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All Local Government Accounting Officers

HOLDING OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET CONSULTATIONS FOR FY 2018/19 WITH LOWER LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Section 9(1) of the Public Finance Management Act (PFMA), 2015 mandates each Accounting Officer to prepare a Budget Framework Paper, in consultation with the relevant stakeholders. In line with the above provision of the Law, this Ministry is preparing to hold Regional Local Government Budget Consultative workshops from 18th September – 3rd October, 2017; as communicated to you in mine of even reference dated 27th July, 2017.

As Accounting Officers, you are equally supposed to ensure compliance with this provision; by holding consultations with all the relevant stakeholders at your respective Local Governments. However, it has come to our attention that most of you are not holding Consultations with the Lower Local Governments (*Town Councils and Sub-Counties/Municipal Divisions*), Civil Society Organizations and Development Partners.

The purpose of this letter, therefore, is to:

- i). Request you to hold budget consultations with your respective Lower Local Governments, Civil Society Organizations and Development Partners before attending the Regional Local Government Budget Consultative Workshops for FY 2018/19 referred to above; and.
- ii). Remind you to ensure that you also hold Budget Conferences to discuss your draft Budget Framework Paper for FY 2018/19 within one month after attending the Local Government Budget Consultative Workshops for FY 2018/19 and produce a report. This should be done before you prepare and submit your Budget Framework Papers by 15th November in accordance with Section 9(2) of the PFMA, 2015.


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