

OVERVIEW

General

Annual accounts of autonomous bodies

In 2010-11, there were 334 central autonomous bodies whose accounts were to be certified under Section 19(2) and 20(1) of the CAG's (DPC) Act 1971. Government of India released ` 39232.42 crore towards grants/loans to 279 central autonomous bodies during 2010-11. Information in respect of 29 central autonomous bodies was not furnished by the concerned ministries. Accounts for 2009-10 for 328 central autonomous bodies were to be made available for audit by 30 June 2010 and audited accounts were to be placed before the Parliament by 31 December 2010. Of these, accounts of 144 central autonomous bodies were submitted for audit within the stipulated time. The accounts of 11 Central autonomous bodies were not submitted for audit by the concerned organisation as of December 2011.

(Paragraph 1.1)

Ministry of Culture

Nehru Memorial Museum and Library

Unfruitful expenditure

NMM&L did not devise adequate checks to ensure receipt of final research manuscripts/ monographs from Fellows. Consequently, pay and allowances amounting to ` 55 lakh paid to four Fellows was rendered unfruitful as they had left the Institute without submitting the final report.

(Paragraph 2.1)

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

All India Institute of Medical Sciences

Lack of internal controls

Lack of internal control with regard to realization of interest on Investments of AIIMS resulted in incorrect deduction of TDS of ` 1.54 crore.

(Paragraph 3.1)

North Eastern Indira Gandhi Regional Institute of Health and Medical Sciences

Avoidable expenditure on electricity charges

NEIGRIHMS did not take appropriate and timely action for enhancement of connected load. Consequently, it incurred avoidable expenditure of ` 41.55 lakh during March 2006 to September 2011 on this account.

(Paragraph 3.2)

Ministry of Home Affairs

Port Blair Municipal Council

Unfruitful expenditure due to non-commissioning of a crematory furnace

Lack of proper planning and poor co-ordination resulted in unfruitful expenditure of ` 74.09 lakh on non-commissioning of a crematory furnace, besides defeating the basic purpose of providing an alternate mode of cremation.

(Paragraph 4.1)

Idle expenditure on procurement of X-ray Baggage Inspection System

Premature decision and poor co-ordination with the Airport Authority by Port Blair Municipal Council before procurement of X-ray Baggage Inspection System resulted in idle expenditure of ` 47.43 lakh.

(Paragraph 4.2)

Ministry of Human Resource Development

Department of Secondary Education

Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan

Unfruitful expenditure

In deviation of the prescribed norms, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan purchased land, which should have been acquired free of cost, for opening new schools at a total cost of ` 3.16 crore. While the expenditure has been rendered unfruitful, the intended objectives have also remained elusive.

(Paragraph 5.1)

Premature release of funds

Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) had prematurely released ` 2.25 crore to the CPWD for construction of School building at Sector 22, Rohini, New Delhi. The construction could not commence due to an ongoing litigation. Besides, the primary objectives of opening a new Kendriya Vidyalaya remained unachieved for more than 10 years.

(Paragraph 5.2)

Department of Higher Education

Jawaharlal Nehru University

Overpayment of interest of ` 2.75 crore to the GPF/CPF subscribers

JNU paid interest to the provident fund subscribers at a higher rate than that prescribed by Government. This resulted in overpayment of interest of ` 2.75 crore during 2005-06 to 2010-11.

(Paragraph 5.3)

North Eastern Hill University

Inadmissible payment of allowance amounting to ` 11.13 crore

North Eastern Hill University continued payment of Hill Area Special Allowance to employees from September 2008 onwards despite instructions of UGC/MHRD to discontinue the same.

(Paragraph 5.4)

Extra expenditure on electricity charges

Failure of NEHU to periodically review contracted demand for electricity vis-à-vis actual consumption resulted in extra expenditure of ` 46.73 lakh.

(Paragraph 5.5)

Sant Longowal Institute of Engineering and Technology

Avoidable payment

The Institute made avoidable payment of ` 27.93 lakh owing to lack of internal controls to ensure compliance of the provisions of the Employees Provident Fund & Miscellaneous Provision Act by the contractors.

(Paragraph 5.6)

University of Delhi

Recovery at the instance of audit

University of Delhi did not revise the rates of medical contribution recoverable from its employees and pensioners who were given medical facility on the analogy of CGHS. The recovery of ` 1.68 crore was made at the instance of audit.

(Paragraph 5.7)

Ministry of Information and Broadcasting

Prasar Bharati

Directorate General, Doordarshan

Idle investment and sub-optimal utilization of TV transmitters

Doordarshan procured transmitters costing ` 63.46 lakh which could not be utilized for more than 8 years. In another case the delay in the installation of tower resulted in sub-optimal utilization of the two transmitters procured at a cost of ` 6.49 crore.

