 'Technology Implications' of the proposal under a paragraph titled 'Technology Implications' in the main body of the Note. This paragraph should be immediately below 'Financial Implications' paragraph. The comments of the Empowered Technology Group will also be carried under the same heading in such Cabinet/ Cabinet Committee Notes.

4. It is requested that the above instructions may be disseminated to all concerned for strict compliance on an immediate basis.

5. The Handbook on preparation of notes for the Cabinet/ Cabinet Committees has been modified accordingly to include this requirement.

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29.2.2020  
(Ashutosh Jindal)  
Joint Secretary to the Government of India  
Ph. No.: 2301 2697

All Secretaries to the Government of India (as per list)

Copy forwarded to Chairperson and Members of the Empowered Technology Group

[Signature]  
29.2.2020  
(Ashutosh Jindal)  
Joint Secretary to the Government of India

Copy also forwarded to Scientific Secretary, O/o Principal Scientific Adviser to the Government of India

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29.2.2020  
(Ashutosh Jindal)  
Joint Secretary to the Government of India

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