

North Block, New Delhi
Dated: 20th September, 2017

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26.9.2017

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject : 68th Report (16th Lok Sabha) of the Public Accounts Committee on "Excess over Voted Grants and Charged Appropriations (2014-15)"- Para 14.

The Public Accounts Committee in Para 14 of their 68th Report have observed as under :

In their 19th Report (16th Lok Sabha) the Committee had desired the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) to look into the recurrent lapses in observing financial discipline and the same should be reflected in the Annual Performance Appraisal Reports of the budget controlling authorities as well as the Financial Advisors of the Ministry/Department concerned so as to ensure strict adherence to the financial discipline thereby eliminating the recurrent phenomenon of excess expenditure. The Department of Personnel and Training vide their letter dated 18th January, 2017 have issued instructions to all the Ministries/Departments of Government of India and stated that there already exist various tools in the existing Performance Assessment Report (PAR) formats to assess the attributes and performance of the officers by reporting, reviewing and accepting authorities including observance of financial discipline. Therefore, whenever instances of recurring financial lapses come to light, those may be brought to the attention of the Reporting/Reviewing/Accepting Authority so that they may include such instances in the PAR of the concerned officer of the relevant year. While appreciating the instructions issued by the DoPT to all the Ministries/Departments to keep check on the recurring financial lapses, the committee would hope that these instructions will be followed by all the Ministries/Departments in letter and spirit. The Committee, would therefore, like to be apprised of the outcome of these instructions.

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2. It is now requested that instances of recurring financial lapses that have been noticed/brought to the notice of the Reporting/Reviewing/Accepting Authority and which have been entered in the PAR of Budget Controlling Authorities if any, may please be indicated to this Department for submitting a consolidated Action Taken Report to the Public Accounts Committee. The information may please be provided not later than 29th September, 2017, as the ATR to this report is due for submission to PAC in September, 2017.

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