(Paragraph 6.1)

Avoidable payment of penalty and interest on Service Tax

Failure of Prasar Bharati to comply with Service Tax rules resulted in avoidable payment of ` 83.18 crore on account of Interest and Penalty paid to the Service Tax Department.

(Paragraph 6.2)

Doordarshan Commercial Service

Retention of large cash balances and non-compliance of Assurance rendered to PAC

Prasar Bharati failed to comply with the assurance rendered to PAC on investing surplus funds in Corporate Liquid Term Deposit account (CLTD). This resulted in huge balances in Current Accounts and consequential loss of interest amounting to ` 46.54 lakh during 2009-11.

(Paragraph 6.3)

Short billing of extra commercial time

Improper maintenance of booking statements by Doordarshan Commercial Service resulted in short billing of ` 26.25 lakh.

(Paragraph 6.4)

Doordarshan Kendra, Kolkata

Loss due to non-levy of prescribed charges

Doordarshan Kendra, Kolkata suffered loss of ` 59.49 lakh due to non-charging of prescribed telecast fee for programmes that exceeded the permissible duration.

(Paragraph 6.5)

Ministry of Labour and Employment

Employees' State Insurance Corporation

Undue benefit to the consultant firm

Employees' State Insurance Corporation released the amount of encashed bank guarantee of a firm, whose work contract had been withdrawn on account of poor performance. This resulted in irregular payment of ` 65 lakh to the firm.

(Paragraph 7.1)

Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises

Khadi and Village Industries Commission

Claim of ` 1.90 crore raised at the instance of audit

Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) failed to revise the rates of licence fee recoverable from SBI in accordance with the GOI instructions. On being pointed out, KVIC raised claim of ` 1.90 crore on State Bank of India for recovery of arrears of rent at revised rates for the period from April 1999 to March 2011.

(Paragraph 8.1)

Ministry of Shipping

Mormugao Port Trust, Goa

Loss of revenue

Delay in completion of capital dredging which were scheduled to be completed by September 2008 and finally completed between May 2010 and March 2011 resulted in an estimated loss of ` 60 crore.

(Paragraph 9.1)

Chennai Port Trust

Unfruitful expenditure

Non-testing of the bubble structure for containing air pollution led to rendering of the expenditure of ` 42.83 crore incurred on coal handling system unfruitful.

(Paragraph 9.2)

Paradip Port Trust

Non-recovery of expenditure amounting ` 17.65 crore

Lapses in verification of the documents of the vessel to ascertain its genuineness before its entry into the port resulted in non-recovery of ` 17.65 crore .

(Paragraph 9.3)

Jawaharlal Nehru Port Trust

Non-levy of cess

The road infrastructure connecting Gateway Terminal of India was widened but no cess was collected on the developed infrastructure, as per the agreement clause. This resulted in non-recovery of expenditure on widening of the road to the extent of ` 15.44 crore.

(Paragraph 9.4)

Kolkata Port Trust

Injudicious procurement

Procurement of pneumatic fenders without proper assessment has resulted in injudicious expenditure of ` 73 lakh incurred on eight unutilised pneumatic fenders.

(Paragraph 9.5)

Mumbai Port Trust

Non recovery of maintenance charges

Failure to execute a formal agreement with JNPT for the recovery of eligible share of cost towards annual maintenance of Vessel Traffic Management System (VTMS) resulted in loss of ` 4.72 crore.

(Paragraph 9.6)

Ministry of Urban Development

Delhi Development Authority

Premature award of work resulting in blocking of funds of ` 9.41 crore

Commencement of the work by the Delhi Development Authority without ensuring the availability of clear site resulted in blocking of funds of ` 9.41 crore.

(Paragraph 10.1)

Blocking of fund of ` 4.39 crore

The work of providing and laying rising main from Sewerage Pumping Station (SPS) to Sewerage Treatment Plant (STP) awarded in March 2006 could not be operated even after a lapse of around four and half years due to non-completion of SPS to which it was connected. As a result, work of providing and laying rising main remained idle blocking funds of ` 4.39 crore.

(Paragraph 10.2)

Non recovery of license fee

Delhi Development Authority could not recover license fee of ` 30.43 lakh from Central Bank of India for the space occupied by it at the DDA premises.

(Paragraph 10.3)

Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports

Sports Authority of India

Short recovery of ` 2.40 crore

Failure of the SAI in processing the claims correctly resulted in short-recovery of ` 2.40 crore from the Organizing Committee of the Commonwealth Games (CWG) Delhi, 2010 towards the use of venues.

(Paragraph 11.1)