# FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING MANUAL 2021



## **PRIDE BHUTAN**

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## CHAPTER – I

## **GENERAL FINANCIAL PRINCIPLES AND SYSTEMS**

#### 1.1. Purpose

The purpose of Finance and Accounting Manual are as follows:

- a. to standardize the Finance and Accounting Manual of the organization.
- b. to provide systematic instruments for recording financial transactions that complies with legal and other statutory requirements.
- c. to ensure timely and accurate reporting of the financial information to the management for making right decisions.
- d. to establish strong internal control mechanism and censor fraud, corruption and embezzlement of assets of the Pride Bhutan.
- e. to provide reference point to accounts personnel about various accounting and financial procedures.

#### **1.2.** Application

1.2.1. The Finance and Accounting Manual shall apply to Pride Bhutan only.

#### **1.3. Effective Date**

1.3.1. The Finance and Accounting Manual shall be effective from the (date) of final endorsement from the Board of Directors.

#### **1.4.** Amendment and revision

1.4.1. The Finance and Accounting Manual shall be amended or revised from time to time when deemed necessary.

#### **1.5.** Interpretation, Clarification, Review and Update

- 1.5.1. The Executive Director and Accounts Personnel shall be in the position to interpret and clarify all the provisions prescribed in this Manual.
- 1.5.2. The Management shall also be responsible for reviewing and updating with the prior approval from the Board.

#### 1.6. Financial Year

1.6.1. The financial year of Pride Bhutan shall follow that begins from **1**<sup>st</sup> **January** and ends at **31**<sup>st</sup> **December (12 months)**.

#### 1.7. Currency

1.7.1. Pride Bhutan shall record and report the financial transactions of both receipt and payment in National currency that is "Ngultrum". In the event, where the transaction involves foreign currency shall be converted into Ngultrum.

## CHAPTER – II

## ACCOUNTING SYSTEM

#### 2.1. General

2.1.1. Accounting system are the specific financial principles, rules and procedures that shall be implemented by Pride Bhutan. These include any methods, measurement systems and procedures for presenting disclosures. Accounting system are a set of standards that govern how the Pride Bhutan shall have to follow the accounting system and the preparation of its financial statements.

#### 2.2. Basis of Preparation

2.2.1. The Financial Statements shall be prepared under **"modified cash-basis"** system of accounting as per the CSOA's Standard Financial Reporting of Accounting, 2018.

#### `OR'

The Financial Statements shall be prepared under **Cash-basis of accounting** as per the

CSO Act of Bhutan 2007 requires all the Public Benefit Organizations (PBOs) to establish an accounting system in accordance with the Financial Rules and Regulations (FRR), 2016 of the Royal Government of Bhutan (RGoB), which in principle is a cash basis accounting system.

**Cash-basis accounting system:-** The cash basis of accounting recognizes income and expenses only when cash is actually collected or disbursed. Net income under a cash basis system would always equal the company's cash receipts minus the cash disbursements. Since the cash basis of accounting do not account the assets and liabilities, additional reporting is required in the form of additional disclosure in the Notes and Schedules on the details of the assets and liabilities of the CSO entity's at the year end.

#### 2.3. Accounting Software system

- 2.3.1. The Finance Personnel shall recommend appropriate accounting software for use at Pride Bhutan.
- 2.3.2. The access to accounting computer and software shall be controlled through use of passwords. The head of the Finance shall control the master password.
- 2.3.3. The accounting data in the software shall be backed up regularly.

#### 2.4. Accounting process and Procedures

Pride Bhutan shall follow the following accounting processes to ensure the proper maintenance of Books of Accounts.

#### 2.4.1. Books of Accounts

The Finance Personnel shall maintain following list of books of accounts and backup documents:

- 1. Vouchers;
- 2. Cash book;
- 3. Bank book;
- 4. Ledger book;
- 5. Subsidiary ledger books;
- 6. Assets register; and
- 7. All backup documents

#### 2.4.2. Chart of Accounts

In order to prepare the financial data for a particular period, it is essential that every financial transaction is accounted and properly classified under a proper head, such as; income, expenditure, asset or liability. These Accounts Heads are called "Chart of Accounts" (COA). Books of accounts/records shall be maintained strictly as per the COA **(ANNEXURE 1).** 

## **CHAPTER-III**

## RECEIPT

#### 3.1. RECEIPT

3.1.1 Any amount in the form of Cash/Cheque/ wire transfer received in the name of the Pride Bhutan shall be issued the printed official money receipt immediately by the Finance Personnel and the amount is treated as receipt.

#### 3.2 RECEIPT VOUCHER

- 3.2.1 The Finance Personnel shall make necessary entry of the received amount in respective account head by preparing the **Receipt Voucher (Receipt Voucher Form 1)** with attached duplicate money receipt or other authenticate documents (in case of wire transfer).
- 3.2.2 The receipt voucher shall be serially numbered based on the month of the voucher preparation and the fresh serial number will be started from next coming month.

#### 3.3 Money Receipt

- 3.3.1 The printing of new official money receipt shall be approved by the ED of Pride Bhutan upon recommendation of finance personnel.
- 3.3.2 The **money receipt (MR -F2)** shall be printed in three copies in the form of original, duplicate and triplicate.
- 3.3.3 A **Receipt Book Register (RBR– F3)** shall be maintained to record the issuance of Receipt Books.
- 3.3.4 The Finance Personnel shall be the authorized person to issue Money Receipt and unused money receipt shall be kept under lock and key with the Finance Personnel.

