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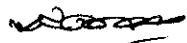
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All Secretaries to the Ministries,  
Chief Secretaries of Provincial Councils,  
Heads of Departments,  
Chairmen of Public Corporations, Statutory Boards and Government Owned Companies.

**Public Expenditure Management – Printing of Calendars and Diaries**

It has been observed that a large sum of government money is being spent annually by Ministries, Departments and Statutory Boards, including State Owned Companies, for the purpose of printing of calendars and diaries to be distributed free of charge among the public, employees, stake holders/clients etc. Considering the adverse impact on the government expenditure on account of such action, the Cabinet of Ministers has decided that all state institutions, statutory boards and government owned companies should refrain from printing calendars and diaries utilizing Consolidated Fund from the year 2016.

02. This directive will not be applicable on the Department of Government Printing which is engaged in the printing of official diaries and calendars annually for the use of government institutions.



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