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Shri Shashi Kant Sharma, CAG stresses on the need for improved efficiency and cost effectiveness in UN operations

Shri Shashi Kant Sharma, the Comptroller & Auditor General (CAG) of India, who is also the Chairman, UN Board of Auditors (BOA), has stressed upon the need for improved efficiency and cost effectiveness required in operations of the United Nations. Addressing the Management Committee of the UN at New York on Wednesday (28th June 2017), Shri Sharma highlighted the main audit issues noticed by the BOA during the year 2016, relating to ICT strategy, ERP Implementation, Actuarial valuation, Pension fund management, Anti-Fraud framework and implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Shri Sharma assured that the BOA will continue to provide independent oversight on the functioning of the UN and will support the initiatives and reforms being undertaken by the management.

The Management Committee of the UN is headed by the Chef De Cabinet of the Secretary General and consists of the heads of all the wings of the UN worldwide. The heads of the UN agencies stationed outside the New York joined the meeting via video conference.

The chef de cabinet and other members of the committee appreciated all the issues raised by Shri Sharma and assured their full cooperation in addressing the concerns of audit.

This address came as a follow up of the meeting Shri Sharma had with Mr. Antonio Guterres, the Secretary General (SG) of the UN in January this year. The SG had discussed his ideas for business transformation and improvement at the UN in that meeting.

The BOA will be taking up some of the important issues for audit examination in current year on the request of the General Assembly of the UN e.g. air operations and implementation of the anti-fraud framework besides the regular audit work.
