F.No.12(10)/E-Coord/2016 **Government of India** Ministry of Finance Department of Expenditure

Lok Nayak Bhavan, New Delhi Dated the OAugust 2016

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Settlement of audit objections – formation of Committee.

It has been brought to the notice of this Ministry that a large number of Inspection Reports (IRs) /Audit Paras are pending with Ministries/Departments where even the first reply has not been furnished to Audit.

- As per C&AG Regulations 197, the replies to observations raised in Inspection Reports are to be furnished within four weeks of receipt. Where it is not feasible to furnish the final replies to some of the observations within the timeline, interim reply may be given indicating likely date of final reply. Timely settlement of audit objections is important as it involves taking remedial actions as well as streamlining of procedures.
- Accordingly, in supersession of this Department's O.M. No.12(9)/E-Coord/84 3. dated 1.1.1985 on the above mentioned subject, it has been decided that every Ministry/Department will set up a Committee at JS level as Chairman and Under Secretary(Administration), Under Secretary(IFU) and DDO as member to settle the outstanding Inspection Reports & Audit Paras. The Committee may co-opt one member, if required, from the Division concerned with the IR/Audit Para. The Committee will meet as frequently as required to settle the audit objections.
- 4. Ministries/Departments are requested to ensure that IRs/Audit paras are attended to promptly so that they are not converted into full fledged audit paras.

5. This issues with the approval of Joint Secretary (Pers).

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India

To

(i) All Ministries/Departments

(ii) All Financial Advisors(by name)

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