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From: Financial Secretary

To: **Supervising Officers-in-Charge of Ministries/Departments and Accounting Officers**

Call for Expression of Capital Project Intentions

This Ministry is conducting its annual call for expression of capital projects which public bodies intend to execute in the coming financial year/s. The object of this exercise is to allow this Ministry to build up a pipeline of capital projects that fit national strategic goals, offer logical solutions to specific issues/problems and have an economic justification.

2. You will recall that, following the last call for capital project intentions exercise in September 2022, a number of project proposals were retained under the Public Sector Investment Programme (PSIP) as “Projects under Preparation”. During the 2023-2024 budget exercise, a number of these projects that have passed the preparation phase have been included in the mainstream PSIP and provided with a budget for their implementation. This Ministry is following up with the respective public bodies on the state of preparedness of the other “projects under preparation” for their subsequent financing and inclusion in the mainstream PSIP for implementation.

3. You are hereby informed that this call for capital project intentions exercise constitutes an important first step in appraisal of capital projects proposals. This will allow this Ministry to adequately appraise, select and retain those capital projects that can proceed with preliminary preparation. You will also get the opportunity to interact with this Ministry on ways and means to improve your capital project intentions so that these can be shortlisted for preliminary preparation and subsequent implementation in the coming financial year.

4. You are, therefore, requested to submit your project intentions with cost estimates preferably **above Rs 10 million (excluding VAT)**. This Ministry will examine those intentions and conduct an appraisal mainly based on their relevance to national strategic goals, their ability to offer logical solutions to specific issues/problems identified and on their economic justifications.

5. A template to guide you in your submissions is at **Annex I**. The template can also be downloaded from the website **<https://mof.govmu.org>**. The deadline for submission is **30 November 2023**.

6. Furthermore, Ministries are requested to provide a status update on project under preparation in PSIP 2023/24 -2025/26 as per template at **Annex II**.

7. After the screening exercise by this Ministry, you will be informed of those capital project intentions that have been retained, for which you may proceed with preliminary project preparation. You may wish to note that funding for project preparation has been earmarked under Vote 24-1: Centrally Managed Initiatives of Government.

8. The completed template should be submitted in both **soft** (word format) and **hard** copies to the Public Investment Management Unit (PIMU) – pimu@govmu.org – and to your relevant **SMST**. Contact details of officers of the PIMU are:

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