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Government of India/Ministry of Home Affairs

Department of Border Management

BADP Section

Dated 7th July,2005

To

The Chief Secretary

Government of Punjab

Chandigarh.

Subject: Instruction of Ministry of Finance on Expenditure management.

Sir,

I am directed to state that the Hon'ble Finance Minister took a meeting with the Financial Advisers of Government of India on 17th May, 2005 to discuss the quality of expenditure on the centrally sponsored schemes and desired that:-

- i) State Government should make plan to ensure proper pace of expenditure. In case the State Governments are not able to spend 67% of the budget by December end, they will not be spend more than 33% in the last quarter.
 - ii) Finance Minister stressed the need to reduce unspent balances, which continues to be high. All out efforts should be made by the State Governments to ensure that the quantum of unspent balance is brought down.
 - iii) All the State Governments should ensure that the outcomes are broken down to demonstrable/compatible/monitorable/ quantifiable quanting targets which should be closely monitored. The action plan, if so required, should be recast to make this operational.
2. All the States implementing the Border Area Development Programme (BADP) are requested to please scrupulously observe the above noted directions of the Finance Minister and have the same implemented strictly by nodal department executing the BADP.
3. It is also requested that the Quarterly Progress Reports indicating the scheme-wise progress made BADP up to quarter ending June, 2005 in the prescribed Performa and also the year wise consolidated Utilization Certificates of the entire amount released under BADP up to the year 2003-04 may please be furnished to this Ministry so that the Ist installment for 2005-06 is released in time.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

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