

# **CHAPTER VII**

## **COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES**



# **AUDIT PARAGRAPH**

## 7.1 Commercial activities

Activities of quasi-commercial nature are performed by the departmental undertakings of certain Government departments. These undertakings are to prepare *pro forma* accounts in the prescribed format annually showing the results of financial operations so that Government can assess the results of their working. The Heads of department in Government are to ensure that the undertakings which are funded by the budgetary release, prepare the accounts on timely basis and submit the same to Accountant General for audit. As of March 2001, there are four such undertakings in the Government of Tamil Nadu. However, only one undertaking had finalised its accounts in time, two undertakings had finalised their accounts upto 1996-97 and in respect of the fourth undertaking, formal orders of the Government to dispense with the preparation of *pro forma* accounts from 1980-81 onwards are awaited (Appendix XLV). Rupees 11.48 crore have been invested by the State Government in respect of these four undertakings.

The summary of financial position of the four undertakings is given in Appendix XLVI.

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