

Proposal to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for skill development of officials of Finance Department of the State of Kerala

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Smt. T Nitakumari
Special Secretary
Finance Department
Thiruvananthapuram
Kerala

Madam,

Sub: Proposal to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for skill development of officials of Finance Department of the State of Kerala

Greetings from Committee on Public and Government Financial Management (CP&GFM) of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI)!!

Government plays an important role in a nation's progress and its finances contribute a lot to the country's economy. Its proper accounting & financial reporting is essential as the quality of decision making depend on the data used for the purpose.

Role of ICAI:

ICAI is the apex body in the field of accountancy and auditing serving the nation since 1949. ICAI has got more than 160 branches spread across the Country. ICAI, a partner in nation building, is also involved in accounting reforms and improvement of financial reporting and management in various Government entities/departments.

In its relentless endeavour to support Government efforts of continuous upskilling, ICAI through CP&GFM recently entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Commissioner of Treasuries and Accounts, Government of Tamil Nadu (GoTN) for knowledge transfer and skill development of their officials. Trainings have already been initiated in pursuance of the said MoU. A copy of the Government Order of GoTN containing MoU copy also is attached herewith for your kind reference.

We are writing this letter to support your capacity building initiatives in a similar manner. The customised trainings would be structured for your officials on mutually agreed topics like Accounting, Auditing, Direct Tax and GST, Accounting and Auditing in IT environment.

Suggested terms of MoU are as follows:

- The classroom trainings will be organised in the capital of the State.
- ICAI will bear the cost of faculty.
- Wherever Auditorium/ITT labs are available within ICAI Premises, their usage will also be offered depending upon their availability.
- Minimum number of participants should be 50 per batch.
- Other arrangements will be required to be made by your department.

We are sure that the said trainings will lead to further improving the public financial management in the State of Kerala. We look forward to your positive response in this regard. We hope that this collaboration would benefit the Government and society at large.

Please revert for any further clarification/query.

Thanking You,

Yours sincerely,

CA. Kemisha Soni
Chairperson

Committee on Public and Government Financial Management

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Vice-Chairperson

About Committee on Public and Government Financial Management

The Committee on Public and Government Financial Management (CP&GFM) is one of the Non-Standing Committees of the ICAI working in the direction of improving accounting, financial reporting and management in all tiers of Government in India.

The ICAI through CP&GFM is involved in sensitising the stakeholders and society at large about benefits of accounting reforms by organising various workshops/ training programmes, developing e-learning modules apart from formulating Accounting Standards for Local Bodies.



ABSTRACT

Treasuries and Accounts Department – Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the Government of Tamil Nadu and the Institute of Chartered Accountant of India (ICAI) - Capacity Building – Knowledge transfer, skill development of officers of the Treasuries and Accounts Department – Permission/Sanction - Orders – Issued.

FINANCE (T&A-III) DEPARTMENT

G.O. (Ms) No. 361

Dated: 28.11.2022.

சுபகிருது வருடம், கார்த்திகை-12,
திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு -2053.

Read:

1. From the Commissioner of Treasuries and Accounts, Letter No.30940/P1/2022, Dated: 01.09.2022.
2. From the Commissioner of Treasuries and Accounts, Letter No.33944/P1/2022, Dated: 10.10.2022.

ORDER:

In the letter 1st read above, the Commissioner of Treasuries & Accounts has informed that:-

- i. The Treasuries & Accounts is deputing around 700 officers in the rank of Additional Directors/Joint Directors/Chief Accounts Officer's and Assistant Accounts Officers to various Departments, Government Corporations and Boards as Financial Controller/Financial Advisor/ Chief Accounts Officer's.
- ii. The responsibilities of the officers include handling of financial services, finalization of Accounts, Internal Auditing, Budgeting, Filing of Tax returns, Statutory Obligations etc., In order to upgrade the skills of these officers, continuous knowledge Transfer is required. Techno-Managerial Training is key to enhance the professional skills of the officers.
- iii. A Memorandum of Understanding with premier professional bodies will be very helpful in improving the skills of the officers of the Treasuries & Accounts Department and also Finance Department.
- iv. A draft Memorandum of Understanding was sent to the Institute of Chartered Accounts of India and they have duly placed the agenda before the Management Committee of the Institute of Chartered Accounts of India, New Delhi. Now, the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, New Delhi has cleared the draft Memorandum of Understanding and they are willing to partner with Government, Finance Department.
- v. Hence, the Commissioner of Treasuries and Accounts has requested to accord permission for entering into an Memorandum of Understanding for knowledge Transfer which will go a long way in honing the skills of the officials of that Department and keep abreast of the latest developments, which will enhance the quality of work rendered.

