

Audit Observation - Shilpa Agencies – 29,444/-

The audit observation is noted. The payment of ₹29,444.00 made to Shilpa Agencies for the supply of stationery items was done to meet urgent office requirements. Due to oversight, the prescribed tendering/bidding process was not followed, although the amount exceeded ₹20,000.

The lapse is regretted. It is assured that henceforth all procurements exceeding ₹20,000 will be made strictly in accordance with the procurement guidelines, and the required tendering/bidding process will be followed without exception. Necessary instructions have been issued to the concerned officials to ensure compliance in future.