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The Provincial Secretaries,
Heads of Departments,
Northern Province.

Closing of Accounts for the Financial Year – 2014

The Books of accounts for the financial year 2014 have to be closed on 31st December 2014 under Provincial Financial Regulation 254. Accordingly your summary of accounts and other relevant accounting documents pertaining to this year should be accurately prepared and forwarded to the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary- Finance, within the prescribed dates mentioned in this circular. It should also be noted that the instructions issued in this circular regarding closing of accounts for 2014 should be strictly followed and complied with by the Provincial Ministries and the Departments.

1. Closing of the Cash Book on 31st December 2014

The cash book for the Year 2014 should be closed at the end of 31st Dec. 2014 in the following manner:-

1.1 The Secretaries of the Provincial Ministries and Heads of the Departments should delegate authority to a responsible staff officer by name to close the cash books in their offices and sub offices and a copy of the delegation of authority should be furnished to the Auditor General. The financial transactions for the year 2014 should be finalized as at 31st December 2014 by the authorized officer and no any financial transaction should be made thereafter. In the offices where cash books are further utilized in line with the CIGAS programme, the authorized officer should close the cash books for 2014 and place a note of his/ her name, designation, date and time having drawn a red line below the last entry of each cash books in order to prevent any entry of financial transaction after 31st December 2014 being included in the cash book relevant to the year 2014.

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- 1.2 Provincial Secretaries and Heads of Departments should write a cheque in favour of the "Chief Secretary, Northern Province" for the entire balance in the cashbook as at 31.12.2014 should be forwarded to the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary – Finance, Northern Province, 131, Kachcheri Nallur Road, Jaffna on or before 1st Jan.2015.

2. Settlement of Imprest Accounts

- 2.1 The Ministries and Departments not having sub offices should complete the Form in the annexure I confirming the cash book balance as at 31st December 2014 should promptly be submitted to the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary – Finance on 1st of January 2015.
- 2.2 The Ministries and Departments having sub offices should complete Form in the annexure I confirming the cash book balance as at 31st December 2014 should promptly be submitted to the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary – Finance on or before 2nd January 2015.
- 2.3 Any Ministry or Department should not withhold any part of the imprest since an initial imprest will be released to Ministries and Departments on the first working day of the year 2015. Even if there is no cash book balance at the end of the year, "NIL" report should be sent directly to the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary – Finance.
- 2.4 Please also note that subsequent releases other than the initial imprest for the year 2015 will be released by the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary – Finance to Ministries and Departments only after requirements laid down in Para 2.1, 2.2 & 2.3 above are fulfilled.
- 2.5 Pre-arrangements required to facilitate settlement of sub imprests issued to sub offices and officers should be made, in order to remit the balances of Imprest to the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary – Finance on 2nd January 2015. It is presumed that you would discuss with your sub offices and adopt a convenient method similar to 2.1 when you collect such cash balances from sub offices as at 31st December 2014.

3. General Instructions

- 3.1 Details of monthly accounts with regard to Head Number of your Ministry/Department checked with computer print issued by the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary – Finance and the debits made against the votes without adequate provisions should be corrected immediately.
- 3.2 The prior approval of the respective Ministry/ Department should be obtained in making entries in the accounts of another Ministry/ Department through supplementary summary of accounts.
- 3.3 The application for correction of any erroneous accounting must be forwarded to the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary – Finance in the instance where it is impracticable to make such entries in the summary of accounts using CIGAS Programme of the respective Ministry/ Department. The relevant Ministry/ Department is responsible for the accuracy of the information given in the transfer order forwarded to this office for making errors correction.
- 3.4 The certified Final Accounting Statement of the year 2014 of the respective Ministry/ Departments will be released in the form of computer print of the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary – Finance. It is required to send an officer to this office to collect the documents and this office to be informed the absence of such arrangements in advance, and accordingly action will be taken to send the respective accounting statement to such institutions by post. It should be noted particularly that the appropriation account 2014 should only be prepared as per the information in the certified Final Accounting Statement.
- 3.5 If any Ministry/ department procured goods or services from another state or private institution during the year 2014, action to be taken to account the relevant bills on or before 31st December 2014.
- 3.6 In terms of PFR 245 transfer of provisions remained in your heads at the end of the year to Deposit Accounts would be permitted only, where the approval of the Chief Secretary has been granted in that respect. As the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary – Finance allocates a new deposit account number under 6000 to the respective institutions for the year 2014 in order to transfer the remaining provisions so approved; under any circumstances, transfer of budgetary provisions in the year 2014 should not be made to the deposit accounts that are currently operated for the

previous years or general deposit accounts. In making these requests, it should be ensured that the adequate provisions are available in the particular vote.