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2. Further, the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India has informed that CA Sripriya K, CCM of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India has been nominated to handle this from the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India side and in the Memorandum of Understanding it has been informed to nominate one representative from the Finance Department – Government of Tamil Nadu to coordinate with the representative of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India for the smooth functioning of capacity building programme.

3. In this regard, the Commissioner of Treasuries & Accounts has requested the Government to accord permission for entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Institute of Chartered Accountant of India (ICAI) to Knowledge transfer, skill development of officers of the Treasuries and Accounts Department.

4. In the letter 2nd read above, the Commissioner of Treasuries & Accounts has informed that the total strength of officers in the Treasuries and Accounts Department is 719, comprising Additional Directors, Joint Directors, Chief Accounts officers, Accounts officers and Assistant Accounts officers. He has furnished the list of the training programme proposed upto 31.10.2023 and requested to sanction a sum of Rs.5,84,750/- as detailed below:-

S.L. No.	Name of the training	No of Trainees	Costing/Batch	Total cost (In Rs.)
1.	Training on GST	150	Free of cost provided by ICAI	NIL
2.	Accounting in ICT environment, Financial Accounting and Tally	135	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Computer lab free of cost provided by ICAI at Chennai.• Food and refreshments Rs.350*06days*45persons*03 batches.(Rs.95,000/- per batch)• Training Kit Rs.750*135 persons.• Contingency expenses. Total - A	<p>2,83,500/-</p> <p>1,01,250/-</p> <p>10,000/-</p> 3,94,750/-
3.	Basics in Income Tax and GST	100	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hall free of cost provided by ICAI at Chennai• Food and Refreshments Rs.350*03days*50persons*02batches(Rs.95,000/- per batch)• Training Kit Rs.750*100 persons.• Contingency expenses Total - B	<p>1,05,000/-</p> <p>75,000/-</p> <p>10,000/-</p> 1,90,000/-
Grand Total (A+B)				5,84,750/-

5. The Government after careful examination of the proposal of the Commissioner of Treasuries and Accounts accord permission to the Commissioner of Treasuries and Accounts for execution of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Institute of Chartered Accountant of India (ICAI) for knowledge transfer, skill development of officers of the Treasuries and Accounts Department. The draft Memorandum of Understanding is annexed to this order. The Government also accord financial sanction for a sum of Rs.5,84,750/- (Rupees five lakh eighty four thousand seven hundred and fifty only) for the food, refreshments and training kits to the trainees.

6. The expenditure sanctioned in para-5 above shall be debited to the following Head of Account under the Demand No.16-02– Directorate of Treasuries and Accounts.

“2054 - 00 Treasury and Accounts Administration – 095
Directorate of Accounts and Treasuries - State's
Expenditure - AA Commissioner of Treasuries and
Accounts – 372 Training - 01 Training”

(IFHRMS DPC 2054-00-095-AA-372 01)

7. Necessary additional funds of Rs.5,84,750/- will be provided in Revised Estimates / Final Modified Appropriation 2022-2023. Pending provision of such funds, the Commissioner of Treasuries and Accounts, Chennai-35 is authorized to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in para-5 above and he is also directed to include the above item of expenditure while sending the budget proposal for Revised Estimates / Final Modified Appropriation 2022-2023 to the Finance (Public) Department, at the appropriate time without fail.

8. This orders issues with the concurrence of Finance (Public) Department U.O. No.3108476/ Finance (Public)Department / 2022, dated:28.11.2022 and ASL No. 1890 (One thousand eight hundred and ninety) (IFHRMS ASL No. 2022111890)

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

**N. MURUGANANDAM
ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.**

To

The Commissioner of Treasuries and Accounts, Chennai-35.

The Institute of Chartered Accountant of India (ICAI), Chennai -34

The Principal Accountant General (A&E/ Audit), Chennai-18.

Copy to:

The Finance (Public/ BG-II/W&M-I) Department, Secretariat, Chennai-9.

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SECTION OFFICER
28/11/2022

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

**THE INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED
ACCOUNTANTS OF INDIA (ICAI)**

And

**COMMISSIONER OF TREASURES AND ACCOUNTS,
GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU**

FOR

**KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER, SKILL DEVELOPMENT OF OFFICERS OF
FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU) is made on this..... day of November 2022 at

BETWEEN

THE INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS OF INDIA, a statutory body set up by an Act of Parliament viz. The Chartered Accountant Act, 1949, having its Head Office at 'ICAI Bhawan', P.O.Box No.7100, Indraprastha Marg, New Delhi- 110002 (hereinafter referred to as 'ICAI') which expression shall, wherever the context so admits, mean and include its successors in office and permitted assignees of the ONE PART:

AND

TREASURIES AND ACCOUNTS, GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU having its office at Nandanam, Chennai — 600 035 represented by the COMMISSIONER OF TREASURES AND ACCOUNTS (hereinafter referred to as 'CTA - GOTN') which expression shall, include its successors in office and wherever the context so admits, mean and permitted assignees of the OTHER PART.

