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To

All Regional PCsDA/CsDA

Sub: Draft Paragraph for the report of the C&AG of India, Union Government, Defence Services (Army) for the year ending 31 March, 2014 regarding "Loss due to excess payment and short recovery of electricity charges".

Ref: Draft Para on the above subject forwarded under this HQrs office letter of even no. dated 05.06.2015.

During the recent inspection of GE Offices at different military stations, several cases of excess payment of electricity charges and short recovery of revenue on account of electricity consumption as detailed below were noticed by test audit.

- i) Excess payment due to incorrect application of tariff schedule.
- ii) Avoidable payment of demand/fixed charges.
- iii) Irregular payment of Electricity Duty.
- iv) Irregular payment of Octroi charges.
- v) Avoidable payment of penalty/surcharge.
- vi) Non availing of rebate on HT supply.
- vii) Loss of rebate due to delay in opening of letter of credit (LC)
- viii) Additional payment due to non adjustment of interest on security deposit.
- ix) Excess payment due to wrong billing.
- x) Payment of light and fan charges not covered in tariff.
- xi) Non/short recovery of electricity charges.
- xii) Delay in floating of bills on paying consumers
- xiii) Non recovery of meter rent.


2. The test audit has pointed out in their draft para cited under reference that the loss due to excess payment and short recovery of electricity charges was occurred primarily due to inadequate internal control in MES.

3. It is evident from the draft para that our AOs(GE) are not paying adequate attention while passing electricity bill for payment out of Cash Assignment. Further LAO/RAO auditing GEs should also have paid attention to this area.

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4. Evidently, there is a need to tighten checks while scrutinizing and passing of bills relating to electricity charges etc. and also stepping up of vigil by LAO/RAO in this regard. It is therefore, requested that necessary measures including setting up monitoring mechanism are taken by PCsDA/CsDA to avoid such lapses/irregularities in future.

Please acknowledge receipt.


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Copy to:

1. The EDP Section (Local) : With a request to upload on CGDA website.
2. AT-X Section (Local) : For information and necessary action with regard to scrutiny of bills by AO(GEs). A copy of subject draft para is enclosed.


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