OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: One-week Japan-IMF Macroeconomic Seminar for Asia (JIMS) with National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS), Tokyo, Japan to be held from 17th to 21st February, 2020.

Japan-IMF Macroeconomic Seminar for Asia (JIMS) is an executive training programme designed for senior Government officials from ministries of Finance, Central Banks and other relevant agencies of emerging Asian countries. It is a collaborative project between IMF Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (OAP) and the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS), Tokyo, Japan with financial support of the Japanese Government.

2. JIMS provides a macroeconomic policy dialogue platform to the participants, having first-hand experience in macroeconomic policy formulation and implementation. JIMS 2020 will focus on topical issues like Monetary Policies of Advanced Economies and Impact on Emerging Asia, Economic Impact of Regional Economic Integration, Trends in Fiscal Policy and Debt Sustainability, Exchange Rate Management and Foreign Exchange Policy, Trade and Industrial Policy under Global Value Chains, Promoting SME for Sustainable and Inclusive Economic Growth etc. Besides in-class discussions, JIMS will include a half day field trip for the participants to explore related agencies in Japan.

3. The seminar is fully funded by the Japanese Government and IMF and will cover the expenses on air tickets, accommodation, daily allowance during stay in Japan, travel insurance and visa to Japan. Only the medical expenses which are not covered by medical insurance are to be borne by the sponsoring Ministry/organisation.

4. IES officers with more than 10 years of experience in the field of macroeconomic policy at Ministry of Finance as well as other relevant Ministries/ Departments are eligible to apply for the Seminar. Interested and eligible officers, may apply online at http://www.grips.ac.jp/jims/ before the last date i.e. 30th October, 2019, after obtaining the approval of their competent authority and under intimation to this Department. The terms and conditions of the programme may be carefully seen as IES Cadre will not be sponsoring the programme. The officers can apply online through their respective Administrative Ministry/Department. Final selections will be made on the basis of the competitive screening process conducted by IMF Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific (OAP) and the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS), Tokyo, Japan.

5. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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