#### 3.4 Deposit into Bank

3.4.1 All the receipts in the form of cash, cheque, and demand draft shall be deposited into the bank and the deposit slip shall be maintained by the Finance Personnel.

3.4.2 The acknowledgement of the deposit details that shall be obtained from the bank be maintained with Finance Personnel until the following year's audit is completed or follow as per the record retention clause.

#### **3.5 Dishonor of cheque**

- 3.5.1 If the cheque bounces, the Finance Personnel shall retain the bank advice and take up the matter with party concerned at the earliest, and take necessary action with the party concerned.
- 3.5.2 The Finance Personnel shall make note of the cheque dishonor in the deposit acknowledgement receipt of the bank, and on the voucher prepared for the deposit.

#### 3.6 Receipt through wire transfer

3.6.1 The Finance Personnel shall acknowledge the money received from the parties through bank transfer and record the amount immediately in the books of accounts.

## CHAPTER – IV

## EXPENDITURE

#### 4.1. EXPENDITURE

4.1.1 It shall be the policy of organization that any expenses incurring is systematically recorded in the books of accounts maintained by the organization.

#### 4.2 Approval of expenditure

- 4.2.1 All the expenditures shall be approved by the ED upon final verification from head of divisions.
- 4.2.2 The means for approval shall be supported by complete set of original and authenticate documents and also there should be available allocated budget. Such required documents shall be submitted by the claimant.

#### 4.3 Verification of expenditure

4.3.1 Before submission of claims to Finance Personnel for disbursement, the bills or any claims shall have to verify by the concerned personnel.

#### 4.4 PAYMENT VOUCHER

- 4.4.1 Upon the verification, the invoices shall be submitted to Finance Personnel along with proper supporting documents for necessary payment.
- 4.4.2 The Finance Personnel shall prepare the **Payment Voucher (F F6)** for any disbursement.
- 4.4.3 The payment voucher shall be signed by the person who prepares, verified and approved.
- 4.4.4 The payment should be made only in the name of the payee or to a person authorized in writing to collect payment on behalf of the payee.
- 4.4.5 All the payments shall be made by cheque. The exception to rule may be made in the case of direct debits (wire transfer) by bank.

- 4.4.6 Acknowledgement of payment shall be obtained while making the payment with proper details.
- 4.4.7 The payment voucher shall be serially numbered based on the month of the voucher preparation and the fresh serial number will be started from next coming month.

#### 4.5 Claims for payment

4.5.1 A bill shall be presented by parties for payment and for employee an **expenses** claim form (F – F4) and travel Claim form (F – F5) shall be used.

#### 4.6 Claims in arrears

- 4.6.1 Claims in arrears refer to the claims not presented within 12 months which is due for payment. Such claims are considered a stale or time barred.
- 4.6.2 Time barred claims can be revitalized within a period of one year of their becoming time barred if the fund is available.
- 4.6.3 The claimant shall submit the original bill, work order, with reasons for nonsubmission of claims on time.
- 4.6.4 No claims shall be accepted for payment after a period of two years of becoming due except on the strength of court order or the Government order.

#### 4.7 JOURNAL VOUCHER

- 4.7.1 **Journal voucher (F-F7)** shall be prepared for entering the transactions of nominal account (*that do not involve cash payment e.g. for error or omission rectification & adjustment of advances without refund or reimbursement*).
- 4.7.2 The Journal voucher shall be serially numbered based on the month of the voucher preparation and the fresh serial number shall be started from next coming month.

#### 4.8 Signing of Cheques

- 4.8.1 The cheques shall be signed by two or more signatories. The signatories shall be appointed by the head of the organization or chairperson.
- 4.8.2 The official seal of the designated signatories shall be stamped below their signatures on every cheque issued.

#### 4.9 Issue of cheques

- 4.9.1 The signed cheque shall be issued only to a person who is authorized to collect the cheque.
- 4.9.2 The official money receipt for the acknowledgement of the receipt of the cheque shall be obtained from the payee.
- 4.9.3 All the cheques issued should be entered in a **Cheque Issued Register (F F8)**.

#### 4.10 Cancellation of Cheques and Stop Payments

- 4.10.1 Cheque may be cancelled if there are errors in the cheque by making as "CANCELLED". All cancelled cheques shall be retained with the cheque book to aid in the preparation of Bank Reconciliation Statement.
- 4.10.2 If the payment voucher has already been prepared for the cancelled cheque, a reverse entry for the transaction shall be passed.
- 4.10.3 If the prepared cheque is not collected on valid period of cheque shall refer to clause 4.6.3 and 4.6.4.

#### 4.11 Replacement of lost cheques

- 4.11.1 The cheque alleged to have been lost or not received by the payee shall replace with the issue of fresh cheque upon written request by the payee.
- 4.11.2 Before issue of new cheque, the proper cross-check is done.
- 4.11.3 If the cheque is ascertained to have not been en-cashed, the alleged lost of cheque shall be intimated to the bank for stopping the payment.

#### 4.12 PAYROLL AND SALARY PAYMENT

#### 4.12.1 Payroll Inputs

- 4.12.1.1 The Finance Personnel shall prepare monthly payroll at the end of the month. The payroll shall include the following inputs:
  - i. **Permanent inputs**: name of the employee, grade, pay structure, rate of deductions for provident fund, health contribution, and other grade specific deductions;

- ii. **Periodic Inputs:** promotion, increment, loan recovery, or any other deductions;
- iii. **Variable inputs:** incentives, attendance, leave, and adjustment to pays and deductions on account of leave and absenteeism.