'ICAI' and 'CTA - GOTN' are hereinafter collectively referred to as 'Parties' and individually as 'Party'.

WHEREAS the **INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS OF INDIA** offering capacity building for the officials of the Finance, Treasuries and Accounts department of Government of Tamil Nadu.

AND WHEREAS the CTA - GOTN is willing to avail the services of the ICAI for capacity building Programmes for the officials of the Finance department, Government of Tamil Nadu. ✓

By this MoU, the parties hereto have decided to cooperate; collaborate and further agree as under: ✓

1. Objective

The objective of this MoU is to establish mutual co-operation between the parties hereto for knowledge transfer, skill development of officers of the Treasuries and Accounts department, Government of Tamil Nadu. ✓

2. Scope of Co-operation

- 2.1 The CTA - GOTN will nominate the officials for capacity building. —
- 2.2 The ICAI will provide platform for knowledge transfer and skill development at their training Centres in Chennai. In case of virtual programmes, the programme will be organised through digital platform of ICAI. ✓

- 2.3 The ICAI will provide the course material in soft copy and necessary guidance to the participants. ✓
- 2.4 The ICAI will cover the subjects of finalization of accounts, Internal Auditing, Budgeting, Filing of Tax returns, Statutory Liabilities and related topics. ✓
- 2.5 Any other activities within the ambit of knowledge transfer and skill development with the mutual consent of the parties hereto. ✓
- 2.6 The schedule of capacity building programme will be finalized to the mutual consent of the parties hereto. ✓

3. Implementation of the MoU

The CTA - GOTN will nominate one nodal officer to coordinate with the representative of ICAI for the smooth functioning of capacity building programmes. ✓

4. Binding of the MoU

This MoU is not intended to create a legal relationship and its provisions are not intended to give rise to legal rights, obligations or liabilities and no part of this MoU shall be construed to make either party a partner, an agent or legal representative of the other for any purpose. ✓

5. Confidentiality, Intellectual Property and Use of Name and Logo

- 5.1 Each Party shall undertake to observe the confidentiality and secrecy of documents, information and other data received from or given to the other Party during the period of the implementation this MoU or any other agreements made pursuant thereto. ✓
- 5.2 The protection of intellectual property rights shall be enforced in conformity with the laws, rules and regulations in force from time to time. ✓
- 5.3 Each party may use the name, logo and / or official emblem of other party for the purposes of this MoU with the prior written approval of other Party. ✓

6. Amendment

Either Party may request in writing a revision, modification or amendment of all or any part of this MoU and any revision, modification or amendment agreed to by the Parties shall be presented in writing and shall form part of this MoU. ✓

7. Term and Termination

- 7.1 This MoU shall come into force on the date of its signing by the parties and shall remain in force for a period of 5(five) years and thereafter it may be further extended with written mutual consent of the parties.
- 7.2 Either party may terminate this MoU by giving 60 days prior notice in writing to the other. In case of termination of this MoU for any reason, CTA - GOTN and/ or ICAI may continue to use the training materials *already in use*.

8. Dispute Resolution

As this MoU is not intended to create a legal relationship between the parties any difference or dispute between the parties concerning the interpretation and/or implementation and/or application of any of the provisions of this MoU shall be settled amicably through mutual consultation and/or negotiation without recourse to any third party or court.

9. Contacts

Each party hereby designates and appoints below its nodal officers with overall responsibility for implementing this MoU. The Parties may, by written notice to the other Party, designate additional or different persons as points of contact but the Parties expect to have only one person at a time designated as the person with overall responsibility for all activities undertaken pursuant to this memorandum.

For the CTA - GOTN:

The Commissioner of Treasuries and Accounts,
Perasiriyar K.Anbazhagan Maligai,
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Email: dta.tn.nic@in

For ICAI:

Secretary, The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, ICAI Bhawan,
Indraprastha Marg, New Delhi - 110002
Off: 011-30110404
Email: secretary@icai.in

10. Further Acts and Assurances:

Each party agrees to execute and deliver all such further instruments and to do and perform all such further acts and things, as shall be necessary and required to carry out the provisions of this MoU and to consummate the transactions contemplated herein.

For and on behalf of Finance Department, Government of Tamil Nadu	For and on behalf of The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India
Signed by COMMISSIONER OF TREASURIES AND ACCOUNTS, Government of Tamil Nadu	Signed by Secretary, Institute of Chartered Accountants of India

Witness:

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**N.MURUGANANDAM,
ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

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SECTION OFFICER.
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