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பாராளுமன்றத்தின் அரசகணக்குக் குழுவினால் சமர்பிக்கப்பட்ட அறிக்கைதொடர்பில் நிலையியற் கட்டளை 119(4) இன் கீழ் நிறுவனத்தின் பொறுப்பானகௌரவஅமைச்சரின் அவதானிப்புகளும் மற்றும் அதுதொடர்பாகஎடுக்கப்பட்டநடவடிக்கைகளும் பாராளுமன்றத்தில் முன்வைத்தல்

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Shortcomings identified by the Committee	Actions taken by the institution to rectify the shortcomings and current status
Part One : 86.00	
I. Answers had not been sent to all the Audit Querries of the Auditor General within one month after receiving such Audit Querries.	Kindly inform that there may be delays in answering the due dates involves as it takes some time to find information for certain matters with the other heavy workload.
II. Reporting of cases of unanswered internal audit querries.	Kindly be aware that there may be delays in responding to certain matters due to the workload in responding to internal audit querries.
III. All Vehicles not having Government emblem painted on them.	The State emblem is painted on the Vehicles.
IV. A Vehicle has not been used for less than eight months after it was acquired.	Abused has been committed in the absence of a buyer, it has been referred to the embezzlement committee for the second time.
V. Expenditure in excess of the allocation limit.	When 90% of the Printing work for the local government elections scheduled to be held in the year 2023 had been completed, the election committee took back the allocation of Rs. 300 million given to this Department. At that time, the allocation under the expenditure item 211-01-02-1003 was not sufficient to pay the allowances. In Particular, the additional Labour Cost incurred in paying employees for special printing work such as the e-Grama Project of the Ministry of Home Affairs and the Printing of the Special Fertilizer Voucher of the Ministry of Agriculture, and the recurrent expenditure of that year was cut by 6%, so the approved allocation under the expenditure item 211-01-02-1003 was not sufficient. However, at that time, with the aim of controlling employee unrest in order to carry out the essential Printing work of the Government without delay, with the Verbal instructions of the Director General of the National Budget Department and the approval of the Secretary to the Ministry, allowances of Rs. 338,369,363.00 were paid under the expenditure item 211-01-02-1205. Later, the value of overtime allowances of Rs. 39,994,031.81 included there in was transferred to the expenditure item 211-01-02-1002 through the transfer slip bearing number TS/23/09, and accordingly, the expenditure under 211-01-02-1205 was Rs. 298,375,331.19. Thereafter, under F.R. – 66. A Provision of 300 million rupees for the budget of 211-01-02-1003 has been moved several times and has not been approved.

VI. After utilization of the Provision made for an expenditure subject in accordance with F.R. 94 (1) liabilities have been reached in such a way as to exceed the remaining provision limit at the end of the year.	The number of piece rates performed in December in the department of that resolution year will be paid in January of the following year. These allowances which are made under Personal Payroll are not recorded in the credit book and are dealt with under money Regulation 115(5) Arrangements have been made in the years 2024 and 2025 to establish obligations related to the subject of other expenses within the allocation limit.
VII. Existence of outstanding loan balances dating back more than a year.	**<u>Outstanding balances in Printing works</u>** • By 31.12.2022, the total Tax Free outstanding Printing revenue is Rs. 497,260,043.51. • By 31.03.2026 from that outstanding Printing revenue Tax Free is Rs. 241,912,144.81. • 244 million rupees remains to be recovered. • Since the outstanding loan balances to be collected consist of old balances spanning up to thirty three years, the institutions are informed from time to time and efforts are being made to recover the outstanding balances. **<u>Balance due on outstanding advance B account</u>** The outstanding loan balance, which has been in existence for more than a year, till 2026 is as follows. • Balance due from Suspended Officers – Rs. 214,040.00 • Balance due from Officers who left the Service Rs. 91,210.11 • Balance due form retired Officers – Rs. 248,320.00 • Balance due from Officers who left the Service – Rs. 2,228,696.42 The Attorney General's Department has now been directed to take legal action to recover the entire balance from these Officials.

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Part Two : 76.00	
I. Subject to the audit openion on the Institute's accounts / the applicable level / was at an adverse level.	A calculated openion is presented.
II. Non – implementation of the recommendations of the Auditor General's report.	The recommendations of the Auditor General's report are being implemented.
III. Non receipt of money as per F.R. 156 (1) for losses to Government from Officials.	No charges related to accidents.

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