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To
The Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary
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## Subject: Use of GSDP/GSVA/NSDP/NSVA/IIP etc. Data.

Sir / Madam,

You are aware that Bureau of Applied Economics & Statistics (BAES) under the department of Planning & Statistics acts as State Authority for preparing the estimates of Gross State Domestic Product (GSDP) of the State. Despite several challenges such a complex exercise is carried out in conformity with the methodologies under System of National Accounts (SNA). Indeed, the technique of prediction/forecasting is frequently applied on various indicators to arrive at the GSDP/GSVA estimates on different sectors of the economy.

The GSDP/GSVA estimates are released mainly to have an understanding of the development trajectory of the state economy. For this purpose, Quick, Provisional and Advance estimates of GSDP/GSVA are prepared for taking informed decision at policy levels. Finalizing the estimates is a cumbersome and lengthy process normally takes about three years from the release of Advance estimates.

It has come to notice recently that some departments are using the GSVA/NSVA figures in the process of calibrating indicators of their own interest without considering the inherent linkages and mode of revision of the GSVA/NSVA estimates. In order to maintain uniformity and to recognize the pattern of changes, GSVA/NSVA estimates are revised even four times a year. It is felt that a well-coordinated system is to be followed and utmost care need to be taken during calculation of any indicators involving GSVA/NSVA estimates.

In view of above, it is requested that Planning & Statistics department must be consulted henceforth to use the GSVA/NSVA estimates for the purpose of calculating indicators on finance, education, health, agriculture etc. or for any other purpose.

For any further assistance you are requested to send e-mail to secypspm@gmail.com; dirbaes@gmail.com.

Yours sincerely,

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