

The table presenting audit points reply is as below.

No.	Audit point	PIU – MSRLM Reply
1	<p>FY 2022-23 Q1 Primove Infrastructure Development Consultants Pvt. Ltd. Payment has been made to Primove Infrastructure Development Consultants Pvt. Ltd. for bridge technical support services to CLFs and CMRCs Package 1 Vidarbha and Marathwada Region, however, following irregularities were noticed: 1) Original Agreement and documents are available with Smart office.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Actually, SMART project office facilitated the TSA on-boarding work through PIU-MSRLM. After signing of contract PIU-MSRLM submitted original copy to PCMU and kept xerox of contract with MSRLM.
2	<p>2) Penalty clause is not inserted in the agreement.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCMU shared standard contract document format and same was used for signing contract with selected TSA. • This is a lump sump contract and majority of the deliverables are dependent on engagement of ATMA, line departments for convergence.
3	<p>3) The period of contract is from 27.12.2021 to 27.12.2023 and as per agreement, payment should be made as follows: 3.1 5% payment should be made on the basis of submission of inception report & resource mobilization within 0-1 month, however, the date of submission of inception report is 15.02.2022 (with a delay of 30 days). Also no action has been taken by the unit.</p> <p>3.2 5% payment should be made on the basis of report of baseline survey mapping of potential CLFs and CMRCs and awareness campaigns within 2-3 months, however, the date of submission of Baseline Survey mapping</p>	<p>Reply of 3.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In many project districts during that time i.e. during December 2021 to March 2021 have some restriction of field level activities due to COVID-19 which delayed assignment commencement. • PriMove started work from 14th January 2022 i.e. around 14 days after the signing of contract and submitted report from 1 month period from the date of work commencement. <p>Reply of 3.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Process got delayed as finalisation of potential CLF/CMRC exercise extended till date 4th month (Especially for validation and confirmation of CLF and CMRCs took more time) and then TSA submitted the progress report.

	<p>report is 16.04.2022 (with a delay of 30 days). Also no action has been taken by the unit.</p> <p>3.3 5% payment should be made on the basis of report of orientation program carried out for mobilization of FPCs from CLFs and CMRCs within 3-4 months, however, the date of submission of Orientation Program Mobilization report is 16.06.2022 (with a delay of 60 days). Also no action has been taken by the unit.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The restriction on field level activities delayed deliverable submission date. <p>Reply of 3.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The restriction on field level activities due to COVID-19 delayed the process of organization of orientation program which ultimately delayed relevant report submission. • PIU-MSRLM conducted review of TSA work and informed them regarding to increase pace of work.
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