7th October, 2021

All Local Government Chief Administrative Officers

RECRUITMENT OF PARISH CHIEFS/TOWN AGENTS IN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

As you are aware, effective FY 2021/22, Government is implementing the Parish Development Model (PDM), as a vehicle for reducing poverty through an all-inclusive approach for socio-economic transformation of subsistence households.

In this regard, recruitment of Parish Chiefs/Town Agents is a prerequisite to effective implementation of this Model and accordingly funds were appropriated for this purpose in this financial year.

However, during the on-going Local Government Budget consultative workshops, it has been noted that most Local Governments have not recruited Parish Chiefs. This is already constraining the effective implementation of the Parish Development Model. In view of the above, this is therefore to;

(i) Request you to urgently submit a status of recruitment of these Parish Chiefs in your respective Votes with a copy to the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Local Government, and where no recruitment has been done, you should provide specific reasons for failure and/or delays;

(ii) Note that the recruitment exercise for Parish Chiefs should have been completed by 30th September 2021 to enable release of the remaining funds. To my dismay, many of you have not completed the exercise;

(iii) I am therefore, extending the deadline to 30th October 2021, disciplinary action will be taken for Local Government Accounting Officers who will not have adhered to the new deadline.

Mission

"To formulate sound economic policies, maximize revenue mobilization, ensure efficient allocation and accountability for public resources so as to achieve the most rapid and sustainable economic growth and development."
(iv) Further guide that, you should adequately project and budget for the salaries of the recruited Parish chiefs under the correct Wage category in FY 2022/23.

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PERMANENT SECRETARY/SECRETARY TO THE TREASURY

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Hon. Minister of Public Service
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