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PLANNING & ECONOMIC AFFAIRS (B) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.279 /2020/P&EA

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram,06/07/2020

Read:- 1.G.O.(Ms)No.11/2020/Plg, dated 14/03/2020

2.E-mail message dated 09/05/2020 from Sri.P.C.Mohanan, Chair Person, Kerala State Statistical Commission

3.Letter No.KLSSSP/1715/2020/DES dated 21/05/2020 from the Director, Department of Economics and Statistics , Thiruvananthapuram.

4.Letter No.103/2018/P.P.D/S.P.B dated 26/05/2020 from the Member Secretary , State Planning Board

ORDER

Government have constituted Kerala State Statistical Commission (KSSC) as per the G.O read as 1st paper above , for exploring the possibilities of utilization of modern statistical techniques in the field of census , sample surveys, Statistics Analysis, statistical information system etc in the state . As per the letter read as 2nd paper above , the Chairman , Kerala State Statistical Commission has forwarded draft terms of reference of State Statistical Commission and has recommended to include the Director, Department of Economics and Statistics as Ex-officio Member in the Commission.

Government have examined the matter in detail in consultation with the Member Secretary , State Planning Board and the Director, Department of Economics and Statistics. Government are pleased to include the Director Department of Economics and Statistics as Ex-officio Member in the Kerala State

Statistical Commission . The Terms of the reference of Kerala State Statistical Commission is as follows.

Terms of reference of Kerala State Statistical Commission

1. Review and recommend Methodologies for publishing Macro Economic aggregates for Kerala Economy on Annual and quarterly basis at par with the National level estimates.
2. Review Sectoral Statistics particularly Statistics relating to Agriculture, Industry and Service sectors and recommend measures to full up data gap, improve data quality and reduce time lag in data release.
3. Suggest ways to integrate Statistical activities of various departments and LSG institutions to avoid duplication and ensure optimum use of administrative data.
4. Operationalize a web enabled online data sharing mechanism between DES and other departments /agencies. For example
 - a. If the GST data base is shared with DES, it will help trade sector State Income estimation.
 - b. A business register of all enterprises in Kerala along with basic information of the enterprises can be maintained if registration related data sharing between the Registering Authorities and DES is operationalized
5. Study improvements in the role of LSGs in connection and utilization of various levels of dis-aggregation
6. Review the recommendations and suggest implementation guidelines for the four expert committee report on Agriculture Statistics, price index, State Income and Technical Advisory Committee (regarding line departments) prepared under the Statistical strengthening projects

7. Examine methodologies for developing socio-economic indicators to meet the needs of SDGs and other developmental goals including high frequency economic indicators.
8. Advise State Government Agencies on all statistical surveys including surveys done under central schemes to ensure that surveys meet the specific needs of the states and strengthen the state statistical system.
9. Advise Government on data sharing within and outside Government.
10. Advise on strategies for human resource development including training for the state statistical personnel.
11. Make recommendations on any area relating to official statistics referred to the State Government.
12. Evolve strategies to improve public trust in official statistics. The commission may provide a forum for regular user consultation to access emerging data needs and support SES in the area of statistical product enhancement.
13. Recommend steps to modernize the State Statistical system through use of data analytic, development of spatial data, development of meta data standards and web based data dissemination.
14. Conduct studies with the support of DES to constitute expert committees and working groups and assign research projects to research institutions and academic bodies on issues requiring wider competencies and consultations. To undertake studies, Commission should consider the State Academy on Statistical Administration (SASA) also.
15. The commission may study the need for developing a modern and effective data dissemination policy of Kerala State Statistical system.
16. NSO is conducting regular annual surveys on periodic labour force, unincorporated sector enterprises and service sector enterprises. The

Commission may examine the need of State participation in these surveys and make recommendations to the Government.

17. Commission may develop methodology for the computation of
(i) District income estimates (ii) District level poverty estimates
(iii) Green GDP and (iv) Sub State level human development index.
18. The Commission may examine the advise promotional strategies to elevate the status of State Academy on Statistical Administration (SASA), a training institute attached to the DES, to a Centre of excellence in training and research in official statistics.
19. Prepare and annual report on the Commission's activities to be presented to the Government.

(By Order of the Governor)

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ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY

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- 1 Member Secretary, State Planning Board, Thiruvananthapuram
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3. Sri.P.C.Mohanan (through Director, Department of Economics and Statistics)
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5. Prof.Madhura Swaminathan,(through Director, Department of Economics and Statistics)
6. Dr.V.Surjith Vikraman (through Director, Department of Economics and Statistics)
7. The Principal Accountant General(Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.
8. The Accountant General (A&E) Thiruvananthapuram.
9. The Finance Department
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