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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**Sub: Exemption of CSIR from operation of all provisions of Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010 for accepting foreign contribution in cash or kind to undertake scientific research activities**

The issue regarding exemption of CSIR from FCRA, 2010 provisions for carrying out scientific research activities in CSIR and its Labs/Instts. was under consideration in CSIR.

Now, in pursuance of MHA, GOI order no. 425, S.O.459(E) dated 30/01/2020 and in supersession of MHA order published in the official gazette vide order no. S.O.1492(E) dated 01/07/2011, CSIR is exempted from the operation of all provisions of FCRA, 2010 with effect from the date of publication of MHA order dated 30/01/2020 in the Official Gazette.

However, CSIR and all CSIR Labs/Instts. shall be required to fulfill the following conditions :

1. For keeping proper subsidiary records & to track utilization of amount received on such account (as an internal control mechanism) and to facilitate Internal and External Audit of these records, a separate account in the existing service bank of the Institute may be opened for the purpose of remittances and utilization of foreign contribution. No funds other than foreign contribution shall be received or deposited in such account. Being exempt from all the provisions of FCRA, the amount of foreign contribution may be transferred to other bank accounts of the Lab/institute for utilization, however, it is preferable to avoid such practice to keep accounting process simple.
2. A separate broadsheet for receipt and utilization of each FC may be prepared and a reconciliation statement for all such FCs appearing in broadsheet with the balance appearing in FC bank account may be prepared at the end of each financial year.
3. Due diligence will be exercised to ascertain the bonafides of the contributors prior to receiving any contributions in the fund.
4. The accounts will be compulsorily audited by CAG.

This issues with the approval of DG, CSIR in consultation with Director, FCRA (MHA, GOI), LA, CSIR and FA, CSIR.

  
22/01/2021  
(Bhawna Guglani)  
Under Secretary

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