Government of Himachal Pradesh Department of General Administration

No.GAD-B(F)13-3/2020-I

Dated Shimla-2 23rd Feb, 2022

NOTIFICATION

Consequent upon decision taken by the State Government to constitute "Samanya Varg Aayog" vide Notification No. GAD-B(F)13-3/2020 dated 10-12-2021, the Governor, H.P. is pleased to notify the constitution of the Samanya Varg Aayog, its term of office, objectives, powers and functions etc. as under:-

- Composition of Samanya Varg Aayog: The Samanya Varg Aayog shall consist of the following:
 - One Chairperson and two Members, who shall be nominated by the State Government.
 - An officer who is or has been not below the rank of Joint Secretary of the State Government may be nominated as the Member Secretary.
- 2. Term of Aayog:- The term of Aayog shall be one year and can be extended further.
- 3. The Headquarter of the Aayog will be at Shimla.
- **4.** The Aayog shall consider the following and make recommendations to the Government:-
 - The Aayog shall examine the grievances, problems and issues of classes of general categories of the State and recommend solutions of such grievances, problems and issues of this section of the society.



- The Aayog shall study and survey the socio-economic condition of the marginalized and poor persons and families of the general classes of the society and formulate welfare schemes for their advancement and recommend to the Government for their implementation.
- 3. It shall study the existing welfare schemes of the State Government and recommend ways to implement them in the interest of the general classes of the state.
- The Aayog may study welfare policies of other states and union territories also and may recommend to State Government for their adoption, if found fit.
- The Aayog shall act as a body to recommend the implementation of the safeguards and protections provided for general classes in the directive principles and other parts of the Indian constitution
- 6. The Aayog shall have the power to call for necessary information from any Government department, Government or Semi Government bodies, public sector undertakings and autonomous bodies and to travel in the entire state, whenever it is required for the purpose of this Aayog and in the interest of the targeted general classes.
- The Aayog shall perform any other specific function or duty given by the State Government.

5. Officers and other employees of the Aayog:-

- The state government shall provide the Aayog with officers and employees as may be necessary for the Aayog for efficient performance of the Aayog preferably from surplus pool/ on secondment basis/ out source basis.
- The number of posts and service conditions of the staff of the Aayog shall be such, as may be specified by the State Government.
- 3. The state Government shall provide necessary budget for the payment of salaries and allowances to the officers and employees of the Aayog.

6. Finance, Accounts and Audit:-

- The Samanya Varg Aayog shall maintain proper accounts and other relevant records and prepare annual statement of accounts to be forwarded annually to the State Government in consultation with the Accountant General, Himachal Pradesh.
- 2. The accounts of the Samanya Varg Aayog shall be audited by the Accountant General, Himachal Pradesh at such intervals as maybe specified by him and any expenditure incurred in connection with such audit shall be payable by the Samanya Varg Aayog.
- 3. The Accountant General, Himachal Pradesh and any person appointed by him in connection with the audit of the accounts of the Samanya Varg Aayog shall have the same right and privileges and the authority in connection with such audit as the Accountant General, Himachal Pradesh generally has in connection with the audit of Government accounts and in

particular, shall have the right to demand the production of books, accounts connected vouchers and other documents and papers and to inspect any of the office of the Samanya Varg Aayog.

7. Procedure to be regulated by the Aayog:-

- 1. The Aayog shall meet as and when necessary as the Chairperson may think fit.
- 2. The Aayog shall regulate its own procedure.

By Order

Principal Secretary (GAD) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh

Endst. No.: As above

Dated:

23rd Feb ,2022

Copy for information and necessary action is forwarded to :-

1. The Secretary to Governor, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2.

- 2. All the Administrative Secretaries to the Government of H.P. Shimla-2.
- 3. The Sr. PS to Chief Minister, H.P. Shimla-2.
- 4. The PS to all the Ministers, H.P.Shimla-2.
- 5. The PS to Speaker/Deputy Speaker, Vidhan Sabha, HP. Shimla-4.
- 6. The Principal P.S. to Chief Secretary, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2.
- 7. The Spl. P.S. to Pr. Secretary to Chief Minister, H.P. Shimla-2.
- 8. The Director, Social Justice & Empowerment, SDA Complex, Shimla-2.
- 9. All the HODs/Deputy Commissioners in Himachal Pradesh.

Under Secretary (GAD) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh