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GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING
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(Plan Coordination Division)

To

All the Special Chief Secretaries, Additional Chief Secretaries,
Principal Secretaries and Administrative Secretaries.

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Dated the Chandigarh 17th December, 2018

**Sub: Sustainable Development Goals - Four Year Strategic Action Plan,
2019-23 and the Annual Action Plan, 2019-20.**

The United Nations General Assembly, on 25 September 2015, adopted a resolution titled "Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development". The 2030 Development Agenda contains 17 Sustainable Development Goals and the associated 169 targets which comprehensively cover social, economic and environmental dimensions and build on the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). While MDGs targeted low hanging fruit, the SDGs are ambitious, have a much wider sweep and call for concerted effort on the part of all stakeholders. The underlying philosophy is to ensure that 'No one is left behind and the farthest first'. The fundamental difference in approach to SDGs is the focus on outcomes rather than the spending or the processes. The government has decided to adopt the Sustainable Development Goals and take up proper planning, implementation and monitoring of the progress of realization of the Sustainable Development Goals for optimal results.

2. Till now a Vision Document for implementation of Sustainable Development Goals has been prepared and circulated vide this department's communication no. 1/84-PSPB-R.O(PC)-Vision Document-2030/2018/3987-3991 dated 9/11/2018. The state has constituted a Task Force headed by the Finance and Planning Minister, Punjab. The Sustainable Development Goals and Targets there under have been mapped to the Administrative departments with each SDG assigned to one Nodal Department. The schemes have also been mapped to the Sustainable Development Goals and Targets. The National Indicators Framework, approved by the Government of India is hereby adopted. The Administrative Departments have appointed Nodal Officers and a state level 2 day-workshop for Nodal Officers followed by one conference on the implementation of SDGs have been conducted. The next critical step in the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals is the preparation of a Four-year Strategic Action Plan to be implemented through 2019-20 to 2022-23.

3. To facilitate the drawing up of the Four-year Strategic Action Plan, 2019-23, a template, copy enclosed, has been drawn up which calls for laying down departmental vision, mission, the Goals and the Targets, consistent with the 2030 Development Agenda, to be realized, the current status of the Goals and Targets, the strategies to be followed and interventions, schemes and projects to be implemented. It also involves determination of the Key Performance Indicators for Key Personnel of the department. The strategy also involves monitoring of progress of realization of the Goals and Targets through a National Indicators Framework approved by the Government of India. The Governance Reforms Department shall help put in place requisite Information Systems to collect and collate field data to help Administrative Departments in monitoring the progress of implementation of the Four-year Strategic Action Plan, 2019-23.

4. The exercise for the preparation of the Four-year Strategic Action Plan, 2019-23 shall be completed by the Administrative Departments by 31st December, 2018. The departments are expected to follow a consultative approach by involving key stake-holders and the key functionaries in the drawing up of the plans. The departmental plans shall be submitted to the Planning Department by 31st December 2018. Thereafter, bilateral meetings shall be held between Administrative Secretaries, Heads of Departments with the Principal Secretary Planning and Secretary Governance Reforms before the final draft of the Four-year Strategic Action Plan, 2019-23 is placed before Steering Committee headed by Chief Secretary. Schedule of these meetings shall be circulated separately.

5. The executive summary of the Four-year Strategic Action Plan along with the progress achieved shall be reflected in the Annual Administrative Reports of the Administrative Departments. Similarly, the performance on the Key Performance Indicators shall be reflected in the annual Performance Appraisal Reports of the Key Personnel.

6. In view of the tight time schedule available for preparation of Four-year Strategic Action Plan, 2019-23, the departments are requested to immediately take up the exercise in hand and submit the Four-year Strategic Action Plan, 2019-23 to this department well in time.


Special Secretary Planning

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