#### 4.12.2 Changes to Payroll Data

- 4.12.2.1 Any changes in periodic and variable inputs to payroll data shall be communicated by HR Section to Finance Section latest by the beginning of the fourth week to incorporate the same in the payroll for the effective month.
- 4.12.2.2 The changes in the payroll data shall be provided in written by the HR Section with a copy to the concerned sections:

#### 4.12.3 **Deductions from the payroll**

- 4.12.3.1 Deductions of Taxes (PIT), Health Contributions, Provident Fund, GIS and allowances shall be made from the pay roll at rates prescribed under the rules and orders issued from time to time.
- 4.12.3.2 The loan availed by employee from various financial institutions to which Pride Bhutan has given an undertaking shall be remitted to institutions concerned upon deductions from their monthly salary.
- 4.12.3.3 The remittance deductions shall be remitted to the respective institutions not later than the time limit prescribed by the institutions.

#### 4.12.4 Salary Payment

- 4.12.4.1 The monthly salary shall be prepared based on the **pay bill (F-F9)** which shall be attached with the Payment Voucher.
- 4.12.4.2 A **pay slip (F F10)** showing details of gross pay and deductions shall be provided to respective employees in the following month.

#### 4.13 Separation Benefits

- 4.13.1 Finance Personnel shall prepare resignation benefits working sheet (F-F11).
- 4.13.2 The following documents are needed to furnish for release of benefits:

- a. The service relieving order approved by Executive Director.
- b. The relieving employee has to obtained tax clearance certificate.
- c. The employee has no outstanding loans for which Pride Bhutan has given the undertaking.
- d. The employee has no outstanding advances.
- e. The employee has handed over the charges, including the office assets in his/her possession.
- 4.13.3 If there are outstanding loans and advances it shall be deducted from the benefits claim (Provident Fund and gratuity).

## CHAPTER- V

## ASSETS AND CASH MANAGEMENT

#### 5.1. Fixed Assets

5.1.1 Fixed assets shall be recorded and shown in the books of accounts at historical cost, less accumulated depreciation.

#### 5.2 Depreciation

- 5.2.1 Depreciation shall be charged to Fixed Assets on the diminishing balance method at the rates prescribed in **ANNEXURE -II.**
- 5.2.2 No depreciation shall be charged to asset sold or retired during the financial year.

#### **5.3 Capitalization of Fixed Assets**

- 5.3.1 Fixed asset upon acquisition shall be immediately capitalized.
- 5.3.2 Expenditure on works in progress shall be capitalized once it is commissioned.
- 5.3.3 Expenditure on minor repair and maintenance of fixed assets shall be expensed to revenue expenditure
- 5.3.4 Expenditure on major repair and maintenance of fixed asset shall be expensed to capital expenditure.
- 5.3.5 Any expenditure on replacement of parts of fixed assets which cost more than 30% of the acquisition cost shall be capitalized.

#### 5.4 Cash in Hand

- 5.4.1 It shall be the policy of Pride Bhutan not to retain cash in hand **more than Nu. 5,000** unless the cash is withdrawn for urgent office use.
- 5.4.2 Cash in hand at the end of the financial year shall be physically verified and certified.
- 5.4.3 Cash in hand shall always be kept in a secured chest, under lock and key.

#### 5.5 Bank Accounts with Financial Institutions

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Pride Bhutan shall maintain following the bank accounts with the financial institutions in the country Bhutan:

#### 5.2.1 Current Account

All the Receipts and Payments shall be operated from the Pride Bhutan's official opened account.

#### 5.2.2 **Opening of Current Deposit (CD) account**

The official account shall be opened with any National Financial Institutions of the country in the form of Current Deposit Account.

#### 5.2.3 Fixed Deposits Account

- i. Any surplus fund may be deposited into fixed deposit account.
- ii. Fixed Deposits Certificate shall be obtained while making deposit, and be kept in safe custody.
- iii. Any interest earned from the fixed deposit should be accounted for in the financial year.
- iv. As soon as fixed deposits mature, it should be ensured that it is either encashed or renewed immediately so that there is no loss of interest due to idle deposit.

#### 5.6 Maintenance of Cash Book

- 5.6.1 The **Cash Book (F-F12)** shall be maintained in a computerized system.
- 5.6.2 All the transactions shall be entered into the cash book as soon as the transactions take place.

#### 5.7 Bank Reconciliation

- 5.7.1 The **bank reconciliation** shall prepare on monthly basis (Annexure-III).
- 5.7.2 The reconciliation shall be prepared from bank statement to cash book balance.

#### **5.8 INVESTMENT**

#### 5.8.1 General Policy

- 5.8.1.1 It shall be the policy of the Pride Bhutan to make prudent investment of its surplus fund to ensure the financial sustainability of the organization.
- 5.8.1.2 Any investment maintained shall be guided by Pride Bhutan's Statement of Investment Policy.
- 5.8.1.3 The investment is defined as assets held by the Pride Bhutan for earning income by way of dividends, interests, capital gains, or other benefits to the Pride Bhutan.
- 5.8.1.4 The investment shall be classified into current and long-term investment, and also local and offshore investment.

#### 5.8.2 Allowable Investments

5.8.2.1 The allowable investments shall be decided by the board based on the recommendation by the Management.

#### 5.8.3 **Diversification**

5.8.3.1 The management shall explore diversification of its investment on situational bases to ensure that the risk from investment is spread and minimized.

