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From: Secretary for Public Service

To : Supervising Officers in charge of Ministries/Departments

Enhancement of Work Environment Programme
Financial Year 2021-2022

The implementation of the Enhancement of Work Environment Programme (EWEP) is being pursued. This scheme has greatly helped to improve the working environment of Public Officers in terms of safety and health. As at date, 918 projects have been funded under the programme.

2. For Financial Year 2021-2022, Government has enlarged the scope of the programme to also cater for projects relating to greening of the Public Sector which is in line with the second pillar of Government’s strategy to promote a green energy industry. As a matter of fact, as from this financial year, this Ministry will also consider financing projects related to:

(i) Solar water heaters;
(ii) Solar panels for electricity generation;
(iii) Rainwater harvesting;
(iv) Recycling processes and tools;
(v) Sensors to control lights in office; and
(vi) Energy saving bulbs.

The financial support in respect of green projects would be up to the ceiling of Rs100,000 per project.

3. Moreover, this Ministry will provide financial support for projects relating to protection of public officers against COVID-19 infections. These may include, but not limited to, wall-mounted infrared thermometers and infrared sensing hand sanitizers.

4. The EWEP Guidelines highlighting the procedures for the submission of applications under this programme and a list of safety and health projects which might be of interest to your Ministry/Department are available on this Ministry’s website https://civilservice.govmu.org/Pages/SERVICES%20NEW/osh.aspx. Projects for which funding have been provided under the Vote of the line Ministry would not be considered under this programme.

5. You are kindly requested to submit, by 01 September 2021, at latest, your project proposal(s), on the approved Project Proposal Form to the Occupational Safety and Health Division of this Ministry, for consideration. Applications will be considered on a first-come-first-served basis. The Project Proposal Form can be accessed on the Website of this Ministry.
6. Once your project proposal has been approved at the level of this Ministry, an approved quotation will have to be submitted within one month. Thereafter, a Departmental Warrant will be issued solely for the implementation of this project. This project will have to be completed before the 30th June 2022 and a certificate of completion should be submitted to this Ministry.

7. For any additional information and/or clarification, the Safety and Health Officer attached to your Ministry/Department will provide necessary assistance in the formulation of project and submission of application.

8. Supervising Officers are kindly requested to take advantage of this programme and come up with projects that would enhance the work environment of Public Officers.

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Secretary for Public Service

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