

### **Audit Para Clarification**

1. Direct payment was not made by PIU-MSAMB as the dates of Dubai Expo were very near and it was not possible to complete the procurement process for onboarding the agency to arrange tour program of delegates in such a short period. As such the tour was arranged and expenses were paid by MSAMB and the same were reimbursed by PIU-MSAMB.
2. The names of these three officers for Dubai Expo were nominated by PCMU, SMART. Hence the proposal for approval of the international travel of Shri. Jivan Bunde, Shri. Dashrath Tambhale and Shri. Kailas Mote was submitted to GoM by PCMU, SMART.