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Part One : 82.00		
Serial No.	**Shortcomings identified by the Committee**	**Actions taken by the institution to rectify the shortcomings**
1.	Annual Action Plan had not been prepared.	As per State Finance Circular No. 2/2020, although approval of the Chief Counting Officer could not be obtained for the Annual Action Plan - 2023 on the due date, it had been submitted to the Auditor General on 18th January 2023 after obtaining the approval for the Annual Action Plan. However, the necessary actions have now been taken to obtain approval for the Annual Action Plan within the stipulated time frame.
2.	Annual Procurement Plan had not been prepared	Annual procurement plan pertaining to the year 2026 has been prepared
3.	Answers had not been submitted for every audit query submitted by the Auditor General	Certain delays occur when preparing final answers for audit queries when called for answers from various branches of the Ministry. In such instances, measures will be taken to submit at least an interim answer.
4.	Instances of non-submission of answers for internal audit queries within a month were reported.	Supplying answers for internal audit queries is performed within the precise time frame.
5.	As per paragraph 7 of the Assets Management Circular No. 01/2017 dated 26.06.2017, the office of the Comptroller General has not been submitted with the information on assets purchased in 2018 and disposals as per paragraph 7 of Assets Management Circular No. 01/2017 dated 26.06.2017.	Although information on assets purchased during 2018 and disposals was not submitted to the office of the Comptroller General, actions have been taken to submit relevant reports as prescribed.
6.	Within the time frame mentioned in paragraph 11.1 of Part 1 of the State Finance Circular No. 01/2020 of 28.08.2020, stocktaking reports have not been submitted relevant to the precise date as per FR 756 (6).	Officers have been instructed to conduct the stocktaking within the prescribed time frame and submit the reports to the Auditor General.

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7.	The recommendations regarding surplus and shortages revealed at the annual stocktaking and the other recommendations had not been implemented within the prescribed time span.	Officers have been instructed to present the Auditor General with the stocktaking reports after they are held.
8.	Actions had not been taken as per the FR regarding the government vehicle accidents.	Maximum actions are taken to act as per FR during a government vehicle accident and actions are also being taken to avoid shortcomings due to unavoidable reasons.
9.	After utilizing allocations from a vote as per FR 94 (1), the remaining allocation at the end of the year had been utilized for liabilities exceeding the allocation limit.	Officers have been instructed to act paying attention to the remaining allocations when performing liabilities.
10.	As per FR 371, ad hoc supplementary imprest has not been settled within one month after the activity is completed.	Ad hoc advance are now settled within one month of the completion of the relevant activities.

Part Two : 91.00

Serial No.	Shortcomings identified by the Committee	Actions taken by the institution to rectify the shortcomings
1.	Had not been agreed upon by preparing performance agreements for the entire staff.	The completion of the preparation of the 2023 performance agreement has been delayed. It has now been Signed.
2.	The number of training opportunities given from the planned training opportunities was at a level less than 50%.	Reaching the training goals was unable since officers were reluctant to participate in online training sessions and the training sessions were not held as planned although officers were nominated for training programmes in external institutions.
3.	The audit view on the accounts of the institution was below the level / to the practised level / at a disadvantageous level.	Provided in the year 2023 is a qualified opinion. By correcting the shortcomings pointed out in the audit, actions will be taken to obtain an accurate and justifiable opinion.

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