

## कार्यालय, रक्षा लेखा नियंत्रक उदयन विहार, नारंगी, गुवाहाटी-७८११७१

OFFICE OF CONTROLLER OF DEFENCE ACCOUNTS, UDAYAN VIHAR, NARANGI, GUWAHATI-781171



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## **MOST IMPORTANT CIRCULAR - 24**

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To

1. All compiling groups/sections of MQ & Sub-offices.

2. The Officer-in-Charge DDP/ IT & SW Centre (Local) EDP

(Through CDA Guwahati Website)

Subject: Annual closing of Accounts for the year 2020-2021.

Refer:

HQrs. Office letter no. A/I/13311/ACA/2020-2021 dated 16/03/2021

(Available at CDA Guwahati NIC MAIL)

\* As per guidelines by the CGA, Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure), the

accounts of FY 2020-21, will be closed in the following phases:

- a) March (Preliminary)
- b) March (Supplementary) (March Final)

Accordingly, there will be no Manual Account. March Supplementary-I will be treated as March Final Account.

The following dates have been fixed for submission of accounts for March (Preliminary) 2021, March (Supplementary-I) (March Final) 2021 to EDP Centre (IT & SW)/Accounts section of this office.

Month's Accounts	Date by which the last batch of PM to reach DDP/EDP Centre (IT & SW) / Guwahati (with requisite certificate)
March (Preliminary) 2021	05/04/2021
March (Supplementary-I) (March Final) <b>2021</b>	19/04/2021

- 2. Suitable arrangements may please be made for dispatch of P.M. on the dates as prescribed in order to avoid non-inclusion of P.M.
- It may be ensured that maximum leftover booking are made in March (Preliminary) accounts itself. 3. Bookings in March Supplementary-I are made only in exceptional circumstances. Cases of delay in readjustments and misclassifications will be viewed seriously.
- It should be ensured that the under mentioned transactions (items) are completed before finalisation of March (Supplementary-I) (March Final) 2021.
  - (i) Primary Education Cess @ 2% and Secondary and Higher Education Cess have been replaced by one single Cess called Health & Education Cess (Code Heads 002/07 & 003/11). Hence any booking made under Primary Education Cess (Code Head 002/05) and Secondary Education Cess (Code Head 002/06) should be withdrawn and compiled to the new code heads 002/07 & 003/11 on accounts of Health and Education Cess.

- (ii) No amount remain outstanding under "Receipts Awaiting Transactions" i.e NPS transactions under code heads 016/04 and 016/05 at the close of Accounts for the F.Y 2020-2021. In case the amount remain outstanding in these code heads, the same are transferred to Miscellaneous Suspense Head 020/61 in March Supplementary Accounts positively for clearance in the subsequent financial year.
- (iii) Amounts pertaining to charged expenditure have been correctly accounted for and complied.
- (iv) Minus transactions are genuine.
- (v) There are no compilations under Major Heads 8342.00.117- Defined Contribution Pension Scheme for Government Employees.
- (vi) There are no adverse balances in compilation.
- 5. It was noticed in the past that the P.M for March (Supplementary-I) (March Final) 2020 contained errors, fictitious code heads which are not be operated by the Controller originating the Punching Medium etc. It is, therefore, essential to scrutinize the Punching Medium very carefully as laid down in Para 71 of Defence Account Code (1994 edition).

In so far as sub-offices are concerned e.g. AOs GE, PAO (ORs), DPDOs, etc, which are at present authorized to send Punching Media direct to DDP/EDP (IT & SW) Centers, DDP/EDP (IT & SW) may please ensure that code Head Master is updated so that erroneous/fictitious code heads are identified/got rectified/compiled immediately and compilation data is transmitted to EDP (IT & SW) Center of HQrs. Office on a daily basis.

6. In respect of Railways/Department of Post/MEA etc only inescapable and important transactions of large magnitude (say Rs 1,00,000 and above) should be proposed for proforma adjustment outside the books of RBI in accordance with provisions contained Para 109 of Defence Account Code, 2014. An expeditious action is required to be taken to forward the vouchers/Schedules in respect of individual transaction of Rs 1,00,000/- and above gross debits/credits which have not been advised to the RBI before close of their books for the current year 2020-2021 and which are likely to affect the appropriations of the year or may remain outstanding under the Remittance Heads in the Defence Books, to the Civil Accounts Officers concerned and their acceptance for the debits/credits involved obtained well in time by pursuing the matter vigorously. On receipt of acceptance from the parties concerned the details of the transactions should be reported to this office (in duplicate) latest by 04/05/2021 in the proforma appended as Annexure 'C' to this circular to enable the HQrs. Office to obtain the approval of CGA, Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure) for inclusion in the current years accounts.NIL report are also required.

- 7. The Annual review of Balances (AROB) for March Supplementary-I along-with statements 5 & 13 for the year 2020-21 may please be furnished by name to Shri Nazrul Islam, Accounts Officer. Accounts Section of M.O. so as to reach this office not later than 24/05/2021.
- 8. The provisions contained in Para 289,290 and 291 of OM Pt-II Vol.-I (Chapter-III-Accounts Section) in regard to review of compilation should be adhered to. It should be ensured that all category code heads prefixed to Service/ RD&R Heads are correct.
- 9. The outstanding balances under various Minor Heads below Major Head "8659-Suspense Account (Defence)", "8787-Adjusting Account with Railways" at the end of 2020-2021 may be reviewed and suitable action taken to clear all outstanding items to bring down the outstanding balances.
- 10. If there are adverse balances in any of the heads, a brief description of action initiated to rectify the error/correction of accounts/steps taken for proper maintenance of accounts should be indicated.
- 11. There should normally be no minus transactions excepting suspense heads during the year. If there are any, full reasons thereof, may please be indicated in 'Action Taken Note' in the AROB.
- 12. As a result of change in the procedure for closing of accounts from the current year, interest on accumulations in various Provident Fund Accounts for the year 2020-2021 may please be compiled in the March (Supplementary-I) (March Final) 2021 positively. For this purpose, all fund transactions taking place during 2020-2021 should be booked within March Preliminary and any rectification required should be carried out in March (Supplementary-I) (March Final) 2021 Accounts. It may ensure that interest or accumulations in various Provident Fund Accounts including those maintained by PAO (ORs) have been compiled. Non- compilation should be cause of administrative action.
- 13. After closing March (Supplementary-I) Accounts, 2021 i.e. (March Final), no rectifications/readjustments are proposed. However in exceptional and unavoidable cases, where rectifications/adjustment are necessary, the same will be carried out through Journal Entries with the approval of CGA, Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure)/CGDA subject to the followings:-
- a) A PM for Journal Entry is initiated for rectification of a misclassification/readjustment, and send to this office latest by <u>28/05/2021</u>.
- b) The rectification/readjustment proposed is not less than **Rs One Crore** of amount in a single transaction unless rectification/readjustment is otherwise necessary for closing of annual accounts.
- c) Reasons for not detecting the error during month review and within the supplementary accounts are adequately explained with the recommendation of the CDA.

14. The contents of this circular may please be brought to the notice of all concerned and acted upon promptly/accordingly.

The receipt of this circular may please be acknowledged by name to **Shri Nazrul Islam**, **Accounts Officer**. Accounts Section of CDA Guwahati.

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Sr. Accounts Officer (A/Cs)