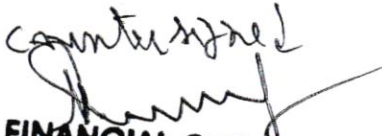
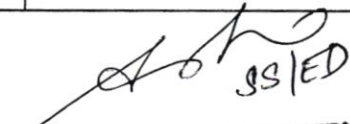


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Reply to Audit Slip No. 20 dated 31.05.2024 regarding Idling of Stores stock for more than five years

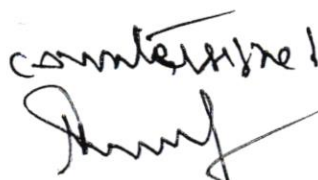
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1	Scrutiny of stock registers maintained In the One House One Bulb Stores, Steel Stores and Cement Stores, Agriculture Stores, Cable Stores, and Tools and Plants revealed that the items listed in the annexure were lying idle for more than five years. Reasons for purchase and idling the stock for more than five years may be stated. Further early action may be taken for utilization / disposal of the same.	The One House One Bulb Scheme has been closed by the Government. Hence the balance materials available under the scheme could not be issued. Orders of the Government has been obtained vide Order No.21013/05/ID(P)/D/P2/2022-23 dated 04.03.2024 of the Industrial Development (Power) Department, Puducherry and the process of e-auction through MSTC Chennai will be conducted shortly after the lifting of MCC for General Lok Sabha Elections 2024 and action will be taken for disposal of the same thereafter. Regarding the Cement Store, the cement bags were damaged due to heavy rains and rain water entering the Store room. Sanction of the Lt. Governor has been obtained vide G.O. Ms.No.16 dt 29.03.23 for writing off its value from the Stock Register and the stock has been reduced from the ledger. The steel was used for casting of RCC pole of various sizes. Due to administrative reasons the casting of pole was stopped. Technical opinion has been obtained from the PWD regarding the worthiness of the steel vide Letter No.225/PW/AE/QCW/22 dated 16.02.2022 and orders of the Government has been obtained vide Order No.21013/05/ID(P)/D/P2/2022-23 dated 04.03.2024 of the Industrial Development (Power) Department, Puducherry. An e-auction will be conducted shortly through MSTC Chennai after the lifting of MCC for General Lok Sabha Elections 2024 and action will be taken for disposal of the same thereafter. Regarding Cable Stores, steps are being initiated to issue the items to the needy O&Ms. Regarding the Tools and Plants store, the items have been classified as Iron scrap, silicon steel scrap, copper scrap and aluminium scrap. Approval of the Government was obtained vide G.O.Rt.No.85 dated 19.02.2020 of the Industrial Development (Power) Department . These four items have been auctioned in the year 2020 and the amount of Rs.1,35,18,530/- realised has been deposited into Government Treasury. Regarding the balance items, they were classified as scrap items, E-waste, batteries and dirty transformer oil. Orders of the Govt have been obtained vide (1) G.O.Rt No.7 dt 21.06.2023 and (2) Order No.21013/05/ID(P)/D/P2/2022-23 dt. 02.01.2024 for e-auction through M/s MSTC Ltd. Chennai (A Govt of India Enterprises) and an amount of Rs. 98,85,104 and Rs. 7,681,141 are credited into Govt. Treasury after deducting GST, IT and service charges payable to MSTC. For immovable items sanction of the Govt. vide order No.21013/05/ID(P)/D/P2/2022-23 dated 04.03.2024 has been obtained and the process of e-auction through MSTC Chennai will be initiated shortly after lifting of MCC for General Lok Sabha Elections 2024 and action will be taken for disposal of the same thereafter.

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	vii) Hence in view of the above reply this para may kindly be dropped.


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