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பாராளுமன்ற வெளியீட்டுத் தொடர் இலக்கம்: 492

நிறுவனத்தின் பெயர்: பாராளுமன்றச் சபை முதல்வரின் அலுவலகம்

பாராளுமன்றத்தின் அரசு கணக்குக் குழுவினால் முன்வைக்கப்பட்ட அறிக்கை தொடர்பாக நிலையியற் கட்டளை இலக்கம் 119(4) இன் கீழ் கௌரவ அமைச்சரின் அவதானிப்புக்களும் மற்றும் அது தொடர்பாக எடுக்கப்படும் நடவடிக்கைகளும் பாராளுமன்றத்திற்கு சமர்ப்பித்தல்.

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Deficiencies identified at the evaluation of the financial and performance for the year 2023	Measures taken by the institutions to rectify deficiencies / present Position
<u>Part 1</u> • Register of Internal Audit queries was not maintained on up to date basis. • Internal audit queries had not been answered within a period of 1 month. • Copies of all internal audit reports were not submitted to the Management Audit Department with effect from 01 August 2018. • Copies of internal audit reports were not submitted to the Auditor General as required. • The internal audit programme had not been prepared at the beginning of the year. • The required number of Audit and Management Committee Meetings had not been held per the year.	Due to the absence of an established Internal Audit Department or the appointment of an Internal Auditor in the Office of the Leader of the House of Parliament until 2023, it was not possible to maintain an Internal Audit Query Register, respond to internal audit queries in a timely manner, submit copies of internal audit reports to the Management Audit Department and the Auditor General, prepare an annual internal audit programme at the beginning of the year, or conduct regular meetings of the Audit and Management Committee. However, following the appointment of an Internal Auditor in 2024, the internal audit function is now being carried out in a systematic and up-to-date manner.

Part 2

- The institution had failed to identify the sustainable development goals applicable to its scope.
- The targets to be reached to achieve the identified sustainable goals had not been decided.
- The indicators to measure the progress of implementing of sustainable development goals had not been set.
- The institution had not identified three performance indicators which can measure the progress of performing the function of the institute so as to make its function clear.

The primary responsibility for implementing the relevant scope to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) rests with the respective line ministries. These ministries are responsible for approving the necessary orders, directives, regulations, and ordinances to facilitate the attainment of these goals. In this context, it is noted that the principal function of the Office of the Leader of the House of Parliament is to coordinate the legislative process in support of this objective. However, as this Office contributes only indirectly to the achievement of the SDGs, it is not feasible to measure its progress in practical terms. Accordingly, the establishment of specific performance indicators is not considered necessary.

Although information was required to be presented for only two (02) performance indicators, an additional third (03) indicator was inadvertently included due to an oversight. Necessary corrective measures will be taken to avoid such occurrences in the future.

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