#### 5.8.4 **Income from investment**

- 5.8.4.1 The income earned from the investments shall be recognized in the income statement for the year when it is actually received.
- 5.8.4.2 The income shall be recorded at gross amount, before deduction of applicable tax.

## **CHAPTER VI**

## ADVANCE

#### 6.1. Types of advances:

**A. Advance to Employees:** The advance paid to employees are of following types:

- i. Salary Advance
- ii. Project Advance
- iii. Imprest Advance
- **B.** Advance to Parties: The advance paid to parties are of following types:
  - i. Advance to Contractors/suppliers
  - ii. Advance to Others

#### 6.2. Salary Advance

Advance paid to employees which shall be deducted from their monthly salary until its liquidation.

- i. The salary advance shall be approved by the ED and respective head of the section upon duly filled **advance application form (F-F13**).
- **ii.** The amount of salary advance shall not be disbursed more than one month's basic pay at one occasion.
- **iii.** The next salary advance shall not be paid if the employee has not liquidated the previous advance.
- iv. The employee shall not sanction salary advance for more than three times in a year; however, this restriction may be relaxed during emergencies, such as sickness, birth of a child, and death of family or relatives.
- **v.** All the salary advances shall be liquidated by the end of the financial year.

vi. The Finance Personnel may impose restrictions on sanction of salary advance for the reasons of the liquidity and working capital management.

#### 6.3. Project Advance

- i. These advances are paid to employees to meet project activity expenses in the field involving cash payment.
- ii. The advances shall be approved by the ED and the head of the Department and Division upon verification from the respective divisions. The employee shall submit a project advance request form (F F14).
- iii. For DSA advance, the employee shall request through **travel** authorization form (Form -C).
- iv. It shall be the policy of Pride Bhutan to pay only 60% of the estimated travel cost as an advance; rest 40% shall be paid upon submission of travel claim and tour report on return.
- v. A memorandum of the advance payment shall be maintained in the system.
- vi. The advances shall be liquidated within one week from the date of completion of the activities.
- vii. Cash balance from the advance, if any, shall be deposited directly to the Bank by the employee and ensure to obtain money receipt from Finance Personnel upon producing the deposit slip.

#### 6.4. Petty advance

- i. In order to meet petty expenses (e.g for tea items), the employees may be provided with petty advance upon duly filled **Petty advance form (F-F15)**.
- ii. Petty advance shall be paid maximum to **Nu.10,000** at one occasion.

**iii.** The employee making payments from the petty advance shall submit the expenditure details attached with cash memo and receipts along with the cash balance (if any) to Finance Personnel for necessary adjustment.

#### 6.5. ADAVANCE TO PARTIES

#### 6.5.1. **Advance to Suppliers/Contractors**

- i. The suppliers, contractors, service providers shall be paid advance on the basis of specific clauses in the contracts and regulations.
- ii. The party shall request the **advance duly filled form (F- F16)**.
- iii. The separate memorandum record shall be maintained.

#### 6.5.2. Advances to others

i. The advances disbursed to entities other than employees and suppliers shall be booked under this account head.

## CHAPTER – VII

## **BUDGETING AND REPORTING**

#### 7.1. BUDGETING

A budget is a plan showing the organization's objectives and how management intends to acquire and use resources to attain those objectives.

#### 7.2. Preparation and Adoption

- 7.2.1. The Finance Personnel in consultation with respective sections shall prepare the budget for the financial year.
- 7.2.2. The account heads for budget shall be followed as per the chart of accounts (**Annexure –I**).
- 7.2.3. The draft operational and the project budget shall be review and discussed in the Management.
- 7.2.4. The operational budget shall get final approval from board. However, the project budget shall be approved by the Management.

#### 7.3. Monitoring Performance

- 7.3.1. The Finance Personnel shall prepare a progress report when and where needed, showing approved budget, expenditure till date, and budget balance.
- 7.3.2. The Program concerned shall review the budget progress report, and take corrective measures if there are any variances.

#### 7.4. Budget Revision

- 7.4.1. A budget revision may be required during the year depending on requirements of each program or the donors. The budget revision may be of the following two types:
  - 1. Re-appropriation of budget (**F– F17**)
  - 2. Supplementary budget (**F F18**)
  - **1. Re-appropriation -** Re-appropriation of budget includes the following:
    - a. Transfer of budget from one expenditure head to another;

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- b. Transfer of budget from one activity to another activity; or
- c. Transfer of budget from one funding source to another, if acceptable.
- **2. Supplementary budget-** Supplementary budget shall mean the budget in addition to the one already approved in the annual budget for the year.
- 7.4.2. The ED shall approve the re-appropriation of the Operational Budget; the supplementary budget for the Operational shall be approved by the board.
- 7.4.3. The approval for project budget revision shall be sought from the donors.

#### 7.5. Management fees

- 7.5.1. The term "management fees" refer as the fees paid as compensation for providing professional skills and abilities, as well as the extra time spent for managing the project by operational personnel.
- 7.5.2. In every project budget proposal, 10-15% of the total proposed budget shall be proposed as management fees.

