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Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure

New Delhi, the 18th October, 2011

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:-Timely submission of ATNs on the recommendations/ observations of PAC – recommendation of the PAC made in their 36th Report (15th Lok Sabha) reg.

The undersigned is directed to say that Public Accounts Committee in its 36th Report (15th Lok Sabha) on Action taken by the Government on the Observations/Recommendations of the Public Accounts Committee contained in their Seventh Report (15th Lok Sabha) on "Excesses over Voted Grants and Charged Appropriations (2007-08) has raised their concern over delay in submission of ATNs on the observation/recommendation of the Committee. The excerpt from Para No.4 of the above report is as below:

"The Committee express their serious concern over the inordinate delay in submission of Action Taken Notes by the Ministries/Departments concerned thereby resulting in delay in presentation of Action Taken Reports by the Public Accounts Committee. The Committee, therefore, ask the Secretaries of respective Ministries/Departments to take appropriate and urgent remedial and corrective measures to ensure that Action Taken Notes on the Committee's Recommendations are finalized and submitted invariably within the stipulated time limit of six months".

2. As per the prescribed time schedule, action taken notes/statements, duly vetted by Audit, are required to be submitted within six months of presentation of the Report to the

House. All Ministries/Departments are, therefore, once again requested to ensure that the ATNs are prepared and submitted to the PAC Branch within the specified timeframe. In cases where it is not possible to adhere to the time frame, the Department may invariably seek permission from the Committee for delays stating clearly the reasons thereof.

3. This issues with the approval of Secretary (Expenditure).

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astrakements duly velted by Audit, are renulted to be

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To

All Secretaries of Central Ministries/Departments.