

Name of the institution: District Secretariat, Mannar.
Submission of observation of Hon.Minister
And steps taken with regard to the reports
Tabled by the Committee on public Accounts in
Terms of Standing Order No.119 (4)

2020

DISTRICT SECRETARIAT - MANNAR

Providing information to the parliament with regard to the observations and actions taken as per standing order 119(4) of Sri Lanka Parliament public accounts committee

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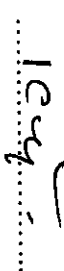
No.	Shortcomings identified by the Committee	Actions taken by the institution to rectify the shortcomings/ current status
1.	Answers not submitted within one month period for the Audit quarries sited by Auditor General.	By giving instructions to relevant officers, now necessary actions taken to submit replies within one month.
2.	It is observed that answers not submitted within one month period for the Audit quarries sited by the Internal Audit as well in some instances.	By giving instructions to relevant officers, now necessary actions taken to submit replies within one month.
3.	Details of the procured assets and destroyed assets in the year 2018 are not provided to the comptroller general's office as per section 7 of the assets management circular No. 01/2017 of 26-06-2017.	Now necessary actions taken to report comptroller general regarding the assets procuring and destroying.
4.	None informing to the comptroller general office regarding the details of appointment of an officer to coordinate the implementation of the factors in paragraph 13 of the above circular.	Adequate instructions given to the relevant offices with regard to this fact. Actions taken to resolve the deficiencies and an officer assigned to attend this regard.
5.	No action taken within the stipulated timeframe according to the circular with regard to the excesses, deficiencies and other issues revealed in annual goods survey.	Now action has been taken within the stipulated timeframe according to the circular with regard to the excesses, deficiencies and other issues revealed in annual survey.
6.	No action has been taken to discard of a vehicle which was removed from the use despite 6 months has been passed.	Action taken to change the ownership of the vehicle an all the relevant documents are forwarded to the comptroller general's office.
7.	In accordance with the paragraph 3.1 of public administration circular No. 2016/30 dated 29-12-2016, fuel consumptions test for the vehicles attached to the district secretariat has not implemented.	Action has been taken within the stipulated time frame to implement fuel consumptions test for the vehicles attached to district secretariat according to paragraph 3.1 of public administration circular No. 2016/30 dated 29-12-2016

8.	Balances to be settled which was revealed in bank reconcile reports are not settled within one month time period as per financial regulations.	This deficiency happened due to a cheque fraud done by an officer. A court case has been perusing on that matter. Action to be taken after the verdict.
9.	Non clearance of the loan balances prevailing more than one year.	Loan balances are recovering from relevant persons / guarantors monthly. Amount to be paid up-to 31-12-2020 : Rs. 389,732.74 Remaining amount to be paid after 31-12-2022 : Rs. 136,409.00
10.	No action taken according to financial regulation 571 with regard to expired deposits.	Instructions given to the relevant officers and actions taken according to financial regulation 571 within prescribed period.
11.	None reimbursement of the income collected according to prescribed provisions.	Action has been taken to reimbursement of the income collected according to prescribed provisions.
12.	No action taken to remit collected income directly to the income account or to remit them within one month period once holding it on the deposit account.	Instructions given to the relevant officers and actions taken to achieve necessary remedies.

District Secretary,
District Secretariat



Chief Accountant,
District Secretariat



A. Stanley Demei
District Secretary,
Mannar

K. Yogendran
Chief Accountant
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Recommendation of the Secretary

Measures taken by the District Secretary are recommended and instructions have been given to District Secretaries to pay personal attention on the other shortcomings pointed out and to take corrective measures regarding them.

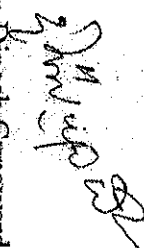


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Recommendation of the Minister and the Action taken

Instruction have been given by me to the Ministry Secretary to take necessary steps by paying special attention on the instructions given to the District Secretary by the Committee on Public Accounts, to ensure that such shortcomings may not occur again and it is expected that the such measures would enable the provable level to reach the optimum level within the year 2023.


Hon. Dinesh Gunawardena (M.P.)

Prime Minister and
Minister of Public Administration, Home Affairs,
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