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# Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation Central Statistics Office (Economic Statistics Division)

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#### **OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Subject: Constitution of Expert Group of Seventh Economic Census-reg.

The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) has been conducting the Economic Census (EC) from time to time. The EC provides a detailed and comprehensive database of all establishments in the country covering formal and informal establishments in both the public and private sectors. MoSPI has conducted six (6) ECs in the past during 1977, 1980, 1990, 1998, 2005 and 2013. The next EC (7th) is to be conducted during 2019 and will capture information on various economic variables like nature of economic activity, employment size, type of establishment etc. for all non-agricultural establishments at the State and Sub-State level. The 7th EC will use technological interventions in the conduct of the field work and develop a nationwide Business Register for dynamic updation.

2. For the overall guidance on the technical aspects related to conduct of the 7<sup>th</sup> Economic Census, the competent authority has approved constitution of an Expert Group with the following composition and Term of Reference:

#### 2.1 Composition:

(1)	Director General (ES), CSO, MoSPI	<b>:</b>	Chairperson
(2)	Additional DG, SDRD (NSSO), MoSPI	( <del>2</del> 8	Member
(3)	Additional DG, DSDD, MoSPI	1 <del>3</del> .9	Member
(4)	Joint Secretary, DIPP, M/Commerce & Industry	(4)	Member
(5)	Joint Secretary, M/o Labour and Employment	¥	Member
(6)	Sr. Vice President (IT Infrastructure), GST Network		Member
(7)	Representative of Reserve Bank of India	2	Member
(8)	Representative of NITI Aayog	=	Member
(9)	Deputy Director General (EC), ESD, MoS&PI	-	Member
			(Convenor)

## 2.2 Terms of reference:

- (a) Recommend strategies for data collection including schedule design, data validation, tabulation and report generation with respect to 7th EC;
- (b) Recommend the modalities for the use of appropriate information technology in the various aspects pertaining to coverage of 7th EC;

- (c) Evolve a mechanism for inspection, monitoring and post enumeration checks;
- (d) To organize Stakeholder consultations including State Governments, Central Ministries/ Departments, data users, etc. on various technical issues pertaining to conduct of 7th EC;
- (e) Recommend modalities to roll out unique identification number in consultation with MSME and RBI and any others who have experience in this task; and
- (f) Recommend modalities for developing National Business Register, its dynamic updation and linkage with benefits under Government Schemes along with appropriate IT infrastructure.
- 3. The Expert Group will submit its report within 6 months of issue of this Memorandum.

4. Economic Statistics Division of CSO, MOS&PI will be the Secretariat to the Committee.

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