Office Order: Karnataka Jnana Aayoga-Technical Committee (KJA-TC)

- The Government of Karnataka has extended the term of Karnataka Jnana Aayoga (KJA) till December, 2019 and re-constituted the Aayoga, vide its GO NO. ED 354 URC 2016 dated August 2, 2017, under the Chairmanship of Dr K Kasturirangan. KJA has been tasked to focus on institution building, policy innovation and excellence in the field of education, health, science and technology, industry, entrepreneurship, research and innovation, traditional knowledge, agriculture, e-governance, rural development, etc. and other relevant areas.

- In 2015, as part of its internal working procedures, KJA had constituted a KJA-Technical Committee (KJA-TC) vide KJA: Order-01 (and 01-01): KJA-TC: 2014 of September 8, 2014/December 29, 2014 under the Chairmanship of Prof S Sadagopan. The KJA-TC is to consider various proposals – either received from Members or submitted to KJA for consideration OR requirement stated by various Departments of Government or even suo-moto generated by KJA itself. It is envisaged that each such proposal would need to be carefully considered on technical merit, knowledge relevance, innovation and, more importantly, the benefits that can accrue to the state – both short-term based on KJA efforts and long-term by state implementation and other mechanisms. Based on the recommendations of KJA-TC, KJA could then endorse/approve specific actions, projects and undertake specific activities within the scope and mandate of KJA.

- KJA, in its 7th KJA meeting held on September 7, 2017, approved for continuation of KJA-TC under the Chairmanship of Prof. S. Sadagopan and tasked it to continue its role in the renewed term of KJA.

- Based on above, the KJA-Technical Committee is hereby continued and re-constituted with following Members:

  o Prof S Sadagopan, Member, KJA Co-Chairman
  o Dr. B. N. Suresh, Member, KJA Co-Chairman
  o Sri. P. G. R. Sindhia, Member, KJA Member
  o Sri. S. V. Ranganath IAS (R), Member, KJA Member
  o Prof. Anurag Behar, Member, KJA Member
  o Prof. M R Satyanarayana Rao, Member, KJA Member
  o Prof. G. Padmanabhan, Member, KJA Member
Terms of Reference (ToR)

- The KJA-TC is empowered by KJA to consider all proposals, on behalf of KJA, and recommend technical/financial actions or make any recommendations, for consideration of KJA. In specific, the KJA Technical Committee will:

  - Technically evaluate all proposals by considering its relevance to KJA goals, its merit and also impact on state activities
  - Recommend technical/financial actions for proposals – after which formal approval will be taken up by Chairman, KJA
  - Periodically monitor and review the approved activities/proposals and suggest any mid-term corrections or improvements
  - Identify any gap areas or new ideation that can further the overall goals of KJA
  - Provide technical and knowledge inputs to departments of government on specific issues that can improve the knowledge interface for the Department
  - Suggest any new policies, programs, schemes, projects etc that KJA can take up
  - Review and study the progress of KJA projects and initiatives and suggest any further actions
  - Any other specific activity, as suggested time-to-time by Chairman, KJA

- Other Members of KJA, external subject-experts or GoK Departmental officials/representatives may be coopted for specific meetings, or as required, in consultation with Chairman, KJA-TC.

- KJA Secretariat will ensure that all the approvals or recommendations made by KJA-TC could be placed before KJA for formal endorsement/approval and for formal approval of Chairman, KJA.

- The KJA-TC may plan to meet at least once in 2 months or as frequently as required.
• While regular briefing-report needs to be provided to Chairman, KJA, a formal report of the KJA-TC activities must be made during full meeting of KJA.

• For administrative purposes, the meetings of KJA-TC will be treated on par with any other KJA meetings – thus, all expenses for meetings, any travel/fees and any other meeting expenses etc can be met from KJA funds, as per KJA procedures.

• The terms of the KJA-TC will be synchronous to the term of KJA or until further orders, in this regard.

• This order issues with the approval and under authority of Chairman, KJA.

To,

All Members of KJA Technical Committee

Copies for information to:

• All Members of KJA
• Chief Secretary of Karnataka
• Principal Secretary, HED – for information