

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

Function of the Committee : -

(i) The functions of the committee shall be to scrutinize the reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India relating to the Appropriation Accounts of the State, the Annual Financial Accounts of the State or such other accounts of financial matters as are laid before it by the House or which the Committee deems necessary to scrutinize.

(ii) In scrutinizing the Appropriation Accounts of the State Government and the report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon, it shall be the duty of the Committee to satisfy itself –

(a) that the moneys shown in the accounts as having been disbursed were legally available for, and applicable to the service or purpose to which they have been applied or charged;

(b) that the expenditure conforms to, the authority which governs it; and

(c) that every re-appropriation has been made in accordance with such rules as may be prescribed by the Governor or by the Finance Minister, as the case may be;

(iii) It shall also be the duty of the Committee:-

(a) to examine the statement of accounts showing the income and expenditure of State Corporations, trading and manufacturing schemes, concerns and project together with the balance – sheets and statements of profit and loss accounts which the Governor may have required to be prepared or are prepared under the provisions of the statutory rules regulating the financing of a particular corporation, trading or manufacturing scheme or concern or project and to report of the Comptroller and Auditor General thereon;

(b) to examine the statement of accounts showing the income and expenditure conducted by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India either under the directions of the Governor or under an act of Parliament or of the State Legislature or under any law in force under Article 372 of the Constitution and

(c) to consider the report of the Comptroller and Auditor General in case where the Governor may have required him to conduct an audit of any receipt or to examine the accounts of Stores and Stocks.

(iv) If any money has been spent on any service during a financial year in excess of the amount granted by the House for that purpose, the Committee shall examine with reference to the facts of each case the circumstances leading to such an excess and make such recommendation as it may deem fit.

COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES

Function of the Committee : -

(1) The functions of the committee shall be -

(a) to report what economics, improvements in organization, efficiency or administrative reforms consistent with the policy underlying the estimates, may be effected;

(b) to suggest alternative policies in order to bring about efficiency and economy in administration;

(c) to examine whether the money is well laid out within the limits of the policy implied in the estimates; and

(d) to suggest the form in which the estimates shall be presented to the Assembly.

(2) The Committee may continue its examination of the estimates from time to time through the financial year and report to the House as its examination proceeds. It shall not be incumbent on the Committee to examine the entire estimates of any one year. The demands for grants may be finally voted notwithstanding the fact that the Committee has made no report.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC UNDERTAKINGS

Function of the Committee : -

The functions of the committee shall be -

- (i) to examine the reports and accounts of Public Undertakings specified in the Third Schedule and such other Undertakings as may be decided by the House from time to time;
- (ii) to examine the reports, if any, of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India on the said Undertakings;
- (iii) to examine, in the context of the autonomy and efficiency of the said Undertakings, whether their affairs are being managed in accordance with sound business principles and prudent commercial practices; and
- (iv) Such other functions vested in the Public Accounts Committee and the Estimates Committee in relation to the said Undertakings as are not covered by clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above and as may be allotted to this Committee by the Speaker from time to time:

Provided that the Committee shall not examine and investigate any of the following matters, namely:

- (i) matters of major Government policy as distinct from business or commercial functions of the said Undertakings;
- (ii) matters of day-to-day administration, and
- (iii) matters for the consideration of which special machinery is established under any statute.

COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES, O.B.C. & MINORITIES

Function of the Committee : -

- (i) The functions of the committee is to consider the reports of the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and to report to the House as to the measures that should be taken by the State Government in respect of matters within the purview of the State Government;
- (ii) to report to the House on the action taken by the State Government on the measures proposed by the Committee.
- (iii) to examine the measures taken by the State Government to secure due representation of the Scheduled Castes in services and posts under its control (including appointment in the Public Sector Undertakings, Statutory and Semi – Government body in the State) having regard to the Provision of Article 335 of the Constitution of India;
- (iv) to examine and report to the House on the working of the welfare programmes for the Scheduled Castes in the State;
- (v) to examine and report to the House on such other matters as may deem fit to the Committee or are specifically referred to it by the House or the Speaker.

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Function of the Committee : -

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- (iii) to examine the measures taken by the State Government to secure due representation of the Scheduled Tribes in services and posts under its control (including appointment in the Public Sector Undertakings, Statutory and Semi – Government body in the State) having regard to the Provision of Article 335 of the Constitution of India;
- (iv) to examine and report to the House on the working of the welfare programmes for the Scheduled Tribes in the State;
- (v) to examine and report to the House on such other matters as may deem fit to the Committee or are specifically referred to it by the House or the Speaker.

BUSINESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Function of the Committee : -

- (i) It shall be the function of the committee to recommend the time that should be allocated for discussion of the stage or stages of such Government bills or other Government business as the Speaker, in consultation with the Leader of the House, may direct for being referred to the Committee.
- (ii) The Committee shall have the power to indicate in the proposed time – table the different hours at which the various stages of the bill or other Government business shall be completed.
- (iii) Such other functions relating to the business of the House may be assigned to the Committee as the Speaker from time to time decide.

RULES COMMITTEE

Function of the Committee : -

The committee shall examine every question referred to it and determine with reference to the facts of each whether a breach of privilege is involved and, if so, the nature of the breach, the circumstances leading to it and make such recommendations as it may deem fit.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Function of the Committee : -

The functions of the committee shall be -

- (a) to consider and advice on such matters concerning the Library as may be referred to it by the Speaker from time to time;
- (b) to consider suggestions for the improvement of the Library; and

(c) to assist members of the Legislative Assembly in fully utilizing the services provided by the Library.

COMMITTEE ON DELEGATED LEGISLATION

Function of the Committee : -

The functions of the committee shall be to scrutinize and report to the House whether the powers to make regulations, rules, sub-rules, bye-laws etc. conferred by the Constitution or any Act or delegated by the any lawful authority are being properly exercised within such delegation.

The Committee shall, in particular, consider :-

- (i) Whether the delegated legislation is in accordance with the general objects of the Constitution or the Act pursuant to which it is made;
- (ii) Whether it contains matter which in the opinion of the Committee should more properly be dealt with an Act of Legislature;
- (iii) Whether it contains imposition of any tax;
- (iv) Whether it directly or indirectly bars the jurisdiction of the courts;
- (v) Whether it gives retrospective effect to any of the provisions in respect of which the Constitution or the Act pursuant to which it is made does not expressly give any such power;
- (vi) Whether it involves expenditure from the consolidated fund of the State or the Public Revenues;
- (vii) Whether it appears to made some unusual or unexpected use of powers conferred by the Constitution or the Act pursuant to which it is made;
- (viii) Whether there appears to have been unjustifiable delay in publication or laying it before Legislature;
- (ix) Whether for any reason it form or purport calls for any elucidation.

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ASSURANCES

Function of the Committee : -

The functions of the committee shall be to scrutinize assurances, promises, undertakings etc. given by Hon'ble Ministers from time to time on the Floor of the House and to report on:

- i) The extent to which such assurances, promises, undertakings etc. have been implemented, and
- ii) Where implemented whether such implementation has taken place within the minimum time necessary for the purpose.

COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS

Function of the Committee : -

The committee shall examine every petition to it, and shall report to the Assembly stating the subject matter of the petition, the number of the persons by whom it is signed, and whether it is in conformity with the rules. If the petition complies with the rules, the Committee may in its discretion direct that it be circulated as a paper to the Bill to which it relates. The Committee shall in its report state whether circulation has or has not been directed, and, where circulation has not been directed, the Speaker may, in his discretion, direct that the petition be circulated. Such circulation shall be of

the petition in extent so or of a summary thereof as the Committee or the Speaker, as the case may be direct.

COMMITTEE ON ABSENCE OF MEMBERS FROM THE SITTINGS OF THE HOUSE

Function of the Committee : -

(1) The functions of the committee shall be -

(i) to consider all applications from members for leave of absence from the sittings of the House; and

(ii) to examine every case where a member has been absent for a period of sixty days or more, without permission from the sittings of the House and to report whether the absence should be condoned or circumstances of the case justify that the House should declare the seat of the member vacant.

(iii) The Committee shall perform such other functions in respect of attendance of members in the House as may be assigned to it by the Speaker, from time to time.

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Function of the Committee : -

The functions of the House committee shall be -

- (i) to deal with all questions relating to residential accommodation for members of the House;
- (ii) to exercise supervision over facilities for accommodation, food, medical aid and other amenities accorded to Members' residences and Hostels at Agartala;
- (iii) The functions of the Committee shall be advisory.

ETHICS COMMITTEES

Function of the Committee : -

The committee shall examine every complaint of unethical conduct of a Member referred to it by the Speaker or taken up by the Committee suo-motu, or addressed in writing to the Chairman of the Ethics Committee or Secretary of the Assembly by any Member or Members or any other person(s) in a form and manner specified for the purpose and determine with reference to the facts of such case whether any code of ethical conduct as adopted by the House is violated, and if so, the nature of violation, the circumstances leading to it, and make such recommendation as it may deem fit.