- 3.7 It is also required to ensure that there are no discrepancies in the accounts, after reconciliation of all the accounts shown in the books of the Ministry/ department with the accounting information available in the Final Accounting Statement 2014 prior to the closing of accounts.

4. The programme inclusive of the tasks related to the closing of accounts in the financial year 2014 and the final dates.

S.No	Task	Explanation related to the task	Scheduled due date for the task
4.1	Closing of Cash Book in the year 2014 respective ministries & departments	Should be performed according to this instructions	On 31 st December 2014
4.2	Settlement of cash book balance	Settlement should be made to Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary – Finance as per this circular	On 1 st January 2015 On 2 nd January 2015
4.3	Submission of the first summary of accounts including transactions in December 2014	This summary of accounts should be submitted as per this instructions	On or before 6 th January 2015
4.4	Issue of the First Accounting Statement	The First Accounting Statement including the transactions of the first Summary of Accounts in December 2014 is released through computer print.	Before 12 th January 2015

4.5	Submission of the Supplementary Summary of Accounts	The supplementary summary of Accounts, including only the transactions which could not be included in the first summary of Accounts in December 2014 should be submitted. The supplementary summary of accounts should be submitted only after running the month end process for December 2014 in the CIGAS program.	On or before 16 th January 2015
4.6	Issue of Final Accounting Statement	Issue of the Final Accounting Statement after inclusion of correction of errors in supplementary summary of Accounts.	On or before 26 th January 2015
4.7	Submission of details on commitments and liabilities as per the form in the annexure II	Submission of details on commitments and liabilities to be settled at the end of the year 2014. Any liabilities or commitments which we not mentioned in this annexure II, should not be settled in the year 2015	On 26 th January 2015
4.8	Advance Accounts	The originals of all the advance accounts should be forwarded to the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary – Finance	On or before 5 th February 2015
4.8.1	Rendition of Public Officers Account Reconciliation Statement (4 copies)		
4.8.2	Rendition of Final Accounts of Advance Account Activities (4 copies)		

4.9	Rendition of Appropriation Account and Revenue Account (4 copies)	Submitted to the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary - Finance	On or before 10 th February 2015
4.10	Rendition of Deposit Reconciliation Statement (4 copies)	Submitted to the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary - Finance	On or before 16 th January 2015
4.11	Rendition of Annual Board of Survey Report	Submitted to the Auditor General with copy to the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary - Finance	On or before 2 nd February 2015

For further clarification with regard to this circular, the following officer in the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary - Finance could be contacted.

Chief Accountant - Accounts & Payments, N.P

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All the Secretaries and Head of the Departments are kindly requested to cooperate in achieving the financial accountability in preparation of the Accounts in year 2014 in complying with the aforementioned procedure on closing of Accounts.


R. Wijialudchumi,

Chief Secretary.

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| 2. Secretary, M/PC & LG, Colombo - 01 | } | for your information please |
| 3. Secretary, Finance Commission, Colombo - 04 | | |
| 4. Chief Internal Auditor, NP | | |
| 5. Asst. Auditor General, NP | | |

My No: -

Date: -

Deputy Chief Secretary – Finance,
Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary -Finance,
Northern Provincial Council,
131, Kachcheri Nallur Road,
Jaffna.

**Closing of Cash Book as at 31.12.2014 & Remittance of Cash Balance
to the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary - Finance**

Ministry / Department:

I hereby certify that the Cash Book balance as at 31st December, 2014 of the Ministry / Department is Rs..... for which a cheque bearing No. dated is enclosed herewith. I further certify that there is no **Cash balance to remit to the Office of the Deputy Chief Secretary -Finance**, other than the amount settled by the above cheque. After the remittance of the above amount the imprest balance tallies / does not tally due to the following reasons :-(Reasons are given as detail)

S. No.	Reason	Amount
	<i>Total</i>	

Forwarding Cash book balance details

S. No.	Reason	Amount
	Block Grant	
	CBG	
	PSDG	
	Deposit	
	APO	
	UNICEF	
	TSEP	
	<i>Total</i>	

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**Chief Accountant / Accountant /
Head of the Department**

Date:-

Statement of Liabilities and Commitments.

Name of Special Expenditure Unit:- Ministry / Department:.....
 Expenditure Head No:-
 Programme No & Title:-

Name of Payee/ Receiver	Nature of Payments/ Liabilities *	Description of Liabilities **/ Commitments ***	Invoice ... No/File No	Project No	Sub Project No	Object Code	Finan cing Code	Amount (Rs.)

* Nature of payments / Liabilities should be recognized as follows.

1. Ministries / Government department
2. State Corporations / Statutory Boards
3. Private Parties

** Liabilities are transaction of which payments have