The Principal Secretary (Finance) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh, SHIMLA-02.

To

1. All the Administrative Secretaries to the
   Government of Himachal Pradesh.
2. The Secretary to Governor, H.P. SHIMLA-2.
3. The Secretary, H.P. Vichai Sabhu, SHIMLA-4.
4. The Registrar General, H.P. High Court, SHIMLA-2
5. All the Heads of Departments in H.P.

Dated Shimla -171002, the 24th July, 2020.

Subject:- Economy Instructions regarding printing of calendars or
diaries, greeting cards etc. and serving of lunch/dinner
during meetings.

Sir,

The issue regarding competent level/authority to accord
permission for serving lunch/dinner at Government expenses at any meeting
including the meeting(s) of the Council of Minister(s) had been engaging the
attention of the Government for quite some time past and after careful
consideration, it has now been decided that in partial modification of this
Department's letter/instruction No. Fin-I-( C )-14-1/92-Vol.-I dated
16.11.1999 (Copy enclosed), the provision of Para-(3) under SOE shall be
substituted as below:-

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| No lunch/dinner will be served at Government expenses at any meeting including the meeting(s) of the Council of Minister(s). Exceptions shall be made in case of full day long meeting(s) where working lunch only will be served. | (i) For meetings to be organized by the Department(s), the authority to authorize lunch/dinner shall be the Minister-in-Charge concerned.  
(ii) In case of meeting(s) of Council of Minister(s), the Chief Secretary shall be the competent authority to authorize lunch/dinner. |
All concerned working under your control, may kindly be instructed to adhere to the above instructions in its letter & spirit. This letter/instruction may also be seen on www.himachal.nic.in/finance under the link "Expenditure".

**BY ORDER**

[PRABODH SAXENA, IAS]

Principal Secretary (Finance) to the

Government of Himachal Pradesh, SHIMLA - 2

DIRECTORATE OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION
HIMACHAL PRADESH, LALPANI, SHIMLA-171001


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1. The Joint Controller (F&AS), Directorate of Elementary, Shimla-1.
2. All the Deputy Director of Elementary Education, Himachal Pradesh.
3. The Assistant Controller/Section Officer (F&AS), Directorate of Ele. Edu. Shimla-1.
4. The Nodal Officer (IT Cell), Directorate of Elementary Education, HP Shimla-1 with the remarks to upload the same on departmental website.
5. The Superintendent Store, Directorate of Elementary Education, HP SML-1.
6. The P.S. to Director of Elementary Education, Shimla-1.

(HITESH AZAD) HPAS,
Joint Director (Administration),
Directorate of Elementary Education,
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