#### 7.6. FINANCIAL REPORTING

- 7.6.1. The standard of financial reporting statements of PRIDE BHUTAN shall be prepared based on the CSOA's *Financial Reporting format, October 2018* which includes the following:
  - 1. Statement of Receipt and Payment Statement (F-F19) a statement is a summarized cash and bank transactions prepared at the end of the accounting period.
  - 2. Statement of Financial Affairs or Balance Sheet (F-F20) a statement of assets, liabilities and capital of the organization prepared at a particular point in time.
- 7.6.2. **The project financial report statement (F-F21**) shall be prepared for the donors as per the requirement. The financial reporting format shall depend on donor's requirement.
- 7.6.3. The financial statements of PRIDE BHUTAN shall show data for two consecutive years: current year data and the previous year data.

7.6.4. As required by the CSOA Rules and Regulations 2010, the amounts in the financial statements shall be segregated into ngultrum and foreign currency.

#### 7.7. Frequency of preparation

- 7.7.1. The financial statements described in the preceding section shall be prepared annually, or as and when required by the management, the Board or the donors. The financial statements shall be accompanied by relevant schedules.
- 7.7.2. The financial statements shall be ready at least one day before the schedule of upcoming Board Meeting if the statements are required during the meeting.

#### 7.8. Review and Distribution

- 7.8.1. The any financial reports shall be reviewed first by ED before distribution to parties.
- 7.8.2. The ED shall submit the reviewed financial statements to the Board for their information and comments.
- 7.8.3. The Finance Personnel shall present the financial statements during the scheduled Board Meeting if required by the management and board.

## CHAPTER – VIII

## AUDIT AND RECORD RETENTION

#### 8.1 ANNUAL AUDIT

- 8.1.1. The book of accounts shall be audited by Royal Audit Authority's certified auditors at least once in a year.
- 8.1.2. The Finance Personnel shall communicate directly with the audit team for conducting an audit.

#### 8.2. Preparation for the Audit

8.2.1. The Accounts Personnel shall ensure that the overall financial statements, working sheets, supporting documents and technical reports are kept readily available before conducting the audit.

#### 8.3. Concluding the Audit

- 8.3.1. The Finance Personnel is ensured that the financial documents submitted to the auditors are returned when the audit is completed.
- 8.3.2. The relevant division shall respond the audit observations upon discussion with management.

#### 8.4. Post Audit

- 8.4.1. The management shall ensure that the auditor's compliances are fulfilled.
- 8.4.2. Any unresolved observations shall be resolved at the earliest to the full satisfaction of Auditors.
- 8.4.3. The Finance Personnel shall circulate the audit report to board, relevant stakeholders, and donors whenever it is being requested.

#### 8.5. RECORD RETENTION

#### 8.5.1. Maintenance of records

8.5.1.1. The Pride Bhutan shall ensure that adequate measures are undertaken for the safe custody of all the financial records, and contract documents against loss, misplacement, mishandling, defacing, mutilation etc.

#### 8.5.2. **Preservation period of financial and contract documents**

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- 8.5.2.1. The minimum preservation period shall be calculated from the date of the completion of audit by the external auditor and settlement of audit observations pertaining to the contents of the records, if any.
- 8.5.2.2. The minimum period for preservation of the specific financial and contract records shall be as given hereunder Table no. 1:

# Table no. 1. The minimum period of retention of the financial documents/ records.

SI. No.	Type of Records	Minimum period of retention
1	Documents related to preparation and approval of the annual budget	24 months
2	Record on receipt of funds from donors	60 months
3	Bank Statement and Bank Reconciliation Statements	24 months
4	Revenue Receipt Books and other revenue records	24 months
5	Payment/Receipt/Journal/Reverse Vouchers	36 months
6	Dishonored cheques	up to settlement of audit
7	Record on fixed assets, office equipment, and vehicles	till the disposal and settlement of subsequent audit
8	Records pertaining to supplies and materials	- Do -
9	Records related to investment	till the sale of investments and settlement of subsequent audit
10	Payroll records and summaries	60 months
11	Cheque books, and cash books( if Rules and Regulations cash book is maintained)	60 months
12	Contract documents	60 months or till the settlement of audit whichever is later
13	Financial Statements	Permanently
14	Audit Reports	Permanently

#### 8.6. Destruction of Records

- 8.6.1. The following procedures shall be followed with regard to the destruction of financial and contract records:
- 8.6.2. Upon completion of the minimum preservation period specified in 6.4.2.2, the Finance Personnel shall prepare and submit the list of records requiring destruction to the Management.
- 8.6.3. The records shall be destroyed in the presence of the management team.
- 8.6.4. The Pride Bhutan shall maintain a Register of destructed records.

## **Annexure I – Chart of Accounts**

Code			
No.	Account Head		
1000	Current Asset		
1001	Cash in Hand (Nu.)		
1002	Cash in Hand (USD)		
1003	Cash at Bank (Nu.)		
1004	Cash at Bank (USD)		
1005	Prepaid Rent		
1010	Prepaid Expenses		
1020	Accrued Income		
1021	Advance to Employee (Salary)		
1022	Advance to Employee (Project)		
1023	Advance to Parties		
1024	Fuel Deposit Advance		
1025	Loan Receivable		
1031	Accounts Receivable		
1032	Provision for Doubtful Debts		
1033	Inventory on Hand		
1034	Endowment Fund		
1035	Short-term Investment		
1500	Fixed Asset		
1501	Land		
1502	Buildings		
1503	Plant & Machinery		
1504	Accumulated depreciation – buildings		
1505	Vehicles		
1506	Accumulated depreciation – vehicles		
1507	Office equipment		
1508	Accumulated depreciation – office equipment		
1509	Accumulated depreciation – furniture and fixtures		
1505			
1600	Investment		
1601	Long-term Investment		
1602			
	Long-term deposit		
1603	Shares and securities		

