

Administrative Costs

1.1 Administrative costs were earlier admissible under different programmes. In order to enable the DRDAs to develop a proper personnel structure and to ensure its proper growth over years, the practice of meeting the administrative costs as percentages of each programme allocation has been given up. It will, on the other hand, be taken up as a new scheme called `DRDA Administration with effect from 1st April, 1999. This scheme will be funded on a 75.25 by the central and state government.

1.2 Till 31.3.1999, administrative costs of the DRDAs were being met by way of a part of the programme fund of IRDP, JRY, EAS, DPAP, etc. With the introduction of the scheme of `DRDA Administration` the administrative costs earlier available under different programmes stand withdrawn from 1.4.1999 and provision of administrative support to the DRDAs will be only under the scheme of `DRDA Administration`.

1.3 Since the salary structure in different States different, the States may follow their own salary structure. However, the administrative cost ceiling fixed should be met entirely by the State government.

1.4 A maximum of 30% of the salary cost may be allocated towards contingencies inclusive of Rents, POL, office expenses, etc.

1.5 The administrative cost per district is fixed as follows:

Category A districts (<6 blocks) Rs. 46 lakh per year

Category B districts (6-10 blocks) Rs. 57 lakh per year

Category C districts (11-15 blocks) Rs. 65 lakh per year

Category D districts (>15 blocks) Rs. 67 lakh per year

1.6 The above limits will be applicable from the year 1999-2000. This ceiling will be raised every year, on a compounding basis, upto 5% to set off the increases due to inflation etc.

1.7 The state governments are allowed a sum upto 10% of the above costs, to be calculated at 10% of the total admissible cost to all the districts in the state.