DIRECTORATE OF LOCAL FUND AUDIT, ODISHA, TREASURY & ACCOUNTS BHAWAN, 2nd FLOOR, UNIT-III, KHARAVEL NAGAR, BHUBANESWAR

(19)

Date 28 5-13

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All District Audit Officers, Local Fund Audit, Odisha

Sub. : Service of notices through Process Servers.

Madam/ Sir,

In course of my visit to different District offices and review of the performance in respect of Surcharge Proceedings both in the Head Qrs. and the field offices, it has come to my notice that action u/s 9(3) of the OLFA Act. is being grossly neglected due to non-service of Show Cause Notices u/s 9(2)(b) of the OLFA Act. Presently, these Show Cause Notices are being served through the Collectors of the respective Districts, which causes in ordinate delay even for years together in getting the served copies of the notices. In the process, the surcharge actions do not reach its finality and in most of the cases stagnate at the Show Cause Stage. This adversely affects the efficiency and performance of the organisation.

2. In order to address the problem it is now decided that atleast one or two Group-D staff should be earmarked as "Process Server" in each office keeping in view the work load of the office and availability of such staff. As far as practicable, the Show Cause Notices u/s 9(2)(b) and the Surcharge Orders u/s 9(3) of OLFA Act should be served directly on the delinquents through these Process Servers and the served copies may be placed in the respective files for record and follow up actions.

3. Besides, the District Audit Officers should personally meet the concerned officer in charge in the Collectorates each month to expedite service of the notices. One of Audit Superintendents may also be deputed to the Collectorates at regular intervals to follow up the matter.

4. Needless to mention, the performance of the District Offices will be judged by the efficiency in service of the notices and disposal of the Surcharge Proceedings, which will be reviewed on monthly basis. All DAOs are therefore requested to take immediate steps in the matter in the above light.

Yours faithfully,

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Assistant Director

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