2000	Current Liskilities		
2001	Current Liabilities		
2001	Accounts payable		
2002	Accrued expenses		
2003	Remittance and recovery		
	Remittance - Provident Fund (employee contribution)		
	Remittance - Group Insurance Scheme (GIS)		
	Remittance - Personal Income Tax (PIT)		
	Remittance - Health Contribution		
	Remittance - Loan Payable (Bank Loan)		
	Remittance - Tax Deducted at Source (TDS)		
2004	Welfare fund		
2005	Gratuity fund		
2006	Security Deposit/Earnest Money Deposit		
2007	Other current liabilities		
2007			
2500	Non –current Liabilities		
2501	Loans Payable		
2502	Other non – current liabilities		
3000	Retained Earnings		
3001	Retained Surplus / accumulated deficit		
3002	Current year surplus / deficit		
4000	Income		
4001	Donations/contributions		
4002	Grant Funds		
4003	Interest /dividends		
4004 4005	Interest – Endowment Interest – Operating		
4005	Sale of Goods		
4007	Management fees		
4008	Gain on sale of non-current assets		
4009	Rental income		
4010	Consultancy/contract income		
4011	Fees		
4012	Gain in exchange rate		

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4013	Other income			
5000	Expenses			
5001	Pay & Allowances			
5002	Wages/Remuneration			
5003	Honorarium			
5004	Consultancy			
5005	Entertainment			
5006	Fees			
5007	Fundraising expenses			
5008	Rental Expenses			
5009	Travel – DSA /incidental expenses			
5010	Travel – Airfare			
5011	Transportation – Vehicle			
5012	Transportation – Porter/ pony			
5013	Utilities – Telefax, Internet, website			
5014	Utilities – postage and courier			
5015	Utilities - Electricity, water and sewerage			
5016	Utilities – Others			
5017	Supplies and maintenance: Office supplies			
5018	S&M – Printing, Photocopying & Publications			
5019	S&M – Medicines, laboratory, consumables			
5020	S&M – Fertilizers, Chemicals, Manures, Inoculants			
5021	S&M – Seeds and seedlings			
5022	S&M – Equipment			
5023	S&M – Others			
5024	Operating Exp. – Advertising & promotion			
5025	Operating Exp. – Taxes, duties, royalties, handling and bank charges			
5026	Operating exp Insurance (Building/vehicle and etc.)			
5027	Exp. On Structure – Buildings			
5028	Exp. On Structure – Roads			
5029	Exp. On Structure – Bridges			
5033	Exp. On Structure – Irrigation canals			
5034	Exp. On Structure – Landfill			
5035	Exp. On Structure – Drains			
5036	Exp. On Structure – Water & Sanitation			
5037	Exp. On Structure – plantations			

5038	Exp. On Structure – Fencing
5039	Exp. On Structure – Others
5040	Production and Development
5041	Audio visuals productions
5042	Publication productions
5043	Souvenir productions
5044	Production and Dev. – Others
5045	Program – Data inputs, analysis, documentations
	Program – Design & Layout
	Program – Training
	Program – Survey
	Program – Workshop/Meetings
	Program – Information, Education & Communications (IEC)
5046	Program – Reporting / Presentations
5047	Program – Monitoring & Evaluations
5048	Programs – Awareness, advocacy,
5049	Programs – Campaigns
5050	Programs – Social events
5051	Programs – Exhibitions/ Demonstrations
5052	Programs – Others
5054	Grants – Government agencies
5055	Grants - Private agencies
5056	Grants - individuals
5057	Grants – Others
5554	Grants – Award

## **Annexure II – Depreciation Table**

Sl.n o.	Item	Depreciati on rate (%)	Useful life	Scrap value after useful life
1	Land	Nil	Infinite	Appreciate every year
2	Building (permanent)	3.5	70 yrs.	-do-
3	Building(semi-permanent)	10	25 yrs	To be based on actual condition
4	Furniture and Fixtures, Fittings- Steel	8	12 yrs.	36.72%
5	Furniture, Fixture, Fittings- Wooden	10	10 yrs.	34.86%
6	Office & Electronic equipment	15	7 yrs.	37.71%
7	Vehicle-light, Medium & Heavy	20	7 yrs.	26.21%
8	Earth moving and other machinery – light, medium & heavy (e.g. Bulldozer, Tractor & Power tiller)	20	7 yrs.	26.21%

## **Annexure III- Bank Reconciliation Statement**

Details	Amount
A. Balance as per the Cash book	XXXX
Add: Cheque issued but not presented for payment	xxxx
Add: Direct transfer to bank not recorded in cash book	XXXX
Add: Interest income paid by bank but not recorded in the cash book	XXXX
B. Total (Add)	хххх
Less: Bank charges directly debited by bank but not recorded in cash book	XXXX
Less: Cash collection recorded in cash book, but not deposited into bank	XXXX
C. Total (Less)	хххх
Bank Balance as per Bank Statement	xxxx
Reconciliation (A+B-C)	XXXX

## **List of Forms**

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## **Pride Bhutan**

#### **Receipt Voucher**

Cr. Vr. No. ...

Date ....

Through: Cash/Cash at Bank

Particulars	Amount
Account:	Xxx
Account head	
Total	Xxx

Account of: (Narration)

Amount (in words):

Bank transaction details:

Cheque/DD no......date ....

Checked by:

Verified by:

Authorized by:

## **Pride Bhutan**

## (Address)

#### **Money Receipt**

Receipt No.....

