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From

The Secretary (Finance/Planning) -cum-Chairman, Task Force Committee,
to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171002.

To

1. The Spl. Secretary (Finance & UD) to the GoHP.
2. The Spl. Secretary (Finance) to the GoHP-cum-Director, T&A, H.P. Shimla-2.
3. Sh. Pradeep Jaswal, Jt. Secy (Fin-Bud) to the GoHP.
4. Sh. Ram Dev, OSD (W&M), Finance Department, H.P.
5. Sh. Rajesh Kumar, GM, Zonal Head, Punjab National Bank.

Dated: Shimla-2 the


7th January, 2026

Subject: Minutes of meeting of Task Force Committee.

Sir,

On the subject cited above, I am to enclose herewith the minutes of meeting of Task Force Committee held under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Finance & Planning) to the GoHP on 2nd January, 2026 at 12:00 PM in his office chamber for information and further necessary action please.

Yours faithfully,


(Ravinder Kumar)
Convenor-cum-Joint Director,
Planning Department,
H.P. Shimla-2.
7th January, 2026

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1. Pr. Private Secretary to Secretary (Finance/Planning) to the GoHP.
2. Private Secretary to Pr. Secretary (Finance/Planning) to the GoHP.
3. Jr. Scale Stenographer to Joint Director, Planning Department.


(Ravinder Kumar)
Convenor-cum-Joint Director,
Planning Department,
H.P. Shimla-2.

Minutes of the Meeting of Task Force Committee held under the Chairmanship of Dr. Abhishek Jain, Chairman, Task Force Committee-cum-Secretary (Finance) to the GoHP on 2nd January, 2026.

List of Participants at Annexure-‘A’

The meeting of the Task Force Committee was held on 2nd January, 2026 at 12.00 PM in under the chairmanship of Dr. Abhishek Jain, Chairman, Task Force Committee-cum-Secretary (Finance) to the GoHP in his office chamber.

In this meeting, the Chairman took forward the proceedings of the meeting and initiated to draw a strategy with Punjab National Bank for the reduction of the number of bank accounts of Government Departments. He emphasized that the management of the existing number of bank accounts is a cumbersome task but there is a need to change the existing system for fund flow and that should be sustainable and technology use driven. There is a time constraint for doing this exercise and this exercise is to be started on pilot basis in some departments. During its implementation, there will be challenges and resistances. It was also discussed as to where the funds lying unutilized in bank accounts could be parked and reallocated further.

The representative of the Punjab National Bank suggested that there should be more than one bank for piloting and criteria need to be fixed for selection of banks. On its plan of operation, the representatives of the Punjab National Bank were requested to make a presentation as to how the number of bank accounts could be reduced.

The Animal Husbandry Department was selected for piloting, and the Chairman gave the following directions:-

1. The Punjab National Bank may share two-page proposal/PPT by Monday i.e. 5th January, 2026 for undertaking the exercise of the reduction of number of bank accounts on pilot basis including its pros and cons.
2. The Punjab National Bank may share the policy communication plan both in English and Hindi.
3. There is a need to maintain privacy and security of data, so a tripartite MoU will be signed among concerned Bank, Finance Department and Concerned Department.
4. The timeline will be fixed for undertaking the exercise of piloting.
5. The nodal officers will be appointed for communication at the levels of concerned Bank, Finance Department and one for overall coordination.
6. The uniformity in plan of implementation by all banks may be ensured.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to and from the chair.

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ANNEXURE-A

LISTS OF PARTICIPANTS PRESENT IN THE MEETING OF TASK FORCE COMMITTEE HELD ON 02.01.2026 AT 12:00 PM UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE SECRETARY (FINANCE) TO THE GOVT OF H.P.

Sr. No.	Name of Participants
1.	Sh. Rajesh Kumar, GM, Zonal Head, PNB
2.	Sh. Prabhat Yadav, Chief Manager, Zonal Office, PNB
3.	Sh. Tushar Prakash, Manger, Zonal Office, PNB