## **Follow up of Audit Reports**

The Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India represents the culmination of the process of audit scrutiny. It is, therefore, necessary that they elicit appropriate and timely response from the Executive. The State Finance Department, Government of Punjab issued (August 1992) instructions to all administrative departments to submit replies/explanatory notes to paragraphs/Performance Audits included in the Audit Reports of the CAG of India within a period of three months of their presentation to the Legislature without waiting for any questionnaires from the COPU. However, explanatory notes were not received as depicted below:

Year of the Audit Report (Commercial/ PSU)	Date of the Placement of Audit Report in	Total performance audits (PAs) and paragraphs in the Audit Report		Number of PAs/ Paragraphs for which explanatory notes were not received	
	the State Legislature	PAs	Paragraphs	PAs	Paragraphs
2012-13	July 2014	3	12	2	7
2013-14	March 2015	2	17	2	4
2014-15	March 2016	2	18	-	4
2015-16	March 2017	2	16	1	7
2016-17	March 2018	1	17	1	11
Total		10	80	6	33

## Explanatory notes not received (as on 31 January 2020) pertaining to PSUs