Date .....

Received from......a sum of Nu.(figure).....Ngultrum(Words).....

On account of .....

By cash/draft/cheque no.....date.....

Accountable Officer

Pride Bhutan

# Receipt book register

Date	Receipt No.		Issued	Issued		Signature
	From	То	from	То		

#### EXPENSES REPORT

Purpose : ..... Project : ....

Particulars	<i>Receipt No. &amp; date</i>	Amount (Nu.)	Chargeable / account head
	Total	Xxxx	
Advance	: XXXX		
Total Expenses	: XXXX		
Amount receivable/refundable	: XXXX		

Submitted by:

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Name/Signature

Checked/ Verified by:

Aprroved by:

(ED/ Head)

Date

Date:

Date:

#### TRAVELLING ALLOWANCE CLAIM

Name	:	Designation :	
Grade	:	Project	:
Purpose	:		

	Place	Place		Travel	Total
Date	From	То	Nu.	fare	Nu.
				Nu.	
		Total Nu.			
		Advance taken	: Nu. Xx	X	
		Total Expenses	: Nu. xxx	•	
		Amount	: Nu. Xxx	C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C	
Claimed/r	refunded				

Submitted by:

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Signature

Checked/Verified by:

(Signature/Designation)	
Date:	

#### Approving Authority:

Signature/Designation\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date:

Date:

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#### **Pride Bhutan**

## **Payment Voucher**

Dr.Vr. No. ...

Date ....

Through: Cash/Cash at Bank

Particulars	Amount
Account:	Ххх
Account head	
Total	Xxx

Account of: (Narration)

Amount (in words):

Bank transaction details:

Cheque/DD no......date ....

Receiver's signature and details:

Verified by:

Checked by:

Authorized by:

## **Journal Voucher**

Jr. Vr. No. ...

Date ....

Particulars	Debit	Credit
Account:	Xxx	
By account head		
Account:		Xxx
To Account head		
Total	Ххх	Ххх

On account of: (Narration)

Checked by:

Verified by:

Authorized by:

#### **Cheque Issued Register**

Sl.no.	Date of issue	Cheque no.	Name & Signature of Payee	Amount

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## **Pride Bhutan**

# Thimphu Bhutan

## <u>Pay Bill</u>

### Pay bill for the month of .....

SI.no	Emplo yee's name	Design ation	Grad e	Ba sic Pa y	Allowance/E L/LTC	Gro ss pay	Deduct ions	Total Deduct ions	N et Pa Y
Total									

Prepared by:

Approved by:

#### **Pride Bhutan**

# LAST PAY CERTIFICATE OR PAY SLIP FOR THE MONTH OF .....

Name :

Grade:

Designation:

Citizen ID No.:

Employee No.

Tax Payer No.:

EARNINGS	AMOUNT	DEDUCTIONS	AMOUNT
BASIC PAY	xxxx	1. GPF	Хххх
Allowance	xxx	2. GIS	Хххх
GROSS PAY(A)	XXXXX	3. PIT	XXXX
		4. Health Cont.	XXX
		5. Bank loan	Ххх
		6. Advance	xxx
		7. Welfare fund	XXX
		8.Welfare loan	Xxx
		9. OTHERS	ххх
		Total deductions (B):	Xxxx
NET PAY (A-B)	Хххх	(Nu. In words)	1

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I hereby certify that the information given in this certificate is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

(Name and Designation of issuing authority)

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#### **Pride Bhutan**

#### **Resignation benefits working sheet**

Date....

#### **Personal Profile**

Name	;					
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Designation:.....

Grade:....

Citizenship ID no.....

Tax Payer No.(TPN):.....

Date of Birth:....

Date of joining the service:.....

Date of Resignation:.....

Current Basic Pay:.....

Year of services completed.....

Service relieving order no.:....

A. Benefits	
1.Gratuity (No. of years served x current basic pay)	Хххх
2.Earned Leave (no. of balance days x (current basic pay/per day)	Хххх

3.Leave Travel Concession (basic pay up to ceiling Nu.30,000)	Xxxx
	^^^
Total Benefits	Хххх
B. Deductions	
1.Advance	
	Хххх
2.PIT against EL	
	Xxxx
3.Any refunds	
	Xxxx
Total deductions	Vice
	Хххх
Net Amount (A-B)	Xxxx
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Amount (in words).....

Prepared by, verified by,

Approved by,

## **Pride Bhutan**

#### **Cash Book**

For the month of .....

Dr.(receipt)

Cr(Payment)

Dat e	Ref .no	Parti cualr s	Amo unt	Ca sh	Ba nk	Dat e	Ref. no.	Partic ualrs	Cheq ue no.	Am ou nt	Ca sh	Ba nk
Tota	tal receipt Xxx xx xx Total expenditure x x				xx x	Xx x	XX X					
						Total	closin	g Balan	се	xx x	Xx x	xx x

#### Salary Advance application form

Date

.....

Name: .....

Designation:.....

Advance request (amount)	Purpose of advance	Monthly deductions (amount)	Deduction effective from (date)	Outstanding advance (if yes Nu.)

(Signature of applicant)

Verified by,

(Finance Section)

Approved by,

(Executive Director/Chief)

#### Note:

- The verification should seek before approval.
- The Chief will approve if the amount is below Nu.10,000 upon verification from Finance Division.
- The advance shall not exceed more than two months basic pay.

