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## Notification

The Government is deeply concerned over the budgetary agencies' tendency of rushing to spend the balance budget towards the end of the financial year. Such cases usually relate to utilization of balance fund of current and non-developmental expenditures. This leads to wastage of limited public resources.

Under normal circumstances, agencies should be spending on average about 25% of the recurrent and non-development capital budget outlay in a quarter. However, a review of the quarterly expenditures for the past two financial years (2012-13 and 2013-14) shows that about 33% of the annual expenditure was spent during the last quarter. Towards curbing such unwarranted spending spree by the budgetary agencies, the Department of Public Accounts will carry out the following before releasing the current and non-development budget of the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter:

- i. Review the preceding quarterly budget releases and expenditures; and
- ii. Strictly provide budget releases as per the Budget Utilization Plan of the agency.

The Department of National Budget will restrict the re-appropriations from those activities where releases have been made and budget not used to other activities.

All heads of budgetary agencies are advised to closely monitor the budget and spending and avoid clustering the spending in the last quarter of the financial year. While budget spending will be tied to achievement of annual performance targets from the next financial year, the Ministry of Finance requests all budget agencies to kindly avoid last minute spending on unnecessary items, and instead otherender any such unspent budget.

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