#### **Pride Bhutan**

#### **PROJECT ADVANCE APPLICATION FORM**

Date .....

Name of Employee :

Designation

2

3

2

Section/Program Project Name

Project Activity (Summary of the planned activity against which the advance is requested)

Estimate breakdown of amount requested and the related budget heads are indicated below.

Particulars/activit y	Project budget head	Amount (Nu.)	Verification (for accounts use only)
Total amount			

Signature of Applicant:	
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Endorsed/Verified by:

Section Head: Sig:.....

Finance Section : Sig:.....

Approved by:

Executive Director: Sig:.....

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Received an amount Nu......(Ngultrum......

.....) only in CASH/CHECK No. .....

Recipient name (if different from the applicant):..... Shaded (grey) area is to be used by the accounts personnel to verify fund availability against the amount requested and **no fresh advance will be released if previous advance is not settled**.

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#### **Pride Bhutan**

# Petty advance application form

Date .....

Name: .....

Designation:.....

Advance request (amount)	Purpose of the advance	Chargeable account

(Signature of applicant)

Verified by,

(Finance Section)

Approved by,

(Executive Director)

## **Pride Bhutan**

#### Advance to party

Date .....

Name of the party : .....

Address : .....

Advance request (amount)	Name of the work assigned	Work order no. and date	Outstanding balance advance

(Signature of applicant)

Verified by,

1.Project officials:

2. Finance Section:

Approved by,

(Executive Director)

#### Budget re-appropriation

Grant No (if any):

Project name:.....

Project duration:.....

Proposed extension period (if relevant).....

Division.....

Activity requiring re-	Current amount	Proposed re-	Proposed re-appropriation		
appropriation ( changes in budget)	on in Column	Amount required ( <i>additional</i> <i>amount</i> )	<b>Source</b> ( <i>the</i> <i>activity head</i> <i>from where the</i> <i>additional</i>	source/clumn (3b) after amendment (4)	
(1)	(2)	(3a)	amount will be allocated) (3b)		

# **1. Justification (required field):** *Briefly state the reason for proposing budget re-appropriation.*

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Submitted by:

Verified by:

Endorsed by:

#### **Pride Bhutan**

Supplementary budget request form

Grant No (if any):

Project/operational name:.....

Project/operational duration:....

Proposed extension period (if relevant ).....

Division:

Total approved budget (Nu/USD)	Current ac	tivity and budget	Proposed new activities and budget		
	Activity heads	Budget available (Nu/US)	Activities	Budget (Nu/US)	

#### Justification for budget/activity supplementary

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Submitted by:

Verified by:

Endorsed by:

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#### **RECEIPT AND PAYMENT STATEMENT**

# (For the period ending $31^{st}$ December XXXX)

SI.#	Group/Broad Head of Account	Sched ule	Receipt (Nu/US\$)	Payments (Nu./US\$)
1	Opening Balance:			
	a.Cash		Xxx	
	b.Bank		Xxx	
2	Revenue:			
	a.Operating Revenue		Xxx	
	b.Non-operating Revenue		Xxx	
3	Grants:			
	a.Cash		Xxx	
	b.In-kind		Xxx	
4	Donation:			
	a.Cash		Xxx	
	b.In-kind		Xxx	
5	Program & Project Supports			
	a.Cash		Xxx	
	b.in-kind		Xxx	
6	Expenditure			
	a.Operating			Ххх
	b.Non-operating			Ххх
	c.Program & Project			Xxx

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	Excess of income collected over exp	penses						
7	Other cash transactions							
	Principal repayment of loan		Xxx					
	Restricted fund	Xxx						
	Bank loan received	Xxx						
	Assets acquisition	Xxx						
	Statutory recoveries/ remittances		Xxx					
	Advance & Adjustment	Xxx	Xxx					
	Net other cash transaction							
	Excess of cash receipts over (under) disbursements for the year							
8	Closing Balance							
	a.Cash		Xxx					
	b.Bank		Xxx					
	Total	Xxxx	Xxxx					

(Head of the Finance Section) (Head of the organization) (Chairperson) (Auditor)

# Statement of Assets and Liabilities (Balance sheet) as on 31<sup>st</sup> December xxxx

	Sched ule		he yea ent ye	ar ended ear)			ne yea ious y	r ended ear)	
		(A) (B) (A+ B)	(A)	(A) (B)		(A+ B)			
		Nu.	US \$	Eqv.(N u.)	Tota l (Nu. )	Nu.	US \$	Eqv.(N u.)	Total (Nu. )
Assets									
Cash									
Bank									
Account Receivable									
Inventory									
Prepaid Items									
Plant & Equipment									
Accumulate Depreciation									
Advances									
Liablities									
Accounts Payable									
Loan & Brrowings									

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Accrued Liabilities					
Statutory remittances					
Total Net Assets					
Represented by					
Endowment fund					
Excess of incoe collected over expenses disbursed:					
Beginning of the year					
For the year		<u> </u>		<u> </u>	
End of the year					

(Head of the Finance & Investment Division) (Head of the organization) (Chairperson) (Auditor)

#### **Project Financial Report**

<b>Project Title:</b>	
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Project Donor:....

Project Agreement No.:....

Project Period:.....

Reporting period:

Project Accoun t head	Approved budget (Nu./US\$ )	Fund received (Nu/US\$ )	Expendit	Balance (Nu/US\$ )		
			Previou	Curren	Cumulativ	
			s	t	е	
Opening balance						
Fund received						

Prepared by:

Verified by:

Endorsed by: