

Preface

Government commercial concerns, the accounts of which are subject to audit by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India, (CAG) fall under the following categories:

- Government Companies,
- Statutory Corporations, and
- Departmentally managed commercial undertakings.

2 This Report deals with the results of audit of Government Companies and Statutory Corporations and has been prepared for submission to the Government of Gujarat under Section 19A of the Comptroller and Auditor General's Duties, Powers and Conditions of Service) Act, 1971, as amended from time to time. The results of audit relating to departmentally managed commercial undertakings are included in the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (Civil) - Government of Gujarat.

3 Audit of the accounts of Government Companies is conducted by the CAG under the provisions of Section 619 of the Companies Act, 1956.

4 In respect of Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation, which is a Statutory Corporation, the CAG is the sole auditor. As per the State Financial Corporations (Amendment) Act, 2000, CAG has the right to conduct the audit of accounts of Gujarat State Financial Corporation in addition to the audit conducted by the Chartered Accountants, appointed by the Corporation out of the panel of auditors approved by the Reserve Bank of India. In respect of Gujarat State Warehousing Corporation, CAG has the right to conduct the audit of accounts in addition to the audit conducted by the Chartered Accountants, appointed by the State Government in consultation with CAG. The audit of accounts of Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation was entrusted to the CAG under Section 19(3) of the Comptroller and Auditor General's (Duties, Powers and Conditions of Service) Act, 1971 for a period of five years from 1977-78 and has been extended from time to time up to the accounts for the year 2011-12. In respect of Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission, CAG is the sole auditor. The Audit Reports on the annual accounts of all these Corporations/Commission are forwarded separately to the State Government.

5 Audits have been conducted in conformity with the Auditing Standards issued by the CAG.

6 The cases mentioned in this Report are those which came to notice in the course of audit during the year 2006-07 as well as those which came to notice in earlier years but were not dealt with in the previous Reports. Matters relating to the period subsequent to 2006-07 have also been included, wherever necessary.

Overview

1. Overview of Government Companies and Statutory Corporations

As on 31 March 2007, the State had 57 Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) comprising 53 Government Companies and four Statutory Corporations as against 56 PSUs comprising 52 Government Companies and four Statutory Corporations as on 31 March 2006. Out of 53 Government Companies, 41 were working and 12 were non-working Government Companies. All the four Statutory Corporations were working Corporations. In addition, there were seven Companies within the purview of Section 619-B of the Companies Act, 1956 as on 31 March 2007.

(Paragraphs 1.1 and 1.39)

The total investment in the working PSUs increased from Rs.43,496.88 crore as on 31 March 2006 to Rs.46,169.13 crore as on 31 March 2007. The total investment in 12 non-working PSUs as on 31 March 2007 was Rs.838.71 crore as against Rs.840.61 crore in 13 non-working PSUs as on 31 March 2006.

(Paragraphs 1.2 and 1.16)

The budgetary support in the form of equity capital, loans and grants/subsidies disbursed to the working PSUs increased from Rs.4,282.12 crore in 2005-06 to Rs.5,927.35 crore in 2006-07. The State Government had provided a loan of Rs.0.40 crore to a non-working company during 2006-07. The State Government guaranteed loans aggregating Rs.597 crore during 2006-07. The total amount of outstanding loans guaranteed by the State Government in respect of all the PSUs as on 31 March 2007 was Rs.9,688.83 crore.

(Paragraphs 1.5 and 1.17)

Out of 41 working Government Companies and four Statutory Corporations, only 18 working Companies and one Statutory Corporation had finalised their accounts for the year 2006-07. The accounts of 23 working Companies and three working Statutory Corporation were in arrears for periods ranging from one to three years as on 30 September 2007. One non-working Government company finalised its accounts for the year 2006-07 and the accounts of five non-working Government Companies were in arrears for periods ranging from one to eight years as on 30 September 2007. The application of one company to the Registrar of Companies for striking off its name under Simplified Exit Scheme-2005 was pending. The remaining five Companies were under liquidation.

(Paragraphs 1.6 and 1.19)

According to the latest finalised accounts, 32 working PSUs (30 Government Companies and two Statutory Corporations) earned aggregate profit of Rs.1,421.32 crore, out of which only seven working Government Companies declared dividend of Rs.82.98 crore to the State Government. Against this, eight working PSUs (six Government Companies and two Statutory Corporations) incurred aggregate loss of Rs.177.86 crore as per their latest finalised accounts. Of the loss incurring working Government Companies, four Companies had accumulated losses aggregating Rs.170.94 crore which was more than four times their aggregate paid-up capital of Rs.39.47 crore. The two loss incurring Statutory Corporations had accumulated losses aggregating Rs.2,126.63 crore which was more than three times of their aggregate paid-up capital of Rs.697.77 crore.

(Paragraphs 1.7, 1.8, 1.9 and 1.11)

2. Performance reviews relating to Government Companies

Performance reviews relating to Construction and Commissioning of Akrimota Thermal Power Project by **Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Limited**, Trading Activities and Implementation of Welfare Schemes for Weavers and Artisans by **Gujarat State Handloom and Handicrafts Development Corporation Limited**, Performance of Commercial and Promotional Activities of **Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Limited** and Implementation of Renovation and Modernisation Activities in Power Stations by the **Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Limited (erstwhile Gujarat Electricity Board)** were conducted. Some of the major findings are as follows:

Construction and Commissioning of Akrimota Thermal Power Project

The Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Limited had commissioned both Units of the project with delay ranging between 23 to 39 months. Main reasons were delay in arranging finance from banks and delay in award and execution of contracts. Consequently there was increase in project cost as well as cost of generation. No performance guarantee tests were conducted as stipulated in the agreement. The Company's performance in implementation of the project was deficient due to improper management of funds/contracts including various lacunae in the contract, excess payments/premature release of deposits to contractors and non-recovery of liquidated damages from the contractors. Further, the Company instead of filling the sanctioned posts and imparting training to the existing personnel of the project awarded operation and maintenance contracts to outside agencies for running the Units. Non-insistence for compliance of agreement with GEB/GUVNL had resulted in accumulation of revenue dues from them.

The Company was liable to pay extra expenditure of Rs.81.60 crore on account of interest payment as it did not avail itself of the loans bearing fixed rate of interest as suggested by the consultant. Loss of rebate on term loan, imprudent drawal of loan, non-availing of benefit of reduced rate of interest

and avoidable payment of guarantee fee amounting to Rs.13.79 crore were noticed in management of funds for the project.

Deficient handling of contracts resulted in payment of extra claims, exchange variations, undue payment of price escalation, sales tax, and non-recovery of liquidated damages led to loss of Rs.49.55 crore. Besides, security deposit and retention money of Rs.27.60 crore were released to the contractors before conducting the performance guarantee tests.

The cost and time overrun of the project and excess auxiliary consumption of power and furnace oil led to increase in per unit cost of generation from Rs.2.86 to Rs.5.28 for the year 2005-06.

(Chapter 2.1)

Trading Activities and Implementation of Welfare Schemes for Weavers and Artisans

The performance of Gujarat State Handloom and Handicrafts Development Corporation Limited in trading activities was far from satisfactory. It was unable to achieve the targeted sales, restart its closed and unviable emporia without devising any revival plan and high cost of operation compared to sales. Implementation of schemes were marred by under-utilisation of grant, lesser coverage of artisans/weavers, non-generation of targeted mandays for employment, non-maintenance of separate accounts, failure to review the schemes on quarterly basis. Internal control system was marred by the inadequate internal audit, lack of control in issue of raw materials to artisans, delayed payments to artisans and misreporting to the State Government.

The Company had implemented (2001-06) 19 schemes and utilised Rs.13.19 crore (53.77 *per cent*) against available funds of Rs.24.53 crore indicating its failure to fully utilise the funds for the benefit of artisans and weavers.

The performance of Scheme for Tool kits Distribution to the earthquake affected artisans/weavers was unsatisfactory. Delays in distribution of tool kits to artisans/weavers ranged between one to three years. Supply of looms were not as per specification.

Against the targeted coverage (2001-06) of 783 artisans under Handicrafts Exhibition Scheme and 1,425 artisans under Tribal Mela Scheme, the Company had covered only 49 (6.26 *per cent*) and 318 (22.32 *per cent*) artisans respectively.

(Chapter 2.2)

Performance of Commercial and Promotional Activities

The performance of the Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Limited was deficient. Even after its existence of more than 30 years in the tourism sector, the percentage of tourists availing the Company's facilities was negligible compared to the inflow of tourists in the State. Poor planning, lack of proper

monitoring and control during project execution resulted in slow progress of works and consequential low utilisation of funds. Grants were not utilised as per the terms and conditions of grants released. Norms for controlling the operational cost of food, fuel and electricity and also for increasing the occupancy of its hotels were not fixed resulting in huge operational losses. The governance of the Company was marred due to non-functioning of Purchase and Tender committee, inadequate size of the BODs and frequent changes of Managing Director.

Cases of excess drawal of grants of Rs.3.16 crore in five cases, drawal of grant of Rs.3.43 crore for the same project from the State Government as well as Government of India (GOI), misappropriated/diverted grants of Rs.58.59 lakhs in two cases and submission of incorrect utilisation certificates of Rs.1.21 crore in five cases to the GOI were noticed.

Of the 14 to 19 hotels and six to eight cafeterias, 63 to 93 *per cent* hotels and 83 to 100 *per cent* cafeterias of the Company incurred operational losses during 2002-07. Of these, 26 *per cent* hotels and 50 *per cent* cafeterias continuously incurred operational losses during 2002-07.

The utilisation (2002-07) of funds for infrastructural projects was low, ranging between 20 and 33 *per cent*, indicating inadequate planning, monitoring and control over the project activities by the Company.

(Chapter 2.3)

Implementation of Renovation and Modernisation Activities

The Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Limited (erstwhile Gujarat Electricity Board) did not have any comprehensive plan for R&M activities indicating the milestones like approval of DPRs, inviting tender, award of works *etc.* Non-adherence of procedures and delays in award of R&M works led to non-execution of the activities as per time schedule. Undertaking of few R&M activities which were not needed, led to infructuous expenditure. Performance of the Board/Company in implementation of R&M activities was further affected due to delays/excess procurement of materials and delay in commissioning of components/systems, short recovery of penalty from defaulting contractors, non-recovery of MODVAT credit of excise duty, avoidable payment of demurrage charges. Consequently, the Board/Company suffered generation loss and also incurred avoidable expenditure.

Of the 28 R&M activities implemented, avoidable delays were noticed in procurement and commissioning of components and systems required for six R&M activities. These delays led to generation loss (2002-07) of 368.339 MUs worth Rs.76.92 crore.

Infructuous expenditure of Rs.40.29 crore was incurred due to undertaking two R&M activities which were not needed in the Power Stations.

(Chapter 2.4)

3. Transaction Audit Observations

Audit observations included in this chapter highlight deficiencies in the management of PSUs involving serious financial irregularities. The irregularities pointed out are broadly of the following nature:

- Imprudent/wasteful expenditure of Rs.17.02 crore due to continued spending on failed 'economic design' of check dams. Further, there was loss of interest of Rs.13.35 crore in two cases due to payment of advance cost share on behalf of a foreign firm and premature investment in construction of concrete lining.

(Paragraphs 3.3, 3.5 and 3.6)

- Avoidable extra expenditure of Rs.6.93 crore in four cases due to delay in finalization of tender, failure to file appeal in time, deficient tender and splitting of purchase orders.

(Paragraphs 3.8, 3.11, 3.12 and 3.16.1)

- Loss of revenue of Rs.24.85 crore in four cases due to failure to lease out surplus space, settlement of dues under One Time Settlement Scheme to ineligible firm, imprudent decision to award annual sale contracts and non-charging of appropriate rates for allotment of plots.

(Paragraphs 3.1, 3.2, 3.4 and 3.17)

- Non-recovery of dues of Rs.38.05 crore in three cases due to non-recovery of security deposit, short recovery of interconnectivity charges and non-levy of penalty and interest.

(Paragraphs 3.7, 3.13 and 3.14)

- Loss of potential revenue of Rs.301.19 crore in three cases due to delay in finalisation of tender, not keeping the spare generator rotor ready for use and delay in supply of chassis and unauthorised diversion of government funds of Rs.6.28 crore in one case due to use for working capital requirements.

(Paragraphs 3.9, 3.10, 3.16.2 and 3.16.3)

Gist of the major audit observations is given below.

Gujarat Industrial Investment Corporation Limited lost Rs.2.57 crore due to settlement of dues under One Time Settlement scheme to an ineligible unit.

(Paragraph 3.2)

Gujarat Water Resources Development Corporation Limited incurred imprudent expenditure of Rs.17.02 crore on failed 'economic design' of check dams of Sujalam Sufalam Yojana. The State Government circumvented the prescribed procedure for approval of public works by awarding work to the Company on outright grant basis.

(Paragraph 3.3)

Sardar Sarovar Narmada Nigam Limited lost interest of Rs.1.92 crore due to premature investment of Rs.16.78 crore on construction of concrete lining of branch canal.

(Paragraph 3.6)

Gujarat State Petronet Limited short recovered interconnectivity charges of Rs.20.10 crore from customers and did not recover penalty and interest of Rs.14.73 crore for breach of agreement from a private firm.

(Paragraphs 3.13 and 3.14)

Chapter-I

1. Overview of Government Companies and Statutory Corporations

Introduction

1.1 As on 31 March 2007, there were 53 Government Companies (41 working and 12 non-working Companies*) and four Statutory Corporations as against 52 Government Companies (39 working and 13 non-working Companies*) and four Statutory Corporations (all working) as on 31 March 2006 under the control of the State Government. During the year two new Companies[⊘] came within the audit purview of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) and the name of one non-working Company[⊗] was struck off by the Registrar of Companies under simplified exit scheme-2005. The accounts of the Government Companies (as defined in Section 617 of Companies Act, 1956) are audited by the Statutory Auditors appointed by the CAG as per the provision of Section 619(2) of the Companies Act, 1956. These accounts are also subject to supplementary audit by the CAG as per the provisions of Section 619 of the Companies Act, 1956. The audit arrangements of the Statutory Corporations are as shown below:

Sl. No.	Name of the Statutory Corporation	Authority for audit by the CAG	Audit arrangement
1.	Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation	Section 33(2) of the Road Transport Corporations Act, 1950.	Sole audit by CAG.
2.	Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation	Section 19(3) of CAG's (Duties, Powers and Conditions of Service) Act, 1971.	Sole audit entrusted by the State Government to CAG up to 2011-12.
3.	Gujarat State Financial Corporation	Section 37(6) of the State Financial Corporations Act, 1951.	Audit by Chartered Accountants and supplementary audit by CAG.
4.	Gujarat State Warehousing Corporation	Section 31(8) of the State Warehousing Corporations Act, 1962.	Audit by Chartered Accountants and supplementary audit by CAG.

* Non-working Companies are those, which are under the process of liquidation/ closure/ merger, etc.

⊘ GSPC (JPDA) Limited and GSPC Pipavav Power Company Limited.

⊗ Gujarat Scheduled Castes Economic Development Corporation Limited.

The State had formed (July 1999) the Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission and its audit is entrusted to the CAG under Section 104(2) of the Electricity Act, 2003.

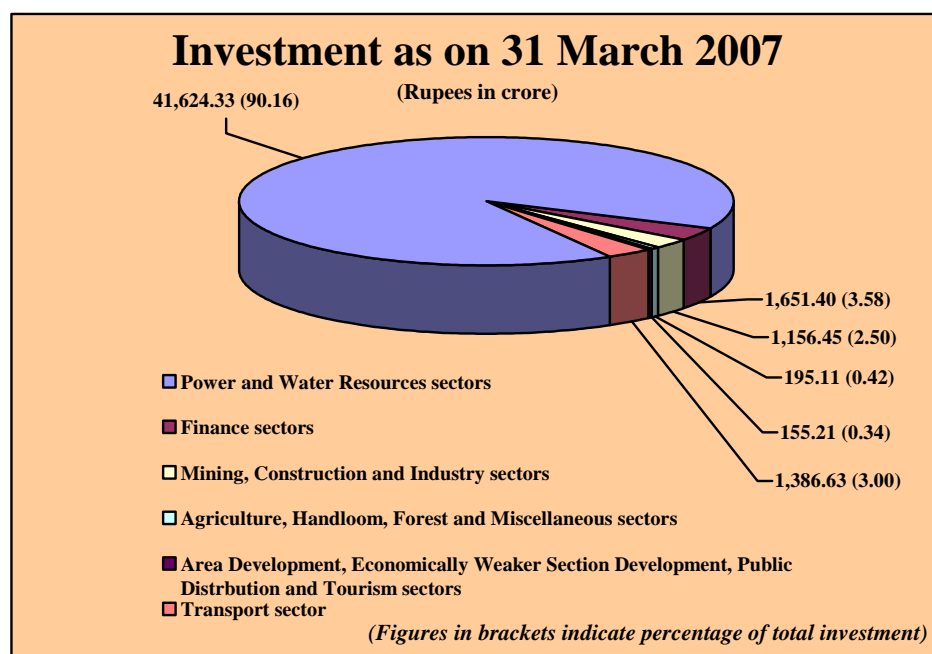
Working Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs)

Investment in working PSUs

1.2 As on 31 March 2007, the total investment* in 45 working PSUs (41 Government Companies and four Statutory Corporations) was Rs.46,169.13 crore^Y (equity: Rs.17,441.11 crore, share application money: Rs.8,592.70 crore and long-term loans[•]: Rs.20,135.32 crore) as against Rs.43,496.88 crore (equity: Rs.21,517.60 crore, share application money: Rs.1,183.93 crore and long-term loans: Rs.20,795.35 crore) in 43 working PSUs (39 Government Companies and four Statutory Corporations) as on 31 March 2006. An analysis of the investment in working PSUs is given in the succeeding paragraphs.

Sector wise investment in working Government Companies and Statutory Corporations

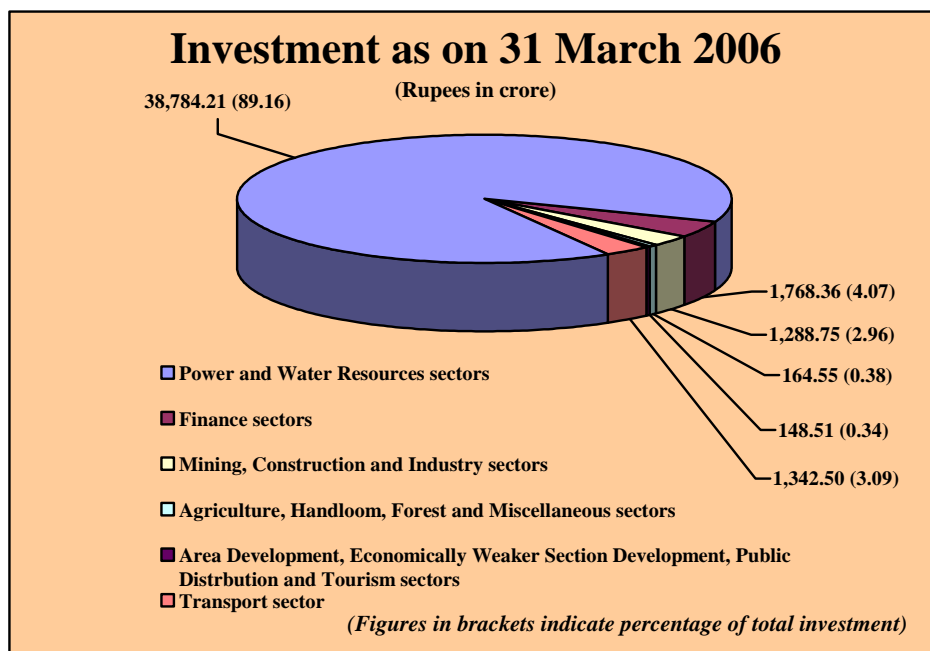
The investment (equity and long-term loans) in various sectors and percentage thereof at the end of March 2007 and March 2006 are indicated below in pie charts:



* Source : Information provided by the PSUs.

^Y State Government investments in the working State PSUs was Rs.21,975.44 crore (other : Rs.24,193.69 crore) and figure as per Finance Accounts 2006-07 is Rs.19,464.65 crore. The difference is under reconciliation.

[•] Long-term loans mentioned in paragraphs 1.2, 1.3, 1.4 and 1.17 are excluding interest accrued and due on such loans.



Working Government Companies

1.3 The total investment in working Government Companies at the end of March 2006 and March 2007 was as follows:

(Amount: Rupees in crore)

Year	Number of working Government Companies	Equity	Share application money	Long-term loans	Total
2005-06	39	20,815.83	1,183.93	19,200.50	41,200.26
2006-07	41	16,688.65	8,592.70	18,603.01	43,884.36

(Source: Information provided by the Companies)

As on 31 March 2007, the total investment in working Government Companies comprised 57.61 per cent of equity capital and 42.39 per cent of loans as compared to 53.40 and 46.60 per cent respectively as on 31 March 2006.

The increase in the investment in the equity and loans of working Government Companies during 2006-07 was mainly due to infusion of capital by the State Government in power and water resources sector Companies.

The summarised position of Government investment in working Government Companies in the form of equity and loans is detailed in **Annexure-1**.

Due to significant increase in capital of Government Companies in power and water resources sector, the debt-equity ratio of working Government Companies in this sector decreased from 0.86:1 in 2005-06 to 0.72:1 in 2006-07.

Working Statutory Corporations

1.4 The total investment by way of equity and loans in the working Statutory Corporations at the end of March 2006 and March 2007 was as follows:

(Amount: Rupees in crore)

Name of Corporation	2005-06 ^v		2006-07 ^s	
	Capital	Loans	Capital	Loans
Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation	608.65	733.85	659.34	727.29
Gujarat State Financial Corporation	89.12	858.46	89.12	802.48
Gujarat State Warehousing Corporation	4.00	--	4.00	--
Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation	--	2.54	--	2.54
Total	701.77	1,594.85	752.46	1,532.31

(Source: Information provided by the Corporations)

The summarised position of Government investment in working Statutory Corporations in the form of equity and loans is detailed in **Annexure-1**.

Due to repayment of loans by the Gujarat State Financial Corporation, the debt-equity ratio as a whole decreased from 2.27:1 in 2005-06 to 2.04:1 in 2006-07.

Budgetary outgo, grants/ subsidies, guarantees issued, waiver of dues and conversion of loans into equity

1.5 The details regarding budgetary outgo, grants/ subsidies, guarantees issued, waiver of dues and conversion of loans into equity by the State Government in respect of working Government Companies and working Statutory Corporations are given in **Annexures-1** and **3**.

The budgetary outgo[#] in the form of equity capital, loans and grants/ subsidies from the State Government to working Government Companies and working Statutory Corporations during 2004-07 is given below:

(Amount: Rupees in crore)

Particulars	2004-05				2005-06				2006-07			
	Companies		Corporations		Companies		Corporations		Companies		Corporations	
	No.	Amt.	No.	Amt.	No.	Amt.	No.	Amt.	No.	Amt.	No.	Amt.
Equity capital outgo from budget	9	1,408.93	1	17.69	8	1,478.15	--	--	9	2,664.93	1	33.00
Loans given from budget	4	1,116.38	3	682.61	3	77.75	2	293.87	5	38.96	2	224.17
Grant/ subsidy towards												
(1) Projects/ programmes/schemes	14	331.48	1	17.74	18	1,321.33	1	57.86	20	1,002.03	2	43.42
(2) Other subsidy	6	39.03	3	1,758.18	9	697.16	1	356.00	12	1,564.84	1	356.00
Total grants/subsidy	17*	370.51	4*	1,775.92	21*	2,018.49	2*	413.86	25*	2,566.87	3*	399.42
Total outgo	20*	2,895.82	4*	2,476.22	26*	3,574.39	3*	707.73	28*	5,270.76	3*	656.59

(Source: Information provided by the PSUs)

^v Figures for 2005-06 in respect of Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation are provisional and as furnished by the Corporation.

^s Figures for 2006-07 in respect of Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation, Gujarat State Financial Corporation and Gujarat State Warehousing Corporation are provisional and as furnished by the respective Corporations.

[#] Reconciliation of figures with Finance Accounts is pending.

^{*} Actual number of Companies/ Corporations, which received budgetary support in the form of equity, loans, grants and subsidies from Government in respective years.

During the year 2006-07, the Government had guaranteed loans aggregating Rs.597 crore obtained by Sardar Sarovar Narmada Nigam Limited. At the end of the year, guarantees amounting to Rs.9,646.13 crore obtained by 10 working Government Companies (Rs.9,135.39 crore) and three working Statutory Corporations (Rs.510.74 crore) were outstanding as against outstanding guarantees of Rs.11,662.45 crore obtained by 10 working Government Companies (Rs.11,107.14 crore) and three working Statutory Corporations (Rs.555.31 crore) as on 31 March 2006. The State Government converted outstanding loans of Rs.623.06 crore against Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam Limited into its equity capital. The guarantee commission paid/payable to the State Government by five Government Companies and two Statutory Corporations during 2006-07 was Rs.164.05 crore and Rs.35.59 crore, respectively.

Finalisation of accounts by working PSUs

1.6 The accounts of the Government Companies for every financial year are required to be finalised within six months from the end of the relevant financial year under Sections 166, 210, 230, 619 and 619-B of the Companies Act, 1956 read with Section 19 of Comptroller and Auditor General's (Duties, Powers and Conditions of Service) Act, 1971. These are also to be laid before the Legislature within nine months from the end of relevant financial year. Similarly, in case of Statutory Corporations, their accounts are finalised, audited and presented to the Legislature as per the provisions of their respective Statutes.

Out of 41 working Government Companies and four Statutory Corporations, only 18 Companies and one Statutory Corporation had finalised their accounts for the year 2006-07 up to 30 September 2007. During the period from October 2006 to September 2007, 27 working Government Companies finalised 27 accounts for previous years.

The accounts of 23 working Government Companies and three working Statutory Corporations were in arrears for periods ranging from one to three years as on 30 September 2007 as detailed below:

Sl. No.	Number of working PSUs whose accounts were in arrears		Period for which accounts were in arrears	Number of years for which accounts were in arrears	Reference to Sl. No. of Annexure-2	
	Government Companies	Statutory Corporations			Government Companies	Statutory Corporations
1	1	--	2004-05 to 2006-07	3	A-17	--
2	5	1	2005-06 to 2006-07	2	A-4, 7, 10, 15, and 22	B-1
3	17	2	2006-07	1	A-1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 11, 13, 14, 18, 20, 21, 27, 30, 34, 38, 39 and 41	B-2 and 3
	23	3				

(Source: Information compiled from annual accounts of the PSUs)

The administrative departments need to oversee and ensure that the accounts are finalised and adopted by these PSUs within the prescribed period. Though the concerned administrative departments and officials of the Government were informed every quarter of the arrears in finalisation of accounts by the Audit, no remedial measures had been taken. As a result of which the net worth of these PSUs could not be assessed in audit.

Financial position and working results of working PSUs

1.7 The summarised financial results of the working PSUs (Government Companies and Statutory Corporations) as per their latest finalised accounts are given in **Annexure-2**. Besides, statement showing the financial position and working results of individual working Statutory Corporations for the latest three years for which accounts have been finalised are given in **Annexures-4** and **5** respectively.

According to the latest finalised accounts of 41 working Government Companies and four working Statutory Corporations, six Companies and two Corporations had incurred an aggregate loss of Rs.41.29 crore and Rs.136.57 crore respectively. Thirty Companies and two Corporations had earned an aggregate profit of Rs.1,337.79 crore and Rs.83.53 crore, respectively. One* Company had capitalised excess of expenditure over income; one# Company had transferred excess of expenditure to non-plan grant, three[∇] Companies are under construction.

Working Government Companies

Profit earning working Government Companies and dividend

1.8 Out of 18 working Companies which finalised their accounts for 2006-07 up to 30 September 2007, thirteen Companies earned profit aggregating Rs.933.76 crore. Of these, only three Companies[∇] declared dividend of Rs.41.40 crore of which the State Government's share was Rs.34.29 crore. The remaining ten profit earning Companies did not declare any dividend. The total return by way of the above dividend of Rs.34.29 crore worked out to 0.21 *per cent* on the total equity investment of Rs.16,039.36 crore in 2006-07 by the State Government in working Government Companies as against 0.05 *per cent* in the previous year. The State Government had not formulated any dividend policy for payment of minimum dividend by the PSUs.

Seventeen profit earning working Companies, which finalised their accounts for previous years during October 2006 to September 2007, earned profit aggregating Rs.404.02 crore and only four Companies[⊕] declared dividend of

* Gujarat State Police Housing Corporation Limited.

Gujarat Women Economic Development Corporation Limited.

∇ GSPC (JPDA) Limited, Sardar Sarovar Narmada Nigam Limited and GSPC Pipavav Power Company Limited.

∇ Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Limited, Gujarat State Financial Services Limited and GSFS Capital and Securities Limited.

⊕ Gujarat State Seeds Corporation Limited, Gujarat State Petroleum Corporation Limited, Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Limited and Gujarat State Civil Supplies Corporation Limited.

Rs.41.58 crore of which State Government's share was Rs.35.55 crore. Out of the above 30 profit earning Companies, 23 Companies were earning profit for the last two or more successive years.

Loss incurring working Government Companies

1.9 Of the six loss incurring working Government Companies, four[^] Companies had accumulated loss aggregating Rs.170.94 crore which was more than four times of their aggregate paid-up capital of Rs.39.47 crore.

Despite poor performance and complete erosion of paid-up capital, the State Government continued to provide financial support to these Companies in the form of contribution towards equity, loans, conversion of loans into equity and subsidy, *etc.* According to the available information, the total financial support so provided by the State Government was Rs.174.36 crore by way of equity (Rs.0.35 lakh), loan (Rs.3.11 crore) and subsidy (Rs.171.25 crore) during 2006-07 to these four Companies.

Working Statutory Corporations

Profit earning Statutory Corporations and dividend

1.10 Of the four Statutory Corporations, Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation which finalised its accounts for 2006-07 had earned profit of Rs.79.38 crore and did not declare any dividend. As against 0.04 *per cent* return on equity investment of Rs.553.46 crore in the previous year, the return on investment of Rs.604.15 crore was nil. One Statutory Corporation which finalised its accounts for earlier year earned profit of Rs.4.16 crore and declare dividend of Rs.0.40 crore of which the State Government's share was Rs.0.20 crore.

Loss incurring Statutory Corporations

1.11 The two loss incurring Statutory Corporations[∅] had accumulated losses aggregating Rs.2,126.63 crore which were more than three times of their aggregate paid-up capital of Rs.697.77 crore.

Despite poor performance and complete erosion of paid-up capital, the State Government continued to provide financial support to these Corporations in the form of equity, loans, conversion of loans into equity and grant, *etc.* According to the available information, the total financial support provided during 2006-07 by the State Government was Rs.613.24 crore in the form of equity (Rs.33 crore), loans (Rs.224.17 crore) and subsidy (Rs.356.07 crore) to these two Statutory Corporations[∅] (***Annexures-1 and 3***).

[^] Gujarat State Land Development Corporation Limited, Gujarat State Handloom and Handicrafts Development Corporation Limited, Gujarat Minorities Finance and Development Corporation Limited and Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Limited.

[∅] Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation and Gujarat State Financial Corporation.

Operational performance of working Statutory Corporations

1.12 The operational performance of the working Statutory Corporations is given in **Annexure-6**.

Return on capital employed

1.13 As per the latest finalised accounts of 41 Government Companies (accounts finalised up to 30 September 2007), the capital employed[§] worked out to Rs.41,599.12 crore and the total return[#] thereon amounted to Rs.2,642.68 crore (6.35 *per cent*) as compared to total return of Rs.902.33 crore (3.48 *per cent*) on capital employed of Rs.25,927.05 crore in the previous year (as per accounts finalised up to 30 September 2006). Similarly, the capital employed in working Statutory Corporations as per the latest finalised accounts (up to 30 September 2007) worked out to Rs.3,318.99 crore and the total return on capital employed was Rs.94.95 crore (2.86 *per cent*), respectively as against the capital employed of Rs.2,950.80 crore and the total return of Rs.57.39 crore thereon in the previous year (as per accounts finalised up to 30 September 2006). The details of capital employed and total return on capital employed in case of working Government Companies and Statutory Corporations are given in **Annexure-2**.

Power sector reforms

Status of implementation of Memorandum of Understanding between the State Government and the Central Government

1.14 A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed on 19 January 2001 between the Union Ministry of Power and the State Government as a joint commitment for implementation of reforms programme in power sector with identified milestones. The MOU *inter alia* included reduction in transmission and distribution (T&D) losses for which no targets were fixed and 100 *per cent* metering of all agriculture consumers by 9 October 2003. Against this, T&D losses and metering of agriculture consumers achieved were 22.20 *per cent* and 31.51 *per cent* respectively (March 2007).

Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission

1.15 The Gujarat Electricity Regulatory Commission (GERC) was formed (12 November 1998) under Section 17 of the Electricity Regulatory Commissions Act, 1998[∇] with the main objective of determining electricity tariff, advising the State Government in matters relating to generation, transmission and distribution of electricity, *etc.* in the State. The audit of accounts of GERC is conducted by the CAG under Section 104(2) of the Electricity Act, 2003. The Commission had finalised its accounts up to

[§] Capital employed represents net fixed assets (including capital works-in-progress) *plus* working capital except in finance Companies and Corporations where it represents a mean of aggregate of opening and closing balances of paid-up capital, free reserves, bonds, deposits and borrowings (including refinance).

[#] For calculating total return on capital employed, interest on borrowed funds is added to net profit/subtracted from the loss as disclosed in the profit and loss account.

[∇] Since replaced by the Electricity Act, 2003.

2006-07. During 2006-07, GERC issued 58 orders (12 on annual revenue requirements and 46 on others) against 44 orders issued (44 on annual revenue requirements and nil on others) during 2005-06.

Non-working Government Companies

Investment in non-working Government Companies

1.16 As on 31 March 2007, the total investment in 12 non-working Government Companies was Rs.838.71 crore (equity: Rs.54.06 crore, long-term loans: Rs.742.11 crore and share application money: Rs.42.54 crore), as against the total investment of Rs.840.61 crore (equity: Rs.54.06 crore, long-term loans: Rs.744.01 crore and share application money: Rs.42.54 crore) in 13 non-working Government Companies as on 31 March 2006.

The classification of the non-working Government Companies is as under:

Sl. No.	Status of non-working Government Companies	Number of Companies	Investment (Rupees in crore)	
			Equity	Long-term loans
1.	Under liquidation	5	58.91*	598.17
2.	Under closure	5	21.69	143.94
3.	Others [#]	2	16.00	--
	Total	12	96.60	742.11

(Source: Information provided by the Companies)

Of the above 12 non-working Government Companies, four[^] Government Companies are under liquidation under Section 560 of the Companies Act, 1956 for nine years and in respect of one Company[∇] the Gujarat High Court had passed order for liquidation on 7 April 2003. Substantial investment of Rs.657.08 crore is involved in these five Companies. Further, one Company[⊗] has been declared (14 January 2003) as a sick unit under the Sick Industrial Companies Act, 1985 and package for revival of the Company has been approved by the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction. Further developments were awaited. Effective steps need to be taken for their expeditious liquidation or revival of these Government Companies.

Budgetary outgo, grant/ subsidies, guarantees issued, waiver of dues and conversion of loans into equity

1.17 The details regarding budgetary outgo, grants/ subsidies, guarantees issued, waiver of dues and conversion of loans into equity by the State Government in respect of non-working Government Companies are given in **Annexures-1** and **3**.

* Equity includes share application money of Rs.42.54 crore for Companies under liquidation.

[#] The Film Development Corporation of Gujarat Limited had applied for striking-off its name under Simplified Exit Scheme-2005. Hence, no figures are shown against it. The Board of Directors of Gujarat National Highways Limited had decided for winding up the Company after clearing the arrears of Accounts (**Annexure-1**).

[^] Gujarat State Textile Corporation Limited, Gujarat Fintex Limited, Gujarat Siltex Limited and Gujarat Texfab Limited.

[∇] Gujarat Communications and Electronics Limited.

[⊗] Gujarat Dairy Development Corporation Limited.

The State Government had provided budgetary support of Rs.0.40 crore in the form of loan to Gujarat Small Industries Corporation Limited during 2006-07. At the end March 2006 and March 2007, guarantees aggregating Rs.42.70 crore obtained by two non-working Companies[∇] were outstanding. The guarantee commission paid/payable to the State Government by these two non-working Government Companies during 2006-07 was Rs.0.90 crore.

Total establishment expenditure of non-working Government Companies

1.18 The year wise details of establishment expenditure incurred by non-working Government Companies and sources of financing them during the last three years up to 2006-07 are given below:

(Amount: Rupees in crore)

Year	Number of Government Companies	Total establishment expenditure	Financed by		
			Disposal of investment/assets	Government Loans	Others
2004-05	10	1.31 [∇]	0.57	--	0.74
2005-06	13	1.64 [^]	0.38	0.90	0.36
2006-07	12	0.67 [*]	0.49	--	0.18
Total		3.62	1.44	0.90	1.28

(Source: Information provided by the Companies)

An amount of Rs.3.62 crore has been spent towards establishment expenditure by the above mentioned non-working Government Companies during 2004-07. Expeditious action is necessary for winding up of these Companies to avoid further non-productive expenditure in this regard.

[∇] Gujarat Communications and Electronics Limited and Gujarat State Construction Corporation Limited.

[∇] This relates to eight non-working Government Companies viz., Gujarat Fisheries Development Corporation Limited, Gujarat Dairy Development Corporation Limited, Gujarat Small Industries Corporation Limited, Gujarat State Textile Corporation Limited, Gujarat Fintex Limited, Gujarat Siltex Limited, Gujarat Texfab Limited and Gujarat State Construction Corporation Limited; the remaining two Companies viz., Gujarat Communications and Electronics Limited and Gujarat Trans-Receiver Limited did not furnish the information.

[^] This relates to four non-working Government Companies viz., Gujarat Fisheries Development Corporation Limited, Gujarat Dairy Development Corporation Limited, Gujarat Small Industries Corporation Limited and Gujarat State Construction Corporation Limited; five non-working Government Companies viz., Gujarat Communications and Electronics Limited, Gujarat State Textile Corporation Limited, Gujarat Fintex Limited, Gujarat Siltex Limited and Gujarat Texfab Limited were under liquidation; two non-working Government Companies viz., Gujarat Scheduled Castes Economic Development Corporation Limited and The Film Development Corporation of Gujarat Limited had applied for striking off their name under Simplified Exit Scheme-2005 and information was not furnished by two Companies viz., Gujarat Trans-Receiver Limited and Gujarat National Highways Limited.

^{*} This relates to three non-working Government Companies viz., Gujarat Dairy Development Corporation Limited, Gujarat Small Industries Corporation Limited and Gujarat State Construction Corporation Limited; five non-working Government Companies viz., Gujarat Communications and Electronics Limited, Gujarat State Textile Corporation, Gujarat Fintex Limited, Gujarat Siltex Limited and Gujarat Texfab Limited were under liquidation, The Film Development Corporation of Gujarat Limited had applied for striking off its name under Simplified Exit Scheme-2005 and information was not furnished by three Companies viz., Gujarat Fisheries Development Corporation Limited, Gujarat Trans-Receiver Limited and Gujarat National Highways Limited.

Finalisation of accounts by non-working Government Companies

1.19 Out of 12 non-working Government Companies, one Company had finalised the account for 2006-07 and the accounts of five Companies were in arrears for periods ranging from one to eight years. Five^{*} Companies were under liquidation (**Annexure-2**) and one[§] Company had applied (July 2005) to the Registrar of Companies (ROC) for striking off its name under Simplified Exit Scheme-2005.

Financial position and working results of non-working Government Companies

1.20 The summarised financial results of non-working Government Companies as per their latest finalised accounts are given in **Annexure-2**. The net worth of 11[#] non-working Government Companies against their paid-up capital of Rs.96.60 crore was Rs.(-)1,299.86 crore. These Companies had suffered cash loss of Rs.336.95 crore and their accumulated loss amounted to Rs.1,245.80 crore.

Status of placement of Separate Audit Reports of Statutory Corporations in the Legislative Assembly

1.21 The following table gives the status of placement in the Legislature of various Separate Audit Reports (SARs) on the accounts of Statutory Corporations as issued by the CAG:

Sl. No.	Name of the Statutory Corporation	Year up to which SARs placed in Legislature	Years for which SARs not placed in Legislature	
			Year of SAR	Date of issue to the Government
1.	Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation	2003-04	2004-05 2005-06	9 March 2007. SAR under process.
2.	Gujarat State Financial Corporation	2003-04	2004-05 2005-06	19 September 2006 SAR under process.
3.	Gujarat State Warehousing Corporation	2004-05	2005-06	18 May 2007.
4.	Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation	2003-04	2004-05 2005-06 2006-07	2 August 2007. SAR under process. Audit in progress.

(Source: Information provided by the Corporations)

* Gujarat Communications and Electronics Limited, Gujarat State Textile Corporation Limited, Gujarat Fintex Limited, Gujarat Siltex Limited and Gujarat Texfab Limited.

§ The Film Development Corporation of Gujarat Limited.

The Film Development Corporation of Gujarat Limited had applied to the Registrar of Companies for striking off its name under Simplified Exit Scheme-2005.

Disinvestment, Privatisation and Restructuring* of Public Sector Undertakings

1.22 During the year 2006-07, the State Government had neither disinvested nor privatised any of its PSUs. In October 1992, the Government of Gujarat had constituted State Finance Commission to examine the potential for privatisation and disinvestment of the PSUs of the State Government. The recommendations of the Commission including setting up of a High Level Committee for formulating broad guidelines and constitution of a Cabinet Sub-Committee (constituted in March 1996) were reported *vide* paragraph 1.2.2 of the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year ended 31 March 1998 (Commercial)-Government of Gujarat. The follow-up action taken on the decisions of the Cabinet Sub-Committee up to March 2007 was as under:

Disinvestment

1.23 The Cabinet Sub-Committee decided to reduce the stake of the State Government in Gujarat Industrial Investment Corporation Limited to 49 *per cent* of its equity shares. As a follow-up, 11 *per cent* equity shares were to be transferred to Gujarat Narmada Valley Fertilizers Company Limited and Gujarat State Fertilizers and Chemicals Limited. However, the shares were not transferred (March 2007).

1.24 In case of Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Limited, the Cabinet Sub-Committee decided to disinvest 49 *per cent* equity shares and 26 *per cent* of the equity shares had already been disinvested. The balance 23 *per cent* of the equity shares are still to be disinvested.

Results of audit on the accounts of PSUs by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India

1.25 During October 2006 to September 2007, 48 accounts of 39 Government Companies (36 working and three non-working) and three Statutory Corporations (all working) were selected for audit. As a result of the observations made by CAG, Gujarat Industrial Investment Corporation Limited revised its accounts for the year 2005-06. The net impact of the major audit observations on the profitability of these Companies was as follows:

Sl. No.	Details	Number of accounts		Amount (Rupees in crore)	
		Working Government Companies	Working Statutory Corporations	Working Government Companies	Working Statutory Corporations
1.	Increase in profit	7	1	49.82	0.12
2.	Decrease in profit	3	1	29.58	51.02
3.	Increase in loss	--	1	--	24.42
4.	Decrease in loss	1	--	0.05	--

Some of the major errors and omissions noticed in the course of audit of annual accounts of these PSUs are as under:

* Restructuring includes merger and closure of PSUs.

Errors and omissions noticed in case of Government Companies

Gujarat State Civil Supplies Corporation Limited (2005-06)

1.26 The Company has accounted Rs.67.11 lakh received against the insurance claim for damaged food grains as miscellaneous income, which was refundable to State Government. This has resulted in overstatement of profit for the year and understatement of liabilities payable to State Government by Rs.67.11 lakh.

Gujarat State Seeds Corporation Limited (2005-06)

1.27 Balance in fixed deposit account was overstated by Rupees four crore with corresponding understatement of balance in current account due to wrong accounting of next year's fixed deposits in the current year accounts.

Gujarat Water Infrastructure Limited (2005-06)

1.28 The interest and commitment charges were overstated by Rs.2.16 crore due to provision for prepayment charges on outstanding loan paid in subsequent year (2006-07). This resulted in understatement of profit and overstatement of loan by Rs.2.16 crore.

Dakshin Gujarat Vij Company Limited (2005-06)

1.29 The Company did not disclose the fact that the fixed assets of Rs.448.99 crore have been valued at Rs.685.24 crore on revaluation by the State Government before demerger as required under Accounting Standard 6 as issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

Gujarat State Financial Services Limited (2006-07)

1.30 The unsecured loans were overstated by Rs.104.37 crore (cheques received for inter corporate deposit (ICD): Rs.4.51 crore and interest accrued but not due on ICD: Rs.99.86 crore). The cheques received should have been treated as advance towards ICD and the interest accrued but not due on ICD should have been shown as current liabilities and provisions. This has resulted in overstatement of unsecured loans with corresponding understatement of current liabilities and provisions by Rs.104.37 crore.

Gujarat Agro Industries Corporation Limited (2005-06)

1.31 The Company had provided Rs.2.09 crore towards liability on account of gratuity and leave encashment against the liability of Rs.2.52 crore assessed on actuarial valuation. This had resulted in understatement of expenditure on salary, wages and bonus *etc.* and overstatement of profit by Rs.0.43 crore for the year.

Errors and omissions noticed in the case of Statutory Corporations

Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation (2004-05)

1.32 The Corporation has not accounted the discount receivable from Indian Oil Corporation Limited for supply of diesel to its divisions. This has resulted in understatement of miscellaneous income and overstatement of loss by Rs.4.40 crore.

1.33 The Corporation has accepted the gratuity scheme of Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) and accordingly provided details to LIC. The LIC raised a demand of Rs.28.82 crore being the shortfall in gratuity fund of Rs.100 crore to be maintained with LIC for Corporations' gratuity liability. But the Corporation neither paid nor provided or disclosed the amount in the Accounts.

Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation (2004-05)

1.34 The Corporation had not provided the liability towards water charges payable to Irrigation Department for non-agricultural use of water. This had resulted in understatement of water supply expenditure and overstatement of excess of income over expenditure by Rs.46.37 crore.

1.35 The Corporation short provided the liability for leave encashment benefits resulting in understatement of establishment and other charges and overstatement of excess of income over expenditure by Rs.1.85 crore.

Recoveries at the instance of Audit

1.36 Test check of records of PSUs conducted during April 2006 to March 2007 disclosed short levy of tariff, short realisation of revenue, excess payments, non-credit of lapsed deposits, non-recovery of interest, avoidable expenditure, extra expenditure due to abandonment of work and other observations, *etc*, aggregating Rs.33.76 crore in 54 cases apart from seven cases where money value of recovery was not determined at the time of audit. The PSUs accepted the observations in all the 61 cases pointed out by Audit and Rs.32.53 crore relating to the above mentioned cases had been recovered.

Internal audit/ internal control

1.37 The Statutory Auditors (Chartered Accountants) are required to furnish a detailed report on the various aspects including the internal control/ internal audit system in the Companies audited in accordance with the directions issued to them by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India under section 619(3) (a) of the Companies Act, 1956 and to identify the areas, which need improvement. An illustrative resume of major recommendations made/ comments made on possible improvement in the internal audit/ internal control system in respect of State Government Companies is given below:

Nature of comments/ recommendations made by the Statutory Auditors	Number of Companies where observations were made	Reference to Sl. No. of the Companies as per <i>Annexure-2</i>
Internal audit system needed to be strengthened keeping in view the size and nature of business of PSUs.	6	A-4, 7, 9, 13, 19, and 24.
The compliance on internal audit report was not adequate.	1	A- 23.
Internal audit system was not adequate.	2	A-38 and 40.
Internal control system was not adequate.	4	A-11, 26, 28 and 30.

Recommendations for closure of PSUs

1.38 Even after completion of five years of their existence, the turnover of seven* working Government Companies had remained less than rupees five crore in each of the preceding five years as per their latest finalised accounts (*Annexure-2*). Five^ PSUs (three working Companies and two working Statutory Corporations) had been incurring losses for five consecutive years as per their latest finalised accounts (*Annexure-2*), leading to negative net worth.

In view of poor turnover and continuous losses, the Government should review and either improve the performance of these 12 PSUs (10 Government Companies and two Statutory Corporations) or consider their closure.

619-B Companies

1.39 There were seven Companies falling within the purview of Section 619-B of the Companies Act, 1956 of which one Company[∇] was non-working and one Company[⊗] was under liquidation. *Annexure-7* gives the details of paid-up capital, investment by way of equity, loans and grants and summarised working results of these Companies based on their latest finalised accounts.

* Gujarat Sheep and Wool Development Corporation Limited, Gujarat State Road Development Corporation Limited, Gujarat State Rural Development Corporation Limited, Gujarat Growth Centres Development Corporation Limited, Gujarat Urban Development Company Limited, Gujarat Minorities Finance and Development Corporation Limited and GSFS Capital and Securities Limited.

^ Gujarat State Land Development Corporation Limited, Gujarat State Handloom and Handicrafts Development Corporation Limited, Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Limited, Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation and Gujarat State Financial Corporation.

∇ Gujarat State Machine Tools Limited.

⊗ Gujarat Leather Industries Limited.

CHAPTER - II

2. Performance reviews relating to Government Companies

Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Limited

2.1 Construction and Commissioning of Akrimota Thermal Power Project

Highlights

The Company commissioned Unit-I and II of Akrimota Thermal Power Project in March 2007 and May 2006 with delay of 39 and 23 months respectively against the scheduled date of commissioning. Delay in arranging finance from banks, delay in award and execution of contracts *etc.* led to belated commissioning of both the Units. Delay in commissioning resulted in cost overrun of Rs.78.71 crore and also loss in generation of 3,274.799 MUs of power worth Rs.884.20 crore.

(Paragraphs 2.1.7, 2.1.21, 2.1.25 and 2.1.31)

The Company was liable to pay extra expenditure of Rs.81.60 crore on account of interest payment as it did not avail itself of the loans bearing fixed rate of interest as suggested by the consultant. Loss of rebate on term loan, imprudent drawal of loan, non-availing of benefit of reduced rate of interest and avoidable payment of guarantee fee amounting to Rs.13.79 crore were noticed in management of funds for the project.

(Paragraphs 2.1.10, 2.1.11, 2.1.12, 2.1.13 and 2.1.14)

Deficiency in terms and conditions of contracts and non-adherence to the terms of contract led to loss of Rs.27.16 crore in the award of contracts.

(Paragraphs 2.1.18, 2.1.19, 2.1.20 and 2.1.22)

Deficient handling of contracts resulted in payment of extra claims, exchange variations, avoidable payment of sales tax and non-recovery of liquidated damages led to loss of Rs.49.55 crore. Besides, security deposit and retention money of Rs.27.60 crore were released to the contractors before conducting the performance guarantee tests.

(Paragraphs 2.1.25, 2.1.26, 2.1.29, 2.1.30 and 2.1.32)

The cost and time overrun of the project and excess auxiliary consumption of power and furnace oil led to increase in per unit cost of generation from Rs.2.86 to Rs.5.28 for the year 2005-06.

(Paragraph 2.1.34)

Introduction

2.1.1 Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Limited (Company) was incorporated (May 1963) as a private limited Company to undertake mining of minerals and ancillary works and also to develop mineral resources in the State. It was converted into a wholly owned Government Company in July 1971. The Company is operating seven* mining projects. The Government of Gujarat (State Government) assigned (July 1994) the work of implementation of Akrimota power project to the Company as the Company was mining lignite at various locations and was financially sound. The project envisaged to set up power station based on lignite as fuel at Akrimota in Lakhpat taluka of Kachchh district. As per the Detailed Project Report (DPR) prepared ((March 1999) by the Company, the installed generating capacity of the power station would be 250 MW having two Units of 125 MW each. The two Units were to be commissioned by 30 November 2003 and 31 May 2004. The estimated cost of the project was Rs.1,395 crore (borrowed funds Rs.1,116 crore and own funds Rs.279 crore).

Scope of Audit

2.1.2 The performance review conducted during January-May 2007 covers activities related to planning, funding, implementation and commissioning of the power project mainly during the period 2002-07. Audit examined the project related records kept at the Company's head office (HO), monthly progress reports and other details furnished by the project office to HO.

Audit objectives

2.1.3 The audit objectives of the performance review were to ascertain whether:

- the management was efficient to safeguard against risks to the economy and efficiency of the project in planning and award of contracts;
- the project was completed and commissioned within the time schedule as stipulated in the DPR;
- the management availed the borrowed funds to the extent required and utilised it economically and efficiently for the project;

* Four Lignite projects – Panandhro and Mata-no-Madh both in Kachchh district, Rajpardi in Bharuch district and Tadkeshwar in Surat district (commissioned in March 2006); two Bauxite projects- Bhatia in Jamnagar district and Gadhsisa in Kachchh district and one Fluorspar project at Kadipani in Vadodara district.

- a dependent quality assurance system was put in place which was effectively monitored by the top management;
- the management complied with various provisions of statutes and rules concerning environment;
- actual cost of generation was as per the norms envisaged in the project report and the auxiliary consumption of power and fuel did not exceed the norms; and
- the power generated and sold was properly invoiced and dues recovered as per terms and conditions settled with purchaser of power.

Audit criteria

2.1.4 The following audit criteria were adopted:

- terms and conditions mentioned in the statutory clearances given by the Union Ministry of Power (MOP), Central Electricity Authority (CEA) and State Government for the project;
- terms and conditions of agreements with financial institutions for availing loans;
- the procedures followed for award of contract with reference to principles of economy, efficiency, effectiveness and transparency;
- terms and conditions of the contracts entered into with parties for execution of the works; and
- milestones given in DPR and Power Purchase Agreement (PPA).

Audit methodology

2.1.5 Audit followed the following mix of methodologies for achieving the audit objectives with reference to audit criteria:

- analysis of project report, loan documents, PPA, monthly performance reports of the project;
- study of norms and guidelines of the MOP, CEA, State Government and minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors (BOD), Tender Committee;
- study of records relating to tender, bid documents, award of work and payments made to the contractors;
- analysis of data relating to the consumption of materials for generation of power; and
- interaction with management and issue of audit queries.

Audit findings

2.1.6 The audit findings were reported (August 2007) to the Government/ Management and discussed at the meeting (1 November 2007) of the Audit Review Committee for State Public Sector Enterprises (ARCPSE), which was attended by the Deputy Secretary to Government of Gujarat Industries and Mines Department and three General Managers (Power, Finance and Accounts) of the Company. The views of the Government and the Management were taken into account while finalising the review.

Audit findings are discussed in succeeding paragraphs.

Project planning

Non-adherence of project milestones

2.1.7 The Company obtained the approval (August 1999) of CEA for the project and entered (February 2000) into Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) with erstwhile Gujarat Electricity Board (GEB) for selling of power after commissioning of the Units. As per PPA, the GEB was to execute an Escrow and Disbursement Agreement (EDA)[∇] with the Company in November 2000. GEB, however, executed the EDA only in March 2002. As a result, the Company was unable to arrange finances from financial institutions for the project till March 2003. In the meantime, the Company fixed 30 September 2000 as zero date[•] and planned for synchronisation of Unit I and II within a period of 32 and 38 months from zero date and also for commissioning the Units within 180 days from synchronisation. Thus, the Unit I and II were to be commissioned by 30 November 2003 and 31 May 2004 respectively. Against the scheduled dates, Unit I was commissioned on 12 March 2007 and Unit II on 1 May 2006 after a delay of 39 and 23 months respectively. The implementation of the project was delayed mainly due to delays in arranging finances from banks, award and execution of contracts and due to stay order obtained by one of the bidders relating to award of contract for material handling system. Delays were also noticed in releasing the power for construction activity and laying of transmission lines for evacuation of power by GEB as per terms of PPA. The delays in award and execution of various works of the project have been discussed in paragraphs 2.1.21, 2.1.22 and 2.1.25 *infra*.

Both the units of power project were commissioned with a delay ranging from 23 to 39 months.

The Management while accepting (September 2007) the delay stated that most of the delays were beyond their control. The reply is not tenable. The Company failed to pursue GEB for expediting the execution of EDA, which led to delay in arranging finances. Further, the litigation in award of material handling contract was avoidable as discussed in paragraph 2.1.21 *infra*. Lack of monitoring of project activities by the Company had also attributed to the delay in execution of works by various contractors.

[∇] As per the agreement, the GEB would deposit sufficient fund in escrow account (depository account) to cover the Company's liability of interest and loan repayment to financial institutions.

[•] The date adopted as base to indicate the targeted date for completion of various activities of project.

Delay in execution of afforestation work

2.1.8 The conditional clearance given (April 1999) by the Union Ministry of Environment and Forests (MOEF), for the project, envisaged planting of 3.06 lakh trees covering the plant periphery, Coastal Regulatory Zone and the road side of the project during 1999-2003. Against this, the Company initiated the afforestation activity only in July 2002 by planting 30,000 saplings (9.80 *per cent*). Thereafter, the afforestation works were not carried out on the plea that high wind velocity and high salinity of the creek were not conducive for the survival of the plants. The Company, however, did not bring the constraints to the notice of MOEF for seeking alternatives for afforestation as of October 2007. The fact, however, remains that the Company did not comply with the conditions of MOEF.

Project finance

2.1.9 The consortium of financial institutions (FIs)[∨] sanctioned (March 2003) term loans aggregating to Rs.1,116 crore for the project. The loans carried interest rates ranging from 11.75 to 12.50 *per cent*. The Company had drawn loans of Rs.783.86 crore up to March 2004. In view of falling interest rate, the Company approached (August 2004) the Power Finance Corporation (PFC) under its debt restructuring plan and availed (September 2004) a loan of Rs.1,114.64 crore for the project. PFC loan carried interest rate of 7.75 *per cent* per annum before commissioning and 7.50 *per cent* after commissioning of the project. The loan was repayable within a period of 10 years. The Company prepaid the previous loan of Rs.783.86 crore to consortium of FIs in September 2004. The Company also utilised (December 2006) fund of Rs.359.07 crore from its internal resources for the project. Audit observations related to project financing are discussed in the succeeding paragraphs.

Acceptance of term loan with reset clause

2.1.10 While planning (June 2004) to restructure the previous loans availed from consortium of FIs, the Company evaluated two offers, one from consortium of banks[⊗] and another from PFC. Both offers contained proposal for sanction of loan of Rs.1,116 crore with repayment period of 10 years. The consortium of banks offered the loan with fixed rate of interest of 7.50 *per cent* per annum, applicable for the entire period of loan. PFC, however, offered the loan with interest rate of 7.75 *per cent* and 7.50 *per cent* per annum, applicable for the period before and after commissioning of the project respectively, with a condition to reset the interest* at every three years of disbursement. PFC also agreed to allow a rebate of 0.50 *per cent* for timely payment of dues. The Company's financial consultant advised (August 2004) that as loan was to be repaid over a period of 10 years, it would not be advisable to go in for interest rate with reset option since there was a risk of

[∨] Consortium consists of 14 banks, Power Finance Corporation and Life Insurance Corporation of India.

[⊗] Consortium of nine banks.

* Under reset clause in fixed loan, the interest rate does not remain fixed for the entire tenure and is subject to revision on a regular basis either two years or more (three years in the instant case) depending on the decision taken by the lending agencies.

Ignoring the advice of consultant, the Company availed loan from PFC with condition to reset the interest rate and increase in interest rate due to resetting would result in extra interest liability of Rs.81.60 crore over the remaining period of loan.

upward movement in interest rate. Ignoring the advice, the Company availed the loan from PFC. PFC not only reduced (July 2005) the rebate for timely payment of dues from 0.50 to 0.25 *per cent*, but also increased (March 2007) the interest rate to 11 *per cent* per annum. Accordingly, interest rate of 11 *per cent* per annum would be applicable to the Company's loan on the first resetting (August 2007) of interest. Comparing the fixed rate of interest of 7.50 *per cent* per annum offered by the consortium of banks with that of rate of 11 *per cent* per annum, the Company would incur extra interest burden of Rs.81.60 crore (on the loan of Rs.1,114.64 crore drawn) over the remaining period of seven years.

The Management stated (September 2007) that the option of fixed rate of interest was not considered as it was expected that the interest rates would come down in future. As the terms of loan allowed for repayment of entire outstanding loan after the expiry of three years term, the Company was in search of cheapest option to repay PFC loan on 15 October 2007. The reply is not tenable as the consultant suggested for the fixed interest loan only after evaluating the interest trend prevalent at the relevant point of time. Further, the fact remains that the Company is liable for payment of interest of Rs.11.66 crore per annum to the PFC.

Loss of rebate on term loan

Non-compliance with the terms of PFC loan resulted in loss of rebate of Rs.42.49 lakh.

2.1.11 As per terms of PFC loan, rebate for timely payment of loan dues would be given by PFC only after the receipt of full amount of installment on the due date. The Company, however, in the following instances failed to pay the full amount of installments due and consequently did not get the rebate of Rs.42.49 lakh:

- The Company deducted rebate of Rs.23 lakh and paid Rs.3.32 crore to PFC for the period from 01 April 2005 to 15 April 2005. PFC objected (April 2005) to such *suo moto* deduction made by the Company and disallowed the rebate of Rs.23 lakh.
- PFC raised (January 2006) demand of Rs.22.01 crore towards interest for 93 days (15 October 2005 to 15 January 2006) on the due installments. The Company, however, paid the interest for 92 days (16 October 2005 to 15 January 2006) without any reasons. As a result, PFC disallowed (January 2006.) the rebate of Rs.19.49 lakh to the Company.

The Management admitted (September 2007) non-payment of full installment due and that the installment amount paid was also credited in PFC's account with a delay of five days. As a result, PFC disallowed the rebate in the former case.

Imprudent drawal of loan

2.1.12 Instead of withdrawing amounts only as per requirement to avoid payment of interest, the Company withdrew (September 2004) Rs.1,114.64 crore in lumpsum against the loan of Rs.1,116 crore sanctioned by PFC. The

Imprudent drawal of loan resulted in avoidable loss of interest of Rs.5.75 crore.

Company utilised (September 2004) Rs.894.64 crore towards various payment obligations including the pre- payment of previous loan to consortium of FIs. Instead of returning the Rs.220 crore the Company kept (September 2004 to June 2006) the same as Inter Corporate Deposit (ICD) with Gujarat State Financial Services Limited (GSFS) at 4.50 to 5.75 *per cent* interest and earned Rs14.96 crore whereas it paid 7.25 to 7.50 *per cent* interest to PFC amounting to Rs.20.71 crore. Thus, the imprudent drawal resulted in avoidable interest of Rs.5.75 crore.

The Management stated (September 2007) that the entire amount of loan was drawn at a stretch as per the terms and condition of loan. The reply is not tenable, as the loan of Rs.1,116 crore constituted 80 *per cent* of the estimated project cost and was to be spent for the implementation of the project over a period of three years.

Non-availing the benefit of reduced rate of interest

Due to belated commissioning of units, the Company could not avail reduced rate of interest amounting to Rs.1.62 crore.

2.1.13 While sanctioning the term loan of Rs.1,116 crore, PFC had agreed (September 2004) to reduce the interest rate by 0.25 *per cent* from the date of commissioning of any one of the Units. The Company synchronised Unit-I on 31 March 2005 and Unit-II on 19 December 2005. As per terms of PPA, the Company should have commissioned Unit-I on 27 September 2005 and Unit-II on 17 June 2006 (*i.e.* within 180 days from the date of its synchronisation). The Company, however, commissioned Unit-II on 1 May 2006 and Unit-I on 12 March 2007 due to prolonged trial run, forced outages, and the Company's failure to arrange for the rectification of lignite feeder in boilers. As a result of belated commissioning of the Units, the Company could not get the benefit of reduced rate of interest amounting to Rs.1.62 crore during the period from 27 September 2005 to 30 April 2006.

The Management accepted (September 2007) the delays.

Loss due to payment of guarantee fee

The Company paid guarantee fee of rupees six crore, though it did not utilise guarantee facility provided by the State Government.

2.1.14 The State Government extended (December 1999) guarantee facility for a maximum limit of Rs.600 crore to the Company for availing the loans from FIs for the project. As per Government orders (December 1998), the State Government insisted for the payment of guarantee fee at the rate of one *per cent* per annum on the amount of guarantee given irrespective of the fact that the loan was availed or not. Though, the banks sanctioned (June 2000) loan for the project, the Company was unable to withdraw the loan due to delay in completion of various formalities like execution of EDA by GEB *etc.* The guarantee facility provided by State Government was not availed till February 2003 as the financial closure was achieved only on 25 March 2003. As per terms, the Company, however, was liable to pay guarantee fee of Rs.24 crore during 1999-2003 (*i.e.* Rupees six crore per annum). Of which, it paid (November 2004) guarantee fee of Rupees six crore for the year 1999-2000 and balance guarantee fee of Rs.18 crore was yet to be paid to the State Government (October 2007).

Increase in liability for payment of signature bonus

2.1.15 The Gujarat Power Corporation Limited (GPCL), a State Government Company had initially executed work relating to the implementation of the project till 1994. At the direction (July 1994) of the State Government, GPCL signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Company for handing over the project to the Company. GPCL handed over the project in October 1994. As per MoU, the Company had agreed to pay 0.5 *per cent* of the final cost of the project as signature bonus to GPCL. Due to various deficiencies as discussed in paragraphs 2.1.16 to 2.1.33 *infra* in the implementation of the project by the Company, the actual project cost increased to Rs.1,473.71 crore against the estimated cost of Rs.1,395 crore. The Company's liability for payment of signature bonus thus, increased from Rs.6.98 crore to Rs.7.37 crore. The Company has already paid (1995) signature bonus of Rs.5.82 crore and the amount of Rs.1.55 crore remains to be paid (March 2007). Thus, the Company had to incur extra liability of Rs.39 lakh due to delay in execution of the project.

The Management stated (September 2007) that no demand had been received from GPCL for payment of signature bonus on the increased project cost. The reply is not tenable, since as per MoU, the responsibility for payment of bonus on the increased project cost rests with the Company.

Project implementation

Deployment of manpower

2.1.16 As per Company's assessment (March 2005), 234 personnel were required for the project against which it had deployed 148 personnel during March 2005 to March 2007. Audit noticed following deficiencies on manpower recruitment:

- DPR mentioned that the Company had a core group of professionals, besides, consultants for planning and implementation of the power project. In fact, the Company did not have any core group of professionals. It had earmarked only two permanent officials[∇] for the project till March 2005.
- The Company did not devise any training plans or impart any training to personnel recruited for the project though stipulated in National Training Policy for Power Sector issued (June 2002) by the Union Ministry of Power.
- The Company awarded (May 2001 and March 2005) contracts for the supervision of erection and commissioning and also for supervision of operation and maintenance (O&M) contracts to NTPC. The Company made payments of Rs.9.80 crore to NTPC under the contracts till March 2007. Though supervision of project activities was a vital

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function, while awarding the contracts, the Company specifically assured NTPC that it would not hold it responsible for any delays attributable to contractors. Award of supervision contracts to NTPC without assigning any responsibility for the delay in execution of contracts lacked justification.

- Due to 70 to 37 *per cent* vacancies in sanctioned posts and non-imparting of training to the existing personnel for the project, the Company had to award (January - May 2006) five O&M contracts for running of the plants and equipments. The contracts were awarded at a total cost of Rs.11.54 crore for a period of one to two years.

The Management stated (September 2007) that the main reasons for vacancies were due to high turnover of technical staff and also the intention of the Company to use its existing staff for the non-technical work of the project. Besides, the two permanent officials, the Company had availed the service of experts on consultancy basis. Regarding training, it was stated that arrangement was being made to impart training to its project personnel from December 2007 as per the National Training Policy. Further, as per Company's plan, number of auxiliary operations was to be outsourced instead of assigning to permanent staff. Hence, the services of NTPC were availed for supervision of various activities. The reply is not tenable as frequent changes of technical staff resulted in lack of focus and instability. Further, use of existing technical staff for non-technical work of the project was totally unjustified in view of existing shortage of technical personnel. The DPR did not provide for outsourcing any of the activities. On the contrary, the Company had a plan to recruit personnel and operate and maintain the power station on its own.

Award of contracts

2.1.17 The Company awarded 44 contracts worth Rs.982.44 crore during 2000-04 for design, engineering, supply and erection of various plants and equipments. Of these contracts, two main contracts relating to boilers and steam turbine generators were awarded (March-April 2000) through invitation of global tenders. The irregularities in award of contracts are discussed in the succeeding paragraphs.

Non-inclusion of a clause for claiming refund of excise duty

2.1.18 As per EXIM policy (March 1997) of GOI, the domestic manufacturer supplying capital equipments for power project was eligible for deemed export benefit, *i.e.* entitled for refund of ED paid on the supplies. In the contract awarded (April 2000) to AEI an arrangement was made whereby the associate concern of AEI *i.e.*, Ansaldo Services (P) Limited (ASPL), Bangalore, manufacturer for capital equipments of power projects had supplied (April 2002 to December 2004) equipments costing Rs.48.45 crore. The Company, however, failed to incorporate a clause in the contract awarded to AEI for claiming refund of ED paid. As a result, it suffered loss of Rs.5.57 crore since it did not get the refund of ED paid on the supplies made by ASPL.

Failure to incorporate a suitable clause for claiming refund of ED paid on supplies resulted in loss of Rs.5.57 crore.

The Management stated (September 2007) that even if ASPL might be eligible to claim the ED, but it was not necessary that the refund of ED should have been passed on to the Company. The reply is not tenable, since as per EXIM policy, the capital equipments for power projects were eligible for refund of ED. Further, the fact remains that the Company failed to incorporate a suitable clause in the contract.

Non-inclusion of clause for claiming ED refund

Failure to incorporate suitable clause for claiming refund of ED resulted in loss of Rs.19.58 crore.

2.1.19 The Company awarded (March 2000) the contract for design, engineering, supply and erection of boilers with auxiliary equipments to EVT-GEC Alstom, (EGAG) Germany at a cost of Rs.345.96 crore. As per terms of contract, an arrangement was made whereby an associate concern of EGAG *i.e.*, ABB ABL Limited (ABB), Durgapur was to carry out onshore supply and erection activities of boilers at a cost of Rs.259.29 crore. The Company did not incorporate suitable clause in the contract for claiming refund of ED in terms of EXIM policy as discussed in paragraph 2.1.18 *supra*. As a result, the Company did not get ED refund of Rs.19.58 crore on the supplies made by ABB. Thus, the failure to incorporate suitable clause in the contract resulted in loss of Rs.19.58 crore.

The Management stated (September 2007) that even if ABB might be eligible to claim the ED, but it was not necessary that the refund of ED should have been passed on to the Company. The reply is not tenable, since as per EXIM policy, the capital equipments for power projects were eligible for refund of ED. Further, the fact remains that the Company failed to incorporate a suitable clause in the contract.

Shifting of offshore equipments to onshore supply contract

2.1.20 The contract awarded (March 2000) to EGAG included offshore supply of materials worth Rs.47.20 crore [23.49 million Deutschmark, (DM)]. As per terms of contract, the Company was to pay 22 *per cent* customs duty on the offshore supplies. At the instance of EGAG, the Company agreed (March 2000) for the arrangement made by EGAG for shifting some of the supplies *viz.* bore piping, valves etc. worth Rs.11.10 crore to ABB, Durgapur on which Rs.2.44 crore was payable as customs duty at the rate of 22 *per cent* as per the terms of contract. After this arrangement, the Company's liability for payment of customs duty on the supplies of Rs.11.10 crore (raw material Rs.7.27 crore *plus* bought out items Rs.3.83 crore) was reduced from Rs.2.44 crore to Rs.1.71 crore* due to reduced rate of customs duty applicable on raw material supplies. Disregarding this arrangement, the Company made the payment of custom duty of Rs.2.44 crore to EGAG. This resulted in excess payment of Rs.73 lakh (Rs.2.44 crore *less* Rs.1.71 crore).

The Management accepted (September 2007) the audit contentions and stated that the matter was being taken up with EGAG for effecting recovery of the customs duty.

* (Raw material supplies of Rs.7.27 crore at the reduced customs duty rate of 12 *per cent*) *plus* (Bought out items of Rs.3.83 crore at the customs duty rate of 22 *per cent*) = Rs.1.71 crore.

Deficient evaluation of bids of material handling system

2.1.21 The Company received (September 2001) five technically qualified bids for manufacture and commissioning of lignite and lime handling system. As per the State Government notification (December 1998), while evaluating the bids, the Company should unload the element of Gujarat Sales Tax (GST) from the end cost price quoted by the Gujarat based firms. Despite this, the Company took more than eight months (October 2001 to May 2002) in evaluating the bids on the plea of seeking clarification from the State Government about the applicability of notification. The Company evaluated TRF Limited, Jamshedpur, (TRF) as L1 after receipt (May 2002) of the confirmation on the applicability of the notification and awarded (July 2002) the contract to it at a cost of Rs.75.01 crore. Aggrieved by the award of contract to TRF, the L2[Ⓢ] firm (Rs.75.28 crore), challenged (July 2002) the evaluation of bids made by the Company in Court. The High Court directed (September 2002) the Company to re-evaluate the bids. The Company re-evaluated the bids (June 2003) and declared the re-evaluated price of TRF as Rs.74.74 crore against Rs.75.01 crore awarded earlier and L2 as Rs.79.03 crore against Rs.75.28 crore evaluated earlier. Though the bids received contained deviations with respect to tender specifications, the Company failed to evaluate these deviations critically in the original evaluation which led to litigation for a period of 10 months (September 2002 to June 2003). Thus, deficiency in evaluation resulted in avoidable delay of 18 months. On account of re-evaluation, excess payment of Rs.0.27 crore (Rs.75.01 crore less Rs.74.74 crore) was prevented.

The Management stated (September 2007) that though the Company had to re-evaluate the bids at the directions of the High Court, the status of L1 bidder did not change even after re-evaluation. The reply does not absolve the Company for avoidable delay of 18 months in commissioning of the projects and weakness in evaluation:

- as per initial the difference between L1 and L2 was Rs.0.27 crore.
- as per re-evaluation, the difference between L1 and L2 increased to Rs.4.29 crore but the Company saved Rs.0.27 crore as L1 bid was reduced.

Award of work to an ineligible bidder

2.1.22 The Company invited tenders (November 2000) for award of contract for design and construction of two Chimneys. Of the six bids received (November 2000), the Company selected Vishwakarma Projects (I) Pvt. Limited, New Delhi (VPPL), being L1, disregarding the fact that VPPL did not have adequate experience in execution of similar works and also that it had not furnished proper solvency certificate, as stipulated in the tender. The Company also did not assess the financial capacity of VPPL. The Company awarded (April 2001) the work for Rs.2.93 crore completion by August 2002. VPPL executed the work costing Rs.73.31 lakh (25 *per cent* of work) till January 2003 and abandoned it due to its poor financial condition. This led to a loss of Rs.1.28 crore as discussed below:

Award of work to ineligible bidder resulted in financial loss of Rs.1.28 crore.

[Ⓢ] Elecon Engineering Company Limited, Vallabh Vidyanagar.

- The Company paid Rs.99.59 lakh up to January 2003 against the actual value of work executed amounting to Rs.73.31 lakh. This resulted in excess payment of Rs.26.28 lakh. The reasons for excess payment were not available on records.
- As per terms of contract, the requirement of cement and steel was 1,561.60 MT and 271 MT respectively which was to be supplied free of cost. Against this, the Company issued (April 2001 to January 2003) 1,902.20 MT cement and 392.26 MT steel to VPPL for 25 per cent of completed civil work. For this work, 940.60 MT cement and 142.21 MT steel was required to be issued as per contract. Reasons for excess issue of cement and steel were not on record. The Company had not recovered the cost of 961.60 MT of cement (Rs.28.85 lakh) and steel 250.05 MT (Rs.56.45 lakh) issued in excess of the requirement.
- The Company did not recover the liquidated damages (LD) of Rs.29.29 lakh from VPPL for delay in execution of work.
- The incomplete work worth Rs.2.20 crore was awarded (October 2003) to Bygging India Limited, Mumbai at a cost of Rs.2.23 crore. The work was completed on 4 August 2005 (1st chimney) and 25 March 2006 (2nd chimney). The Company had made payment of Rs.2.21 crore and final bill on account of extra works amounting to Rs.14.32 lakh was pending.

Thus, the Company suffered loss of Rs.1.28 crore (after adjusting firm's security deposit: Rs.10.54 lakh and retention money: Rs.5.23 lakh) due to award of work to technically and financially incompetent firm.

The Management stated (September 2007) that the work was awarded as per norms since VPPL had an experience of executing two such similar works in the past, as VPPL executed work worth Rs.1.04 crore against which the Company had made payment of Rs.82.68 lakh and withheld an amount of Rs.4.67 lakh. The reply is not tenable, since against the norms of experience in execution of three such works, VPPL had completed only two works in the past. No reason was given for not obtaining proper solvency certificate. The work executed by VPPL was Rs.73.31 lakh and not Rs.82.68 lakh. The reply was silent on recovery of excess cement (Rs.28.85 lakh) and steel (Rs.56.45 lakh) issued to the firm.

Incorrect evaluation of bids for air compressor system

2.1.23 The Company invited (November 2002) tender for award of contract for supply and erection of air compressor system. Of the three bids received (January 2003), two were technically qualified. Whereas Elgi, Mumbai quoted Rs.3.88 crore Atlas Copco, Pune quoted Rs.3.96 crore. The Company, while evaluating the technical bids, did not consider the aspect of recurring cost of electricity consumption for running the system. The energy consumption required for the system offered by Elgi was higher by 270 kwh compared to the system offered by Atlas. Accordingly, the system offered by Atlas would give an annual saving of Rs.62.99 lakh. The Company, however, awarded

(December 2003) the contract to Elgi being L1. This would result in an extra consumption of 58.32 MUs of power worth Rs.15.75 crore[⊗] over a period of 25 years of serviceable life of the system.

The Management stated (September 2007) that the power consumption indicated by Elgi was 315 kwh against 308.7 kwh of Atlas. As such the power consumption of system offered by Elgi was higher by 6.3 kwh against 270 kwh cited in audit. Thus, the saving in power consumption was minimal. Further, the tender did not specify for assessing any saving of power consumption in evaluation of bids. The reply is not correct as Audit had adopted the saving of 270 kwh based on the assessment made by the Company's consultant. Further, non-stipulation of criteria of power consumption in the NIT specifications as well as in the evaluation is indicative that due care was not given to these aspects by the Company.

Construction of switchyard

Infructuous expenditure of Rs.80.44 lakh was incurred on purchase of defective washing equipment.

2.1.24 The Company invited (July 2001) tender for supply and erection of 245KV switchyard. Of the ten bids received (September 2001), the bids of four firms were not technically qualified. Despite this, the Company awarded (March 2002) the work at a cost of Rs.9.87 crore to a technically disqualified firm, Crompton Greaves Limited, Chennai (CGL). CGL completed supply and commissioning of the switchyard in June 2005 against the stipulated period of December 2002. The Company, however, did not recover LD of Rs.98.78 lakh (as discussed in paragraph 2.1.29 *infra*). Further, of the supplied items, live line washing equipment meant for cleaning the switchyard costing Rs.80.44 lakh was defective. As per terms of the contract, the defect in the equipment was to be rectified by the supplier within 12 months from the date of commissioning (May 2006) of switchyard. The Company, however, did not intimate (March 2007) CGL for rectification of the defects. On the contrary, the Company awarded (March 2006) annual maintenance contract for cleaning the switchyard to Yashmun Engineers Limited, Mumbai and incurred an expenditure of Rs.4.13 lakh till March 2007. Thus, not only the investment of Rs.80.44 lakh made in purchase of defective washing equipment remained infructuous but the Company also incurred an avoidable expenditure of Rs.4.13 lakh on maintenance of the washing equipment.

The Management stated (September 2007) that CGL was initially declared disqualified as its offer was not supported by valid documents. Subsequently, CGL submitted the documents and became technically qualified. Due to the Company's delay in construction of structure foundation, control room etc. CGL was unable to complete its work in time. Hence, the Company did not recover LD. The nozzles of washing equipment were damaged due to operational mistake. Further, cleaning the switchyard was risky job and needed trained manpower, so maintenance contract was given to Yashmun Engineers Limited. The reply is not tenable as, as per codal provisions non-conformity to NIT terms and condition results in disqualification. Further, the Company neither gave reasons nor documents in support of their stand that

[⊗] 58.32 MUs at the levelled tariff rate of Rs.2.70 per unit as given in DPR.

delays were not attributable to CGL. As the washing equipment purchased remained idle, the purpose for which it was purchased was defeated.

Execution of contracts

Avoidable payment of extra claims

Extra expenditure of Rs.34.24 crore was incurred towards payment of compensation.

2.1.25 The Company incurred extra expenditure of Rs.34.24 crore due to deficient handling of contract as discussed below:

- Under the contract awarded (April 2000) for supply and erection of steam turbine and generators, AEI[∇], could not complete the erection work within the stipulated period (November 2003), as the Company had not provided the front (site for work) for taking up the erection work. AEI completed (December 2005) the erection work after a delay of 25 months. Thus, failure of the Company to provide the front in time resulted in payment (November 2005 to February 2007) of compensation of Rs.18.61 crore to AEI for various costs such as insurance, bank guarantee, interest, equipment's maintenance costs, *etc* incurred by AEI during the delay period, as per terms of contract.
- Under the contract awarded (March 2000) for supply and erection of boilers, EVT-GEC Alstom, Germany (EGAG) was unable to complete the erection work within the stipulated period (June 2003), as the Company failed to ensure the completion of allied works, such as, material handling system, ash handling system and sea water circulating system for taking up the erection work of boilers. EGAG completed (February 2006) the erection work with a delay of 32 months. This resulted in avoidable payment of compensation of Rs.15.63 crore (September 2005 to August 2006) to EGAG for various cost *viz.* insurance, bank guarantee, interest and equipments maintenance costs *etc.*

The Management stated (September 2007) that material handling system was to be kept ready prior to commissioning of generators and boilers. Due to litigation, the contract for material handling system was awarded belatedly. It had caused further delay on the works executed by AEI and EGAG. Hence, the Company paid the compensation as per terms of contract. The reply is not tenable, as the deficient evaluation of bids had caused the avoidable delay in award of contract for material handling system as discussed in paragraph 2.1.21 *supra*.

Extra payment for exchange variation on onshore supplies

2.1.26 As per contract awarded to EGAG, the onshore supply of equipments for boiler units costing Rs.226.37 crore were to be supplied by ABB ABL Limited, Durgapur (ABB). The contract price included imported materials worth Rs.34.06 crore. As per contract, the Company was not to reimburse any cost incurred by ABB due to fluctuations in foreign exchange rate on the imported materials. Disregarding the terms, the Company reimbursed

[∇] Ansaldo Energia, Italy

Irregular payment of Rs.7.06 crore was made on account of exchange rate variations.

(February 2002 to August 2006) Rs.7.06 crore on account of exchange rate variation on the imported materials at the instance (December 2001) of EGAG.

The Management stated (September 2007) that as per the work order issued, any variation in exchange rates and customs duty should be borne by the Company. The reply is not correct as the terms of onshore supply contract clearly stated that the contractor was not eligible to claim for fluctuations in foreign exchange rate on the raw materials imported.

Payment of training costs without training of personnel

2.1.27 As per terms of contract awarded to EGAG, training was to be given to the Company's personnel at the place of EGAG *i.e* in Germany. Though the value of contract included the cost (Rs.1.53 crore) of training, the Company neither sent its personnel for training nor deducted the amount of Rs.1.53 crore from the payments made to EGAG (May 2007).

The Management stated (September 2007) that the Company had to incur more expenses on the traveling and living allowance for training its personnel abroad. Hence, it had organised the training in the power station itself and EGAG imparted the training. The reply is not tenable, as the training programme mentioned in the contract at the premises of EGAG was over and above the training organised at power station.

Non-recovery of service tax

2.1.28 Contract entered with EGAG stipulated that EGAG was liable to pay all non-Indian as well as Indian taxes, duties and levies. As the work of rendering expatriate supervision of the erection activities was performed in India under the contract, it was subject to levy of service tax from 14 May 2003 at the rate of eight *per cent* and at 10.2 *per cent* from 10 September 2004. The Company, however, did not deduct the applicable service tax of Rs.60.02 lakh on the payments of Rs.6.35 crore made (May 2003 to August 2005) to EGAG.

The Management stated (September 2007) that EGAG was not responsible for payment of any duties, octroi and works tax, if levied, and the Company should be solely responsible for all taxes and duties that may be levied. The Company's contention is not correct. As per the contract for design, engineering and expatriate supervision services, the contractor should be solely responsible for all taxes that may be levied in India on the contractors engineering and supervision services.

Non-recovery of liquidated damages

Liquidated damages of Rs.6.76 crore were not recovered even after lapse of 15 to 24 months since synchronisation of units.

2.1.29 The general terms and conditions of work and supply orders awarded to various contractors for design, supply, erection and commissioning of various equipments and machineries stipulated for recovery of liquidated damages (LD) for the delay attributable to the contractors at the rate of half *per cent* of the lump sum contract price per week subject to a ceiling of 10 *per*

cent of the lump sum contract price. The Company decided (June 2003) to recover LD wherever applicable, only after commissioning of the Units of the project. Though, Unit-I and II were synchronised on 31 March 2005 and 19 December 2005 respectively, the Company did not recover (March 2007) LD of Rs.6.76 crore even after lapse of 15 to 24 months in the following cases:

Name of work	Name of contractor	Contract value (Rupees in lakh)	Month of completion		Period of delay (in months)	LD not recovered (Rupees in lakh)
			Scheduled	Actual		
245 KV switchyard	Crompton Greaves Limited, Chennai	987.77	December 2002	June 2005	30	98.78
14000 M3/hr concrete volute pumps and auxiliaries	Kirloskar Brothers Limited, Pune	2,957.06	March 2003	December 2005	33	295.70
Ash handling Systems	McNally Bharat Engineering Company Limited, Kolkata	1,419.00	July 2004	October 2005	15	141.90
Control and Instrumentation package	ABB ABL Limited, Bangalore	1,397.34	April 2004	March 2007	35	139.73
Total						676.11

The Management stated (September 2007) that the LD would be recovered wherever the delays were solely attributable to the contractors at the time of contract closure. The reply is not tenable as the contracts were physically completed prior to synchronisation of the Units and LD amounting to Rs.6.76 crore should have been recovered.

Undue favour to contractors

2.1.30 The Company placed (November 2000 to August 2005) orders for purchase of 66,000 MT of cement on two firms* for use in civil construction work of the project. The purchase price of cement per MT ranged from Rs.2,300 to Rs.2,640. These prices included sales tax at the rate of 15 per cent for the supplies made up to 31 March 2002 and eight per cent thereafter along with 10 per cent surcharge. The firms were exempted from payment of sales tax for the goods manufactured by them, as per State Government notifications (5 March 1992 and 19 July 1996). Though, the sales invoices of the firms indicated the sales tax exemption, the Company erroneously paid the price ranging from Rs.2,300 per MT to Rs.2,640 per MT without deducting the element of sales tax. As a result, the Company incurred avoidable extra expenditure of Rs.1.49 crore on purchase of 55,847.67 MT of cement supplied during November 2000 to August 2005.

The Company incurred avoidable extra expenditure of Rs.1.49 crore due to payment of sales tax not applicable.

The Management stated (September 2007) that the suppliers quoted that the benefit of sales tax exemption receivable by them would be passed on to the Company. Hence, the Company made the payment as per invoice raised by them. But the fact remains that the Company had not, so far, initiated any action to recover the sales tax exemption availed by the suppliers as indicated in the invoices.

* Gujarat Ambuja Cements Limited, Ahmedabad and Larson & Toubro Cements Limited Ahmedabad.

Project commissioning

Loss of revenue due to delay in commissioning

2.1.31 The Company had targeted Unit-I to be commissioned on 30 November 2003 and Unit-II on 31 May 2004. Due to various reasons as discussed in paragraphs 2.1.21, 2.1.22, 2.1.24 and 2.1.29 *supra*. Unit-I was commissioned on 12 March 2007 and II on 1 May 2006 with delay of 39 and 23 months respectively. Considering 68.50 *per cent* plant load factor (PLF) on installed capacity and 10 *per cent* of total generation for auxiliary consumption as given in DPR, the Company suffered generation loss of 3,274.799 MUs resulting in consequential loss of potential revenue of Rs.884.20 crore.

Belated commissioning of units led to generation loss of 3,274.799 MUs valued Rs.884.20 crore

The Management, while accepting the audit contention, stated (September 2007) that the plant was in initial operation/stabilisation stage as it was not possible for it to achieve the envisaged PLF and auxiliary consumption as given in DPR.

Non-conducting of performance guarantee test

2.1.32 As per terms of contracts for supply of plant and equipments, the Company had to conduct performance guarantee (PG) test of plants and equipments within two months from commissioning of Unit to determine the compliance of equipments to the performance parameters. In case of non-compliance, the contractors had to take corrective measures at their cost for the successful completion of PG test. The Company did not conduct PG test for any plant and equipments including most important items like boilers, steam turbine and generators though tests were due on 12 May 2007 for Unit-I and on 1 July 2006 for Unit-II. The Company prematurely released (February-April 2007) security deposit (SD) Rs.4.11 crore and retention money (RM) Rs.23.49 crore out of Rs.31.59 crore to the contractors before conducting PG test as per terms of contract in the following cases which tantamount to passing of undue benefit to the contractors:

Disregarding the terms of contract, SD of Rs.4.11 crore and RM of Rs.23.49 crore were prematurely released to the contractors.

- The Company at the request (October 2006) of AEI, released (February-April 2007) RM of Rs.20.90 crore out of Rs.27.88 crore even though the PG tests on the turbine and generators were not carried out (May 2007).
- In the contract awarded (April 2002) for the work of supply and erection of sea water treatment plant system, the Company carried out (October and December 2005) PG test partially. PG test for the plant *i.e.* auxiliary boiler which has strategic importance to the system was not carried out (May 2007). The Company released (May 2005) full amount of SD of Rs.4.11 crore and RM of Rs.2.59 crore out of Rs.3.71 crore to contractor VA Tech WABAG, Chennai.

The Management stated (September 2007) that it would shortly conduct the PG test of turbine and generators of Unit-I. The PG test of auxiliary boiler was conducted in June 2007. As the Company had the security of bank

performance guarantee furnished by the contractors, the release of SD and RM was allowed to them on their request. The reply is not tenable, since as per the terms of contract, both SD and RM besides bank guarantee would be released only after conducting the PG test.

Non-conducting of performance guarantee test as per PPA

2.1.33 As per PPA with Gujarat Electricity Board (GEB), the Company should conduct PG test for each Unit within 180 days from the date of its commissioning. Accordingly, PG test for Unit-II was due on 27 October 2006. The Company, however, did not conduct the tests. The Company's records did not indicate the reasons for not conducting PG test within the stipulated time. Failure to conduct PG tests in violation of terms of PPA may jeopardise the Company's interest in ensuring the performance of the plant and equipments and coverage of warranty period.

The Management while accepting (September 2007) the audit contention stated that the Unit-II would be on annual shut down during August–September 2007, as such the PG test would be conducted thereafter. The reply is incomplete as it does not give any justifications for not conducting the PG test even after lapse of 488 days (August 2007) since the date of its commissioning.

Cost of generation

2.1.34 As per the cost audit report of the project for the year 2005-06, the cost of generation per unit of power was increased from Rs.2.86 as envisaged in DPR to Rs.5.28. It was observed that the high generation cost was due to cost overrun (Rs.78.71 crore) on account of delay in commissioning of the Units. The cost of generation also increased due to consumption of auxiliary power, secondary fuel in excess of the norms and low PLF as discussed below:

- As per DPR, the auxiliary consumption⁵ of the Units should be 10 per cent of the total power generated. Against this, the auxiliary consumption (2005-06 and 2006-07) was 34.53 and 22.70 per cent respectively as detailed below:

(in million units)

Particulars	2005-06	2006-07
Actual generation including auxiliary consumption	175.788	377.881
Actual auxiliary consumption	60.709	85.802
Percentage of auxiliary consumption	34.53	22.70
Normative auxiliary consumption i.e. 10 per cent	17.578	37.788
Excess auxiliary consumption over norms	43.131	48.014

(Source: Information compiled from records of the Company)

The excess auxiliary consumption of 91.145 MUs resulted in loss of potential revenue of Rs.24.61 crore⁶.

Cost and time overrun of project led to increase in per unit cost of generation from Rs.2.86 to Rs.5.28.

Excess auxiliary consumption led to loss of potential revenue of Rs.24.61 crore.

⁵ It is the power consumed by the plant and equipments of the power stations engaged in generation of electricity.
⁶ 91.145 MUs at the levellised tariff rate of Rs.2.70 per unit as given in DPR.

Excess consumption of furnace oil over the norms resulted in extra expenditure of Rs.13.96 crore.

- Unit-II was commissioned on 1 May 2006. As per PPA, the Unit was to consume secondary fuel *i.e.* furnace oil (FO) at the rate of 5 ml per Kwh during the stabilisation period (May 2006 to October 2006) and thereafter at the rate of 3.5 ml per Kwh. Thus the normative consumption of FO should have been 608.50 ml (May 2006 to October 2006) and 470.05 ml (November 2006 to March 2007). But the actual consumption of FO during the periods was 4,754.61 ml and 3,269.88 ml respectively. Thus, there was excess consumption of 6,945.93 ml of FO worth Rs.13.96 crore.

The excess auxiliary consumption of power and FO was due to frequent forced outages caused on account of blast in lignite feeder, burner failure and tripping of transmission lines. The Company, however, did not analyse the reasons for the excess auxiliary power consumption and secondary fuel consumptions for taking corrective measures.

The Management stated (September 2007) that the plant in initial operation/stabilisation stage was running at low load with frequent starts and stops. As a result, the PLF was very low and consumption of secondary fuel *viz.* power and furnace oil was very high. The reply is not tenable, as the consumption of auxiliary power and furnace oil during initial operation/stabilisation stage was not in accordance with the norms prescribed in DPR and PPA.

Non-replacement of lignite feeders in boiler

2.1.35 Each Unit of the project has two lignite feeders (LF) in the boiler, of which one LF has to be kept as spare. After synchronisation of both Units, trial runs were carried out (March 2006). During trial run, one of the LFs in each Unit-I and II failed. As per warranty clause, the supplier *i.e.* EGAG was to rectify the failed feeders within seven days from the date of intimation to EGAG. Though, the Company intimated (March 2006), EGAG neither rectified the defect nor replaced the LFs. The Company also did not rectify the defects/replaced the LFs at the cost of EGAG as per provisions in the contract. As a result, both Units had been running without spare LFs from March 2006. During July 2006 to March 2007, whenever the working LFs faced technical problems, the Company was unable to meet the contingency in the absence of spare LFs. Consequently, the units were shutdown 20 times for duration ranging between 0.75 to 744 hours which resulted in potential generation loss of 402.25 MUs worth Rs.108.61 crore[∇] during the period.

The Management stated (September 2007) that one LF in each boiler was capable to meet the full load in a Unit. However, the fact remains that in the absence of spare LFs, the Company was unable to meet the contingencies. Further, the Company's failure to ensure for the rectification/replacement of defective LF has resulted in generation loss.

[∇] 402.25 MUs at the levellised tariff rate of Rs.2.70 per unit as given in DPR.

Avoidable payment of energy charges on start-up power

2.1.36 As per PPA, GEB was to provide necessary start-up power[⊗] for generating station since its synchronisation to commissioning. GEB was entitled to recover energy charges from the Company for the power supplied at the rate of 1.1 times of the highest of its power purchase price from other sources. Unit-I was synchronised on 31 March 2005, as such the power supplied by GEB for the start-up of the generating station was to be recovered as per the terms of PPA. GEB, however, levied the energy charges at the rate of Rupees four per unit against the applicable rate of Rs.2.78 (for 2005-06) and Rs.3.32 (2006-07) per unit. The Company, therefore, paid (April 2005 to June 2006) Rs.5.03 crore to GEB in excess.

The Management stated (September 2007) that payment of Rupees four per unit was made as per the discussion (June 2006) between the Chairman of the Company and Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam Limited (GUVNL-erstwhile GEB). The reply is not tenable, as no amendment was made in the PPA based on the meeting of the Chairman. Thus, the fact remains that the payment of Rupees four per unit was in violation of the terms of PPA.

Non-realisation of energy charges from GEB

2.1.37 As per terms of PPA, GEB was to open letter of credit (LC) in favour of the Company for an amount equivalent to the estimated monthly tariff payments. GEB did not open any LC. During April 2005 to March 2007, the Company issued monthly invoices of Rs.323.39 crore to GEB for supply of 477.97 MUs of power. Against this, GEB paid Rs.38.72 crore and the balance amount of Rs.284.67 crore remained outstanding (October 2007). The Company did not levy delayed payment surcharge of Rs.22.89 crore on the unpaid dues.

The Management stated (September 2007) that GEB/GUVNL had opened an Escrow account which was a security for the Company. The date of commercial operation of Unit-I declared on 1 January 2006 by the Company was not accepted by GUVNL. Finally, as agreed with GUVNL, 12 March 2007 was adopted as date of commercial operation of Unit-I. In view of this change of date, there was no overdue amount from GUVNL towards energy charges. The reply lacks clarity as it did not explain as to how the change in the date of commercial operation of Unit-I, could set off the dues of Rs.284.67 crore without actual realisation.

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[⊗] Power supply initially required to start the operation of power station after erection of plants and equipments.

Conclusion

The Company had commissioned both Units of the project with delay ranging between 23 to 39 months. Main reasons were delay in arranging finance from banks and delay in award and execution of contracts. Consequently there was increase in project cost as well as cost of generation. No performance guarantee tests were conducted as stipulated in the agreement. The Company's performance in implementation of the project was deficient due to improper management of funds/contracts including various lacunae in the contract, excess payments/premature release of deposits to contractors and non-recovery of liquidated damages from the contractors. Further, the Company instead of filling the sanctioned posts and imparting training to the existing personnel of the project awarded operation and maintenance contracts to outside agencies for running the Units. Non-insistence for compliance of agreement with GEB/GUVNL had resulted in accumulation of revenue dues from them.

Recommendations

- The Company should redefine its finance functions relating to drawal and repayment of loans.
- The Company should conduct the performance guarantee tests of all the plant and equipments and also the power station Unit of a project for quality assurance.
- The Company should adopt efficient and effective commercial practices in contract management for avoiding delays in contract execution, recovery of liquidated damages, verifying payments before release.
- The Company should analyse the reasons for excess auxiliary consumption of power/furnace oil and take corrective measures.
- The Company should settle all the issues relating to billing of energy sold and recovery of dues as per terms of PPA.
- The Company should arrange for imparting training to the personnel of the project as per National Policy for Power Sector of June 2002 and it should run the Units on its own instead of outsourcing operation and maintenance of the plant.

The matter was reported to the Government in August 2007; the reply had not been received (November 2007).

Gujarat State Handloom and Handicrafts Development Corporation Limited

2.2 Trading Activities and Implementation of Welfare Schemes for Weavers and Artisans

Highlights

The Company had implemented (2001-06) 19 schemes and utilised Rs.13.19 crore (53.77 per cent) against available funds of Rs.24.53 crore indicating its failure to fully utilise the funds for the benefit of artisans and weavers.

(Paragraph 2.2.15)

Of the 22 to 26 emporia, two to nine emporia did not achieve (2003-07) even the 50 per cent of the target fixed. Nine to seventeen emporia incurred (2001-06) losses of Rs.3.03 crore and the Company had restarted the six closed and unviable emporia during 2001-05.

(Paragraphs 2.2.8, 2.2.10 and 2.2.12)

The performance of Scheme for Tool kits Distribution to the earthquake affected artisans/weavers was unsatisfactory. Delays in distribution of tool kits to artisans/weavers ranged between one to three years. Supply of looms were not as per specification.

(Paragraphs 2.2.17 and 2.2.18)

Deficiencies such as non-maintenance of separate books of accounts, bank accounts, failure to review the progress of the scheme on quarterly basis were noticed in the implementation of Revolving Fund Scheme. Achievement (2001-06) in generation of mandays employment was 7.92 to 18.35 per cent and payment of wages to the artisans was 4.57 to 25.50 per cent against the target fixed.

(Paragraph 2.2.20)

Of the 323 exhibitions organised (2001-06), 85 exhibitions were held within the premises of its emporia, defeating the very objective of Exhibition Scheme meant for exploring new markets at various places for promoting sales of handicraft products.

(Paragraph 2.2.21)

Against the targeted coverage (2001-06) of 783 artisans under Handicrafts Exhibition Scheme and 1,425 artisans under Tribal Mela Scheme, the Company had covered only 49 (6.26 per cent) and 318 (22.32 per cent) artisans respectively.

(Paragraphs 2.2.21 and 2.2.22)

Internal control system was marred by the inadequate internal audit, inadequate control on issue of raw materials to artisans, delayed payments to artisans and misreporting to the State Government.

(Paragraphs 2.2.26 to 2.2.29)

Introduction

2.2.1 Prior to June 2002, there were two Government Companies viz., Gujarat State Handloom Development Corporation Limited and Gujarat State Handicrafts Development Corporation Limited dealing separately with handloom and handicraft products and to protect the interest of the weavers and artisans respectively. Both these Companies were amalgamated (20 June 2002) for improving the trading activities of both the products and implementing the welfare schemes efficiently for artisans and weavers of the State. The amalgamated company was named as Gujarat State Handloom and Handicrafts Development Corporation Limited. The main objective of the Company is to procure and sell all kinds of handicrafts and handloom products of Gujarat thereby protect and promote the interest of artisans and weavers of the State.

During 2002-07, the Company had 22 to 28 emporia spread over nine* States including 14 to 18 in Gujarat. It had four# procurement centres for purchase of handicrafts products and five\$ production centres for production of handloom products.

The Management of the Company is vested in a Board of Directors (BOD) consisting of Chairman, Managing Director (MD) and six official directors. The MD is the chief executive who is assisted by a Company Secretary cum Financial Controller, six Managers/Deputy Managers/Assistant Managers.

Scope of Audit

2.2.2 The present performance review conducted during December 2006 to April 2007 covers the trading activities and implementation of schemes for artisans and weavers. Audit findings are based on the test check of records mainly for the period 2001-06^ of head office and 12 unit offices i.e. (8[∇] out of 28 emporia, two[∅] out of five production centres and two[⊗] out of four

* Andhra Pradesh, Delhi, Gujarat, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal.

Bhuj, Patan, Sankheda and Vadaj.

\$ Dholka, Khambhat, Palanpur, Patan and Surendranagar.

^ Data for 2006-07 was under compilation by the Company and wherever available, the data has been included in the review.

∇ Ahmedabad (Ambavadi, Ashram road), Vadodara, Bhuj, Gandhinagar, New Delhi, Palanpur, and Surendranagar.

∅ Palanpur and Surendranagar.

⊗ Bhuj and Vadaj.

procurement centres) selected on the basis of turnover, 9^v out of 20 schemes (including revolving fund) selected on the basis of sufficient financial implication and advance stage of implementation.

Audit objectives

2.2.3 Audit was conducted with a view to ascertain whether:

- the Company was able to promote handloom and handicrafts activities in the State and protect the interest of the weavers and artisans;
- the Company had carried out its trading activities as per its business plan and implemented the schemes in conformity with the objectives, policies and guidelines framed for the schemes;
- emporia were working efficiently and had achieved its objectives;
- the procurement of handicrafts and handloom products had been done in economic and effective manner;
- grants were utilised for the purpose for which these were sanctioned; and
- the Company had devised internal control system to monitor its trading activities and effective implementation of schemes.

Audit criteria

2.2.4 The following audit criteria were adopted:

- business plan for taking up various activities including targets fixed for trading activities;
- the Company's sales policy;
- scheme guidelines, terms and conditions of sanctions, targets and annual action plan for implementation of schemes;
- the objective of State Government for amalgamation of the two separate Companies and extent of its achievement; and
- agenda and minutes of the meetings of BOD/ other Committees and instructions issued by the Management.

Audit methodology

2.2.5 Audit adopted a mix of the following methodologies:

^v GOI Schemes: Handloom-Tool Kits distribution-Earthquake and Handicraft-Tool Kits distribution-Earthquake. State Government Schemes: Handicraft-Tool Kits distribution-Earthquake, Handloom-Tool Kits distribution-Earthquake, Handicraft-Exhibition Scheme, Handloom-Exhibition Scheme, Intensive Handloom Development Project and Tribal Area Sub Plan scheme for Tribal Mela.

- review of agenda and minutes of meetings of the BOD and other Committees, instructions issued by head office to field offices, procurement of raw material and its issuance to artisans and weavers, promoting sale, controlling operational expenditure of units *etc*;
- review of Government directions, scheme guidelines, terms and conditions of sanctions;
- review of amalgamation documents and progress reports on implementation of schemes; and
- issue of audit queries and interaction with the Management.

Audit findings

2.2.6 The audit findings were reported (July 2007) to the Government/Management and discussed at the meeting (12 October 2007) of the Audit Review Committee for State Public Sector Enterprises (ARCPSE), which was attended by the Secretary to Government of Gujarat (Cottage and Rural Industries), Industries and Mines Department and MD of the Company. The views of the Government and the Management were taken into account while finalising the review.

The Audit findings are discussed in the succeeding paragraphs.

Planning

2.2.7 For effective implementation of the schemes for welfare of artisans/weavers in the State, it was necessary to identify the beneficiaries through proper surveys, prepare efficient plans for deployment of available funds, mobilisation of adequate manpower and their reorientation to meet the objectives of the schemes. Scrutiny of records revealed that the Company neither conducted any survey nor compiled any data on targeted artisan/weavers in the State in terms of village/district wise dispersion of artisan/weavers. In the absence of such database, the Company could not fix physical and financial targets so as to cover the entire eligible artisans/weavers in phased manner. Thus, planning of Company in terms of identification and coverage was inadequate.

Trading activities

Target and achievement

2.2.8 The main trading activities of the Company consisted of procurement of handicraft items produced by the artisans in the State and production of handloom items through issue of raw materials to the weavers. The items so obtained are sold by the Company through its emporia, exhibitions and franchisees. During 2001-06, the Company's production, procurement from artisans, purchase from traders and sale was of the value of Rs.6.20 crore, Rs.2.43 crore, Rs.14.11 crore and Rs.40.42 crore respectively. The emporia-

wise details (2002-07) regarding sale target and achievement are given in **Annexure-8** which reveal the following:

During 2003-07, two to nine emporia achieved less than 50 per cent of the sales targets.

- In handloom division, during 2002-03, against the target of Rs.4.30 crore, the Company achieved sales of Rs.2.59 crore (60.16 *per cent*); out of 21[∇] emporia, only one emporium (Vadodara-Mandvi) could achieve the sale target and the performance of eight emporia was below 50 *per cent* of the sale targets. In the handicrafts division, no targets were fixed in 2002-03.
- After amalgamation (June 2002), the Company fixed overall targets and separate targets for handicrafts and handloom divisions were not fixed from 2003-04.
- The Company achieved (2003-07) sale of Rs.33.14 crore (77.39 *per cent*) against the target of Rs.42.82 crore. During 2003-04, none of the emporia achieved sales target. Whereas, during 2004-07, only 3 to 10[#] out of 22 to 26 emporia achieved the sales target and the achievement in the remaining 12 to 23[⊗] emporia ranged between 4.63 and 98.23 *per cent* out of which, achievement of two to nine emporia was below 50 *per cent* of the sales targets.

The Management/Government while accepting the fact of non-achievement of targets stated (August/November 2007) that division wise targets will be fixed from the next year.

Pricing of products

2.2.9 During 2002-07, the Company added 10 to 80 *per cent* of the basic procurement/production cost of handicrafts and handloom products as mark-up[§] for fixing the selling prices. The Company decided the percentage of mark-up for different products on *ad hoc basis* as it did not have any policy defining the rationale for determination of mark-up. The justification for the mark-up could not be ascertained in the absence of any defined policy for such fixation.

The Management while accepting the fact stated (August 2007) that it had different mark-up for different items within/outside the State and considering commercial angle, the BOD had authorised (March 2007) the MD to revise the mark up as and when required. The fact, however, remains that there is no comprehensive mark-up policy defining all the parameters and methodology for fixation of sales price.

[∇] Ashram Road, Ahwa, Ambaji, Ambawadi, Anand, Bharuch, Bhuj, Gandhinagar, Himatnagar, Jaipur, Kanpur, Khambhatt, Kolkata, Palanpur, Petlad, Rajkot, Shamlaji, Surat, Surendranagar, Vadodara and Vadodara Mandvi.

[#] Ambawadi, Ashram Road, Bangalore, Bharuch, Delhi, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Mumbai, Surat and Vadodara.

[⊗] Ahwa, Ambaji, Ambawadi, Amreli, Anand, Ashram Road, Bangalore, Bhuj, Delhi, Gandhinagar, Hyderabad, Jaipur, Kanpur, Khamabatt, Kolkata, Lucknow, Mumbai, Palanpur, Rajkot, Shamlaji, Surat, Surendranagar and Vadodara.

[§] Consist of estimated overhead cost and profit margin to arrive at selling price.

Monitoring of sales

2.2.10 The Company's head office failed to implement its own decision (October 2003) to compile and monitor periodical emporia sales. Consequently, the performance of emporia was not reviewed by the Company so as to take suitable action for improving their sales.

Reopening of unviable emporia

Reopening of six unviable emporia resulted in loss of Rs.4.93 lakh during 2005-06.

2.2.11 The Company closed (2001-05) six[^] emporia due to poor performance, but restarted these emporia without any justification on record. All the restarted emporia suffered losses aggregating Rs.4.93 lakh during 2005-06. The details for the year 2006-07 have not been compiled by the Company.

The Management/Government stated (August/October/November 2007) that emporia were restarted to utilise the services of available staff and to improve sales. Further, out of the six restarted emporia, four were again closed. The reply is not tenable because reopening of these emporia without analysing the reasons for loss and ensuring their viability only increased the loss of the Company.

Profitability of Emporia

2.2.12 The Company came into existence after merger in June 2002. The performance of the emporia (2001-06) was analysed by audit based on their sales, expenditure and profit earned/loss incurred by each emporium. It was noticed that after initial period of losses, the Company had improved its performance as it has made profit in 2005-06. The overall performance of the emporia is discussed below:

- The year wise (2001-06) details of profit making and loss incurring emporia are given below:

Year*	Profit making emporia		Loss incurring emporia		Net Profit or (-) Loss (Rupees in lakh)
	Number of Emporia	Profit (Rupees in lakh)	Number of Emporia	Loss (Rupees in lakh)	
2001-02	10	12.87	17	81.37	(-)68.50
2002-03	11	13.86	15	69.01	(-)55.15
2003-04	6	8.10	16	83.96	(-)75.86
2004-05	7	13.38	13	61.99	(-)48.61
2005-06	14	81.21	9	6.67	74.54
Total		129.42		303.00	(-)173.58

* Figures for 2006-07 are not compiled by the Company.

(Source: Information provided by the Company)

Nine to seventeen emporia incurred (2001-06) aggregate loss of Rs.3.03 crore.

During 2001-06, 6 to 14 emporia earned aggregate profit of Rs.1.29 crore, whereas nine to seventeen emporia incurred aggregate loss of Rs.3.03 crore. Except in 2005-06, overall contribution from emporia was negative and the net loss (2001-05) ranged between Rs.48.61 lakh and Rs.75.86 lakh.

[^] Ambaji, Ahwa, Jaipur, Kanpur, Lucknow and Shamlaji.

- The year wise (2001-06) percentage of cost of operation to sales for profit making and loss incurring emporia are given below:

Year*	Loss incurring emporia		Profit making emporia	
	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum
2001-02	93.70	27.20	24.97	12.40
2002-03	275.18	27.45	23.84	11.37
2003-04	364.82	30.34	24.47	1.30
2004-05	130.41	26.64	27.63	16.00
2005-06	94.34	30.38	20.63	8.21

* Figures for 2006-07 are not compiled by the Company.

(Source: Information provided by the Company)

The cost of operation to sales (2001-06) in respect of loss incurring emporia was 364.82 to 26.64 *per cent* whereas it was 27.63 to 1.30 *per cent* in respect of profit making emporia. This indicates that loss incurring emporia were making poor sales and incurring higher cost of operation. Audit analysis revealed that this was due to high employee cost which ranged between 13.25 and 338.89 *per cent* of sales, and administrative overheads which ranged between 1.45 and 91.20 *per cent* of sales.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that the number of loss incurring emporia was reduced from 17 to 9 during 2001-06. The fact is that the Company had not prepared any action plan to make all emporia self sufficient.

- While process of amalgamation of two^v Companies was in progress, the State Government engaged (October 2001) Institute of Rural Management, Anand (IRMA) for examining the feasibility of running both Companies after their amalgamation. As per IRMA report (October 2001) the new Company after amalgamation, would be viable only if it could achieve annual increase in sales by 25 *per cent*. Considering the amalgamated Company's sales of Rs.10.28 crore for the year 2001-02, it should have increased its sales to Rs.31.37 crore for the year 2006-07 as per the IRMA report. On the contrary, the actual sales decreased and the sales ranged between Rs.6.96 crore and Rs.10.54 crore per annum during 2002-07.

The Management stated (June 2007) that the sales projection made in the report of IRMA was unrealistic. The Company's contention of unrealistic report is not tenable, as the Company accepted (May 2003) all the recommendations of IRMA and based on this, it had availed (2003-05) the financial assistance of Rs.4.50 crore from the State Government and relieved 162 employees under Voluntary Retirement Scheme.

Non-achievement of objective to protect the interest of artisans/weavers

2.2.13 One of the objectives of the Company was to protect the interest of the artisans/ weavers. The Company devised a system of providing raw material to

^v Gujarat State Handloom Development Corporation Limited and Gujarat State Handicrafts Development Corporation Limited.

artisans/weavers living in villages of the interior areas and marketing their products through Company's emporia. This provided employment to the artisans/weavers and eliminated the middleman.

During 2001-06, the Company procured goods worth Rs.22.74 crore, of which goods worth Rs.14.11 crore (62 *per cent*) were purchased from traders. Thus, the Company failed to directly involve artisans/weavers or eliminate traders/middlemen.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that the purchases made from traders were in turn generating employment for the artisans/ weavers since the goods were originally procured from them. The reply is not tenable, as the system of purchasing goods from traders defeats the objective of the Company to provide direct employment to the artisans/weavers by eliminating the role of middleman.

Purchases for emporia

2.2.14 The Company's emporia place their requirements of handicrafts and handloom products on their head office. The Company had not prescribed any time limit within which the products requisitioned by emporia were to be procured and supplied. Records were also not maintained to ascertain the time gap between the requisition and receipt of goods by emporia.

Audit scrutiny of Bhuj procurement center revealed that placement of purchase orders for 181 products worth Rs.21.70 lakh were placed after a time gap ranging between 18 and 191 days after taking decision (2003-06) of procurement. Further, delays, if any, in delivery of the same to emporia could not be ascertained in the absence of records. In addition to above, the delivery of 112 products worth Rs.12.71 lakh was delayed for 62 and 252 days by the artisans to the emporia after approval of the head office of the Company. The Company was unable to show documentary evidence regarding reasons for delay. Thus, the delay caused in procurement also formed one of reasons for purchasing goods from traders by emporia.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that it was making payments to the artisans after a period of four to five months from the date of supply made by them. Hence, the artisans were unwilling to accept the purchase orders from the Company. The reply defeated the objective of the Company to promote and protect the interest of the artisans.

Implementation of Schemes

2.2.15 The Company received (2001-06) grant of Rs.17 crore under 19 schemes from the State Government/ GOI and loan of Rupees three crore under a revolving fund scheme as detailed below:

(Rupees in lakh)

Particulars of schemes	As on 1 April 2001	Receipt during 2001-06	Utilisation	Utilisation of grants as on 31 March 2006
Schemes funded by GOI				
Handloom-Tool Kits distribution-Earthquake	--	187.50	187.50	--
Handicraft-Tool Kits distribution-Earthquake	--	41.86	49.01	(-) 7.15
Schemes funded by State Government and Gujarat State Disaster Management Authority				
Handicraft-Tool Kits distribution-Earthquake	--	175.72	168.09	7.63
Handloom-Tool Kits distribution-Earthquake	--	288.52	288.52	--
Handicraft-Exhibition Scheme	--	61.25	61.25	--
Handloom-Exhibition Scheme	--	11.44	11.44	--
Tribal Area Sub Plan scheme for Tribal Mela	5.99	105.85	39.64	72.20
Intensive Handloom Development Project	282.68	301.50	262.54	321.64
Others(11^ Schemes)	463.84	526.58	250.69	739.73
Total	752.51	1,700.22	1,318.68	1,134.05
Revolving Fund (Earthquake) Loan	--	300	300	0.00

(Source: Information compiled from records of the Company)

The Company utilised Rs.13.19 crore out of Rs.24.53 crore received as grants during 2001-06.

It could be seen from the above table that out of available funds of Rs.24.53 crore (Rs.7.53 crore plus Rs.17 crore) against 19 schemes, the Company utilised (2001-06) only Rs.13.19 crore (53.75 per cent). Besides, revolving fund of Rupees three crore also remained under utilised as discussed in paragraph 2.2.16 *infra*. Thus, though funds were not a constraint yet the Company could not benefit the artisans and weavers. The implementation of various schemes is discussed below:

Tool kits distribution in earthquake affected areas

2.2.16 The GOI, State Government and Gujarat State Disaster Management Authority (GSDMA) had declared (March-October 2001) relief packages for providing tool kits to the artisans/weavers affected by the earthquake (January 2001). The State Government prescribed (March 2001) the procedure whereby weavers registered with the Company or co-operative societies eligible for assistance should submit their application to District Industries Centre (DIC). DIC forwards the application to Taluka Level Committee (TLC) which recommends the eligible applicant to the Commissioner of Cottage Industries (CCI). The Company at the instance of CCI was to procure and distribute tool kits to the eligible artisans/weavers. The Company was entitled to get 7.5 per cent service charge on the cost of tool kits purchased.

The relief packages declared by the GOI, State Government and GSDMA are given below:

- the State Government scheme (March 2001) provided for extending assistance of Rs.10,000/Rs.14,000 each in the form of tool kits to artisans and weavers.

[^] Design and technical assistance under special component plan, Dindayal Hathkargha Protsahan Yojana, Implementation of integrated handloom training project, Leather training project, Raw material depot and design assistance under special component plan, Subsidy for all India handicraft week, Subsidy for cluster scheme, Subsidy for IND-18, Subsidy for printing of folder, Subsidy for woolen carpet training and Tribal handicraft artisan scheme for tribal areas.

- the GOI scheme (February 2001) provided for distribution of 2,500 looms to handloom weavers of Kachchh, Surendranagar and Jamnagar districts at the rate of Rs.7,000 per loom and working capital assistance of Rs.10,000 per weaver. Further, the scheme provided for distribution of 1,793 embroidery/ patch work tool kits and for hand block printing tools in Kachchh district.
- the GSDMA scheme (October 2001) provided for assistance of 10,000 handicrafts kits at the rate of Rs.4,000 per kit and 5,400 handloom kits at the rate of Rs.10,000 per loom for distribution among the earthquake affected artisans and weavers.

The Company's performance in procurement and distribution of tool kits of handicrafts and handloom are discussed below:

Distribution of handicrafts tool kit

2.2.17 During May 2001 to March 2005, Rs.2.18 crore were released (GOI: Rs.41.86 lakh, GSDMA: Rs.44 lakh and State Government: Rs.131.72 lakh) against which 12,899 tool kits of six crafts[#] were supplied to artisans up to May 2005 at a cost of Rs.2.17 crore. Various deficiencies were noticed in respect of these 12,899 tool kits such as delay/excess distribution of tool kits, etc. Some of the deficiencies noticed in Audit are discussed below:

Timely relief was not given to artisans due to delay in distribution of Hand Block Print tool kits.

- The State Government instructed (March 2001) the Company to procure 'Hand Block Print'* tool kits through invitation of tenders. The Company belatedly sought (September 2002) permission of the State Government for procuring tool kits without inviting tenders which was not agreed to (September 2003) by the State Government. Thus, the Company initiated (October 2003) procurement action after a delay of two and half years. Placement of purchase orders (March 2004) took further five months and tool kits were finally distributed (June 2004 to May 2005) after a gap of 39 to 50 months since the State Government directives (March 2001).The delay had deprived the artisans from getting timely relief. Further, ignoring the Government instructions, the Company did not incorporate any clause for recovery of penalty in the purchase orders in the event of delay in supply. As a result, liquidated damages of Rupees two lakh from the suppliers for supplies made beyond the stipulated period of 120 days were not recovered.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that delay occurred as the Company wanted to supply new design block which was rejected (June 2001) by the artisans. Hence, the Company sought (September 2002) permission from the State Government for procurement of traditional wooden blocks directly from the artisans without invitation of tender. The reply is not tenable as the Company was aware of the State Government

[#] Block Print (4), Embroidery (10,439), Hand Block Print (247), Leather Work (102), Tie and Dye (2,088) and Wood Carving (19).

* A manual printing process of cloth printing.

directive (March 2001) to procure the material through invitation of tender. Hence, seeking the permission again for the same resulted in avoidable delay after ascertainment of unsuitability of new design in June 2001. Further, the material was purchased from traders only and not from artisans.

- The Development Commissioner (Handicrafts), GOI released (May 2001) Rs.41.86 lakh for distribution of 1,793 embroidery tool kits to the beneficiaries. The Company distributed (May 2001 to February 2002) 3,700 tool kits valuing Rs.49.01 lakh on which service charge of Rs.3.68 lakh was receivable from the GOI. Reason for the excess distribution of tool kits by the Company without obtaining prior approval of GOI was not available on record. Further, the Company's net claim of Rs.10.83 lakh (Rs.49.01 lakh *less* Rs.41.86 lakh *plus* Rs.3.68 lakh) has not yet been lodged (March 2007) with the GOI. Consequently, the chances of recovery of Company's funds of Rs.10.83 lakh are remote.

The Management/Government while accepting the audit contention stated (August/November 2007) that it did not lodge the claim as sufficient funds from the State Government grant were available. The fact remains that the delay in lodging the claim led to lapse of GOI funds.

- The Company did not submit the details of employment generated to CCI as stipulated in the Scheme.

Distribution of handloom tool kit

2.2.18 Funds amounting to Rs.4.76 crore (GOI: Rs.1.87 crore, GSDMA: Rs.1.65 crore and State Government: Rs.1.24 crore) were released (May 2001 to March 2005) to the Company. The Company provided 3,418 looms (up to May 2004) to the beneficiaries at a cost of Rs.4.76 crore. Various deficiencies were noticed in respect of distribution of these 3,418 looms such as delayed distribution (437 looms), genuineness of distribution of looms not ascertainable (2,580 looms), distribution of looms not as per specification (2207 looms), *etc.* Some of the deficiencies noticed in Audit are discussed below:

- As per the prescribed procedure, DIC, TLC and CCI are involved in identification of beneficiaries under the scheme. The State Government directed the Company (January 2001) to associate themselves in survey of affected weavers. In violation of this, the Company started (March 2001) receiving applications directly from the weavers of Surendranagar district instead of asking them to submit applications to DIC. Hence, the State Government had to appoint a Committee (July 2002) especially for processing the applications received by the Company. The Committee finalised the list of beneficiaries and obtained approval (February 2003) of the State Government. The looms were distributed to the beneficiaries during July 2003 to May 2004. Audit observed that the Company's action of accepting applications directly from the weavers led to a delay of 15 months reckoned from November 2001, when the TLC approved the list of all other beneficiaries. The Company distributed 437 looms

upto May 2004 *i.e.* after a delay of nearly 15 months even after the State Government's approval in February 2003.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that at the directions of the State Government, the Company undertook the survey of earthquake affected weavers of Surendranagar district. During survey, the Company accepted applications from the weavers seeking assistance for them. The reply is not tenable, since as per the Company's own contention, it was authorised to undertake survey only. Hence it should not have accepted the applications since there is a mechanism already in place for this purpose.

- GSDMA earmarked (October 2001) funds amounting to Rs.5.40 crore for providing 5,400 looms in the Kachchh, Surendranagar and Jamnagar districts of the State. Out of sanctioned amount of Rs.5.40 crore, the Company utilised (March 2006) only Rs.1.65 crore on providing 1,650 looms. Though there were 1,003 registered weavers with the Company in Surendranagar district, the remaining funds of Rs.3.75 crore were not obtained to provide looms to them.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that the State Government had given only the work of procurement and distribution of handloom. The reply is not tenable, as the Company being nodal agency for promoting handloom in the State should have created awareness among weavers about the benefits of the scheme with aim to fully utilise the funds earmarked for the purpose.

- The State Government directed (March 2001) that an individual weaver or co-operative society or weavers registered with the Company was eligible for assistance under the scheme. The Company, based on the list prepared by CCI, distributed (2001-04) 2,580 looms valued at Rs.3.61 crore in three[^] districts. As the Company did not have list of registered weavers in Kachchh, Rajkot and Jamnagar districts, genuineness of distribution of 2,580 looms (Rs.3.61 crore) in these districts could not be ascertained. After distribution of looms, the Company had not obtained feed back of employment generated.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that as per the guidelines, the role of the Company was confined to deliver the looms to beneficiaries as approved by DIC. The reply is not tenable, as the Company being engaged in development of handloom/handicrafts in the State, it could have brought the matter to the notice of the State Government for guidance.

- As per the standard terms of tender, the Company is entitled to levy inspection charges from the suppliers at the rate of half *per cent* on the value of goods purchased. The Company, based on the request received from suppliers, waived (September 2001) this tender condition on the purchase of handlooms without any justification. Thus, the waiver of

[^] Jamnagar: 73 looms, Kachchh: 2,449 looms and Rajkot: 58 looms.

inspection charges had resulted in undue favour to the suppliers to the extent of Rs.2.38 lakh.

Looms distributed were not as per specification prescribed by CCI.

- The Company in anticipation of approval from CCI specified the width of 68.89" (1,750 mm) and 55.12" (1,400 mm) for looms in the rate contract awarded (May 2001) to the suppliers. The looms were to be supplied to weavers of Kachchh district. CCI, however, directed (June 2001) the Company to provide looms of 72" (1,828.80 mm) width and of 56" (1,422.40 mm) width. Despite the change in the specifications intimated by CCI, the Company purchased and supplied (August 2001 to May 2004) 221 looms of 68.89" (1,750 mm) width to weavers of Bhujodi and 1,986 looms of 55.12" (1,400 mm) width based on its own previous specifications. Thus, the looms distributed by the Company were not as per the specification prescribed by CCI.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that as the contract was awarded prior to receipt of CCI directions, the Company allowed the supply of looms with previous specifications and apprised CCI in this regard. The reply is not tenable, as the work was awarded on rate contract basis, the Company should have availed the option of either placing the orders with changed specifications or cancel the rate contract itself. Besides, apprising CCI is not supported with any *post facto* approval of CCI regularising the supply made with different specifications.

The Company did not submit details of employment to CCI.

- The Company did not submit the details of employment generated to CCI as stipulated in the scheme.

Non availing of funds

2.2.19 The Council of Handloom Development Corporations (COHANDS) earmarked (July 2003) Rs.10 lakh for distribution of hand block printing tool kits at a cost of Rs.3,450 per tool-kit to 290 earthquake affected artisans. The Company did not submit any proposal resulting in lapse of the grant.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that the proposal was not initiated as further list of beneficiaries was not made available by the DIC. The reply is not tenable as the Company had not taken up the matter with DIC to seek additional list of beneficiaries.

Similarly, the Company did not submit proposal for utilisation of working capital fund at the rate of Rs.10,000 per weaver for 2,500 weavers of earthquake affected areas, earmarked (February 2001) by GOI. Thus, the State weavers were deprived of the working capital fund to the extent of Rs.2.50 crore.

The Management while accepting the audit contention stated (August 2007) that the proposal for working capital assistance was not submitted as it was already burdened with the work of distributing looms to the weavers. The reply is not tenable as the Company's inaction has deprived the weavers from assistance of Rs.2.50 crore. Moreover, in absence of working capital, use of the looms supplied was questionable.

Revolving fund

2.2.20 The State Government released (May 2001 to December 2003) interest free loan of Rupees three crore as revolving fund (Rs.1.67 crore for handicrafts and Rs.1.33 crore for handloom activities) to be utilised for rehabilitation of artisans/weavers of earthquake affected areas *i.e.* eight districts[#] as identified under the scheme. The fund was to be revolved twice a year and returned after five years to the State Government. During the five years (2001-06) the fund was to be utilised for generation of employment by providing raw material to artisans/weavers in production of handicrafts/handloom goods. Further, the goods produced were to be sold through the Company's emporia in order to replenish the fund and to refinance the next cycle of activity.

The Company neither maintained separate books of accounts nor reviewed the implementation of Revolving fund scheme as prescribed.

Audit noticed that the Company did not maintain separate books of account or bank account for the revolving fund as per directions (May 2001) of the State Government. The Company also failed to review implementation of the scheme on quarterly basis as stipulated in the scheme. Further, audit findings in utilisation of revolving fund for handicrafts and handloom activities are discussed below.

Against the target, mandays of employment of 18.35 per cent and payment of wages to artisans of 25.50 per cent were achieved.

- As against the target (2001-06) to generate 22.56 lakh mandays of employment and to make wages payment of Rs.9.02 crore to handicrafts artisans in eight districts, the Company generated only 4.14 lakh mandays of employment and paid wages of Rs.2.30 crore covering three districts. The percentage of achievement in respect of mandays and wages was as low as 18.35 and 25.50, respectively.
- The Company distributed 275 embroidery and 210 hand block tool kits to 485 artisans of six villages* in Kachchh district upto January 2005 under the Handicrafts-Tool kits Distribution – Earthquake Scheme. These artisans, however, did not get any employment under Revolving Fund Scheme despite having tool kits with them. Thus, the Company failed to exploit the potentiality existed for generation (2005-06) of 1.80 lakh mandays by providing employment to the artisans.
- In three districts, *viz.*, Surendranagar, Kachchh and Patan in respect of handloom activities, against the targeted generation (2001-06) of 8.62 lakh mandays and wages payment of Rs.3.45 crore, the Company could generate only 68,295 mandays of employment with wages payment of Rs.15.75 lakh in Surendranagar district only. Against stipulated wages of Rs.40 *per* day, the Company paid wages of Rs.23 *per* day. No employment was generated in Kachchh and Patan districts. The percentage of achievement in respect of mandays and wages was as low as 7.92 and 4.57, respectively.

Against the target, mandays of 7.92 per cent and payment of wages to weavers of 4.57 per cent were achieved.

[#] Ahmedabad, Banaskantha, Jamnagar, Kachchh, Patan, Rajkot, Sabarkantha and Surendranagar.

^{*} Anjar, Bhuj, Dhamadka, Hodka, Khavda, and Rudramata.

- As per the norms of the scheme, the Company was to give employment of 25 days in a month to handloom weavers so as to ensure payment of minimum wages of Rs.1,000 per month. It was observed that in Surendranagar district, the Company provided (2001-06) assistance under the scheme to 588 weavers. Of these, only three weavers (0.51 *per cent*) got the minimum employment of 25 days in a month.
- The Company did not have any system of forward/backward linkages (supply of raw material to the beneficiaries and marketing of finished products) so as to quantify the benefit derived from the utilisation of fund for the artisans/weavers.
- While reviewing the progress of utilisation of the fund, the State Government (April 2004) expressed its concern at the poor fund utilisation even after lapse of two years since the introduction of scheme. Further, the State Government directed (September 2005) the Company to refund the loan of Rupees three crore along with interest at the rate of four *per cent* per annum. Poor fund utilisation defeated the objective of providing employment to artisans/weavers. As the Company has not refunded the fund as per State Government directions, it is liable to pay additional interest of Rs.44.81 lakh on Rupees three crore for the period from May 2001 to March 2006.
- The Company while submitting (April 2001) proposal for drawing the loan under revolving fund for handloom weavers adopted the cost element of wages as Rs.50 instead of Rs.40 per day as stipulated in the scheme. As a result, the estimate was inflated and the Company had drawn an excess loan of Rs.40.50 lakh.
- Similarly, in case of proposal submitted (April 2001) for drawing loans under revolving fund for handicrafts artisans, the Company had included Ahmedabad district which was not identified by the State Government for implementing the scheme. As a result of inclusion of Ahmedabad district, the Company had drawn excess loan of Rs.16.70 lakh.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that no employment was generated for weavers of Kachchh and Patan district for want of funds. Further, it had adopted the element of wages as Rs.50 instead of Rs.40 per day while drawing the fund, since it had actually paid wages at the rate of Rs.50 per day. The reply is not tenable, as the Company received funds during May 2001 to December 2003. As such, non-availability of fund was not the reason for non-implementation of scheme in Kachchh and Patan district. Besides, the Company paid wages of Rs.23 per day against drawal of Rs.50 per day.

Exhibition scheme

2.2.21 Every year the Company submits proposals to the State Government for seeking financial assistance for organising exhibition cum sale of handicrafts and handloom products having 7 to 10 days duration. The scheme envisaged artisans to be taken to exhibitions so as to provide them a platform

to demonstrate their skills in making handicraft products and to promote sales. The Company's emporia are responsible for organising the exhibition in the areas under its jurisdiction. The cost of organising the exhibitions was to be met from the grant and also from the profit earned on sale during exhibitions.

The Company received (2001-06) grants of Rs.61.25 lakh and Rs.11.44 lakh from the State Government for organising exhibition cum sale for handicrafts and handloom products respectively. The targets and achievements under the scheme are given below:

Particulars	Target			Achievement		
	Expenditure (Rupees in lakh)	Exhibition (numbers)	Artisans (numbers)	Expenditure (Rupees in lakh)	Exhibition (numbers)	Artisans (numbers)
Handicrafts	80.00	172	783	74.99	188	49
Handloom	No details were made available to audit			28.68	135	*

(Source: Information compiled from records of the Company)

Scrutiny of records related to the exhibitions organised (2001-06) revealed the following:

- Despite the Company's standing instructions, the emporia did not furnish to Head office the details of expenditure and also the report on reconciliation of stock and cash of the exhibitions organised under its jurisdiction. Absence of any control mechanism to monitor the submission of such data leaves scope of mis-appropriation as discussed in paragraph 2.2.22 *infra*.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that the overall reconciliation of stock/cash and expenditure were being done annually. The reply is not tenable as organising of exhibition involves movement of sizable goods and cash; the Company should have a system of reconciling all these items, exhibition wise, to prevent misappropriation.

- Advertisements are necessary to attract the people for exhibition sales. Against the earmarked expenditure of Rs.32.55 lakh for organising exhibitions (2001-06), the Company spent Rs.18.86 lakh (57.94 *per cent*) only; thus failed to fully utilise the earmarked funds for holding the exhibitions. Audit noticed that in respect of 85 (45.21 *per cent*) out of 188 handicrafts exhibitions and 106 (78.52 *per cent*) out of 135 handloom exhibitions organised during the above periods no expenditure on advertisements was incurred. Thus, it had failed to adopt effective medium for promotion of handicrafts and handloom products.

The Management/Government stated (August/October/November 2007) that no exhibition was held without advertisement and publicity. The Company participated in exhibitions organised by the Government agency like INDEXT-C where publicity was carried out by them. The reply is not convincing as even after considering the exhibitions held with INDEXT-C,

* There was no practice of taking weavers to handloom exhibitions.

there was no advertisement for majority of the exhibitions held without INDEXT-C.

Handicrafts exhibition

Out of 188 exhibitions held during 2001-06, 70 were organised within the premises of emporia.

Against the target of 783 artisans, only 49 artisans gave demonstration of 13 crafts in 12 exhibitions covering just 6.26 per cent of the targeted artisans.

- The Company did not prepare any detailed action plan for organising the exhibitions.
- One of the objectives of organising the exhibitions was to explore new markets for sale of handicrafts through exhibitions. The Company organised (2001-06) 188 exhibitions, of which 70 exhibitions were organised within the premises of emporia defeating the objective of conducting the exhibitions. For the remaining 118 exhibitions organised outside emporia, the Company did not analyse the exhibitions sales data to identify new markets for expansion of activities.
- The Company proposed to take four to five artisans at each of the exhibitions totaling to 783 artisans for 172 exhibitions proposed. The Company, however, organised (2001-06) 188 exhibitions in which 49 artisans gave demonstration of 13 crafts in 12 exhibitions, covering just 6.26 per cent of targeted artisans. This had deprived the artisans from exhibiting their skills.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that the artisans were unwilling to go outside their home town for performing demonstration. The reply is not tenable, as the artisans were being financially rewarded for their work, the Company should have encouraged them to participate in the demonstration show at the exhibition held at different localities.

- The Company organised (2005-06) demonstration of only 13 crafts[^] against 25 traditional handicrafts identified by it.
- The Company did not maintain separate accounts records for the sales made during each exhibition against the target of Rs.4.35 crore fixed for it.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that separate account were maintained for actual sales. The reply is not acceptable as no such records were shown to audit.

- Against the norm of 7 to 10 days, the duration of nine exhibitions was 25 to 120 days which resulted in avoidable expenditure of Rs.4.47 lakh on holding of exhibition beyond the stipulated period. No justification was available on record for prolonged duration of the exhibitions.

[^] Leather, bamboo work, bead, clay work, copper bell, embroidery, lacquer, patch work, pithora, puppet, tying and dyeing ,white metal jewellery and wood carving.

- The Company charged expenditure of Rs.5.30 lakh on salary, electricity expenses under the scheme though it was not allowed as per the terms of grant.

Handloom Exhibition

- Of 26 districts in the State, the Company organised (2001-06) 135 exhibitions in 8 to 12 districts. Of which, 126 exhibitions were held only in the districts where the Company had emporia/production centre. Thus, there was uneven coverage of areas geographically in promoting the handloom products.
- The Company organised (2001-06) 135 exhibitions at a cost of Rs.23.03 lakh, of which 15 exhibitions were held within emporia defeating the objective of exploring the new markets for handloom products.
- The Company stipulated that the total expenditure for conducting exhibitions should be restricted to 10 *per cent* of sales made for the period up to 2001-02 and 15 *per cent* thereafter. The Company incurred (2001-06) expenditure of Rs.20.99 lakh on 87 exhibitions which exceeded the prescribed limit by Rs.11.36 lakh. Reasons for excess expenditure were not analysed by the Company for remedial measures.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that due to under estimation of expenditure in 87 exhibitions the Company had to exceed the limit fixed. The reply indicates that the deficiency in planning is the cause for incurring of excess expenditure.

The above deficiencies reflected lack of Company's concentrated approach towards organising such exhibitions, analysing their outcome, taking effective steps to give tangible results and thereby defeating the objective of promoting the scarce crafts and boost up its sales.

Tribal Mela Scheme

2.2.22 One of the unique features in the Tribal Mela (TM) was that the tribal artisans would be encouraged to take part in the Mela so as to get a platform for demonstrating their skills in making of handicrafts products so as to promote the sale of these products. The Company proposed (2001-06) to the State Government to organise 46 TMs of 8 to 10 days duration, at a cost of Rs.1.52 crore by taking 1,425 artisans to TMs and get released (2001-06) Rs.1.26 crore for this scheme. Review of records relating to the TMs organised (2001-06) revealed the following:

- The Company did not prepare any detailed plan indicating time, place, duration and targeted sales for each TM.
- The Company could organise (2001-06) 39 TMs only against the targeted 46 TMs. Of this 22 TMs were held within emporia (cost Rs.21.49 lakh) defeating the objective of exploring new markets for products of artisans.

Against the target of 1,425 artisans, only 318 were taken to tribal melas.

- The Company proposed to take 15 to 50 artisans in each TM totaling to 1,425 artisans for 46 TMs to be organised during 2001-06. Against this, only 318 artisans were taken to 33 TMs organised. Six[^] TMs were organised without having any demonstration show by artisans.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that though the artisans were unwilling to go outside their home town for performing demonstration, yet, it had never organised any TM without artisans. The reply is not tenable, as the artisans were being financially rewarded for their work, the Company should have encouraged them to participate in the demonstration show of the exhibition held at different places. Further, details of artisans participated in the six TMs is not made available to audit.

- The Company organised (2001-06) demonstration by artisans of only 11^v crafts against 25 traditional handicrafts identified by it.
- The Company charged expenditure of Rs.1.64 lakh on account of repair and maintenance of emporia, expenditure for opening of new emporia, etc. under the scheme though it was not allowed as per terms of the grant.

Intensive handloom development project

2.2.23 Under Intensive handloom development project, the State Government provides grant for modernisation of looms, providing training to weavers and to meet their administrative expenditure on running of production centre of handloom products. The Company sought (2001-06) grant of Rs.3.74 crore from the State Government for the project meant to modernise 800 looms at a cost of Rs.58.75 lakh, training at a cost of Rs.48 lakh and to provide employment to 4,250 weavers. Against this demand, the State Government released Rs.2.69 crore during the above period. Audit observed that the Company utilised Rs.2.16 crore. Of which, it had spent Rs.1.86 crore towards administrative cost for running the production centres and spent only Rs. 4.04 lakh for modernisation of 66 looms. Besides, the Company had covered only 1,038 weavers in providing employment under the project. Further, the Company had originally demanded the grant of Rs.3.74 crore and this was higher by 173 *per cent* compared to actual utilisation of funds. It is indicative of unrealistic proposal sent by the Company while seeking the State Government assistance.

Evaluation

2.2.24 The Company neither maintained records to ascertain scheme wise benefit provided to weavers/artisans nor got the schemes evaluated. A scrutiny of data relating to the Company's perpetual schemes viz., Handicraft exhibition, Tribal Mela, Revolving Fund and Intensive handloom development

[^] Ahmedabad, Anand, Delhi, Surat and Vadodara: 2001-02 and Ahmedabad: 2004-05.

^v Bamboo work, Bead work, Clay art, Kalamkari, Lacquer, Patch work, Pithora, Puppet, Weaving, White metal art and Wood carving.

project revealed that against the target (2001-06) of 9,725 artisans and 8,623 weavers, the assistance under the schemes was extended only to 2,284 artisans (23.48 per cent) and 1,852 weavers (21.48 per cent). Thus, the achievement was far from satisfactory. Under these schemes, wages of Rs.2.97 crore were paid to the beneficiaries (Rs.2.35 crore to artisans and Rs.0.62 crore to weavers). Actual wage payment per weaver ranged from Rs.3,081 to Rs.3,532 (2001-06) against the target of Rs.6,495 to Rs.12,000. Thus, coverage of weavers and payment per weavers was far below the target. Further, out of total 3.32 lakh* handicraft artisans in the State only 2,284 artisans (0.69 per cent) were covered during the period. Thus, benefit accrued to the needy masses was negligible.

Unutilised grant

2.2.25 As per Gujarat Financial Rules, 1971 (GFR)[⊗], every grant shall be subject to the following implied conditions:

- The grant shall be spent for the specified objective within one year of receipt if no time limit has been prescribed by the competent officer.
- Any portion of the amount which is not required for expenditure upon that objective shall be duly surrendered.

It was observed that the Company had unutilised grant of Rs.11.34 crore as on 31 March 2006 of which an amount of Rs.6.87 crore (GOI: Rs.1.32 crore, State Government: Rs.5.55 crore) remained unutilised for more than four years (March 2006). The Company, however, did not surrender the unspent grant to the GOI/ State Government, which is in violation of GFR rules. Further, of the unspent grant of Rs.11.34 crore, the Company had utilised Rs.7.33 crore^Y to meet its working capital needs which lacked justification.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that in view of accumulated losses and adverse cash positions the Company sent proposal for conversion of unspent grant into equity. The fact remained that the funds earmarked for welfare of the artisans/weavers were not utilised for the designated purposes.

Internal control

2.2.26 Internal controls are essential pre-requisite for the efficient discharge of an organisation's functions and required for 'good governance'. These are procedures and safeguards that are put in place by the management of an organisation to ensure that its activities are proceeding as planned. Strict observance of these procedures/ safeguards is vital for good governance in organisation.

* Source: Report of Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad.

⊗ Rule 154 (5) of Gujarat Financial Rules, 1971.

^Y Closing balance of grants as on 31 March 2006: Rs.11.34 crore less Rs.4.01 crore: available liquid funds (Deposit with GSFS, cash and bank balance and balance in personal ledger account).

Audit observed the following deficiencies in internal control system being followed in the Company:

Internal audit

- The internal audit of the Company was entrusted to a firm of Chartered Accountants. The scope of internal audit *inter alia* included audit of records of head office, stores, district offices and emporia. Internal audit reports (2001-06) included comments like deficient internal control system of the Company in the areas of maintenance of inventory records, identification/ disposal of non-moving obsolete stocks, remittances of sales proceeds, system of verification of cash, *etc.* Despite serious nature of the comments and specific direction (13 July 2001) of the State Government, the internal audit reports were not placed before the BOD.
- The Company did not take adequate action for improving the system of internal control based on the Internal audit reports.
- Due to deficient internal control system, there were 17 instances of misappropriation (2001-06) of cash/ stock amounting to Rs.7.31 lakh by employees. These employees continue to hold important posts in the Company thereby rendering the internal control system ineffective.
- Despite, Statutory Auditors' persistent qualification in their reports (2001-04) on annual accounts of the Company requiring expansion of the scope of internal audit to commensurate with the size and nature of business of the Company, it did not take remedial measures.

Issuance of raw materials to artisans

2.2.27 A test check of records of Vadaj procurement centre of the Company revealed that out of total stock (Rs.9.32 lakh) outstanding (March 2006) with 213 artisans, no formal agreement was made with 193 artisans (Rs.7.91 lakh) for returning the material; agreements executed with 10 artisans were deficient as these did not contain signature/ thumb impression of artisans; raw materials worth Rs.6.39 lakh issued upto March 2005 was outstanding from 152 artisans and raw materials worth Rs.1.58 lakh were issued (2001-06) to 10 artisans before recovery of past dues from them.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that action was initiated to get the agreements. The reply is silent as to what action has been taken to recover the value of stock lying with the artisans.

Delay in making payment of goods to artisans

2.2.28 A test check of records of Bhuj procurement centre revealed that out of goods procured (2005-06) worth Rs.55.54 lakh, an amount of Rs.31.71 lakh remained to be paid to 119 artisans as on 31 March 2006 even after the expiry of prescribed time of 60 days. It was further noticed that in case of five artisans (Rs.2.68 lakh), the payment was delayed ranging from three to eight months over the prescribed time of 60 days. Despite the fact that the Company

received (2005-06) grant of Rs.5.50 lakh for procurement of goods and also it had an amount of Rupees three crore under revolving fund for making payments to artisans, these payments were delayed to them.

The Management/Government stated (August/November 2007) that the payments were delayed due to its adverse liquidity position. The reply is not tenable as the Company had revolving fund of Rupees three crore and received grant of Rs.5.50 lakh during the year. Hence, it should have made the payments in time to the artisans.

Mis-reporting of figures

2.2.29 Internal control system lacked in reporting accurate information to the State Government. As compared to the details available in the financial records of the Company it reported excess utilisation (2001-06) of grants by Rs.2.97 crore as detailed below:

(Rupees in lakh)

Name of the schemes	Amount utilised as		Over/under (-) reporting to the State Government
	Reported to the State Government	Per Records	
Revolving Fund (Handicrafts)	763.10	407.62	355.48
Revolving Fund (Handloom)	49.59	141.63	(-)92.04
Exhibition Scheme (Handicrafts)	108.59	74.99	33.60
Total	921.28	624.24	297.04

(Source: Information compiled from records of the Company)

The Management/Government while accepting the fact stated (August/November 2007) that the mis-reporting happened due to administrative problems and implementation of voluntary retirement schemes of the employees.

Non-payment of dues under Thrift Fund

2.2.30 A mention was made in paragraph 4.6.1 of the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year ended 31 March 2001- (Commercial) Government of Gujarat about unauthorised diversion of thrift fund meant for the welfare of handloom weavers, for meeting the working capital requirement of the Company. The Committee on Public Undertakings (COPU) discussed (October 2003) the paragraph. Pending the recommendations of COPU, the State Government directed (November 2003) the Company to pay the dues of the weavers within one month. The Company appointed (December 2003) a firm of Chartered Accountants to ascertain the amount due to weavers. The firm reported (February 2004) that Rs.33.94 lakh was outstanding to 3,076 weavers as on 31 December 2003. The Company repaid (up to 31 March 2006) Rs.1.64 lakh only. The State Government released (August 2006) loan of Rs.20 lakh for repaying these dues under Thrift Fund. However, the dues of Rs.40.16 lakh (Principal: Rs.32.29 lakh and Interest: Rs.7.87 lakh) to 2,919 weavers has still not been paid (March 2007).

Non-compliance of the State Government directions (November 2003) lacked justification.

Monitoring and corporate governance

2.2.31 A mention was made in paragraph 4.19 of the Report of Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year ended 31 March 2005 (Commercial), Government of Gujarat about the deficient corporate governance in the Company. Inadequate corporate governance persisted (2005-07) as would be evident from the following:

- Out of 12 directors, posts of four directors were vacant since November 2005.
- Two directors did not attend (2005-07) any of the eight meetings of the BOD and one director attended only one meeting. Thus, the purpose of their nomination on the BOD was defeated.
- The State Government appointed (2001-06) eight Managing Directors having tenure ranging between 11 and 606 days. Short tenures and frequent changes of chief executive of the Company compromised the continuity of manifestation likely to affect its proper functioning.
- The Audit Committee (AC) of the BOD constituted as per Section 292 A of the Companies Act, 1956, should consider the Company's budget, review half yearly statement, internal control system, look into aspects of financial and risk management and discuss the scope of Internal Auditor (IA)/Statutory Auditor (SA) before commencement of audit and also consider their reports after completion of audit. It was, however, noticed that the above functions were not performed by the Committee during 2005-07. Further, only two meetings each of the Audit Committee were held during 2005-06 and 2006-07 against the minimum of three meetings to be held in a year as per the State Government instructions (April 2003). Besides IA and SA did not attend four meetings of the Committee (2005-07) in violation of the provision of Section 292 A (5) of the Act, *ibid.*

Financial restructuring

2.2.32 Institute of Rural Management, Anand (IRMA) and Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad (IIM-A) in their reports on the aspect of restructuring of the Company had recommended (October 2001) that the loans payable to the State Government should be waived off and additional working capital should be infused for improving the Company's financial position and also making it viable. Though the BOD of the Company accepted (May 2003) the recommendations and decided to approach the State Government for working capital of Rupees five crore and waiver of outstanding loans, no effective actions were taken on it. As on 31 March 2006, the Company had huge loans of Rs.28.06 crore payable to the State Government and had accumulated loss of Rs.45.52 crore.

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Conclusion

The Company's performance in trading activities was far from satisfactory. It was unable to achieve the targeted sales, restart its closed and unviable emporia without devising any revival plan and high cost of operation compared to sales. Implementation of schemes were marred by under-utilisation of grant, lesser coverage of artisans/weavers, non-generation of targeted mandays for employment, non-maintenance of separate accounts, failure to review the schemes on quarterly basis. Internal control system was marred by the inadequate internal audit, lack of control in issue of raw materials to artisans, delayed payments to artisans and misreporting to the State Government.

Recommendations

- The Company should formulate a strategic plan cut down its operational losses, and bring improvement in performance of its emporia in a planned manner.
- The Company should set sustainable targets, commensurate with its mandate and infrastructure, for generation of employment and strive to achieve it with better diligence and planning.
- The Company should improve and ensure full utilisation of funds for optimum upliftment of artisans and weavers.
- The State Government and the Company should take forward the recommendations of management consultants, viz., Institute of Rural Management, Anand and Indian Institute of Management-Ahmedabad, for improvement of its performance.
- The Company should strengthen its internal control and internal audit system.

Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Limited

2.3 Performance of Commercial and Promotional Activities

Highlights

The Company's share in the State tourism industry was only 0.97 per cent despite in existence for more than 30 years. The Company did not prepare any detailed plan for its growth consistent with tourism policy of State Government.

(Paragraphs 2.3.7 and 2.3.8)

Cases of excess drawal of grants of Rs.3.16 crore in five cases, drawal of grant of Rs.3.43 crore for the same project from the State Government as well as Government of India (GOI), misappropriated/diverted grants of Rs.58.59 lakhs in two cases and submission of incorrect utilisation certificates of Rs.1.21 crore in five cases to the GOI were noticed.

(Paragraphs 2.3.11 to 2.3.15)

Of the 14 to 19 hotels and six to eight cafeterias, 63 to 93 per cent hotels and 83 to 100 per cent cafeterias of the Company incurred operational losses during 2002-07. Of these, 26 per cent hotels and 50 per cent cafeterias continuously incurred operational losses during 2002-07.

(Paragraphs 2.3.22 and 2.3.25)

The utilisation (2002-07) of funds for infrastructural projects was low, ranging between 20 and 33 per cent, indicating inadequate planning, monitoring and control over the project activities by the Company.

(Paragraph 2.3.10)

The poor governance in the Company is exemplified by non-functioning of Purchase and Tender Committee, inadequate size of the Board of Directors and shorter tenure and frequent transfer of Managing Director.

(Paragraphs 2.3.32 and 2.3.33)

Introduction

2.3.1 The Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Limited (the Company) was incorporated (June 1975) as a Government Company for systematic development of tourism on commercial basis in the State of Gujarat and elsewhere. The Company started (September 1978) commercial operation and the State Government transferred its own holiday homes, tourist bungalows, and other establishments to the Company. The Company undertakes activities to establish, develop, improve and manage places of tourist interest. As on

31 March 2007, the Company had 25 hotels (18[^] self-managed and seven[#] leased out), to provide catering and accommodation facilities to tourists. Further, it has six[∇] cafeterias and operates nine^{*} tourist information bureaus (TIB) for dissemination of information relating to marketing of tourist resorts, tour packages, *etc.* During 2002-06, 324.61 lakh tourists including 3.64 lakh foreign tourists visited the State, out of which 3.57 lakh tourists including 4,012 foreign tourists availed the facilities of the hotels of the Company.

The Management of the Company is vested in a Board of Directors (BOD) consisting of Chairman, Managing Director (MD) and four nominee Directors of the State Government. The MD is assisted by nine[§] departmental heads and managers heading the field units.

The working of the Company was last reviewed and included in the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year ended 31 March 1998 (Commercial), Government of Gujarat. The Committee on Public Undertakings discussed the Report in May 2003 and their recommendations are awaited (August 2007).

Scope of Audit

2.3.2 The present performance review conducted during November 2006 to March 2007 covers the performance of the Company with regard to its commercial and promotional activities and 14 tourism projects undertaken during 2002-07. The Company finalised its accounts for the year 2005-06 and hence the provisional figures for the year 2006-07, wherever received, have been incorporated. All the main records of the Company are kept at its Head office. As such, the audit reviewed the records of the Company at its Head office. Besides two[∇] hotels, one[⊕] cafeteria and two[⊘] TIB were selected on the basis of geographical location and volume of work to assess the system of functioning of the units.

Audit objectives

2.3.3 The performance audit was conducted to ascertain whether:

- the Company had achieved its stated objectives;
- the activities undertaken by the Company were in consonance with its objectives, Government instructions and tourism policy;

[^] Baram, Chorwad, Dholavira, Dwaraka, Gandhi Ashram, Junagadh, Mount Abu, Malvan, Nalsarovar, Palitana, Porbandar, Pawagadh, Saputara, Shamalaji, Tithal, Valthan, Vadnagar and Veraval.

[#] Ahmedpur Mandvi, Ankleshwar, Dakor, Enjal, Nargol, Sasangir and Ubharat.

[∇] Gandhinagar, Kevadiya, Modhera, Patan, Sarita Udhyan, and Somnath.

^{*} Ahmedabad, Chennai, Jaipur, Kolkata, Mumbai, New Delhi, Rajkot, Surat and Vadodara.

[§] Sr. Manager Operation, Company Secretary *cum* Finance Manager, Sr. Manager Tourism, Manager Marketing, Manager Public Relation and Personal Relation, Executive Engineer (Engineering Branch), Personal Manager, Manager (Tourism) and Dy. Manager (Hotels).

[∇] Ahmedabad and Palitana.

[⊕] Gandhinagar.

[⊘] Ahmedabad and Vadodara.

- the Company made corporate plan factoring in all relative issues and prepared action plan to achieve its objectives;
- the grants received from the Government were utilised for the purpose for which they were sanctioned;
- the projects were executed economically, efficiently and effectively; and
- all the units were operating on viable basis and the Company had devised effective monitoring/oversight and internal control/audit.

Audit criteria

2.3.4 The following audit criteria were adopted:

- tourism policy of the State Government and its directives ;
- guidelines of centrally sponsored schemes for infrastructure development as issued by the Ministry of Tourism, (MOT) and Department of Tourism of the State Government;
- Minutes and agenda of the meetings of the BOD, annual plan of the Company and project reports;
- norms fixed by the Company for consumption of raw materials for cooked items; and
- terms and conditions of the lease/ purchase agreements.

Audit methodology

2.3.5 Audit used a mix of the following methodologies to assess the audit objectives with reference to the audit criteria:

- review of tourism policy of the State Government, guidelines/directives issued by MOT /State Government ;
- review of lease deeds entered into with the lessee; contracts with agencies, documents on selection of agency and running account (RA) bills;
- review of agenda notes and minutes of the meetings of the Tender Committee and BOD;
- files relating to grants received from the MOT and State Government; and
- issue of audit enquiries and interaction with the management.

Audit findings

2.3.6 The audit findings emerging from the performance audit were reported (July 2007) to the Management/ Government and discussed in the meeting (12 October 2007) of the Audit Review Committee for State Public Sector enterprises (ARCPSE) which was attended by the Secretary to Government of Gujarat (Tourism), Industries and Mines Department and MD of the Company. Their views were kept in view while finalising the review report.

The audit findings are discussed in the succeeding paragraphs:

Growth of tourism

2.3.7 The main objective of the Company is to promote and develop tourism in the State. Tourist inflow into Gujarat and tourists availing the facilities of the Company's 14[#] out of 18 hotels is as follows:

Year*	Tourist who visited Gujarat			Tourists who stayed at Company's hotels			Percentage of tourists availing Company's facilities		
	Indian	Foreign	Total	Indian	Foreign	Total	Indian	Foreign	Total
2002-03	61,00,124	65,094	61,65,218	60,475	400	60,875	0.99	0.61	0.99
2003-04	79,15,487	65,107	79,80,594	90,707	933	91,640	1.15	1.43	1.15
2004-05	75,52,026	59,987	76,12,013	98,723	1,371	1,00,094	1.31	2.29	1.31
2005-06	1,05,29,000	1,74,000	1,07,03,000	1,02,958	1,308	1,04,266	0.98	0.75	0.97
Total	3,20,96,637	3,64,188	3,24,60,825	3,52,863	4,012	3,56,875	-	-	-

* Figures for 2006-07 are not compiled by the Company.

(Source: Information provided by the Company)

The Company's share in the tourism industry was only 0.97 per cent.

Despite being in operation for more than 30 years, the overall share of the Company in the State tourism industry was only 0.97 per cent. Though, the inflow of domestic tourists increased during 2002-06, the Company could attract only 0.98 to 1.31 per cent domestic tourists. The share of foreign tourists ranged between 0.61 and 2.29 per cent. The State tourism policy (2003-10) envisaged development and promotion of tourism to bring Gujarat on national and international tourist map. Thus, the Company's performance in terms of attracting major portion of domestic and foreign tourists was dismal. Despite this and the fact that major portion of policy period is over, the Company had neither analysed the reasons for poor inflow of tourists to its units nor designed any plan to increase the inflow of tourists to its units.

The Management stated (August 2007) that the comparison of total tourist inflow with reference to number of tourists availing the Company's facilities was not proper. Audit should have compared the total tourists arrival at a particular destination vis-à-vis tourist staying in the Company's hotel. The reply is not tenable as the comparison made by audit gives a fair view of the Company's share in providing its services to the total tourist inflow in the State. Moreover, the Company had not analysed this aspect as it did not have the data relating to total tourists arrival and use of the Company's facilities

Chorwad, Dholavira, Dwaraka, Gandhi Ashram Guest House, Junagadh, Palitana, Pavagadh, Porbandar, Malvan, Mount Abu, Saputara, Tithal, Valthan and Veraval. In respect of remaining four hotels (Baram, Nalsarovar, Shamlaji and Vadnagar) information was not available.

destination wise. As such audit was not able to make comparison on this aspect.

Tourism policy of the State and its implementation

2.3.8 The Company being sole public sector undertaking in the State for promotion of tourism, should have been a front runner with a specific role in the implementation of tourism policy of the State. The tourism policy 2003-10 (policy) laid emphasis on development of tourism as an ‘engine of economic growth’ with the purpose to bring Gujarat on the national and international tourist map. The policy identified the following areas for development:

- hospitality industry for tourists by setting up hotels, tent sites, heritage hotels including star hotels, air conditioned dormitories, etc.,
- beach resorts and water resorts at nine beaches^o,
- wayside amenities, dam and canal tourism, and
- special entertainment zones, golf courses, dinosaur theme park, gauge conversion of the Royal Orient train, etc.

The Company has not made micro level planning for implementation of State tourism policy.

As per the policy, office of the Managing Director of the Company would act as Secretariat to the Gujarat Industrial Promotion Board (GIPB) for evaluating and obtaining the Government approval on various tourism projects. The Company’s role in implementation of this policy has, however, not been defined. In view of this, the Company neither identified the critical areas as envisaged in the policy to effect micro level planning nor it devised any action plan with milestones to be achieved for its successful implementation.

The Management stated (August 2007) that the State Government declared (2006) various plans for development of heritage/eco/medical tourism, introduced various incentives in the form of reduction of rate of entertainment tax, electricity duty, luxury taxes, etc., for implementation of the policy. Thus, the fact remains that the Company had not done any work for implementation of the policy and whatever steps as cited in the reply had been taken by the State Government.

Financial Position

2.3.9 Summary of financial position of the Company during 2002-07 is given below:

(Rupees in crore)

Year	Paid-up capital	Income	Expenditure	Profit/Loss(-)	Accumulated loss	Net worth
2002-03	17.20	6.12	6.99	(-)0.87	17.90	(-)0.70
2003-04	17.20	5.95	8.23	(-)2.28	19.73	(-)2.53
2004-05	17.20	6.27	8.17	(-)1.90	23.58	(-)6.38
2005-06	19.99	6.70	7.56	(-)0.86	24.42	(-)4.43
2006-07 [^]	19.99	8.65	7.65	1.00	23.42	(-)3.43

(Source: Information compiled from annual accounts of the Company)

^o Dandi, Dumas, Dwaraka, Madhavpur, Mandvi –Kachchh, Somnath, Tithal, Ubhrat and Veraval.

[^] The figures for the year 2006-07 are provisional.

The Company has been incurring losses continuously and the accumulated losses as on 31 March 2007 were Rs.23.42 crore. Its paid-up capital of Rs.19.99 crore had been fully eroded and had a negative net worth of Rs.3.43 crore as on 31 March 2007. The main reason for the losses was unviable operation of hotels and cafeterias as discussed in paragraphs 2.3.22, 2.3.24 and 2.3.25 *infra* and non-recovery of lease rent due to deficient formulation of lease deed by the Company as discussed in paragraph 2.3.36 *infra*. Further, the Company could not recover outstanding loans and advances of Rs.91.47 lakh (March 2006) for more than five years. Out of these advances, Rs.16.57 lakh were the advances drawn by its retired employees, the Company did not recover it before relieving them from their services.

Grants

2.3.10 The MOT/State Government released total grant of Rs.150.88 crore to the Company under various tourism projects up to 31 March 2007. The Company had an unspent grants of Rs.23.88 crore as on 1 April 2002 and received (2002-07) grants of Rs.127 crore (Rs.104.61 crore from the State Government and Rs.22.39 crore from the MOT). Of this, the Company utilised (2002-07) Rs.103.65 crore leaving an unutilised balance of Rs.47.23 crore as on 31 March 2007.

The MOT released funds in the form of grants up to 31 March 2001 for the GOI aided projects through the State Government who in turn released the amount to the Company. Thereafter, the MOT released the funds directly to the Company. Audit observed that funds of Rs.3.90 crore relating to 55 projects as received from the MOT were not released by the State Government for which no reason was made available to audit as of September 2007.

In the case of State Government grants, the Company was accounting receipt of grants, expenditure out of grants and consolidated opening and closing balances of various schemes under common head of grants without keeping the details of project wise spending made under each scheme. As a result, the progress of amount spent on each project could not be monitored.

The above grants include infrastructure grants received from the MOT as well as State Government for augmenting tourist infrastructural facilities* in the State. The total unspent grant (April 2002) of Rs.23.88 crore includes infrastructure grant of Rs.16.34 crore. Further, the Company received infrastructure grant of Rs.49.65 crore during 2002-07 and utilised only Rs.40.55 crore (81.67 per cent) as detailed below:

(Rupees in crore)

Year	Opening Balance			Received			Total grant available	Utilised			Closing Balance	Utilisation in percentage
	State Govt.	MOT	Total	State Govt.	MOT	Total		State Govt.	MOT	Total		
2002-03	14.7	1.62	16.34	2.99	3.07	6.06	22.40	4.29	0.39	4.68	17.72	20.89
2003-04	13.4	4.31	17.72	4.20	0.90	5.10	22.82	6.24	1.35	7.59	15.23	33.26
2004-05	11.3	3.86	15.22	3.78	2.05	5.83	21.05	3.24	0.89	4.13	16.93	19.62
2005-06	11.9	5.02	16.93	13.65	10.43	24.08	41.01	10.47	1.19	11.66	29.35	28.43
2006-07	15.0	14.26	29.34	2.80	5.78	8.58	37.92	4.68	7.81	12.49	25.43	32.94
Total				27.42	22.23	49.65		28.92	11.63	40.55		

(Source: Information compiled from the records of the Company)

* Construction of roads, motels on the ways leading to tourist spots.

Utilisation of the grants was low and ranged between 20 and 33 per cent during 2002-07.

Utilisation of grants was low and ranged between 20 and 33 *per cent*. The MOT sanctioned (2002-07) 14 projects at a cost of Rs.29.11 crore and released (2002-07) Rs.18.82 crore. Out of 14 projects, six[#] projects were to be completed by April 2007. The Company completed three[∇] projects during the period. The reasons for low utilisation of grants and slow progress of the project were not analysed by the Company. The low utilisation of grants, however, indicates inadequate planning, monitoring and control over the project activities of the Company.

The Management stated (August 2007) that execution of projects normally took two to two and a half years, as a result the percentage of grant utilisation remained low. The reply is not tenable as the Audit worked out the percentage of utilisation with reference to the total grants available (inclusive of grants received prior to 2002) and not the grants received and utilised during 2002-06.

Excess drawal of grant

2.3.11 Audit noticed the following cases of excess drawal of grants of Rs.3.16 crore:

- Under the scheme for restoration of buildings affected by earthquake, the Company received (2001-04) grant of Rs.11.50 crore from the State Government and spent Rs.8.18 crore (71.13 *per cent*). The Company had an unspent balance of Rs.3.32 crore as on 31 March 2004. The Company, however, further requested (January 2005) for release of grant of Rupees two crore for the year 2004-05 which was received in March 2005. The amount of Rupees two crore drawn was kept in saving bank account till March 2007. Thus, drawal of grant without any immediate requirement lacked justification.
- The Company had drawn (2002-06) grant of Rs.4.95 crore for developing infrastructure facilities of beach resort at Mandvi, Kachchh. The grant included Rs.48 lakh provided for renovating guest house at Mandvi owned by the Gujarat Water Supply and Sewerage Board (GWSSB). Pending any settlement of terms of transfer, GWSSB let out (November 1998) the guest house to the Company for a token lease rent of Rs.101 per month. The Company sought (May 1999) the permission for retaining the guest house on lease for a period of 50 years but GWSSB did not grant the permission, but offered (June 2003) to sell the guest house at a price of Rs.1.22 crore. As the Company did not agree (June 2006) to this offer on the plea of financial constraints, the State Government issued (July 2006) instructions to surrender the guest house to GWSSB. As the grant of Rs.48 lakh was not utilised, the same should have been surrendered to the State Government, but, it had not been surrendered so far (March 2007).

[#] Balasinore, Malegaon, Modhera, Tera, Udwada and Vadnagar.

[∇] Balasinore, Udwada and Vadnagar.

- In case of project for construction/improvement of Udwada town, the project was completed (November 2006) at a cost of Rs.1.36 crore. The Company, however, had drawn (2002-07) a total grant of Rs.1.65 crore (MOT: Rs.97.27 lakh and State Government: Rs.67.23 lakh). This had resulted in excess drawal of grant of Rs.29 lakh from the State Government, which had not been surrendered.

The Management stated (August 2007) that amount of Rs.29 lakh would be utilised on exhibition materials, panels *etc.* The reply is not correct, as the total cost of work of Rs.1.36 crore is inclusive of the above item of work.

- In case of project for installation of signages at highways, the project cost was Rs.30 lakh (MOT component: Rs.7.50 lakh, State Government component: Rs.22.50 lakh) and the work of signages was awarded (August 2001) to a contractor at a cost of Rs.28.92 lakh. The Company, however, had drawn (2002-05) Rs.45 lakh as financial assistance from the State Government. Besides, grant of Rs.6.77 lakh was also released during 2000-06 by the MOT for the project. This had resulted in excess drawal of grants by Rs.22.85 lakh, for which no justification was on record. Besides, expenditure of Rs.28.03 lakh incurred so far from this grant remain infructuous as discussed in paragraph 2.3.18 *infra*.

The Management stated (August 2007) that it had decided to put up more signages by utilising the grant of Rs.22.85 lakh in future. The reply is not tenable. It is irregular to retain the grant for utilisation for some other works which has not the approval of the State Government.

- The Company received a grant of Rs.72 lakh during 2001-04 from the State Government for construction of tourist complex at Valthan. The construction work was completed (July 2003) at a cost of Rs.96.09 lakh. The Company drew (2004-06) further grant of Rs.40 lakh for the project. This had resulted in excess drawal of grants of Rs.15.91 lakh (Rs.112 lakh *less* Rs.96.09 lakh) which lacked justification.

The Management stated (August 2007) there was no excess drawal of grant as it had to make payment of Rs.15 lakh to the State Government towards the cost of land for the project. The reply is not correct, as the State Government has adjusted the value of the land as its share capital contribution to the Company. Hence, the grant was drawn in excess of the requirement.

Drawal of grants from GOI for the same project

Grants for the same project were drawn from both GOI and State Government resulting in double drawl of grants for the same work.

2.3.12 In case of project for development of infrastructure facilities at beach resort, Mandvi, Kachchh (as discussed in paragraph 2.3.20 *infra*), it was observed that the State Government released (August 2002 to March 2006) grant of Rs.4.95 crore in a phased manner for implementation of the work. The Company in the meanwhile, also requested (September 2004) MOT for release of grant for the work. The MOT released (September 2005) Rs.3.43 crore for execution of the project.

The Management stated (August 2007) that State Government had granted (April 2007) approval to adjust the grant received from GOI against work already completed through grants of the State Government. However, the fact that the same work was already under execution from State funds was not brought to the notice of the GOI.

Excess appropriation of grant

2.3.13 The Company is undertaking various tourist developmental activities. Hence for the projects implemented by the Company, the State Government permitted (May 1998) to appropriate 15 per cent of grants utilised for plan schemes towards salary overheads. The Company, however, disregarding the State Government's directives not only appropriated 15 per cent as salary overheads but also made an excess appropriation of Rs.43.39 lakh[#] towards salary for employees. Excess appropriation of grant of Rs.43.39 lakh, thus, lacked justification.

The Management stated (August 2007) that there was no excess appropriation for salary. The amount was booked under the respective grant as salary overheads of those staff who were directly associated with the project works. The reply is not tenable as the appropriation of the grant towards salary overheads is restricted to 15 per cent of the total grant utilised for the project works. In these instances, the Company had drawn the amount in excess of the ceiling.

Excess appropriation/diversion of grants to the tune of Rs.58.59 lakh were noticed.

Diversion of grants

2.3.14 For celebration of Mahatma Gandhi Jayanti and Navratri festival, 2003, the MOT released (September 2003) Rs.3.20 lakh and Rs.12 lakh respectively. The Company, however, diverted the amount of Rs.15.20 lakh for holding International Kite Festival, 2004.

The Management stated (August 2007) that the funds were diverted as per the approval (February 2004) of the State Government. The reply is not tenable, since the grant was received from the MOT, the Company should have obtained approval from the MOT.

Submission of incorrect utilisation certificates

The Company submitted incorrect utilisation certificates of grants of Rs.1.21 crore in five cases to the GOI.

2.3.15 The MOT/State Government provide financial assistance by way of grants to the Company for execution of infrastructural development projects. As per terms of sanction, the Company has to submit utilisation certificates (UTC) of grants to the MOT /State Government. The underlying objective of the UTC was to ensure that funds were utilised only for the specified purposes. Audit noticed that the Company submitted incorrect UTCs of Rs.1.21 crore to the MOT in the following cases:

[#] Shahi Rail (TRO) (FY 2002-03)-Rs.18.27 lakh, Modernisation and Upgradation (FY 2005-06)-Rs.9.05 lakh and Advertisement and Publicity (FY 2005-06)-Rs.16.07 lakh.

- The MOT sanctioned (March 1999 and March 2000) a project for Development of Mandvi, Phase-I and Infrastructure development at Mandvi, Kachchh Phase-II at a total cost of Rs.1.99 crore and Rs.99.80 lakh respectively. The grants received from the MOT for the project was Rs.49.87 lakh and Rs.23.36 lakh respectively and the remaining grants were from the State Government. The Company submitted UTC to the MOT for Phase-I and Phase-II in March 2005 and September 2004 respectively, wherein it stated that the project had been completed at a cost of Rs.1.25 crore and Rs.50.36 lakh and grants of Rs.31.36 lakh and Rs.23.36 lakh as received from the MOT had been utilised in the project. Audit noticed that the above grants of Rs.31.36 lakh and Rs.23.36 lakh were still lying unutilised as per the financial accounts of the Company for 2005-06.

The Management stated (August 2007) that UTCs submitted to the MOT were correct as the MOT grants of Rs.31.36 lakh and Rs.23.36 lakh had been utilised for the project, but the same were not adjusted in the books of accounts. The reply is not tenable, as the details of actual execution of works under this project were not made available to audit. In their absence, the genuineness of the UTCs furnished could not be vouchsafed in audit.

- The MOT sanctioned the project for development of Dwaraka Phase-I (March 1999) for Rs.98.66 lakh (MOT: Rs.47.80 lakh and State Government: Rs.50.86 lakh) and Dwaraka Phase-II (March 2000) at a total cost of Rs.82.22 lakh (MOT: Rs.41.11 lakh and State Government: Rs.41.11 lakh). The MOT subsequently released Rs.23.90 lakh (March 1999) and Rs.12.30 lakh (August 2000) for the execution of Phase-I and Phase-II respectively. The Company submitted (November 2006) UTCs to the MOT in which it stated that the work had been completed at a total cost of Rs.100 lakh (MOT: Rs.36.20 lakh and State Government: Rs.63.80 lakh). Audit noticed that the submission made to the MOT was incorrect as the Company completed (July 2006) the work from the State Government grant of Rs.91.97 lakh. Moreover, the total grant received from the MOT amounting to Rs.36.20 lakh is still lying unutilised in the State Government's treasury (March 2007).
- The MOT had sanctioned (March 2001) a project *viz.*, Upgradation refurbishment of Royal Orient Train in Gujarat at an estimated cost of Rs.1.05 crore inclusive of the State Government share of Rupees five lakh. Of the sanctioned grant, the MOT released (June 2001) Rs.30 lakh through the State Government. Audit observed that the State Government had retained Rs.15.30 lakh and released (February 2002) Rs.14.70 lakh to the Company. The Company had incorrectly submitted (September 2004) UTC to the MOT stating that it had utilised the full grant of Rs.30 lakh. The UTC issued is factually incorrect as the grant of Rs.14.70 lakh was shown as unutilised in the financial accounts for 2005-06 of the Company and the amount of Rs.15.30 lakh was never released by the State Government. Thus, submission of incorrect UTCs to the MOT resulted in non-utilisation of scarce public funds.

Project management

Inadequate planning resulted in dropping of projects

2.3.16 The MOT released (1985-2000) grant of Rs.70.50 lakh for four infrastructural development projects meant for construction of cottages at Nargol, Yatri Niwas at Dakor and wayside amenities at Fazalpur and Halvad. These projects were subsequently dropped (July 2002) because of litigation with contractors and non-availability of suitable land. The Company had incurred an expenditure of Rs.20 lakh on these projects till July 2002. Details of expenditure incurred were not made available to audit. Besides, nothing was on record for the efforts, if any, made by the Company to implement these projects.

The Management stated (April/August 2007) that as per the direction (July 2002) of the MOT, it was to complete the pending projects of VIIIth and IXth Plan period latest by March 2002 and March 2003 respectively. The Company dropped these projects as it was not possible for it to adhere to the time schedule. The reply is not convincing as the Company was having adequate time to execute the projects and dropping the projects after having incurred a huge expenditure lacked justification.

2.3.17 Wayside amenities *viz.*, cafeteria, toilet, bathroom, drinking water are essential requirements of tourists on National and State highways leading to various tourist destinations.

Audit observed that the MOT sanctioned (1997-2002) grants for construction of wayside amenities at nine* places at an estimated cost of Rs.1.78 crore and released (1997-2002) Rs.63.50 lakh (35.67 *per cent*) for the projects. None of the aforesaid projects were taken up for execution except a project at Malvan which was completed (November 2002) at a cost of Rs.48.03 lakh. The Company dropped (October 2002/August 2004) its plan for implementation of the projects in the remaining places on the plea of non-availability of suitable land. The efforts, if any, made by the Company for acquiring the suitable land for the projects were not on record.

The Management stated (August 2007) that out of nine places, the Company acquired land for the project at four places. The Company, however, dropped the projects as the State Government did not release the grants of Rs.63.50 lakh (35.67 *per cent*) received from the MOT to the Company and the MOT also decided to drop this kind of smaller project as it did not create desired impact. The reply is contradictory as these grants were released on the proposal of the Company. Moreover, there was lack of efforts on the Company's part in taking up the work of execution of these projects as these projects were sanctioned by the MOT during 1997-2002. Further, the reply does not give the reasons as to why the State Government did not release the grants received from MOT.

* Adesar, Bamanbore, Bhachau, Fazalpur, Halwad, Malvan, Miyana, Prantij and Sikka.

Infructuous expenditure on Highway Signages

2.3.18 The MOT sanctioned (March 2000) project for installation of highway signages at a total cost of Rs.30 lakh (MOT: Rs.7.50 lakh and State Government: Rs.22.50 lakh) with direction to complete the work within 30 months. Through a contract (August 2001), the Company got 30 highway signages fabricated and completed (September 2002) at a cost of Rs.28.03 lakh. The Company, however, failed to install these signages at the selected places for want of approval from the Roads and Buildings (R&B) Department of the State Government. The Company installed (September 2004) seven signages at places other than the selected places and the remaining 23 signage valuing Rs.21.49 lakh were still lying unutilised with the Company (October 2007). As per the proposal submitted to the MOT, the work was to be undertaken with the consent of R&B and Archeological Department. The Company did not obtain the required consent from these departments before taking up the project even though it had sufficient time at its disposal since March 2000. Thus, expenditure of Rs.28.03 lakh on fabrication of signages proved infructuous.

The Management stated (August 2007) that the work was taken up in anticipation of approval of the R&B and Archeological Department and the approval was still awaited. This is indicative of lack of proper planning in execution of the project.

Infructuous expenditure on printing of Navratri souvenirs

2.3.19 The Company on behalf of the State Government was to arrange for printing of souvenirs for distribution to the tourists during Navratri festival of 2004 (14 to 23 October 2004). The Company, however, issued the order on 3 November 2004 for printing 2000 copies of souvenirs at a cost of Rs.14 lakh when the festival was over. The souvenirs were received by the Company during 10-20 November 2004. No justification was on record for printing the souvenirs after conclusion of the festival.

The Management stated (August 2007) that these souvenirs were subsequently issued to various Companies, embassy offices and hoteliers. The reply is, however, silent as to why the souvenirs were printed after the festival. Further, no records were made available to confirm its issuance to various agencies as cited in the reply.

Unwarranted payment of centage charges

2.3.20 The Company assigned (July 2002) a deposit work of developing infrastructure facilities at beach resort at Mandvi, Kachchh to R&B Department at an estimated cost of Rupees four crore. The R&B Department in turn awarded (December 2002) the work to a contractor. The work was under execution for which the Company had released Rs.4.95 crore to the R&B Department till March 2007.

The Company had assigned the work to R&B Department on the plea of shortage of manpower for supervision. The Company was aware that R&B

Department was entitled to recover centage charges at nine *per cent* on the estimated cost of work in lieu of administrative cost to be incurred by R&B Department for executing the deposit work. The rate of centage charges was higher than the consultancy fees of two *per cent* being charged by private firms for the supervision of the work. Despite this, the Company awarded the work to the R&B Department which resulted in extra payment of Rs.28 lakh (R&B charges: Rs.36 lakh *less* Consultancy fees: Rs.8 lakh) in supervision of work. Justification for assigning the work to the R&B Department was not on record.

The Management stated (August 2007) that the work was assigned to the R&B Department as per the directives (September 2002) of the State Government. The reply is not tenable, as the copy of the directives was not produced to audit. Moreover, the State Government did not give any justification for issuing such directive especially, when the R&B Department had in turn assigned the work to some private agency on sub contract basis.

Deviation from project proposal

2.3.21 The MOT approved grants (January 2004) for the rural tourism project at an estimated cost of Rs.1.21 crore (MOT: Rs.93 lakh and State Government: Rs.28 lakh) to be executed by the Company. Under this project, Navagam and Malegam in Dang district were identified by the Company for development and promotion of rural tourism with a view to give socio-economic benefit to the rural people. The activities under the project *inter alia* included construction of shops, cafeteria, setting up of tourist information centers in these villages. The Company, however, shifted (May 2004) the site of the project from the selected villages to Saputara on the plea of administrative convenience. The approval for change in location of the project was, however, not obtained from the MOT/State Government. Consequently, the people residing at Malegam and Navagam villages were deprived of the intended benefits of the projects due to shifting of the location. Against the stipulated date of completion of November 2006, the work was still in progress (September 2007).

The Management stated (August 2007) that as Navagam and Malegam villages are located very near to Saputara and more tourists were visiting Saputara, the projects proposed at these villages were shifted to Saputara. The reply is not convincing as the Company was aware of the locational advantage of Saputara while planning for the project at these villages prior to 2004. Further, no reply was given for not obtaining the approval of the MOT/State Government for change in location of the project.

Operational performance of hotels

2.3.22 The Company operated 14 to 19 hotels (2002-07) and incurred operational loss of Rs.75.64 lakh. The operational performance of hotels during the period is given in the ***Annexure-9***. Summarised position of the operational performance of the hotels is given below:

(Rupees in lakh)

Year	Number of hotels	Total Operational profit/ loss (-)	Hotels earned profit			Hotels incurred losses		
			No	Percentage	Amount	No.	Percentage	Amount
2002-03	14	(-) 60.40	1	7	15.25	13	93	75.65
2003-04	14	(-) 21.67	1	7	36.62	13	93	58.29
2004-05	15	(-) 8.14	5	33	36.12	10	67	44.26
2005-06	19	14.19	7	37	51.81	12	63	37.62
2006-07	19	0.38	7	37	42.85	12	63	42.47
Total		(-) 75.64			182.65			258.29

(Source: Information compiled from records of the Company)

During 2002-07, 63 to 93 per cent of the hotels incurred operational losses.

The percentage of loss making hotels ranged from 63 to 93 during 2002-07. Further, 26 per cent of hotels (five[#] numbers) had continuously incurred losses aggregating Rs.1.28 crore during 2002-07. The main reason for uneconomical operation of units was low occupancy as discussed in paragraph 2.3.24 *infra*.

The Management stated (August 2007) that even though profit making was not the prime consideration of the Company, it had earned the operational profit of Rs.7.55 lakh and Rs.79.42 lakh during 2004-05 and 2005-06 respectively on the hotels and TIBs. The reply is incorrect as the audit observations are based on the income and expenditure statements of the respective units and the figures mentioned in the reply are not supported by any document. Further, the Company is a commercial organization, supposed to operate competitively and on sound commercial principles.

Non-award of unviable units on management contract

2.3.23 The Company constructed (October 2002 to July 2003) hotels without any feasibility study/detailed project report at a cost of Rs.3.81 crore at five^o places with the grants received from the MOT and the State Government. The Company without making any analysis about the viability of the hotels decided (June 2002) to run the hotels on management contract basis. But no action was taken to put them into operation till February/May 2005 and all the five hotels remained idle for 25 to 31 months since its construction. The Company, however, revised (February 2005) its earlier decision and started operating (February/May 2005) all the five hotels on its own. Further, the Company conducted (April 2005) a study to ascertain the viability of operating the remaining four hotels on its own. As per the study, the operation of the projects was not viable due to low potentiality for occupancy, high operating cost including employees cost compared to the potential revenue. Despite this, the Company had neither made any efforts for giving these hotels on management contract basis nor devised any plan that would facilitate to make these hotels commercially viable. All the five hotels, consequentially, incurred (2004-07) operational losses of Rs.42.58 lakh.

The Management stated (August 2007) that there was less commercial consideration involved in taking up these projects. The Company, however, started operating the projects in February/May 2005 with aim to provide facilities to tourists. The reply is not tenable as the Company is a commercial organisation and required to operate competitively. Further, no reasons were

[#] Chorwad, Junagadh, Mandvi, Mount Abu and Palitana.

^o Dholavira, Malvan, Nalsarovar, Shamalaji and Valthan.

given for construction of hotels without feasibility study, delay in starting the operation of the hotels and non-devising of a plan to make the hotels commercially viable.

Occupancy

2.3.24 The Company had neither fixed any targets for occupancy ratio nor worked out breakeven point to operate the hotels competitively. The Karnataka Tourism Development Corporation Limited and Bihar Tourism Development Corporation Limited had fixed norms for room occupancy at 57 and 60 *per cent* respectively. Even by taking 50 *per cent* of occupancy as norm, the number of the Company's hotels which did not reach these targets is given below:

(Rupees in lakh)

Year	Number of hotels	Targeted income (at 50 <i>per cent</i> occupancy)	Actual income	Shortfall	Units achieving the target		Units not achieving the target	
					Number	percentage	Number	percentage
2002-03	14	180.13	93.82	86.31	1	7	13	93
2003-04	14	165.50	121.50	44.00	4	29	10	71
2004-05	15	180.66	133.00	47.66	4	27	11	73
2005-06	19	194.56	153.89	40.67	5	26	14	74
2006-07	19	179.04	155.19	23.85	5	26	14	74
Total		899.89	657.40	242.49				

(Source: Information compiled from records of the Company)

The percentage of units which could not achieve the norms ranged between 71 and 93 during 2002-07. The total shortfall of revenue in these hotels was Rs.2.42 crore as compared to the income that could be achieved at 50 *per cent* of occupancy. The Management had not analysed the reasons for low occupancy for taking corrective action. Thus, there was inadequate monitoring mechanism available at the Head office, as the Head office had not analysed and took corrective action to improve the room occupancy, based on the monthly reports submitted by the units. Moreover, there is no system to receive the feed back from the customers for improving the efficiency of services and to ensure customer satisfaction.

The Management stated (August 2007) that occupancy of the hotels ranged between 60 and 80 *per cent* during off season and 100 *per cent* during season. The reply is incorrect as the audit observations are based on the income and expenditure statements of the respective units and the figures mentioned in the reply are not supported by any document. Even if the Company had achieved 50 *per cent* of occupancy, it would have earned additional revenue of Rs.2.42 crore.

Operational performance of cafeterias

2.3.25 The Company operated six to eight cafeterias during 2002-07 and incurred total operational loss of Rs.1.31 crore. The operational performance of cafeterias during this period is given in the **Annexure-10**. It would be seen from the annexure that all the cafeterias were incurring operational loss continuously except one cafeteria earning profit for the last three years.

A summarised position of operational performance of the cafeterias is given below:

(Rupees in lakh)

Year	Number of working cafeterias	Total operating loss	Profit earning cafeterias			Loss making cafeterias		
			Number	Percentage	Amount	Number	Percentage	Amount
2002-03	6	19.01	--	--	--	6	100	19.01
2003-04	6	25.09	--	--	--	6	100	25.09
2004-05	8	34.15	1	13	1.12	7	88	35.27
2005-06	7	23.06	1	14	1.69	6	86	24.75
2006-07	6	29.43	1	17	0.76	5	83	30.19
Total		130.74			3.57			134.31

(Source: Information compiled from records of the Company)

During 2002-07, 83 to 100 per cent of cafeterias incurred operational loss.

The percentage of loss making cafeterias ranged from 83 to 100 during 2002-07. Of the eight cafeterias, seven[∇] cafeterias incurred total operational loss of Rs.1.34 crore during 2002-07, three* cafeterias had continuously incurred losses amounting to Rs.67.56 lakh. Audit scrutiny revealed that losses were due to high cost of food, electricity and fuel as discussed in paragraphs 2.3.26, 2.3.27 and 2.3.28 *infra*.

The Management stated (August 2007) that the high manpower and competition from private players were the reasons for the losses. The reply is not tenable as the Company being a commercial organisation failed to operate keeping its financial interest in view.

Food cost

2.3.26 The Company had been maintaining catering facilities at 14 to 19 units including six to eight cafeterias during 2002-07. The Company had not fixed any norms for percentage of food cost to its sales price. Haryana Tourism Corporation Limited fixed the percentage of food cost to sales price ranging from 35 to 45 *per cent*. Even if the Company had fixed the norms of food cost to sales at 45 *per cent*, the actual food cost incurred was in excess of norms in 13 units in 2002-03, 14 units in 2003-04, 10 units in 2004-05, seven units in 2005-06 and 11 units in 2006-07. The Company did not furnish the data on food cost of four units during 2004-05, three units during 2005-06 and seven units during 2006-07. Further, catering activity of eight and ten units was given on agency basis during 2005-06 and 2006-07. Hence, there was reduction in number of units exceeding food cost norms during 2004-07. In all, during 2002-07, the actual food cost incurred in excess of norms in the units resulted in extra expenditure of Rs.50.45 lakh.

The Management stated (August 2007) that it was maintaining monthly consumption register from which the ratio of food cost to sales could be ascertained. Besides, it had been reviewing the food cost in the monthly meeting of managers. The reply is not tenable, as no norms for food cost has been fixed. Further, the minutes of the review meetings, their recommendation and action reports were not made available to audit.

[∇] Kevadiya, Modhera, Patan, Somnath, Sarita Udhyan, Sector-28 Gandhinagar and Toran Sachivalaya.
* Cafeterias at Modhera, Sarita Udhyan and Sachivalaya at Gandhinagar.

Cost of electricity

2.3.27 The Company had not fixed any norms for consumption of electricity for its units. Audit noticed that Punjab Tourism Development Corporation Limited fixed the electricity cost norms between four and six *per cent* of the turnover of its units. Considering the norm of six *per cent*, the position of electricity consumption in respect of the units for which the data was available is discussed below:

Year	Total units	Number of units for which power data was available	Number of units with consumption in excess of six <i>per cent</i>	Range of consumption where consumption exceeds six <i>per cent</i>
2002-03	20	16	14	10.13 to 31.59
2003-04	20	17	15	8.44 to 24.07
2004-05	23	15	13	8.22 to 35.79
2005-06	26	17	15	6.87 to 375.43
2006-07	27	24	17	7.89 to 58.85

(Source: Information compiled from records of the Company)

The percentage of cost of electricity to turnover in these units ranged between 6.87 and 375.43 during 2002-07. Audit observed that the abnormal consumption of electricity was due to ineffective control and supervision and poor sales performance of the units. Thus, the electricity cost in excess of six *per cent* of sales resulted in extra expenditure of Rs.67.81 lakh during 2002-07.

The Management stated (August 2007) that electricity consumption in the units was commensurate with occupancy. Moreover, the consumption was reviewed in the monthly meetings on regular basis. The reply is not tenable, as the norms for consumption of electricity was not fixed. Further, the minutes of the review meetings, their recommendation and action reports were not made available to audit.

Fuel Cost

2.3.28 The Company had not fixed any norms for fuel cost. Fuel cost norm in Orissa, Rajasthan and Punjab Tourism Development Corporations was three, three and four *per cent* of the sales respectively. Considering norm of four *per cent*, position of fuel consumption in respect of the units for which the data was available is tabulated below:

Year	Total units	Number of units for which data was provided to audit	Number of units (in excess of norms of four <i>per cent</i>)	Range of consumption where consumption exceeds four <i>per cent</i>
2002-03	20	6	3	4.59 to 07.86
2003-04	20	7	5	4.60 to 15.76
2004-05	23	6	5	4.18 to 14.94
2005-06	26	4	3	4.18 to 13.98
2006-07	29	10	5	4.24 to 08.33

(Source: Information compiled from records of the Company)

The above table reveals that the percentage of cost of fuel to sales in these units ranged between 4.18 and 15.76 during 2002-07. Audit observed that the high consumption of fuel was due to poor sales performance of the units and

ineffective control and supervision. The fuel cost in excess of four *per cent* amounted to Rs.2.67 lakh during 2002-07.

The Management stated (August 2007) that fuel consumption in the units was commensurate with occupancy. Moreover, the consumption was reviewed in the monthly meetings on regular basis. The reply is not tenable, as the norms for fuel cost were not fixed. Further, the minutes of the review meetings and their recommendation and action reports were not made available to audit.

Inadequate essential facilities at hotels/cafeterias

2.3.29 To provide essential facilities to the tourists is an important pre requisite in the tourism industry. A review of essential services and other amenities available in the hotels/cafeterias of the Company revealed some inadequacies like non-maintenance of records pertaining to the visits of Public Health authorities and their findings in regards to maintenance of hygiene in the hotels, absence of any system of periodical medical check-up of the cooks and non-availability of test reports of Food Inspectors on the quality of food provided in the hotels/cafeterias.

The Management while accepting the non-existence of system for periodical medical check up of cooks stated (August 2007) that officials of Public Health department/Food Inspectors were visiting the Company's units. No documentary evidence in support of the visit of these officials to the units was produced to audit.

The new Royal Orient Train

2.3.30 The Company, in collaboration with the Indian Railways had been running a luxury train 'The Royal Orient (TRO)' from Delhi to Delhi[∇] on meter gauge line since February 1995. The Railways was operating and maintaining the train and the Company was performing housekeeping in the train, local sight seeing and entertaining guests. The earnings from TRO were shared between the Railways and the Company in the ratio of 72:28. The Company had earned total profit of Rs.1.02 crore (2000-04) from the TRO. The route of train was gradually shortened due to work undertaken by the Railways for conversion of Saurashtra region track from meter gauge to broad gauge. The TRO was finally put (January 2004) out of operation upon completion of the work of conversion of the track.

The Company decided (March 2004) to reintroduce a new TRO on broad gauge line in collaboration with the Indian Railways at an estimated cost of Rs.14.35 crore (contribution of Railways: Rs.3.36 crore, State Government: Rs.4.29 crore and MOT: Rs.6.70 crore) to be completed within seven months from the execution of MOU with the Indian Railways. The earnings were to be shared between the Railways and the Company in the ratio of 35:65. The Company, however, had not taken any action for execution of the MOU with the Railways and entering into agreements with the MOT and the State Government for availing contribution for the projects. (March 2007).

[∇] Route of the train is Delhi, Udaipur, Palitana, Somnath, Bhilwada, Ahmedabad, Jaipur, and Delhi.

The Management stated (August 2007) that necessary steps were being taken to sign the MOU and execute the agreement with concerned authorities. The fact remains that due to the inadequate efforts of the Company in complying with the formalities new TRO has not been reintroduced even after lapse of three years.

Financial Management

2.3.31 The State Government issued (December 1999) directions to all the State Public Sector undertakings (PSUs) to place surplus funds available with them for a period of less than 15 days in Liquid Deposit Scheme of Gujarat State Financial Services Limited (GSFS) to enable PSUs to earn interest on these surplus funds.

Scrutiny of records revealed that during April 2002 to March 2007, the Company kept funds ranging from Rs.52.26 lakh to Rs.18.42 crore in eight current accounts and two savings accounts with six* nationalised banks in Gandhinagar. The retention of such huge amounts in the current/savings accounts lacked justification. The Company could have invested the surplus funds ranging from Rs.2.26 lakh to Rs.17.92 crore even after retaining a minimum balance of Rs.50 lakh (seven days working capital requirement) in the current/savings accounts. Had the Company invested the surplus funds in the GSFS, it could have earned an interest of Rs.1.06 crore (after considering the interest earned of Rs.10.50 lakh in savings account) during the period.

The Management stated (August 2007) that it had retained funds in saving/current accounts with various banks to meet probable payment liabilities. The reply is not tenable, as the deposits made with GSFS are realisable on one day notice. Further, audit has worked out the interest loss after keeping in view the working capital requirement of the Company.

Monitoring and Corporate Governance

2.3.32 A mention was made in paragraph 4.19 of the Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India for the year ended 31 March 2005 (Commercial) –Government of Gujarat about deficient corporate governance in the Company. It was noticed that some of the deficiencies pointed out still continued to persist during 2005-07 as listed below:

There were only six directors against the maximum limit of 15 and tenure of Managing Directors was short ranging from two to eighteen months.

- As against the maximum limit of 15 directors, the Company had only six directors. The BOD being the apex decision making body of the Company requires more representation.
- The post of Managing Director was held by eight incumbents during 2002-07, with the tenure ranging from two to eighteen months. Frequent changes in the incumbency resulted in lack of initiative at the top level to formulate and implement any long term action plan for improvement in

* Bank of India, Indian Bank, Punjab National Bank, State Bank of India, State Bank of Saurashtra and Syndicate Bank.

the working of the Company which is evident from the absence of any long term corporate plan with milestones for achievements there against.

Non-functioning of Purchase and Tender Committee

No meeting of the Purchase and Tender committee was held from October 2002 to December 2005.

2.3.33 As per the instructions (September 2001) of the State Government, all the purchases/tenders for the work exceeding Rupees one crore were to be scrutinised by Purchase and Tender (P&T) Committee. Though, the Company had a P&T committee consisting of members from Finance, Information & Broadcasting and Managing Director of the Company, no meetings of P&T committee were held during October 2002 and December 2005. Even in its subsequent meetings, the P&T committee did not scrutinise any proposals for award of work. Audit noticed that eight proposals for purchases/award of work involving Rs.17.55 crore were submitted (November 2002 to March 2006) to the BOD without involving the P&T committee. This not only resulted in violation of instructions of the State Government but also deprived the Company of the experience of the Committee.

The Management stated (August 2007) that P&T committee meetings were regularly held during 2002-05. However, during last two years only five to six members were appointed in the BOD of the Company. In view of the small size of BOD, the Company had submitted all the purchase proposals directly to the BOD. The reply is not tenable as no minutes of the meetings of P&T committee held during October 2002 and December 2005 were available. Both P&T committee and the BOD are two different forums constituted with specific purposes. Hence, the Company had violated the Government instructions by not finalising the purchase cases through the P&T committee.

Non-constitution of monitoring committees

2.3.34 The MOT issued (April 2003) guidelines and reiterated (April 2004 and September 2006) for the implementation of centrally sponsored schemes. As per the guidelines, the State Level Monitoring Committee and Convergence Committee were to be set up under the chairmanship of the Secretary (Tourism) of the respective State Governments and should have nominees from the Department of Tourism, MOT and the implementing agency for the schemes. Further, a Convergence Committee was to be set up under the chairmanship of the Collector of the district to oversee the implementation of the project.

Audit noticed that the Company on an average received Rs.4.11 crore and utilised Rs.95.50 lakh per annum under the centrally sponsored schemes. The State Government, however, had not constituted the above two committees

The Management stated (August 2007) that the State Government had constituted (April 2007) these committees. The fact, however, remains that delay of four years in constitution of the committees is indicative of its lack of concern in improving the monitoring mechanism for implementation of centrally sponsored schemes.

Non-observance of directives

2.3.35 In the following cases, the Company had taken a decision for not operating the unit either because of its poor performance in the past or there was no scope for viable operation of the unit. In disregard to its own decisions, to close down/not to operate unviable units, the Company continued the operations in the following units resulting in loss of Rs.47.63 lakh:

- As per the Company's decision (June 2000), the cafeteria at Sarita Udhayan, Gandhinagar was to be given on management contract basis because of poor operational performance. No efforts were made in this regard and the operation of cafeteria was continued by the Company itself resulting in accumulated operational loss of Rs.54.87 lakh (2001-07).
- The Company decided (February 2004) to close TIB at Rajkot from April 2004, if TIB would not make any operational profit during February and March 2004. Though, the TIB suffered operational loss of Rs.0.02 lakh (February 2004) and Rs.0.27 lakh (March 2004), the Company continued to operate the TIB resulting in loss of Rs.3.17 lakh (2004-06).
- The Company decided (February 2004) not to start operation of cafeteria at Somnath because of uncertainty in running it on a viable basis. The Cafeteria was, however, put in operation from August 2004 and its operation resulted in loss of Rs.13.36 lakh (August 2004 to March 2007). No justification was available on record for disregarding its own decision to stop the functioning of unviable units.

The Management stated (August 2007) that the Company being a nodal agency of the State Government had been operating the above units without having any commercial motive for it. The reply is not tenable as the decisions for not operating the above units were taken by the Company from the viability point of view even after knowing its role as nodal agency of the State Government.

Internal control

2.3.36 Internal controls are essential pre-requisite for the efficient discharge of an organisation's functions and required for 'good governance'. These are procedures and safeguards that are put in place by the management of an organisation to ensure that its activities are proceeding as planned. Strict observance of these procedures/ safeguards is vital for good governance in an organisation.

Following instances are indicating the deficiencies in internal control system of the Company:

- The Company identified (March 1999) 271 out of 490 employees as surplus and decided (March 1999) to retrench these surplus employees. The Company, however, did not take any action in this regard.

Consequently, it had incurred an avoidable expenditure of Rs.10.77 crore towards pay and allowances of 235 employees (excluding 36 employees who took VRS/expired/retired) during July 1999 to March 2007.

The Management stated (August 2007) that the identification of surplus staff and decision for their retrenchment were not taken based on any scientific study. Looking to tourism projects being undertaken by the Company and also as per the hotel industry standards, there existed shortfall of 137 hotel staff during 1999-2000 and even now also it needed additional staff of 170. The reply is not tenable, as it does not give any reasons for the Company's claim that the decision of March 1999 was not based on any scientific study. Besides, its present claim for requirement of additional staff is also not supported by any study made in this regard.

- The Company failed to recover (April 1996 to March 2007) lease rent of Rs.4.12 crore in respect of its four♦ hotels/motels due to deficient lease agreement executed by it with lessees. The departmental enquiry conducted (January-April 2002) indicated lapse on the part of four officials-three from Indian Administrative Services/Gujarat Administrative Services and one employee of the Company. The Company submitted (September 2002) the enquiry report to the State Government. Neither the State Government nor the Company took action against these officials (March 2007). This is indicative of deficient monitoring and control system existed in the Company.

The Management stated (August 2007) that the State Government had taken a decision (May 2007) to close down enquiry against the three IAS officers. However, the matter pertaining to Company's employee was under its examination. Thus, the fact remains that no action has been taken against any officials though it had resulted in non-recovery of rent of Rs.4.12 crore.

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Conclusion

The performance of the Company was deficient. Even after its existence of more than 30 years in the tourism sector, the percentage of tourists availing the Company's facilities was negligible compared to the inflow of tourists in the State. Poor planning, lack of proper monitoring and control during project execution resulted in slow progress of works and consequential low utilisation of funds. Grants were not utilised as per the terms and conditions of grants released. Norms for controlling the operational cost of food, fuel and electricity and also for increasing the occupancy of its hotels were not fixed resulting in huge operational losses. The governance of the Company was marred due to non-functioning of

♦ Ankleshwar, Dakor, Nargol and Ubharat.

Purchase and Tender committee, inadequate size of the BODs and frequent changes of Managing Director.

Recommendations

- **The Company should identify the critical areas of the tourism policy to effect micro level planning and devise action plan with milestones to achieve the objectives envisaged in the policy.**
- **Suitable monitoring system should be devised to ensure that the government grants are drawn and utilised as per the terms and conditions for release of grants.**
- **Efforts should be made to improve the process involved in planning and execution of the project activities with an aim to complete the projects in time.**
- **The improvement in the efficiency of performance of hotels and cafeterias could be made by fixing the norms and controlling the cost of food components, fuel and electricity and also increasing the occupancy of its hotels.**
- **Effective steps should be initiated to ensure functioning of Purchase and Tender Committee, adequate representation of the BODs and reasonable period of tenure of the Managing Director.**

The matter was reported to the Government in July 2007; the reply had not been received (November 2007).

Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Limited (erstwhile Gujarat Electricity Board)

2.4 Implementation of Renovation and Modernisation Activities in Power Stations

Highlights

The Board/Company had not laid down comprehensive plan for execution of each R&M activity. Against the originally planned 96 R&M activities, the Board/Company had executed (2002-07) only 28 activities costing Rs. 228.20 crore. Non-execution of the planned activities was mainly due to the procedural delays.

(Paragraph 2.4.7)

Infructuous expenditure of Rs.40.29 crore was incurred due to undertaking two R&M activities which were not needed in the Power Stations.

(Paragraphs 2.4.12 and 2.4.18)

Improper management of R&M activities led to loss of Rs.4.95 crore due to short recovery of penalty from defaulting contractor, avoidable payment of demurrage charges and MODVAT credit of excise duty.

(Paragraphs 2.4.13, 2.4.16 and 2.4.18)

Procurement of material for four R&M activities without assessing their needs resulted in blocking of Rs.16.48 crore with consequential interest loss of Rs.1.37 crore.

(Paragraphs 2.4.14, 2.4.17, 2.4.21 and 2.4.22)

Of the 28 R&M activities implemented, avoidable delays were noticed in procurement and commissioning of components and systems required for six R&M activities. These delays led to generation loss (2002-07) of 368.339 MUs worth Rs.76.92 crore.

(Paragraphs 2.4.11, 2.4.14, 2.4.15, 2.4.19 and 2.4.20)

Introduction

2.4.1 The Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Limited, Vadodara (Company) was incorporated (August 1993) with the main objective to generate and supply power to transmission company. Pursuant to the Gujarat Electricity Industry (Re-organisation and Regulation) Act, 2003, the erstwhile Gujarat Electricity Board (Board) was unbundled in a phased manner by 31 March 2005. The generation, transmission and distribution activities of the erstwhile Board were transferred to six Companies (including the generating Company viz., Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Limited) working under

the strategic control of Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam Limited (the holding Company), which had taken over the residual activities of the erstwhile Board. The Company had taken-over (August 2002 to March 2005) seven power stations (PS) of the Board under power sector reforms programme of the State Government.

As on 31 March 2007 the Company had seven power stations of which four[^] are coal based thermal power station (TPS), one[∇] lignite based, one^{*} oil based, one[#] gas based. The total installed capacity of all the seven power stations is 4,420.617 MW. As of March 2007, 13 Units of four[§] power stations having 1,624 MW capacities had completed their normal life of 25 years.

The renovation and modernisation (R&M) activities are undertaken with a view to increase the operational efficiency of the existing power plants. The R&M activities undertaken by the Company are broadly classified under (i) renovation and modernisation and life extension programme (R&M/LE) for plants; and (ii) Need based R&M programme. The R&M activities involve various works *viz.*, identification of the problems of plants through residual life assessment (RLA) studies of the plants, deciding the kind of R&M activity to be undertaken, preparation of detailed project report (DPR), deciding technical specification and preparing bid documents, obtaining approval from concerned authorities, arrangement of finance from institutions, invitation of tenders, evaluation of the bids, award of contracts for R&M activity and its implementation and conducting the performance guarantee test on the plants. The Company had implemented (2002-07) 28 R&M activities at a cost of Rs.228.20 crore in six[∇] TPS.

The management of the Company is vested in a Managing Director (MD) who is assisted by an Executive Director, a Chief Engineer, an Additional Chief Engineer (ACE), two Superintending Engineers (SE), two Executive Engineers (EE) and Deputy Engineers (DE) of Projects and Planning (P&P) Department at Head office for implementation of R&M activities and these activities are implemented at the TPS level by ACE, SE, EE and DE of the Company.

Scope of Audit

2.4.2 The present performance review conducted (December 2006 to April 2007), covers the planning, financing and implementation of R&M/LE activities in five out of six TPS undertaken for renovation (2002-07) and selected for review on the basis of magnitude of expenditure incurred.

[^] Gandhinagar (870 MW), Sikka (240 MW), Ukai (850 MW) and Wanakbori (1,470 MW).

[∇] Kachchh lignite thermal power station, Panandhro (215 MW).

^{*} Dhuvaran thermal power station oil based (534 MW) and gas based combined cycle power plant (106.617 MW).

[#] Utran thermal power station (135 MW).

[§] Dhuvaran (Oil based), Gandhinagar, Ukai and Wanakbori.

[∇] Dhuvaran, Gandhinagar, Kachchh lignite Panandhro, Sikka, Ukai, and Wanakbori.

Audit objectives

2.4.3 The audit objectives were to ascertain whether:

- detailed project reports (DPR) for the R&M activities were prepared after due surveys and studies;
- the R&M activities were executed as per the company's plan and DPRs;
- funds sanctioned by the Power Finance Corporation Limited (PFC)/ Rural Electrification Corporation (REC) for R&M activities were optimally utilised;
- the machinery, equipments and materials for R&M activities were procured economically after assessing their requirement and ensuring their quality and suitability; and
- the R&M activities were implemented in most efficient, economical and effective manner and the projected benefits achieved.

Audit criteria

2.4.4 The following audit criteria were adopted:

- prescribed procedure for assessing the need for undertaking R&M/LE activities and preparation of DPR for undertaking R&M activities;
- the guidelines/instructions issued by Ministry of Power (MOP)/ State Government, Board of directors (BOD) *etc* to the TPS related to R&M activities;
- best management practices regarding fund management;
- procedures for purchase of material and inventory control; and
- monitoring procedure and milestone for implementation of R&M activities.

Audit methodology

2.4.5 Audit followed a mix of the following methodologies:

- review of agenda notes, resolutions and minutes of BOD meetings, directives issued by MOP/Central Electricity Authority (CEA)/ State Government related to R&M activities;
- scrutiny of tender documents, correspondence and agreements entered into with contractors *etc*;
- review of various progress reports; and
- issue of audit queries and interaction with management.

Audit findings

2.4.6 The audit findings were reported (July 2007) to the Management/ Government and discussed in the meeting (25 October 2007) of the Audit Review Committee for State Public Sector enterprises (ARCPSE) which was attended by Additional Secretary to Government of Gujarat, Energy and Petrochemicals Department and MD of the Company. Their views were considered while finalising the review.

Audit findings are discussed in succeeding paragraphs.

Project Planning

Work planned and executed

2.4.7 The erstwhile Board/ Company had planned (2002-07) to take up 96[⊕] R&M activities (including three R&M/LE activities) at an estimated cost of Rs.965.69 crore covering six TPS. The Board/Company from time to time, reassessed its need and planned for execution of only 76 R&M activities (including three R&M/LE activities) during the period and dropped the remaining 20 R&M activities. The Board/Company did not have any comprehensive plan for R&M activities indicating the milestones like approval of DPR, inviting tender, award of works *etc.* The Board/Company had executed (2002-07) 28 activities (including one R&M/LE activity) at a cost of Rs.228.20 crore against 76 activities planned. This included 17 spillover R&M activities of ninth plan (1997-2002) and 11 R&M activities of tenth plan (2002-07). Details of power station-wise works planned and executed is summarised below:

Of the 96 R&M activities planned, the Board/Company executed only 28 activities costing Rs.228.20 crore.

(Amount: Rupees in crore)

Sl. No.	Name of TPS	Planned		Executed	
		Number of activities	Amount	Number of activities	Amount
1.	Kachchh lignite, Panandhro	3 [∇]	97.86	1	113.51
2.	Gandhinagar	10	75.09	5	50.83
3.	Ukai	23 [∇]	364.08	4	8.80
4.	Wanakbori	27	130.93	14	54.23
5.	Dhuvaran	24 [∇]	289.55	--	--
6.	Sikka	9	8.18	4	0.83
Total		96	965.69	28	228.20

(Source: Information provided by the Company)

In the case of remaining 48 R&M activities, the execution of 34 R&M activities costing Rs.464.04 crore were in progress and 14 R&M activities at an estimated cost of Rs.214.90 crore were not at all taken up during the period. Non-execution of planned activities was mainly due to avoidable delays in procurement and commissioning of components/systems as discussed in the succeeding paragraphs.

[⊕] 19 spillover work of ninth plan and 77 R&M activity of tenth plan.

[∇] Includes one life extension activity in these TPS.

The Management stated (August/October 2007) that execution programme for each R&M activity was mentioned in its DPR. As PFC/REC sanctioned loans for R&M activities on reimbursement basis, the fund crunch was also one of the reasons for non execution of planned activities. Fourteen R&M activities were not taken up because of non-supply of primary fuel and feasibility studies. The reply is not tenable. The execution programme mentioned in the DPR is for each activity and is also tentative. Thus, the Company did not have any comprehensive plan for execution of all the R&M activities which resulted in execution of only 28 out of 76 R&M activities within the plan period.

Project funding

2.4.8 The Company, after preparation of DPR for the R&M activity takes the approval of Board of Directors (BOD) and sends it to the CEA and the State Government for obtaining their approval. On receipt of approval from the CEA, the Company approaches PFC/REC for availing financial assistance. The PFC/REC sanctions loan equal to 70/90 *per cent* respectively of the estimated cost of the activity. The Company can draw loan either with the State Government guarantee or by creating a charge on its assets. The balance funds are to be met by internal resources.

Avoidable payment of guarantee fees

2.4.9 For financing the planned 76 R&M activities, the erstwhile Board/Company availed the financial assistance of Rs.345.80 crore out of Rs.706.13 crore sanctioned up to March 2007. The loans carried interest from 3.75 to 14 *per cent* with tenure for repayment ranging from five to ten years. The details of loan sanctioned, availed, un-availed and rate of interest are given below:

(Amount: Rupees in crore)

TPS	Amount of loan sanctioned			Total Amount availed up till 31 March 2007	Amount Un-availed	Guarantee fees paid on un-availed amount	Per cent of amount availed to sanctioned
	Funding agency	Amount	Rate of interest <i>per cent</i>				
KLTPS	PFC	84.35	6.50 to 7.50	73.00	11.35	0.00	86.54
	REC	1.80	8.50	0.18	1.62	0.00	10.00
Gandhinagar	PFC	50.93	4.75 to 11.50	45.32	5.61	0.00	88.98
	REC	19.34	8.50	0.81	18.53	0.00	4.19
Ukai	PFC	250.99	4.75 to 14.00	157.71	93.28	0.93	62.84
	REC	78.32	8.50	1.17	77.15	0.00	1.49
Wanakbori	PFC	28.20	4.75 to 7.15	28.20	--	--	100.00
	REC	85.98	8.50	8.60	77.38	0.00	10.00
Dhuvaran	PFC	25.90	4.75 to 5.75	25.90	--	--	100.00
	REC	74.79	8.50	3.04	71.75	0.00	4.06
Sikka	PFC	1.50	6.50 to 9.50	1.47	0.03	--	98.00
	REC	4.03	8.50	0.40	3.63	0.00	9.93
Total	PFC	441.87		331.60	110.27	0.93	75.04
	REC	264.26		14.20	250.06 [∇]	0.00	5.37
	Total	706.13		345.80	360.33	0.93	48.97

(Source: Information provided by the Company)

[∇] In all these REC loans, charges were created on the assets of the Company as security in lieu of Government guarantee. Hence, no guarantee fee was paid.

**The Board/
Company made an
avoidable payment
of guarantee fees of
Rs.93 lakh on
unavailed loan of
Rs.93.28 crore.**

The Board/Company availed (2002-07) only 48.97 *per cent* of the loans sanctioned as only 62 R&M activities were undertaken against the planned 96 R&M activities. Of the unavailed loans of Rs.360.33 crore, the Board/Company made an avoidable payment (2002-07) of guarantee fees of Rs.93 lakh* to the State Government.

The Management stated (September/October 2007) that on approval of R&M activities the financial assistance and Government guarantee was arranged; whereas on approval of loan amount, drawal schedule was prepared along with payment of guarantee fees. Thus, the guarantee fees were paid on the planned activities. The reply is not tenable. The fact is that R&M activities were approved for proposed amount, hence question of drawing extra/accepting more than requirement should not have arisen. Further, in the absence of any system for mid-term review of activities, the planned activities were not revised in a realistic manner. Thus, the deficiency in planning and monitoring of R&M activities led to payment of avoidable guarantee fees on unavailed loan in respect of the slow progress/dropped activities.

Implementation of renovation and modernisation/life extension activities

2.4.10 The R&M/LE activities are implemented at TPS level. Review of records relating to the R&M/LE activities indicated the instances of delay in awarding and executing the works, taking up of R&M activities in disregard of CEA opinion, procurement of materials without properly assessing their requirement and avoidable losses due to improper management of activities. These are discussed in the succeeding paragraphs:

Kachchh lignite thermal power station, Panandhro

Renovation, modernisation and life extension programme

2.4.11 Unit 1 and 2 of the Kachchh Lignite Thermal Power Station (KLTPS) were commissioned in 1990 and 1991 respectively at the rated capacity of 70 MW each. The Units were operating at the load of 58 MW and 32 MW respectively due to use of low calorific value (CV) (3,000 Kcal./Kg.) of lignite against the designed CV (4,150 Kcal./Kg.) of the plants. To achieve the rated capacity of 70 MW, the lignite milling capacity and selected boiler heating surfaces needed augmentation. For this, the R&M work was awarded (June 2003) to Larsen and Toubro Limited (L&T), Vadodara at lump-sum price of Rs.103.70 crore. The work of Unit 1 was to be completed by June 2005 and that of Unit 2 by April 2006. Against this, L&T had completed the work of Unit 1 on 30 December 2005 and Unit 2 on 30 August 2006. R&M activity also required construction of a chimney for which the Board had already awarded (October 2002) work order to Gammon India Limited, New Delhi at the price of Rs.10.20 crore. The chimney was to be commissioned by December 2003 but actually commissioned in two phases – November 2005 (Unit 1) and July 2006 (Unit 2).

* Calculated at the rate of one *per cent* on the amount of loan sanctioned.

Delay of six months in completion of the work led to generation loss worth Rs.52.10 crore.

In Unit 1, there was delay of six months in completion of the work as the Board/Company failed to replace the defective generator rotor and supply the spares of turbine/generator rotors to L&T within the time limit. Besides, the Board/Company had not made available the chimney required for commissioning the Unit to L&T. Thus, the delay (July-December 2005) in completion of R&M activity led to generation loss of 259.200 MUs valued at Rs.52.10 crore*.

The Management while accepting (August/October 2007) the audit observation stated that for the first time it had implemented such a major work. During execution of R&M activity, some unforeseen problems like repairing of turbine components, replacing of mill foundation parts and rectifying electrical defects in generator rotor led to the delay. The nature of problems cited in the reply were very incidental and not unforeseen, therefore, the delay could have been avoided through proper planning and monitoring of the activity.

Gandhinagar thermal power station

Upgrading of milling system

2.4.12 Gandhinagar TPS Unit 1 and 2 commissioned in 1977 have a rated capacity of 120 MW each. The Units were, however, running at 90 MW since 1996 due to deterioration in CV of coal received by the TPS. In order to achieve the rated capacity large quantity of coal was required to be fed to the coal mills due to low CV of coal. Hence, the Board decided (March 1996) to upgrade the capacity of five coal mills of Unit 1 and 2 at an estimated cost of Rs.39.60 crore. The CEA was of the opinion (November 1998) that the proposed upgradation of coal mills would not help in achieving the rated capacity. As feeding of more quantity of coal will result in other problems like erosion of boiler internals, Induced Draft (ID) fans and overloading of Electrostatic Precipitator. The CEA had earlier opined (January 1998) to carry out RLA study of boilers, turbines and other equipments before taking up any R&M activities. This was reiterated in November 1998. The Board ignored the suggestion (January and November 1998) of CEA and carried out (September 2000 to March 2004) the upgradation of coal mills through Alstom Project India Limited, New Delhi at a cost of Rs.38.65 crore. The generation capacity of Units did not increase even after upgradation of coal mills and remained at 90 MW resulting in infructuous expenditure of Rs.38.65 crore as the purpose for which coal mills were upgraded was defeated.

As the upgradation of coal mills did not achieve the purpose an expenditure of Rs.38.65 crore incurred remained infructuous.

The Management stated (August/October 2007) that as suggested by CEA the Company carried out RLA study (September 2003 to March 2004) and awarded (October 2006) the R&M/LE activity to BHEL, New Delhi based on the recommendation of RLA study. Thus, the envisaged increase in the generation by 30 MW would be achieved by 2009-10 on the completion of R&M/LE activity. However, the percentage of rejection of coals by coal mills had reduced from 3.8 to 0.08 after upgradation coal mills, besides there was

* Worked out at the average realisation price Rs.2.01 per unit for 2005-06.

overall improvement in generation of energy. The reply is not tenable. The DPR for the work of augmenting the milling system envisaged that the increase in generation by 30 MW would be achieved on completion of upgradation of coal mills; which was not achieved. The reduction in the percentage of rejection of coals and improvement in the generation were attributable to various reasons including using of washed coals and imported coals in the TPS since 2003-04.

2.4.13 The Board awarded (September 2000) the work to Alstom with the stipulation to complete the work of Unit 1 and 2 of the TPS by June 2001 and November 2001 respectively. Alstom, however, delayed the supply of material and commissioning of erection of coal mills ranging from 33 to 51 weeks and 13 to 16 weeks respectively. As a result, the work of Unit 1 was completed in September 2002 and that of Unit 2 in March 2004. As per terms of contract with Alstom, penalty of Rs.3.86 crore (being 10 *per cent* on value of contract of Rs.38.65 crore) was recoverable. The BOD reduced (September 2006) the amount of penalty to Rs.65.10 lakh on the plea that there were delays on the part of the Board/Company in approval of drawings, delay in taking shutdown of the Units, compulsory stoppage of work of Alstom due to other works carried out at the site, *etc.*

There was a short recovery of penalty of Rs.3.21 crore.

Audit observed that slow progress of work due to delay in supply of material and belated commissioning of erection of coal mills by Alstom mainly led to belated completion of works in both units. Further, the BOD's decision (September 2006) was not supported with any analysis clearly indicating the cause and extent of each delay attributable either to Alstom or to the Board/Company. Thus, the short recovery of penalty of Rs.3.21 crore from Alstom lacked justification.

The Management stated (October 2007) that the BOD after deliberating (September 2006) the issue of levy of penalty and based on the merits and demerits of the case, had reduced the amount of penalty. The reply is not tenable, as adequate justification was not on record for reducing the penalty by Rs.3.21 crore.

Replacement of economiser assemblies

2.4.14 The TPS submitted (April 2003) a DPR for replacing (as per availability of shutdown) the old economiser assemblies (EAs) installed in 1986-87 in the boilers of Unit-1 and 2 of the TPS. The AOH of Unit 1 and 2 was scheduled to take place in February and September 2005 respectively. Considering six months for placement of order as per Boards norms and 12 months (actual time allowed 8 to 12 months as per the purchase order) for getting the supply of EAs, the Board had adequate time for replacing EAs in Unit 1 and 2 during the scheduled (February and September 2005) AOH. The Company without any reason on records took abnormal time of 13 months (April 2003 to May 2004) in the issue (May 2004) of tender enquiry and nine months (May 2004 to February 2005) in placement (February 2005) of order for this R&M activity. The order was placed (February 2005) on BHEL, Vadodara, at a cost of Rs.6.13 crore for supply and replacement of EAs for both the Units. BHEL completed the supply in September 2006. In the

Non-replacement of EAs led to generation loss of Rs.5.35 crore, besides loss of interest of Rs.73.56 lakh on the blocked up fund of Rs.6.13 crore.

meantime, due to delay of 16 months[⊕] in placement of order, the Company decided (June 2005) to replace EAs while taking up the R&M/LE activity of Unit-1 and 2 from April 2008. Hence, the EAs were not replaced (February/September 2005) as envisaged in the DPR. Due to non-replacement of EAs, the Company suffered potential generation loss of 25.45 MUs valued at Rs.5.35 crore[#] (February 2006 to March 2007) due to tube failure in the old EAs. Further, the EAs purchased (September 2006) for Rs.6.13 crore would remain idle till April 2008. The potential interest loss on the blocked-up fund of Rs.6.13 crore worked out to Rs.73.56 lakh* from January 2007 (the month in which payments for EAs were completely made to the supplier) till the proposed date of replacement (April 2008).

The Management stated (August/October 2007) that the replacement of EAs required minimum 35 days. In this case, even if materials were procured in time the Company might not have been able to replace the EAs during the scheduled AOH. As, AOH of Unit 1 and 2 were conducted (February and September 2005) with a short spell of 25 and 14 days respectively due to power crisis in the state. The reply is not tenable. The Company's contention that there was no possibility for replacing the EAs is presumptive and after thought. Further, it does not respond to audit point as to why DPR submitted by TPS as far back as in April 2003 could not be acted upon in reasonable time.

Replacement of platen super heater assemblies

Non-replacement of PSH resulted in generation loss valued Rs.5.08 crore.

2.4.15 The Board decided (September 2003) to replace the old platen super heater assemblies (PSH) in the furnace area of Unit 1 as the PSHs had completed (June 2002) its 25 years of useful life. The Company was to procure PSHs before AOH scheduled (April 2005) for its replacement during AOH. The Board, however, belatedly (March 2005) placed the order for procurement of PSHs at a cost of Rs.1.61 crore. As per the purchase order, the supply of PSHs was to be completed by June 2005 but these were received during August 2005 to June 2007. Hence, the PSHs could not be replaced during the AOH (April 2005) of the Unit. The old PSHs failed on four occasions (August 2005 to March 2007) resulting in potential generation loss of 23.767 MUs worth Rs.5.08 crore[∇]. There was delay of 15 months in taking the decision to replace the PSHs even after the expiry (June 2002) of its useful life. Further, the purchase order was not placed at the appropriate time to match the supply of PSHs with scheduled AOH.

The Management stated (August/October 2007) that against the order placed for PSHs the last consignment of the supplies were received (June 2007)

[⊕] Order should have been placed in October 2003 (*i.e.* within six months from May 2003) instead of February 2005.

[#] Worked out at the average realisation price of Rs.2.01 and Rs.2.17 per unit for the year 2005-06 and 2006-07 respectively.

^{*} Interest is calculated at the Company's average borrowing rate of 9.60 *per cent* per annum from January 2007 to April 2008 (*i.e.*, payment made to supplier till 2008 for 15 months).

[∇] Worked out at the average realisation price of Rs.2.01 and Rs.2.17 per unit for the year 2005-06 and 2006-07 respectively.

belatedly. Even if the appropriate actions were taken in time leading to timely completion of supply, the Board might not have replaced it as the supplies received were defective. Further, against the four occasions of generation loss mentioned in the paragraph, only on one occasion the loss occurred due to failure of PSHs (December 2006). The reply is not tenable. The Board should have taken appropriate action well before the completion (September 2002) of useful life of PSHs. Besides, the generation loss of December 2006, the losses were also occurred in August 2005, October 2005 and September 2006 due to PSHs failure as per Company's records.

Ukai thermal power station

Raw coal stacker reclaimer system

Defective design in the system led to payment of demurrage of Rs.1.57 crore.

2.4.16 The Board awarded (July 1999) a contract for design, manufacture and commissioning of raw coal stacker and reclaiming system at a cost of Rs.1.99 crore to Energo Engineering Products Private Limited, New Delhi (EEP). The work was to be completed by February 2000. The Board undertook the work *inter alia* to expedite the unloading of coal wagon and return the empty wagons to the Railways to avoid any payment of demurrage. Due to slow progress in execution of work, EEP was able to commission the system after a delay of 54 months. Further, due to defective design in the system it could be operated at 750 revolutions per minute (rpm) against the specified 1,500 rpm. Consequently, the purpose of installing the system to expedite the unloading of coal from wagons was not achieved. The Board/Company paid (November 2004 to November 2006) demurrage of Rs.1.57 crore to the Railways. Though, the Company had retained a sum of Rs.26.70 lakh for the delay in commissioning the system, it did not encash the performance bank guarantee of Rs.18.86 lakh. Besides, no action was taken against the firm for the deficiency in design of the system under the arbitration clause of the contract.

The Management stated (August 2007) that due to the problem in the reclaim chain conveyor, the system was working at 50 *per cent* of its designed capacity. The reclaim chain conveyor, however, had nothing to do with unloading of coal from the wagons. Thus, the payment of demurrage was not caused due to the defective design of the system. The reply is incorrect. The reclaim chain conveyor, though, was required to feed the stacked coal into the coal bunker; the lower speed of the conveyor had a consequential effect on the unloading of coal wagons. Moreover, the Company did not give any reason for slow unloading of coal with corroborative document. Besides, the Company had not taken any action against the firm including encashment of bank guarantee with it.

Avoidable extra expenditure due to excess purchase

2.4.17 The Board decided (June 2003) to replace 20,848 condenser tubes of Unit 1 and 2 as the tubes got punctured frequently resulting in forced outages. The Company awarded (July 2005) another work for Unit 1 and 2 under R&M/LE to BHEL, Trichy in which 3,000 tubes condenser of Unit 1 and 2 were also to be replaced while executing R&M/LE activities. Therefore, the total requirement for the tubes had reduced to 17,848. The Company,

Excess procurement of 3,000 tubes led to blocking of funds Rs.93.63 lakh.

however, procured (January 2006 to February 2007) 20,848 tubes as per its original plan (June 2003). This resulted in excess procurement of 3,000 tubes costing Rs.93.63 lakh which may remain idle for a longer period as the condenser tubes have a life of 20 years and all the condenser tubes of both the Units have been replaced (March 2007) recently.

The Management stated (August/October 2007) that the TPS purchased the excess 3,000 tubes considering 2,259 tubes taken (November 2001 to March 2003) from other TPS on returnable basis and 741 tubes as spare. The reply is not tenable. The procurement of 20,848 tubes made by the TPS included neither the quantity of tubes to be returned to other TPS nor to be kept as spare. On the contrary the tubes which were to be returned to other TPS were included in a separate purchase order issued (January 2006) for Unit 5.

Dual flue gas conditioning system

2.4.18 The Board awarded (October 2001) a contract for manufacture and commissioning of dual flue gas conditioning (DFGC) system[∇] for Unit 4 of Ukai TPS at a cost of Rs.3.20 crore to Chemithon Engineers Limited, Mumbai (CEL). DFGC system was commissioned in November 2002. CEL was selected (September 2001) over the another bidder Bachmann Industries India Limited (BIIL) who was L-1 on price evaluation because foreign principal of BIIL had not given performance guarantee on behalf of BIIL and BIIL had stated that only 20 per cent of its material supply would be imported. CEL matched the L-1 price of BIIL before awarding the contract. Audit observed the following deficiencies:

- None of the conditions for which BIIL was refused the order was satisfied by CEL. CEL submitted a collaboration agreement for sulphurisation plant instead of a DFGC system. Performance guarantee was given by CEL and not by the foreign principal and CEL had no previous experience in the field. Further, the CEL matched with the price (Rs.3.20 crore) of BIIL which was inclusive of fees of Rs.80 lakh. The fee was meant for technology transfer which was not required in case of CEL as there was no technology transfer.

The Management stated (August/October 2007) that the firm had submitted necessary documents on transfer of technology from its foreign principal. The reply is not tenable. The documents regarding transfer of technology by its foreign principal were not made available to audit.

- The Board commissioned DFGC system without ascertaining its suitability for Indian coal. The Chief Engineer (CE), Ukai was of the opinion (July 2005) that as the sulphur is naturally available in Indian coal, sulphur injection was not required in the ESP. An analysis of the

[∇] In DFGC system SO₃ (Sulphur) and NH₃ (Ammonia) are injected before Electrostatic Precipitators (ESP) inlet (*i.e.*, air pollution control equipment) in the flue gas to reduce resistivity of fly ash and increase the collection efficiency of ESPs, to reduce the level of suspended particulate matter (SPM).

Imprudent investment of Rs.1.64 crore was made for sulphur injection under DFGC system.

usage of the system revealed that sulphur was used (January 2004 to December 2005) very minimally (946 Hrs.) compared to the ammonia (10,174 Hrs.). Instead of dual flue gas system, the Board should have commissioned the ammonia based injecting system which was cheaper by Rs.1.64 crore.

The Management accepted (August/October 2007) the audit contention on the imprudent investment made for sulphur injection of DFGC system.

Modified value added tax credit for Rs.17.37 lakh was not passed on to the Board.

- The CEL had quoted (December 1999) its price for the contract based on concessional excise duty (ED) of eight *per cent* applicable for pollution control equipments. No Modified value added tax (MODVAT) credit was available at this rate. Due to change (March 2000) of ED rates, the concession was withdrawn and CEL paid ED at the rate of 16 *per cent*. However, the MODVAT credit of Rs.17.37 lakh (being 65 *per cent* of ED of Rs.26.72 lakh paid by the Board) which the firm is now entitled to was not obtained and passed on to the Board.

The Management stated (August/October 2007) that as per tender specifications the firm was to quote the price after considering the MODVAT credit availability. As such the price quoted was net of MODVAT. The reply is not tenable as the firm had quoted the price considering concessional ED of eight *per cent* but as the concession was withdrawn (March 2000), the firm demanded (September 2001) and the Board paid the ED of Rs.26.72 lakh at the rate of 16 *per cent*. However, the MODVAT credit in the light of payment of ED at a higher rate was not considered and passed on to the Board by the firm.

Wanakbori thermal power station

Purchase of seamless tubes type high pressure heaters

Delay in placement of order led to non-realisation of envisaged benefit of Rs.12.82 crore.

2.4.19 The Board decided (February 1999) to take up R&M activities related to replacement of six seamless tubes type high pressure (STHP) heaters in place of existing heaters for Unit 4, 5 and 6. The Board envisaged benefit of Rs.5.37 crore per annum after replacement of the STHP heater due to improvement in the plant load factor (PLF). The Board did not prepare detailed plan for implementing the work. Though, funds were available from PFC since November 1998, the Board placed order for STHP heaters only in March 2001 and the STHP heaters were replaced (April 2003). Had the Board immediately taken action, the order could have been placed within six months *i.e.*, June 1999. The delay of 20 months (*i.e.*, July 1999 to February 2001) in placement of order resulted in non-improvement of PLF and non-realisation of envisaged benefit of Rs.12.82 crore (53.70 MUs) during the period.

The Management stated (August/October 2007) that even if the order was placed in August 1999 the HP heaters would have been replaced in August 2000. As the tubes having leakages were plugged from time to time, there was nominal loss due to delay in replacement of seamless tube HP heaters. The reply is not tenable. It does not contain the reasons of delay in placement of

order for STHP heaters. Further during 1999-2003, 363 tubes of old HP heaters were plugged. Thus, plugging of more tubes adversely affected the efficiency of the HP heaters as the plugged tubes were not capable of transferring heat. Besides, the management accepted (October 2007) that there was an improvement in the PLF after replacement of STHP heaters, thus the benefits of improved PLF could have been derived even from September 1999 if the heaters were replaced in time.

Renovation of turbo supervisory instrumentation

2.4.20 Wanakbori TPS prepared (April 2000) a DPR for renovation of turbine supervisory instrumentation (TSI) system of Unit 2 under R&M activities as the existing TSI system became obsolete. Further, malfunctioning of the Unit resulted in tripping and generation loss. The new TSI system proposed was based on microprocessor based digital technology. The R&M activity envisaged improvement in generation and PLF. As per DPR, supply of materials for the system was to be completed by April-June 2001 and the system was to be commissioned during AOH (June 2001). The Board, however, accorded approval (February 2001), invited tenders (March 2002) and placed orders (June-July 2003) for supply, erection and commissioning *i.e.* 24 months after AOH. After completion of supply (November 2003) *i.e.* 28 months after AOH the TSI system was commissioned during AOH of August 2004. Thus, the delay of more than three years (July 2001 to August 2004) in according the administrative approval and placement of order led to tripping of the plant and consequential generation loss of 6.222 MUs valued at Rs.1.57[∇] crore during the period in Unit 2.

Delay in placement of order led to generation loss valued at Rs.1.57 crore.

The Management stated (August/October 2007) that as TSI system was critical component, the Board took extra caution in finalising the technical specifications and evaluating the bids before placement of order. This had caused the delay. Further, the generation loss commented in the audit was worked out on the rated capacity of the Unit ignoring the low load period. The reply is not tenable as the three years abnormal delay occurred even though the Board finalised the commissioning date (June 2001) after conducting detailed project study. Further, the reply regarding the working of generation loss is not tenable as the figures have been obtained from the Company's record.

Dhuvaran thermal power station

Avoidable purchase due to delay in taking decision

2.4.21 Under R&M activities for the Dhuvaran TPS, the Board decided (June 2003) to replace the condenser tubes of Unit 5 and 6 at an estimated cost of Rs.12 crore as the existing tubes were old and frequently leaked. The order for purchase of 27,000 tubes at the cost of Rs.11.82 crore was placed (December 2005) on Multimetals Limited, Kota (firm). The stipulated period for completion of the supply was June 2006. The firm, however, did not

[∇] Worked out at the average realisation price of Rs.2.46 to Rs.2.85 per unit for 2002-04.

Excess procurement of 13,978 tubes led to loss of interest of Rs.19.56 lakh on the blocked fund of Rs.4.89 crore.

commence the supply till June 2006. Indian Oil Corporation Limited, Vadodara (IOC) did not agree to extend the supply of low sulphur heavy stock oil *i.e.*, basic fuel for the TPS beyond July 2009. Therefore, the Board, decided (June 2006) to drop the R&M activity. But the Board did not cancel the order for purchase of the tubes, though it was empowered to do so. On the contrary, the Board kept on accepting (July 2006 to April 2007) the supply of 13,978 condenser tubes for which payment of Rs.4.89 crore was made (August-October 2006). Thus, the procurement of 13,978 condenser tubes worth Rs.4.89 crore was proved imprudent. Further, this resulted in loss of interest of Rs.19.56[^] lakh on the blocked fund of Rs.4.89 crore.

The Management stated (August/October 2007) that it continued to accept the supply of 13,978 tubes as it wanted to ensure the efficient functioning of Unit 5 and 6 till July 2009. As such, it had already replaced (January 2007) condenser tubes of Unit 5 in by using the stock of 13,022 tubes available with it. The new purchases would be utilised (December 2007) in replacing the condenser tubes of Unit 6. The reply is not tenable. The condenser tube has got a life of 20 years. Besides, during 2002-07 except on one* occasion no outages had occurred due to condenser tube failure. Under the circumstances, it may not viable to install the tubes in the Units having residual life of two years.

Replacement of condenser tubes

Excess procurement of 10,470 condenser tubes led to loss of interest of Rs.43.39 lakh on the blocked fund of Rs.4.52 crore.

2.4.22 The Board decided (January 2004) to replace the old condenser tubes of Unit 1 to 4 of the TPS under R&M activity. The Company dropped (October 2005) the R&M activity in view of its decision (July 2005) to close down the Units in March 2006 due to their uneconomical operation. Despite this, the Company procured (December 2005) 10,470 condenser tubes costing Rs.4.52 crore from Multimetals Limited, Kota disregarding its decision (July 2005) of closure. The condenser tubes were lying idle since April 2006 at the TPS. Thus, the procurement of tubes was imprudent and lacked justification. This resulted in loss of interest of Rs.43.39 lakh[⊗] on the blocked (April 2006 to March 2007) funds of Rs.4.52 crore.

The Management stated (September/October 2007) that in December 2005 the order for the procurement of condenser tubes were placed with a view to meet the O&M requirement of Unit 2 and 3 till its closure in 2006. The reply is not tenable. As even against the order placed in December 2005, the Company got the supply in April 2006. Since then it is lying idle (August 2007).

No system was evolved for monitoring the progress of R&M activities undertaken.

Internal control system

2.4.23 Adequate internal control system does not exist with the Company in controlling the R&M activities. The Company had not prepared any

[^] Calculated for the period from November 2006 to March 2007 at 9.60 *per cent* based on the Company's borrowing rate during 2006-07.

* In Unit 6 on 30 November to 02 December 2005.

⊗ Calculated at the average borrowing rate of 9.60 *per cent* per annum of the Company during 2006-07.

comprehensive plan for implementation of R&M activities during 2002-07. Inordinate delays occurred in the decision making process had led to belated placement of orders and failure to synchronise various activities for the successful completion of R&M activities. Further, no system was evolved for monitoring the progress of R&M activities undertaken. The periodical progress reports received from the TPSs relating to execution of R&M activities were not analysed for undertaking suitable follow-up actions by the Head Office of the Company.

The Management stated (August 2007) that the Company had a system for controlling the R&M activities. The periodical reports received from the TPS were analysed and suitable actions were taken based on the analysis. The reply is not acceptable in absence of any record indicating the periodical evaluation of the activity by the management.

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Conclusion

The Board/Company did not have any comprehensive plan for R&M activities indicating the milestones like approval of DPRs, inviting tender, award of works etc. Non-adherence of procedures and delays in award of R&M works led to non-execution of the activities as per time schedule. Undertaking of few R&M activities which were not needed, led to infructuous expenditure. Performance of the Board/Company in implementation of R&M activities was further affected due to delays/excess procurement of materials and delay in commissioning of components/systems, short recovery of penalty from defaulting contractors, non-recovery of MODVAT credit of excise duty, avoidable payment of demurrage charges. Consequently, the Board/Company suffered generation loss and also incurred avoidable expenditure.

Recommendation

- **The Company should devise a proper assessment system to identify the R&M activities to be undertaken at various power stations. Further, a comprehensive plan indicating the milestones for executing the identified R&M activities is required to be prepared;**
- **A system should be devised for minimising the delay in decision making process and for monitoring the adherence to comprehensive plan in the implementation of R&M activities. The system should also provide for mid-term evaluation of R&M activities being implemented, in order to take timely corrective actions; and**

- **Procurement of material for R&M activity should be made keeping in view the available stock and lead time required for getting the supplies.**

The matter was reported to the Government in July 2007; the reply had not been received (November 2007).

Chapter - III

Transaction Audit Observations

Important audit findings emerging from test check of transactions made by the State Government Companies and Statutory Corporations are included in this Chapter.

Government Companies

Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Limited

3.1 Loss of rental income

Failure of the Company to let out surplus space resulted in loss of revenue of Rs.77.72 lakh in the form of lease rent.

The Company constructed (July 2001) its own office building with a carpet area of 1.02 lakh square feet (sq ft) at a cost of Rs.13.32 crore in Ahmedabad. As per the Company's assessment (October 2001), an area of 17,865.90 sq ft of the building was surplus of its requirement. Hence, its BOD decided (September 2002) to give the surplus area on lease to Government offices/PSUs.

After one year of the BOD's decision, consultants were appointed for assessment of prevailing lease rental value of the surplus area. The consultants assessed (September 2003) the lease rent at Rs.12 per sq ft but the Company did not take adequate actions for giving the surplus area on lease. The Company, however, received (2002-06) six unsolicited offers from Government offices/PSUs for space ranging from 4,000 to 12,354 sq ft on lease in the building. The Company had leased (September 2005) 5,166.95 sq ft to one PSU[®] for a lease rent of Rs.19 *per* sq ft, the remaining area of 12,698.95 sq ft was vacant (March 2007). Even after allowing a reasonable period of three months from the date of BOD's decision (September 2002), the Company should have let out this surplus area on lease from January 2003. The proportionate construction cost of 12,698.95 sq ft was Rs.1.67 crore and the cost of house keeping, security, tax, *etc.*, incurred for that area was Rs.17.53 lakh up to March 2007.

Thus, the Company's inadequate actions and consequential failure to let out the surplus space resulted in loss of rental income of Rs.77.72 lakh[∇] during January 2003 to March 2007.

The Management stated (June/November 2007) that the surplus space of the building would be required for meeting its future needs. As such, it was searching for the kind of tenants who would have limited public dealings, pay attractive rent and vacate the leased out space as and when the Company

[®] Gujarat State Financial Services Limited.

[∇] 12,698.95 sq ft X Rs.12 per sq ft X 51 months =Rs.77,71,757.

would need it. Further, the working of maintenance cost Rs.17.53 lakh made in audit was illogical since the total maintenance cost was apportioned in proportion to the surplus space of the building. The reply is not tenable. The Company's record did not indicate the efforts made by it in searching the desired kind of tenants as cited in the reply. Audit has logically taken the proportional maintenance cost since the lease rent is being fixed keeping in view the facilities provided to the tenants.

The matter was reported to the Government (June 2007); the reply had not been received (November 2007).

Gujarat Industrial Investment Corporation Limited

3.2 Undue benefit to a firm

The Company lost Rs.2.57 crore due to settlement of dues under One Time Settlement scheme to an ineligible unit.

The Company under Securitised Corporate Loan Scheme* had disbursed (March 2001) Rupees seven crore loan to Jyoti Limited, at 16.75 per cent, repayable in 50 monthly installments up to 15 October 2006. The unit did not pay the installments regularly since July 2002. The Company failed to take over possession of mortgaged assets of the unit worth Rs.96.07 crore under Section 29 of the State Financial Corporations Act (SFC), 1951, and also did not invoke the personal guarantee of the promoters worth Rs.7.59 crore for recovery of the dues. An amount of Rs.14.23 crore (principal: Rs.7 crore, interest: Rs.5.97 crore, penal interest: Rs.1.26 crore) remained outstanding with the unit (February 2006).

The unit approached (April 2006) the Company for repayment of its dues under One Time Settlement (OTS) scheme. As per Board's approved norms, OTS facility was available to a firm, which satisfied any of the four criteria *i.e.* (i) the unit had been closed for more than one year, had been in loss during the last three years, and chances of recovery including through liquidation of assets were bleak; (ii) the unit had been referred to BIFR and was not revivable; (iii) the outstanding loan was less than Rupees one crore and (iv) the unit had been wound up and its project abandoned. The unit did not satisfy any of the cited criteria and therefore, was not eligible for OTS. On the contrary, the unit had earned a profit of Rs.4.42 crore and had a net worth of Rs.19.61 crore as on 31 March 2006. The Company also had adequate security (Rs.96.07 crore) on the mortgaged assets which it could have leveraged to recover the unit's dues. Yet, the Company inexplicably allowed (June 2006) the unit to avail itself of OTS facility for the settlement of dues for Rs.12.20 crore against the total dues of Rs.14.77 crore[∇]. (It is pertinent to mention here that the Company had rightly disallowed the request of the unit for OTS

* Under the scheme, loan is given to the profit making manufacturing firms to meet their fund requirement for working capital/ capital expenditure/VRS/ brand acquisition/ merger and acquisition/ buyback of equity. It is given against the security of mortgage of all the assets of the firm and also against personal guarantee of its promoters/directors.

[∇] Dues as on 15 May 2006 (*i.e.* cut off date for OTS).

settlement earlier in August 2004 on the grounds of ineligibility). The Company, thus, incurred loss of Rs.2.57 crore by incorrectly allowing the firm undue benefit.

The Government/Management stated (July 2007) that the Company did not take over the possession of the unit's assets considering the historical growth of the unit and its huge work force; the norms of OTS were applicable only for the recovery of dues under Term Loan and not for Securitised Corporate Loan; reduction in rate of interest allowed by the banks to the unit under Corporate Debt Restructuring package and the unit's option to approach High Court for claiming rehabilitation under the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956. The reply is not tenable. The Company created charge over the unit's assets to realise its dues in the event of default in repayment of dues by the unit. Thus, the Company failed to safeguard its interest either by invoking Section 29 of SFC Act, 1951 or invoking the personal guarantee of the promoters. Besides, OTS was the scheme implemented by the Company for settlements of dues recoverable under various categories of loans. The Company considered this settlement also under the same scheme and approved it in the name of OTS.

Gujarat Water Resources Development Corporation Limited

3.3 Imprudent Expenditure on check dams

The Company incurred imprudent expenditure of Rs.17.02 crore on failed 'economic design' of check dams of Sujalam Sufalam Yojana. The State Government circumvented the prescribed procedure for approval of public works by awarding work to the Company on outright grant basis.

The State Government formulated (March 2004) Sujalam Sufalam Yojana (SSY) to augment water resources in deficient areas of North Gujarat. The SSY envisaged, *inter alia*, construction of check dams on the rivers. State Government directed (March 2004) the Company being its nodal agency, to implement the SSY including the work of construction of check dams. The check dams were to be constructed on 21 rivers flowing within the area of Kadana to Banas river basin. Government, however, did not indicate the number of check dams and any time limit for completion. The Company had little experience in construction of check dams and had been engaged essentially in drilling of wells. The BOD accorded administrative approval (May 2004 to March 2005) to the construction of 330 dams at estimated costs of Rs.113.04 crore, without ascertaining the availability of funds. The BOD also approved (May-December 2004) the 'economic design[#]', based on the recommendation of the State Government Central Design Organisation. The State Government released (2004-07) grants totaling Rs.42.39 crore to the Company for construction of check dams. The Company issued (April 2004-June 2006) work orders for construction of 136 dams at a total cost of Rs.37.06 crore.

[#] The designs provide for construction of dam with hollow block of 3.5 meter height of which 1.5 meter would be laid below the riverbed. The boxes would be filled with sand gravel. These designs were formulated considering flood lift of 1.5 meters above the dam height of two meters.

During July-August 2005, some SSY areas in Ahmedabad, Nadiad and Deesa were flooded due to heavy rainfall; the flood lift was higher than the designed capacity of 1.5 meter in some of the rivers. Resultantly, 79 check dams were damaged. As per the Management assessment, the cost of damage was Rs.5.77 crore against the actual cost of 136 dams (59 completed and 77 incomplete) of Rs.15.27 crore incurred till August 2005. Despite that adverse experience, the Company not only resumed the construction of 77 incomplete check dams but also issued fresh work orders (September 2005-June 2006) for 15 new ones based on 'economic design' at a costs of Rs.2.99 crore. Again, there were floods (June-August 2006) with the flood lift much higher than the designed capacity, damaging 131 check dams. As per Management's assessment, the amount of damage was Rs.18.80 crore against the incurred costs of Rs.32.28 crore. The Company stopped (July 2006) further award of the work of check dams. The continued spending by the Company on 'economic design' of check dams after their proven (August 2005) unsuitability, led to imprudent expenditure of Rs.17.02 crore in construction of 92 dams (Rs.14.03 crore on 77 incomplete and Rs.2.99 crore on 15 new dams) after August 2005.

Besides, imprudence and wastefulness of public expenditure, the Government needed to consider the propriety of executing the work through the Company by giving it outright grants. That has had the effect of bypassing the prescribed rigor of approval of public expenditure departmentally which would have necessitated expenditure approvals at the higher levels and collateral expenditure control of the Finance and Planning departments of The State Government, after due diligence. The Company at the germane period was headed by the Secretary of the Narmada, Water Resources, Water Supply and Kalpsar (NWR&WS) department, which further took away the opportunity of dispassionate Government control over expenditure on public works by the Company, by the administrative department.

The Management stated (August/November 2007) that during 2003-04 also the Company had constructed check dams in Kachchh and Saurashtra regions under SPPWC[^] scheme. Since, the Chairman of the Company was also the Secretary of NWR&WS department, the availability of funds for the work was assured. Hence, the BOD accorded administrative approval based on the estimated cost of work. As far as the check dams in which the works were in progress during 2005 flood, it was stated that the construction of these dams were continued as in most of the dams 50 *per cent* of the works were completed by August 2005. Further, the construction work for 15 dams were awarded (September 2005-June 2006) as it was to be constructed in rocky strata regions of Danta and Amirgadh taluka where adoption of 'economic design' was considered feasible. During 2005 and 2006 floods, in all, only 18 dams were severely damaged and relatively lesser damages were occurred in 23 dams and other cases the damages were caused due to erosion of river banks and not due to the structures constructed by the Company. Besides, it was stated that as The State Government nominated only senior officers from its various departments in the Company's BOD, granting of approval for the

[^] Sardar Patel Participatory Water Conservation Scheme.

work and exercising the control over the expenditure were made by these high rank officers only.

The reply is not tenable. The Company had little experience in construction of the check dams since the work under SPPWC scheme was also undertaken along with the check dam work of SSY during 2004-05 only. The Company should not have continued the work on incomplete dams after knowing their proven (August 2005) unsuitability. During 2006 flood, damages for Rs.1.04 crore were also occurred to the 15 dams (for which work orders were issued September 2005-June 2006) confirming the imprudent expenditure incurred on the failed economic design.

The matter was reported to the Government (July 2007); the reply had not been received (November 2007).

Gujarat State Forest Development Corporation Limited

3.4 Loss of revenue in sale of Charcoal

Imprudent decision to award annual contracts for sale of seasonal commodity resulted in loss of revenue of Rs.1.51 crore.

The State Government instructed (January 2003) the Company to undertake production of charcoal from Gando Baval as a scarcity relief measure in Kachhh district. Besides, the objectives of the instructions were to create employment for local public and also to prevent illegal production of charcoal by unauthorised persons. The Company entered into this activity with effect from April 2004. After estimating the charcoal to be produced upset[∇] price is fixed before inviting tender for sale of charcoal. The Company selects the buyer based on the bids received and enters into agreements with them for selling the charcoal. The Company also appoints Gram Panchayats as commission agents, for arranging production of charcoal at fixed prices. The Gram Panchayats, in turn award works to local producers who employ local persons for cutting Gando Baval and produce the charcoal.

Prior to April 2005, the Company had been inviting tenders for sale of charcoal in piecemeal, based on the market situation. The Company decided (March 2005) to award annual contracts for sale of charcoal, hoping it would save the Company from frequent tendering. The Company awarded (April 2005 and March 2006) annual contracts for sale of 4.48 lakh qtls of charcoal at prices ranging from Rs.357.50 to Rs.371.50 per qtl (Average rate Rs.370 per qtl).

The Gram Panchayats were unable to procure the requisite quantity of charcoal throughout the year (2005-06) at the purchase price of Rs.275 per qtl fixed by the Company due to demand for charcoal being seasonal.

[∇] Upset price is the minimum sale price per quintal of charcoal expected from the buyers (traders). It includes all the cost for production of charcoal and profit margin of 10 per cent on the total cost per quintal.

Consequently, the Company could arrange to sell 1.31 lakh qtls of charcoal against its commitment of 4.48 lakh qtls. The Company was unable to maximise its revenue as the average sale price of Rs.370 per qtl fixed under the annual contracts was lower than the prevailing market price through out the year 2005-06 excepting two months during off season. Thus, the Company had lost revenue of Rs.1.51* crore on the sale of 1.31 lakh qtls of charcoal sold under annual contracts.

The Government/Management stated (July/August 2007) that keeping in view meager balance of funds with the Company and also to avoid conducting of frequent market surveys, sales and signing of agreements with traders, the Company entered (2005-06) into annual contracts with traders. The reply is not tenable. The Company entered into annual contract for sales without ascertaining its suitability for dealings related to charcoal which is a seasonal commodity with volatile price. The revenue loss of Rs.1.51 crore was worked out based on the actual market rate prevailed. Thus, the Company failed to maximise its revenue due to adoption of imprudent method of awarding annual contract instead of undertaking procurement/sale activity of charcoal in different spells, based on the market situations.

Gujarat State Petroleum Corporation Limited

3.5 Undue favour to a foreign firm

The Company included a foreign firm into joint venture without any financial or technical contribution, giving it the benefit of future gains of Rs.11.43 crore without having to share any venture risk.

The Company signed (August 2002) an agreement with Jubilant Enpro Limited, New Delhi (JEL) and Geo Global Resources (India), Canada (GGR(I)) to jointly bid for offshore block[⊕] KG-OSN-2001/3 of Krishna-Godavari basin for exploration, development, and production of hydrocarbon, with 80 per cent, 10 per cent and 10 per cent participating interest respectively. The Company and its joint venture (JV) partners succeeded (February 2003) in the bidding. GOI granted (March 2003) exploration license to the Company's joint venture (JV) for a period of seven years. According to the Company's estimate (June 2002), the reserve of hydrocarbon in the block was 44 trillion cubic feet.

The Joint Operating Agreement (JOA) signed (August 2003) by the Company with its JV partners, viz. JEL and GGR(I) envisaged:

- the Company to be the operator for production of petroleum from the block;
- the Company and JEL to remit their respective costs share into the venture fund of the project maintained by the Company;

* Average monthly market price (Rs.310 to Rs.610 per qtl) less contract rate (Rs.370 per qtl) X sold quantity (1.31 lakh qtls).

⊕ One of the 27 blocks offered by GOI under the New Exploration and Licensing Policy-III.

- the Company should pitch in with 10 *per cent* advance cost share of GGR(I);
- GGR(I) would repay to the Company its (10 *per cent*) advance cost and expenses share during forecast production life or ten years whichever is less; and
- if production failed fully or partially before the recovery of advance from GGR(I), the Company would forego its claim on the unrecovered advance.

The Company incurred (March 2007) a total expenditure of Rs.1,406 crore on the JV, including the advance cost share Rs.149.53 crore paid by it into the venture fund on GGR(I)'s behalf. The Company had borrowed funds at the rate of 7.5 *per cent* per annum for that purpose.

Audit examination revealed that the Company admitted GGR(I) in the venture and agreed for payment of 10 *per cent* advance cost share and expenses on its behalf on the plea that GGR(I) had technical expertise in the exploration activities. However, no clause to that effect was inserted in the JOA. GGR(I) did not provide any technical expertise except for offshore block bidding. For subsequent technical advice, the Company entered (September 2003) into a separate service agreement with Geo Global Resources (Barbados) Inc. (GGR(B)), a sister concern of GGR(I). The Company has not yet made any payment to GGR(B), although the latter had claimed Rs.3.42 crore till March 2007 for rendering technical services, which is reportedly being negotiated by the Company.

Inclusion of GGR (I) in JV without its having to bring in any financial or technical contribution is not in order. Further, absolving GGR(I) from its share of risk or responsibility related to this venture lacked justification. The Company suffered (August 2003 to March 2007) interest loss of Rs.11.43[∇] crore on the borrowed funds of Rs.149.53 crore being utilised towards GGR(I) share in the venture.

The Management stated (November 2007) that the Company did not have in-house technical competence to evaluate the blocks on offer for selecting the best one, and, therefore decided to engage the technical services of Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and President of GGR(I). For that, GGR(I) in turn demanded to take them as a partner with a minimum of 10 *per cent* stake in the venture. Accordingly, an understanding was reached with CEO for giving 10 *per cent* stake in the venture. The CEO did the evaluation and prepared the technical recommendation for selection of blocks. However, at the instance (September 2007) of the Company, GGR(I) intimated (September 2007) that they were willing to reimburse the cost of exploration and production along with interest.

[∇] Calculated at the rate of 7.5 *per cent* per annum being the rate of interest at which the Company borrowed funds.

The reply is not tenable. Though the technical services could be measured and determined in monetary terms, no justification was on record for giving 10 per cent stake in the venture. No mention was made in the agreement that 10 per cent stake was given in lieu of availing the technical services of GGR(I). The document produced to audit (November 2007) is only a draft MOU which indicated that no final settlement was arrived with GGR(I) for recovery of interest cost. The reply does not contain management's stand on the claim of Rs.3.42 crore made by GGR(B).

The matter was reported to Government in July 2007; the reply had not been received (November 2007).

Sardar Sarovar Narmada Nigam Limited

3.6 Premature investment

Premature investment of Rs.16.78 crore on construction of concrete lining of branch canal led to loss of interest of Rs.1.92 crore.

The Vallabhipur Branch Canal (VB canal) having length of 118.751 Kms is a part of Sardar Sarovar Project and is meant to serve cultivable command area[£] of 1.40 lakh hectare covering three[€] districts. The Company completed (March 2002) earth work of VB canal at a cost of Rs.297 crore. It decided (April 2002) to provide concrete lining on VB canal to enhance the efficiency of conveyance of water to the command area. There was, however, no master plan covering all activities to develop the command area. Construction of minors/sub minors was essential for end use of enhanced water provided by the lined canal.

The Company awarded (July 2004) the lining work of VB canal for its full length of 118.751 Kms in five slices to various contractors at an aggregate cost of Rs.41.48 crore for completion by November 2005. The contractors could not maintain the progress of work as per the schedule, reportedly because more quantity of proud* than estimated had to be removed in the canal. The concrete lining of 55.69 Kms (47 per cent) of canal length was completed (November 2005) at five different stretches at a cost of Rs.16.78 crore. The Company stopped the lining work (November 2005) considering that the full development of command area would take more time (up to March 2010).

The Company had initiated (November 2003) field survey for command area development (CAD), and had stipulated that the command area would be fully developed by January 2009. It had, however, undertaken little work on CAD besides field surveys. There was little justification, therefore, to take up lining work of VB canal in July 2004 with stipulated gestation of 17 months. Though stopping (November 2005) of lining work did stop further blocking of funds, the fact remains that there was already a premature investment of Rs.16.78

[£] Area identified for irrigation.

[€] Surendranagar, Ahmedabad and Bhavnagar.

* Thin layer of earth or skin cutting of excavation to be done before starting the lining work of canal.

crore in lining of canal without synchronising it with corresponding CAD. This resulted in loss of interest of Rs.1.92 crore[¥] on premature investment.

The Management reply forwarded (October 2007) by the Government stated that the Sardar Sarovar Project envisaged lining of all branch canals. The lining work would cost about 30 *per cent* of total cost of branch canal. As the work of CAD under VB canal was planned for completion by 2010, it was expected that the demand for irrigation supply would pick up only after 2010. Hence, it was decided (November 2005) to stop the lining work and run the canal without lining in initial years. The reply is not tenable as it does not explain the basic audit observation as to why premature investment of public funds was made in concrete lining of branch canal much in advance of the requirement.

3.7 Non-recovery of security deposit

The Company accorded undue benefit to contractor by not recovering prescribed security deposit of Rs.3.22 crore and exposed itself against underperformance/ defective work.

The Company awarded (April 1987) the work of construction of concrete dam across the river Narmada for Sardar Sarovar Project (SSP) to Jaiprakash Associates (firm) at a cost of Rs.320 crore, for completion by March 2010. During execution of the dam work, the State Government decided (October 2000) to divert the reservoir water of SSP for drinking and irrigation purposes through construction of Irrigation Bye Pass Tunnel (IBPT). The Company issued work order (December 2000) to the firm for construction of IBPT at a cost of Rs.91.93 crore, however, no time limit was fixed for its completion.

Contractual provisions for the dam, equally applicable to the supplementary contract for IBPT works, required the Company to deduct security deposit (SD), at three and half *per cent* of the total value of contract from Running Account (RA). SD was to be retained during the defect liability period of 18 months from the date of completion of the work. The firm started (December 2000) the work and reportedly completed (March 2007*) major part of the work on IBPT for which the company has made payments aggregating Rs.103.74 crore to the firm.

The Company did not recover SD of Rs.3.22 crore (*i.e.* three and half *per cent* on the value of supplementary work awarded) for IBPT work; and, thus accorded undue benefit to the firm. Besides, the Company has exposed itself to risk of non/under performance of works during execution/defect liability period, *i.e.* up to April 2009. If the Company adhered to the provisions of contract, SD of Rs.3.22 crore could have been recovered (November 2000 to

[¥] Calculated at the Company's average borrowing rate 8.58 *per cent* (2004-07) on Rs.16.78 crore for 16 months, from December 2005 to March 2007.

* Only Rs.2.62 crore worth of work is reportedly remaining, which the company expects to get completed by December 2007.

December 2002). This in turn, would have enabled the Company to reducing its borrowing and save interest charges of Rs.3.67 crore[∇].

The Government/Management stated (September 2007) that IBPT was given as an additional work to the firm. Further, the Company had a bank guarantee (BG) for Rs.21.20 crore as furnished (April 1987) by the firm at time of initial award of work. Besides, the immovable assets *viz.*, cable crane, batching/mixing plants installed by the firm for the work at the dam site, could also be considered as additional security available with the Company. The reply is not tenable. The availability of BG has nothing to do with the SD that is recoverable from the payments made to the firm through RA bills. Besides, the Company did not produce any documents showing charge, if any created in its favour on the firm's immovable assets at the dam site. Thus, the fact remains that the Company accorded undue benefit to the firm by not recovering the SD as stipulated in the contract.

3.8 Loss due to delay in finalisation of tender

Company's failure to finalise tender within the validity period led to cost escalation of Rs.3.42 crore.

The Company through E-tendering process[^] invited (April 2004) tenders for award of work of construction of Limbdi sub-branch canal 0 to 29.91 Kms at an estimated cost of Rs.56.91 crore. The entire work (0 to 29.91 Kms) related to the canal was considered as a package and it was divided into four slices*. The bidders were allowed to submit the bids either for one or more of the slices or for the package. As per tender condition, the bidders intending for the work in package were to submit both technical and price bids for it and for those intending the work in slices were to submit only price bid as the estimated cost of each slice did not exceed Rs.15 crore. The validity of the tender was to remain for 120 days from the stipulated date of opening of the technical bids.

The Company opened the technical (April 2004) and price bids (July 2004). M/s.Uma Sharma & Co (Delhi) quoted the rate of Rs.17.94 crore for slice II (Rs.8.63 crore) and slice III (Rs.9.31 crore) was the lowest bid for these slices. As the validity of the tender was to expire on 08 August 2004 (*i.e.* 120 days from 9 April 2004), the Company, in August 2004, requested M/s.Uma Sharma to extend the validity period of the tender up to 08 November 2004. The contractor, refused (16 August 2004) to extend the validity period of the tender. Hence, the Company re-invited (February 2005) tenders for slice II and III and awarded (May 2005) the work to Visnagar Taluka Majoor Sahkari Mandli at a higher total cost of Rs.21.36 crore (slice II:Rs.10.56 crore and slice III: Rs.10.80 crore). Delay in finalisation of tender and consequent refusal to accept the work by the lowest contractor led to loss of Rs.3.42 crore.

[∇] Calculated at the Company's average borrowing rate of 8.58 *per cent* (2004-07) on Rs.3.22 crore during November 2000 to March 2007.

[^] Invitation of tenders, receipt and opening of bids are done in electronic format and online on the Company's web site at the appointed time.

* Slices: I: 0 to 6 Kms, II: 6 to 14.91 Kms, III: 14.91 to 23.43 Kms and IV: 23.43 to 29.90 Kms.

There was no justification on the Company's record for non-finalisation of the tender (April 2004) within the stipulated time.

The matter was reported to the Government/Management (June 2007); their reply had not been received (November 2007).

Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Limited

3.9 Generation loss due to inefficient management of critical equipments

Inefficient management of critical equipments resulted in generation loss of 1,085.40 Million Units worth Rs.295.23 crore.

Unit-I of Sikka Thermal Power Station (TPS) stopped functioning (June 2000) due to problem in the turbine rotor*. To rectify this problem, the Board placed orders on BHEL (August 2001 and August 2002) for repairs to be done on Low Pressure (LP) turbine rotor and Intermediate Pressure (IP) turbine rotor at a cost of Rs.2.49 crore to be completed by March 2002/October 2002 respectively. Meanwhile, the Board discovered (May 2002) that the generator rotor of the unit too had some inherent defect and could not be used along with the repaired turbine rotors. It decided (May 2002) to use the spare generator rotor at Gandhinagar TPS. The spare generator rotor was also not in a readily usable condition as it had not been hot balanced after its repair (1998). The Board belatedly ordered (August 2002) its hot balancing# at a cost of Rs.18 lakh, to be completed within 15 days. During the hot balancing, the rotor itself got damaged and the repairer intimated (October 2002) his inability to complete the work.

Sikka TPS received (October 2002) the repaired turbine rotors from BHEL and in the absence of a fully functional generator rotor, used it with its existing defective generator rotor to commission (29 January 2003) the unit at a partial load of 70 MW. The Board also ordered (March 2003) a new generator rotor to be delivered by June 2004 at a cost of Rs.6.30 crore. Sikka TPS received (May 2005) the new generator rotor after a delay of 11 months and installed it (October 2005). After installation of new generator rotor, the unit was able to take full load of 120 MW and achieved a PLF of 75 per cent. Had the Board kept the spare generator rotor ready for use, the potential generation loss of 1085.40 million units worth Rs.295.23 crore[∇] during November 2002-October 2005 could have been avoided.

The Management/Government while reiterating the facts of the case stated (September 2007) that BHEL due to some technical problems on their part did not deliver the new rotor in time. The reply is not tenable. It does not give any

* A turbine rotor in a thermal power plant which converts heat energy of steam coming from boilers into mechanical energy. The generator rotor converts the mechanical energy into electrical energy.

Hot balancing is running the generator rotor at its full rated capacity under test condition.

∇ (A) 120 X 1,000 X 3 months i.e. November 2002 to January 2003 X 30 days X 24 Hrs. X 75 per cent PLF=194.40 MUs. (B) (120 less 70) MW x 1,000 x 33 months 30 days x 24 Hrs. x 75 per cent PLF = 891.00 MUs. Total of A plus B= 1,085.40 MUs at average realisation rate during 2002-03 of Rs.2.72 per unit i.e. Rs.295.23 crore.

reason for not keeping the spare generator rotor ready, as a result of which the TPS suffered generation loss worth Rs.295.23 crore. No liquidated damages were levied on BHEL.

3.10 Extra expenditure due to inefficient fuel and contract management

The Board incurred extra expenditure of Rs.2.89 crore due to inefficient fuel and contract management.

Thermal Power Stations (TPS) use high pressure (HP) feed water heaters to recover heat from the steam which is extracted from the turbine. The heat from the steam is used to increase the temperature of the feed water in the boilers. This results in saving of heat energy used in heating feed water in boilers, reportedly of 18 million KCAL[⊕] per hour per unit.

Dhuvaran TPS had sent (December 2000) an indent for the purchase of eight HP feed water heaters for Unit I to IV, as the existing heaters purchased in 1987 had past their useful life of 10 to 12 years and were not in use on the date of indent. The Board invited (January 2001) tenders for their procurement and opened (February 2001) the technical bids. Thereafter, the Board took 441 days in placing (May 2002) the purchase order, against the prescribed 120 days from the opening of the technical bids (June 2001), on the plea of scrutinising the technical bids, seeking clarifications from the bidders and holding price negotiation with the successful bidder, L&T[^]. The Board placed the order on L&T for procurement and erection of the HP heaters at a cost of Rs.4.99 crore only in May 2002. The scheduled period of delivery was 12 months and that of erection was four months thereafter. L&T completed the erection in February 2004 as against September 2003 for which the Board recovered (August 2004) penalty of Rs.0.91 lakh.

The Board ought to have had a system in place to identify and replace worn out equipments, especially as relate to fuel efficiency, across all its TPS. Instead the Board even delayed the placement of order by 321 days (*i.e.*, 441 days *less* 120 days allowed since opening of technical bids). The financial implication of non-functioning of HP heaters from December 2000 to February 2004 was Rs.2.89 crore*.

The Management/Government stated (August 2007/September 2007) that the indented HP heater was being an import substitute item; extra precautions were taken in the placement of order which led to the delay. Further, in TPS several auxiliary equipments *viz.*, heater, condenser tubes, economiser coils *etc.*, were provided to recover heat/improve efficiency as far as possible, but keeping them fully in service was not possible. The reply is not tenable. The previous HP heaters were also purchased (1987) from L&T as such the delay in the placement of order was avoidable. Absence of system for identification

[⊕] Kilo calories.

[^] Larson & Tourbro Limited, Mumbai.

* Heat loss (December 2000-February 2004): 2,210.794 MUs generated X 18 MKCal. = 39,794.29 MKCal.; 39,794.29 ÷ 10.40 (heat value per MT of Low Sulphur Heavy Stock (LSHS)) = 3,826.374 MT; 3,826.374 MT X Rs.7,560 (price per MT of LSHS) = Rs.2.89 crore.

and replacement of the worn out equipments lacks justification considering the huge financial risk involved in the event of any failure of the auxiliary equipments in the TPS.

3.11 Non-availing of rebate and avoidable payment of interest

Failure of the Company to file an appeal in time resulted in loss of rebate of Rupees one crore as also avoidable payment of interest of Rs1.25 crore.

Sikka Thermal Power Station (TPS) of the erstwhile Gujarat Electricity Board draws water from Arabian sea and after using it through condenser for cooling the turbine and other equipments discharges the same into the sea. As per Section 3 of The Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Cess Act, 1977, Gujarat Pollution Control Board (GPCB) is levying water cess on the water drawn by the TPS. Section 3 of the Act, *ibid*, stipulates two types of tariff *i.e.* water cess of Rs.1.50 per Kilo Litre (KL) for those who are compliant to the provisions of the Act and Rs.2.25 per KL for those non-compliant. Further, a rebate of 25 *per cent* is admissible under Section 7 of the Act, *ibid*, for the compliant category.

GPCB raised demand (July 1992 to February 2001) on the Company for payment of water cess amounting to Rs.2.10 crore related to the period, 1988-2000 for the water drawn from the sea. The Board, since beginning, did not accept its liability for payment of water cess on the plea that the sea water drawn for cooling purpose was being discharged back to the sea without any chemical alteration. GPCB did not accept (April 1998) the contention of the Board and cited a judicial judgment made (March 1994) in this regard upholding the action of GPCB in levying the cess for the water drawn and discharged in a similar manner by some other TPS. Despite this, the Board entered into protracted correspondence with GPCB. In the meantime, for the non-payment of water cess, GPCB had also raised (February 2001) demand for payment of interest of Rs.1.25 crore on the unpaid amount of Rs.2.10 crore up to January 2001. The Board preferred (April 2002) an appeal before the Appellate Committee of GPCB for waiver of interest of Rs.1.25 crore.

The Board after clearing (July 2002) the arrears of water cess of Rs.2.10 crore had preferred another appeal for downward revision of cess at the rate of Rs.1.50 per KL instead of Rs.2.25 per KL and also for grant of applicable rebate. The Appellate Committee dismissed (March 2006) the appeal for waiver of interest as there was no provision in the Act for appealing against the interest charged for late payment of cess. Hence, the interest of Rs.1.25 crore was paid (March 2006) to GPCB. The appeal for downward revision of rate and grant of rebate was also dismissed (March 2006) as the appeal was not made within the time limit of 30 days from the original demand by GPCB. Thus, the Board's failure to make the payment and go in for appeal had not only resulted in payment of higher cess by Rupees one crore (Rs.2.10 crore *less* cess with lower rate and rebate of Rs.1.10 crore) but also resulted in avoidable payment of interest of Rs.1.25 crore.

While accepting the facts of the case the Government/Management stated (June 2007) that as the liability for payment of water cess itself was not

acceptable to the Board and was already in dispute, it did not make payments and gone for appeal within time limit. Thus, the facts remain that the Board's failure to make the payment and go for the timely appeal of the case had resulted in loss of Rs.2.10 crore.

3.12 Cost escalation due to deficient tendering

Deficient tendering by the Company led to cost escalation of Rs.1.05 crore in awarding work of augmenting the capacity of inter connecting transformers.

The Company invited tenders (June 2003) for augmenting the capacity* of inter connecting transformers (ICT) at Wanakbori thermal power station at an estimated cost of Rs.13.36 crore. The work included procurement and commissioning of four transformers of 400 KV class with rating of 167 MVA each. The transformers with different ratings viz., 90,167 and 315 MVA were available under 400 KV class. In the notice inviting tender, the Company, however, stipulated that the bidder would be considered qualified if he was a manufacturer of 400 KV class of transformers which were successful in operation anywhere for not less than three years on the date of opening of bids. The qualification criteria did not specify any experience of bidder in manufacture and operation of 400 KV class transformers with rating of 167 MVA.

Of the three bids received and opened (October 2003), the Company declared (December 2003) two bidders, viz., BHEL and Alstom Limited, Vadodara (ALV) as technically qualified as per criteria given in the tender. ALV had quoted Rs.16.81 crore and stood L1 compared to the price of Rs.17.23 crore quoted by BHEL. After opening the tenders, the Company, however, found that ALV did not have any experience of manufacturing transformers of 167 MVA in 400 KV class, while BHEL had the requisite experience. Because of the deficiencies in tender specification, the Company could not place the order. It reinvited the tender (March 2004) with necessary modification in the eligibility criteria. This time (June 2004) BHEL was the only qualified bidder of the two respondents, but with higher costs. The Company issued work order (October 2005) to BHEL for the work at new costs of Rs.18.28 crore, which was higher by Rs.1.05 crore than the costs it had tendered earlier (June 2003) for the same work. Thus, deficiencies in tendering specifications resulted in avoidable expenditure.

The Management stated (July 2007) that the transformer being critical nature of equipment and ALV did not supply single unit of transformer of 400 KV class with rating of 167 MVA to the Company in past, it had decided to reinvite tenders after incorporating proper qualifying criteria. The reply was silent on deficiencies in tender specification in the earlier (June 2003) tender. The fact remains that the Company had to reinvite (March 2004) the tender

* 315 MVA, three windings three phase, 50 Hz, 400/ 220/ 33 KV class transformers to 500 MVA comprising of 4 X 167 MVA, single phase 50 Hz, 400/ 220/ 33 KV class transformers.

due to its failure to incorporate proper qualifying criteria in the tender previously invited.

The matter was reported the Government (April 2007); the reply had not been received (November 2007).

Gujarat State Petronet Limited

3.13 Short recovery of interconnectivity charges

The Company short recovered interconnectivity charges of Rs.20.10 crore.

The Gujarat State Petronet Limited (GSPL)*, a subsidiary of the Gujarat State Petroleum Corporation Limited (GSPCL) transmits regassified liquified natural gas (RLNG) received from its principal to the end-customers. GSPCL in turn purchases RLNG from GAIL[^], IOCL[∇] and BPCL[#] through GAIL's pipeline to its installations. The holding company, viz. GSPCL sells the gas to its various customers under gas supply agreements (March 2004) with them. The subsidiary company, GSPL, transmits the gas from the place of GSPCL installations to the places of GSPCL customers through its pipeline under separate gas transmission agreements (GTA) with those customers. GSPCL pays interconnectivity (IC) charges to GAIL for using GAIL's pipeline. GSPL has an arrangement (February 2004) with GSPCL according to which it recovers IC charges, within its transmission charges, from the end-customers and remits IC charges back to GSPCL.

GAIL increased (April 2005) IC charges from Rs.2.86 per mmbtu[•] to Rs.7.16 per mmbtu for the gas supplied through its pipeline by IOCL and BPCL. GSPCL recovered the increased IC charges from GSPL. But GSPL did not correspondingly increase its transmission charges from the customers by Rs.4.30 per mmbtu (Rs.7.16 less Rs.2.86) on the plea that doing so would render their charges uncompetitive. The Chairman, GSPL took that decision (October 2005) and intimated the Board of GSPL (April 2006). The information agenda put up before the Board was rather summary and did not substantiate as to how the charges would become uncompetitive. During April 2005 to May 2006, GSPL short levied Rs.20.10 crore[∇] in IC charges from the end-customers.

The Management/Government stated (August/September/November 2007) that as the GSPL net work of pipeline was expanding rapidly, it had to increase the gas volumes by competing effectively in the market. Main reason

* After January 2006 GSPCL holds only 39.13 per cent of GSPL's equity, the remaining being held by State and Central PSUs and others, making it deemed Government Company.

[^] GAIL India Limited.

[∇] Indian Oil Corporation Limited.

[#] Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited.

[•] Million metric british thermal units.

[∇] 4,67,54,310 mmbtu of gas delivered during the period X Rs.4.30 per mmbtu.

for non-recovery of the IC charges was that one of its major customers, Essar Steel Limited had entered a GTA for transmission of gas through GSPL pipeline in March 2004. GSPL allowed Essar Steel to have an *ad hoc* arrangement with GAIL for transmission of gas through GAIL's pipeline till completion of its Mora-Sajod pipeline. Essar Steel agreed to shift to GSPL's pipeline on completion (December 2004) of Mora-Sajod pipeline on the condition that such shifting should not lead to an increase in tariff for Essar Steel. In view of this, GSPL did not increase the IC charges. If it had increased the IC charges, Essar Steel would have stopped using GSPL's pipeline and it would not have earned the transmission revenue of Rs.63 crore during April 2005 to May 2006. Besides, calculation of Rs.20.10 crore made in audit did not take into account IC charges of Rs.3.26 crore recovered from firm E.

The reply is not tenable. GSPL's contention that Essar Steel would stop using GSPL's pipeline in the event of increase in IC charge is an invalid apprehension in the light of subsistence of GTA already in place (March 2004) with Essar Steel. In June 2006, GAIL again revised the IC charges to Rs.8.59 per mmbtu, this time the burden of hike was allowed to pass to the customers. This is a contradictory decision of GSPL to its earlier contention that it would lose business from Essar Steel if it increases IC charges. Calculation of Rs.20.10 crore made in audit was arrived at after considering the amount of IC charges recovered.

3.14 Non-recovery of penalty and interest

The Company did not recover Rs.14.73 crore in penalty and interest for breach of agreement from a private firm.

The Company executed (March 2004) a Gas Transmission Agreement (GTA) with Essar Steel Industries for transportation of maximum daily quantity of 2.34 MMSCMD[£] of gas from Dahej to its plant premises at Hazira. GTA envisaged that Essar Steel would maintain the stipulated level of pressure and quantity of gas while sending the gas from entry point and while drawing it at the exit point of the Company's pipeline. GTA empowered the Company to levy and recover penal charges as 'cash out of imbalances'* for imbalance caused, if any, every month as a measure of maintaining grid discipline by Essar Steel.

Essar Steel caused imbalance (June - September 2006) by excessively drawing 1,89,638 mmbtu of gas at the exit point over the allocated quantity at the entry point of pipeline. The Company issued (July - October 2006) various notices to Essar Steel for the payment of penal charges of Rs.13.47 crore for the imbalance (June - September 2006) but it did not make any recovery (March 2007). The Company did not also levy interest of Rs.1.26 crore (at the rate of

[£] Million metric standard cubic metres per day.

* Imbalance is the difference in the volumes of gas between the entry and exit point. Cash out of imbalance refers to settlement of shipper's imbalance account (positive or negative) in cash by either buying or selling gas.

14.5[#] per cent) on the penal charges outstanding from July 2006 to March 2007, leviable as per terms of GTA.

The Government/Management stated (June/November 2007) that the entity owning the pipeline should be engaged in trading of gas also so that excess/under drawals of gas by its customers are adjusted through buying/selling of the gas. The provision in GTA was inserted just to deter the customers not observing the grid discipline. On being allowed by the Company, GSPCL had recovered 'cash out of imbalances' of Rs.7.21 crore from Essar Steel.

The reply is not acceptable. Making a provision in the GTA does not serve as a deterrent unless it is invoked. Further, Rs.7.21 crore, out of Rs.14.73 crore pointed out by audit, was stated to have been received by GSPCL, which was not transferred to the Company. Thus, despite provision in GTA the Company failed to recover Rs.7.52 crore towards 'cash out of imbalances' and Rs.7.21 crore stated to be recovered by GSPCL on behalf of the Company had not been received.

Dakshin Gujarat Vij Company Limited (DGVCL) and Paschim Gujarat Vij Company Limited (PGVCL)

3.15 High loss feeders

Introduction

3.15.1 Voltage of energy generated at 11/22 KV is stepped up through sub-stations to 440/230 KV and transmitted over long distances. As this voltage is too high for supply to consumers, this power is subsequently stepped down to 66, 22 and 11 KV through sub-stations. Based on the consumer's demand, power is supplied directly from 22/11 KV feeders to High Tension (HT) industries or further reduced through distribution transformers to 440/230/120 Volts for supply to Low Tension (LT) industries and residential consumers. The total energy that is lost from the point of generation to the point of 66, 22 and 11 KV step down sub-stations is called transmission loss and energy that is lost between the 11/22 KV feeders and the ultimate consumer are called the distribution loss.

The Gujarat Electricity Board (Board) was unbundled into seven Companies with effect from 1 April 2005. The Board transferred the generation, transmission and distribution activities to one generation Company*, one transmission Company[∇] and four distribution Companies[§], (DISCOMs) under the strategic control of one holding Government Company[#]. The Companies

[#] As per GTA, State Bank of India prime lending rate (11.50 per cent) plus three per cent penalty.

^{*} Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Limited (GSECL).

[∇] Gujarat Energy Transmission Corporation Limited (GETCO).

[§] Dakshin Gujarat Vij Company Limited (DGVCL), Madhya Gujarat Vij Company Limited (MGVCL), Paschim Gujarat Vij Company Limited (PGVCL), Uttar Gujarat Vij Company Limited (UGVCL).

[#] Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam Limited (GUVNL).

are headed by Managing Directors who are assisted by General Managers, Chief Finance Managers and Engineers.

Transmission and distribution losses

3.15.2 Energy lost in the process of transmission, transformation and distribution are broadly classified as technical and commercial losses. Technical losses occur due to resistance in conductors, design of the transformers and also loading of power in excess of capacity on feeders, lines and transformers. Commercial losses are losses due to theft, defective meters, un-metered supply *etc.* Transmission losses are technical losses whereas distribution losses include both technical and commercial losses. The table below gives details of transmission and distribution losses for five years ended 31 March 2007:

(Units in Million)

Sl No.	Particulars	2002-03 Units	2003-04 Units	2004-05 Units	Name of DISCOM	2005-06 Units	2006-07 Units
		Gujarat Electricity Board			DISCOMs		
1.	Energy available for transmission	44,893	43,639	46,654	DGVCL	9,331	9,706
					PGVCL	15,694	15,411
					MGVCL	5,457	5,745
					UGVCL	12,363	11,089
Total		44,893	43,639	46,654		42,845	41,951
2	Energy sold	27,548	28,977	31,005	DGVCL	7,065	7,611
					PGVCL	9,111	9,549
					MGVCL	4,124	4,365
					UGVCL	8,827	8,306
Total		27,548	28,977	31,005		29,127	29,831
3.	Percentage of energy lost in Transmission and Distribution	38.64	33.60	33.54	DGVCL	24.28	21.58
					PGVCL	41.95	38.03
					MGVCL	24.43	24.02
					UGVCL	28.60	25.09
Total		38.64	33.60	33.54		32.02	28.89
4.	Loss in Excess of CEA's prescribed norms of 15.5 per cent (Transmission loss-four per cent and Distribution loss-11.5 per cent)	23.14	18.10	18.04	DGVCL	8.78	6.08
					PGVCL	26.45	22.53
					MGVCL	8.93	8.52
					UGVCL	13.10	9.59
Total		23.14	18.10	18.04		16.52	13.39
5.	Percentage of Transmission loss	4.41	4.40	4.26	All DSCOMS	4.39	4.11
6.	Distribution loss (3 less 5)	34.23	29.20	29.28	DGVCL	19.89	17.47
					PGVCL	37.56	33.92
					MGVCL	20.04	19.91
					UGVCL	24.21	20.98
Total		34.23	29.20	29.28		27.63	24.78

(Source : Information provided by the Board/Companies)

As seen from the table, transmission losses were 4.11 to 4.41 per cent as against the four per cent CEA norms, whereas distribution losses were much higher than the prescribed 11.50 per cent.

Based on numbers of feeders having above 20 *per cent* losses, consumer mix and geographical coverage, Audit reviewed (February 2007) the data of high loss feeders of 11/22 KV both in south (DGVCL) and west (PGVCL) zones of Gujarat for the period 2002-07 with objectives to ascertain the reasons for the increase in high loss feeders and the adequacy of measures taken by DISCOMs for reduction in distribution loss. As on 31 March 2006, of the 237 feeders in 16 divisions of DGVCL and 2,888 feeders in 29 divisions of PGVCL, 144 feeders and 1,978 feeders respectively, had losses above 20 *per cent*. For test check, Audit selected feeders having distribution loss above 20 *per cent* in nine divisions[†] of DGVCL and 14 divisions[‡] of PGVCL the details of which are given in **Annexures-11 and 12**.

During 2002-07 the selected divisions had lost 5,091.817 million units (MUs) worth Rs.1,511.48 crore as actual distribution loss exceeded the determined theoretical losses* for the feeders. During 2002-05, 705 feeders (133 of DGVCL and 572 of PGVCL) had losses above 20 *per cent* whereas during 2005-07, 1,870 feeders (536 of DGVCL and 1,334 of PGVCL) had losses above 20 *per cent* (**Annexure-11**). This indicates that the extent of losses in PGVCL was higher than DGVCL in all the years. Further, during 2005-07 there was an over all sharp increase of 165 *per cent* in the number of feeders having losses above 20 *per cent*.

DGVCL/PGVCL stated (September/November 2007) that increase in feeders having more than 20 *per cent* loss was also because the formula for calculation of agriculture consumption had been changed during last two years by GERC. Reply is not acceptable as the conclusions was arrived from the reported figures and metering of all agricultural consumers is the only way to arrive at the correct transmission and distribution loss.

Though CEA stipulated an over all norm of distribution loss of 11.50 *per cent*, it was observed that in some feeders theoretical losses fixed were above this norm based on the number of lines emanating from the feeders and numbers of transformers connected to the feeders. In any case, fixing of theoretical losses for such feeders in excess of 20 *per cent* is not desirable. The Board/DISCOMs, however, fixed (2002-07) theoretical losses ranging from 20 to 59 *per cent* in 105 feeders (28 of DGVCL and 77 of PGVCL) as given in **Annexure-12**. This resulted in loss of 40.05 MUs worth Rs.11.64 crore (*i.e.* differential units involved in feeders having theoretical losses above 20 *per cent*).

DGVCL/PGVCL stated (September/November 2007) that creation of new sub-stations and feeder bifurcation was being planned to reduce theoretical loss below 20 *per cent*.

[†] Ankleshwar (Rural), Bharuch, Navsari (Rural), Rajpipla, Surat (Rural), Surat (Urban), Valsad (Rural), Vapi (Rural) and Vyara.

[‡] Amreli I, Bhavnagar, Bhuj, Botad, Dhrangadhra, Dhoraji, Gondal, Jamnagar, Junagadh (Rural), Keshod, Rajkot City II, Rajkot (Rural), Savarkundla and Surendranagar.

* It refers to the line losses when current is passing through the line but there is no load on the line. It is calculated based on the number of lines emanating from the feeder and the number of transformers on the feeder.

Reasons for high distribution losses

Audit analysis of the reasons for the high distribution losses revealed the following:

Inadequacy of actions taken for reduction of distribution losses

3.15.3 The Board/DISCOMs had identified certain specific actions *viz.*, maintenance of HT/LT lines and transformers, checking of consumer installations, replacing defective meters, providing metal meter boxes, seals, *etc.* for reduction of distribution losses. It had laid down year/ division wise targets of the action plans. Details of targets and achievements of the selected divisions during 2002-07 are given in **Annexure-13**. Though, the overall percentage of achievement ranged from 16.65 to 91.97 and 82.27 to 101.05 in the selected divisions of DGVCL and PGVCL respectively, the persistence of high losses (**Annexure-11**) indicated the inadequacy of actions including non-fixation of higher targets to reduce the distribution losses. Further, in three divisions[#] of DGVCL and five divisions[∇] of PGVCL, the achievements were below average and consequently showed higher distribution losses. The divisions cited (March 2007) shortage of material/manpower as the reasons for the non-achievement of targets, though such constraints could be removed by timely initiation of proper measures.

DGVCL stated (September 2007) that higher targets had been fixed for above activities during 2007-08 for reducing distribution losses. PGVCL stated (November 2007) that maintenance of HT and LT line has been taken up in 2006-07 in a big way by covering most of the circles and would continue during 2007-08 also, to reduce distribution loss. The fact, however, remains that inadequate actions on the areas identified by the Board/ DISCOMs and non fixation of adequate targets led to higher distribution losses.

Pending work of renovation/ replacement of conductors

3.15.4 As per Board's assessment (2002-03), renovation/replacement of conductors would minimise distribution losses by 51,221.92 units per year per km in the selected circles of DGVCL and 36,141.42 units per year per km in PGVCL. The table below summarises the quantitative and financial targets and achievements of renovations/replacement of conductors for the period up to March 2007.

(Cost: Rupees in lakh)

Name of the Company	Cumulative Kms and cost of renovations approved up to 31 March 2007		Achievement against the approval up to 31 March 2007		Pending work	
	Kms	Cost	Kms	Cost	Kms	Cost
DGVCL	2,648.03	1,414.42	2,483.77	931.38	164.26	483.04
PGVCL	15,620.30	5,357.31	14,498.70	4,834.76	1,121.60	522.55

(Source: Information provided by the Companies)

[#] Ankleshwar (Rural), Surat (Rural) and Surat (Urban).

[∇] Bhuj, Dhrangadhra, Junagadh (Rural), Savarkundla and Surendrangar.

Thus, non-renovation/replacement of conductors in the pending works contributed to a distribution loss of 48.95 MUs worth Rs.14.02 crore*.

Delay in feeder bifurcation leading to distribution loss

3.15.5 As per assessment of the Board (2002-03) feeders having load above 150 ampere or more than eight *per cent* voltage regulation, if bifurcated, could minimise distribution loss by 3.5 lakh units per feeder per year. In bifurcation process, some of the lines emanating from a feeder are transferred to another feeder so that load of one feeder does not exceed 150 ampere. The table below gives the quantitative and financial targets and achievements of feeder bifurcations for the period up to March 2007.

(Cost: Rupees in lakh)

Name of the Company	Feeder bifurcations approved up to 31 March 2007		Feeder bifurcations done up to 31 March 2007		Feeder bifurcations pending as on 31 March 2007	
	Number	Cost	Number	Cost	Number	Cost
DGVCL	58	1,097.25	37	594.98	21	502.27
PGVCL	342	5,273.12	215	2,858.50	127	2,414.62

(Source : Information provided by the Companies)

The above pending works resulted in distribution loss of 51.80 MUs worth Rs.14.65 crore* during 2006-07.

DGVCL/PGVCL stated (September/November 2007) that the pending feeder bifurcations was planned to be completed by March 2008. The fact, however, remains that the pending feeder bifurcations contributed to distribution loss.

Non-installation of meters on Distribution transformer centres

3.15.6 Installation of meters on distribution transformer centre (DTC) helps in proper accounting of energy sent out from the feeders to the various consumers and also in identifying high energy loss pockets. The selected divisions of DGVCL, however, had metered only 18,926 (54.66 *per cent*) out of 34,627 DTCs and PGVCL had metered only 10,798 (10.15 *per cent*) out of 1,06,372 DTCs up to November 2006. The Board/DISCOMs had, thus, failed in fulfilling even the primary requirement for identifying and controlling theft of power.

DGVCL stated (September 2007) that metering of all DTC would be completed by March 2008. PGVCL stated (November 2007) that the work of providing meters on DTCs had been taken up during 2006-07 and is under progress. Thus, non-installation of meters on DTC did not help locate the feeders with high energy loss.

* DGVCL= 51,221.92 units X 164.26 Kms = 8.41 MUs X Rs.3.85 per unit = Rs.3.24 crore.
 PGVCL= 36,141.42 units X 1,121.61 Kms = 40.54 MUs X Rs.2.66 per unit = Rs.10.78 crore.
Total 48.95 MUs Rs.14.02 crore

* DGVCL = 3,50,000 units X 21 numbers = 7.35 MUs X Rs.3.85 per unit = Rs.2.83 crore.
 PGVCL = 3,50,000 units X 127 numbers= 44.45 MUs X Rs.2.66 per unit = Rs.11.82 crore.
Total 51.80 MUs Rs.14.65 crore.

Inadequate replacement of conventional meters by quality meters

3.15.7 Under Accelerated Power Development Reforms Programme (APDRP) project, the Board assessed (2002-03) that installing quality meters in place of conventional meters for its commercial and residential consumers would increase energy billing by 19.06 units per month due to accurate recording of their energy consumption. This, in turn would reduce the distribution loss. Though DISCOMs started (2002-03) replacing the conventional meters by quality meters under APDRP project, it did not complete the work within the stipulated period (2004-05). As on 28 February 2007, 3,83,786 (37.36 per cent) and 5,10,159 (39.48 per cent) conventional meters of selected divisions of DGVCL and PGVCL remained to be replaced by quality meters. As a result the Board/DISCOMs suffered distribution loss of 409.65[∇] MUs worth Rs.129.67 crore (2005-07). Thus, inadequate replacement of conventional meters by quality meters contributed to distribution losses.

Non-provision of LT Static meters on all LT industrial connections

3.15.8 The Board/DISCOMs tariff stipulated (May 2006) for levy of penalty on LT industrial consumers having connected load of 50 HP and above, if the power factor (PF) was not maintained at 90 per cent. There is no penal provision for disciplining the LT industrial consumers with load of less than 50 HP. The Board observed (2002-03) that the PF of LT industrial consumer with load of less than 50 HP was as low as 50 to 60 per cent. The low maintenance of PF in such cases burdens the system with increased distribution losses. Installing the static meters in the place of existing conventional or quality meters of such LT connections would enable the DISCOMs in identifying the consumers not maintaining the desired PF and also plan for taking remedial measures in this regard. In February 2007, the selected divisions of DGVCL had 14,312 (67.10 per cent) out of 21,330 LT connections and PGVCL had 11,805 (42.45 per cent) out of 27,811 LT connections without static meters.

DGVCL stated (September 2007) that it was planned to install static meters to all the remaining connections by December 2007. PGVCL stated (November 2007) that all existing connections having load less than 50 HP would be provided static meters in a phased manner. The fact, however, remains that non installation of static meters leads to lower PF thereby burdens the system with increased distribution losses.

Inadequate checking of installations and monitoring of theft

3.15.9 As per the selected divisions' claim (March 2007), theft of power was attributed as one of the main reasons for their high distribution loss. Checking of consumer's installations at frequent intervals is one of the means to prevent the theft of energy. During 2002-07, DGVCL had checked only 7,80,412

[∇] DGVCL = 3,83,786 X 19.06 units X 24 months= 175.56 MUs X Rs.3.85 per unit= Rs.67.59 crore.
PGVCL = 5,10,159 X 19.06 units X 24 months = 233.37 MUs X Rs.2.66 per unit= Rs.62.08 crore.
Total **409.65 MUs** **Rs.129.67 crore.**

(65 per cent) out of 12,07,964 consumer's installations indicating DGVCL's failure to cover all the installations even once in five years. PGVCL had checked all its 15,11,356 installations atleast once during five years. As a result of checkings carried out in the selected divisions during 2002-07, 75,915 cases of theft of energy worth Rs.90.10 crore in DGVCL and 1,66,479 cases of theft of energy worth Rs.141.27 crore in PGVCL were noticed. Based on the proportion of revenue realised from theft detection in DGVCL, had the remaining 4,27,552 consumers been checked, the Company could have realised additional revenue of Rs.49.36 crore. As there was nine to ten per cent of the installation checks carried out was theft cases, DISCOMs are required to increase the frequency of checking of installations to reduce its distribution losses. Further, theft of power is committed by putting lungarias on the conductors. Providing PVC coated conductors prevents such power theft, however, low achievement was made in this regard as given in **Annexure-13**.

DGVCL stated (September 2007) that consumer analysis system had been installed in all sub-division offices to provide history sheets for installation checking. Further, installation checking had also been enhanced by creating new 15 squads in circles and corporate office each headed by a deputy engineer under the overall control of SE (Vigilance). PGVCL stated (November 2007) that 36 divisional checking squads have been created and mass checking drives are arranged under the supervision of EE (Vigilance). The fact, however, remains that inadequate checking of installations and monitoring of theft led to lower theft detections in DGVCL/PGVCL.

High losses in Jyoti Gram Yojana feeders

3.15.10 The State Government launched (2004-05) the Jyoti Gram Yojana (JGY) for giving three phase continuous power supply to rural area for upliftment of rural population. The power supply to rural area is given through installation of separate JGY feeders, besides, the agricultural feeders which provide power for 10 to 12 hours per day for agricultural consumption. Of the 742 feeders having losses above 20 per cent during 2006-07 in the selected divisions, 279 were of JGY feeders. The divisions, in reply (March 2007), attributed the loss to the damaged service lines, not having PVC coated conductors in theft prone areas, non-replacement of old/defective meters of existing rural consumers, theft of power for agricultural purpose, etc. Releasing of 24 hour supply without ensuring these minimum requirements had also led to high losses in JGY feeders.

DGVCL/PGVCL stated (September/November 2007) that it has been planned to complete all required works on high loss JGY feeders by February/March 2008 so as to reduce distribution losses. The fact, however, remains that there were high losses in JGY feeders.

Non-metering of agricultural consumers

3.15.11 GERC in its tariff orders (October 2000/June 2004/ May 2006) directed the Board/DISCOMs to ensure 100 per cent metering of all agricultural consumers as it would increase the realisation from sale of power made to them by Re.0.21 per unit. In February 2007, the selected divisions of

DGVCL had 35,190 (57.22 per cent) unmetered connections out of 61,502 agricultural consumers. Likewise, PGVCL had 1,50,290 (69.49 per cent) unmetered connections out of 2,16,278 agricultural consumers. This led to loss of potential revenue of Rs.37.04 crore[¥] to DISCOMs during 2006-07. Metering of agricultural connections not only increases the revenue but also helps DISCOMs in identifying theft prone areas on its power system and in assessing the actual distribution losses in the agricultural sector.

DGVCL/PGVCL stated (September/November 2007) that it had been educating farmers and persuading them for installation of meters. The fact remains that unmetered connections are contributing to the loss of the Company.

Inadequate staff strength in sub-divisions in relation to work load

3.15.12 Audit analysis revealed that staff shortage was the main reason for low installation checking and detection/prevention of theft. Details of manpower and work loads (March 2007) in the selected divisions of DISCOMs as given below indicated that the work load *per day* on each engineer was very high to ensure checking of all consumers even once in a year. This, in turn affected the efficiency of the divisions in detection/prevention of theft:

Particulars	DGVCL		PGVCL	
	Total	Per engineer per day	Total	Per engineer per day
No. of divisions	9		14	
No. of engineers	137		244	
No. of consumers	14,30,800	37	17,09,268	25
Length (KM) of HT/LT lines	47,533	1.22	1,00,694	1.45
No. of transformers	25,636	1	62,738	1

(Source: Information provided by the Board/Companies)

DGVCL/PGVCL stated (September/November 2007) that a consultant had been appointed by the holding company for the smooth implementation of the report given by Administrative Staff College of India, Hyderabad on the staffing pattern. Thus, the fact remains that efficiency of the divisions in detection/prevention of theft was affected due to inadequate staff.

The matter was reported to Government in August 2007; the reply had not been received (November 2007).

[¥] DGVCL= 35,190 connections X 3.84 HP X 8 hrs. X 0.75 X Re.0.21 per unit x 365 days= Rs.6.21 crore. PGVCL=1,50,290 connections X 4.46 HP X 8 hrs. X 0.75 X Re.0.21 per unit x 365 days =Rs.30.83 crore. **Total Rs.37.04 crore.**

Statutory Corporations

Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation

3.16 Irregularities in purchase of chassis and bus body building

Irregular splitting of purchase order and belated receipt of chassis resulted in revenue loss of Rs.3.28 crore. Funds of Rs.6.28 crore given by the State Government for purchase of chassis were diverted for other use.

During 2004-05 and 2005-06, the Corporation purchased 100 and 1,100 bus[∇] chassis for Rs.11.57 crore and Rs.81.41 crore, respectively. The work relating to body building on 800 chassis was carried out internally at Corporation's central workshop and for the remaining 400 chassis it was outsourced (November 2004 to July 2006) at a total cost of Rs.62.16 crore.

Irregular splitting of purchase orders of chassis

3.16.1 The Corporation invited (August 2004 and May 2005) tenders for purchase of 100 and 1,100 chassis respectively. Under both tenders, Ashok Leyland remained L1 and Tata stood as L2. The price of Ashok Leyland was ranged between Rs.11.46 lakh to Rs.11.56 lakh per CNG chassis and was cheaper to the price of Tata by Rs.28,600 to Rs.73,703 per chassis. Likewise, for diesel chassis, the Ashok Leyland's price was Rs.6.98 lakh per chassis which was cheaper by Rs.916 per chassis to the price of Tata. The Corporation took the decision to split the purchase orders on the basis of decision (February 2005) of a special committee constituted by the State Home Department (administrative department for GSRTC at that time), on the ground that 'awarding of 100 per cent business to one party would mean losing option of the future competition and allowing a single party an absolute advantage of enjoying monopoly'. The Corporation, however, did not drive home an even better cost advantage from L1 on the grounds of economy of scale. The cited plea was also against the generally accepted principles of contract management which enjoin upon the management to derive the best cost advantage from a technically sound bidder.

Under both tenders, the Corporation placed orders (November 2004[^], March/May 2005 and July 2005) for 665 chassis (CNG:165 and diesel:500) on Ashok Leyland and for 535 chassis (CNG:35 and diesel:500) on Tatas. Splitting of purchase order thus resulted in direct loss of Rs.21.36 lakh as detailed below:

(Amount in rupees)

Year of purchase	Type of chassis	Price of TATA	Price of Ashok Leyland	Difference	Number of chassis purchased at higher price	Extra cost
2004-05	CNG	12,20,103	11,46,400	73,703	15	11,05,545
2005-06	CNG	11,85,000	11,56,400	28,600	20	5,72,000
2005-06	Diesel	6,98,676	6,97,760	916	500	4,58,000
Total					535	21,35,545

(Source: Information compiled from corporation records)

[∇] TATA and Ashok Leyland.

[^] Trial orders for five chassis each were placed with TATA and Ashok Leyland.

The Management stated (July 2007) that CNG bus technology being new to the Corporation; it did not want to depend on one supplier which may cause hindrance to smooth operation during unforeseen circumstances. The diesel chassis were purchased from both firms to have composite fleet of buses in order to maintain the operational results. The reply is not tenable. As the Corporation did not find any difficulty with respect to capability and quality of supplies of L1, it should not have placed order on L2 at a higher rate. Further, the reason given for having composite fleet of diesel buses with an aim to maintain operational results is not clear.

Loss of revenue owing to delayed supplies

3.16.2 Both the firms were irregular in supplying the chassis, with delays ranging from one to two months. It was observed that the Corporation had not inserted any penal clause in the purchase orders for late supply. Late supply of chassis ranged from 1 to 87 days, causing loss of revenue of Rs.3.07 crore* during April-July 2006. This loss is also incidentally indicative of the weakness of argument forwarded by the special committee in splitting the purchase order for 'competitive advantage'.

The Management stated (July 2007) that the firms were given tentative delivery schedule considering the production capacity of Central Workshop and private bus body builders. As such, the bus body building work did not suffer for want of chassis. Further, the new buses were to replace over aged buses. Thus, the delay in its replacement did not result in loss of revenue. Besides keeping in view the audit observation, the Corporation incorporated penalty clause in the order placed for purchase of chassis during 2006-07. The reply is not tenable. The purchase orders did not indicate that the schedule for delivery given was tentative. As evident from the Corporation's records, the average number of breakdowns per 1,000 Kms was 12.66 which were mainly attributable to over aged buses. The reply, however, overlooked the implication of delay in replacement of over aged buses.

Diversion of Government funds

3.16.3 The State Government provided (2004-06) Rs.152.65 crore to the Corporation by way of equity and loan, specifically for purchase of chassis and body building for new buses. The Corporation spent only Rs.146.37 crore for the given purpose, and diverted the balance amount of Rs.6.28 crore for working capital requirements, even as 4,492 to 6,641 overaged buses awaited (March 2004 to March 2006) replacement.

The Management stated (July 2007) that the Corporation had spent Rs.142.32 crore against the fund of Rs.134.96 crore received. As such, there was an excess spending of Rs.7.36 crore instead of diversion of any fund as commented in audit. The reply is not tenable. The Corporation in its reply had considered the funds received and spent in one year (2005-06) only as against two years (2004-06) commented in audit.

* Worked out at minimum average revenue of Rs.5,580 per bus per day determined by GSRTC.

The matter was reported to the Government (June 2007); the reply had not been received (November 2007).

Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation

3.17 Irregular allotment and transfer of plots

Not charging of appropriate rates for irregular allotment and transfer of plots resulted in loss of Rs.19.99 crore.

The State Industries Department (SID) allowed (November 2000) the Corporation to allot/transfer the plots/sheds of Gandhinagar Electronic Industrial estate (GEI) only for the purpose of setting up of industries related to Information Technology, Electronics, Bio-Technology and knowledge based industries.

In contravention of Government orders, the Corporation allotted (December 2005) a 69,003 square meters plot at GEI to Neesa Leisure Private Limited, Gandhinagar (NLP) for a concessional consideration of Rs.3.53 crore* for setting up a golf course in extension of its core hotel business. The possession of the plot was handed over in January 2006. Apart from the irregular allotment, the Corporation allowed undue benefit of Rs.18.63 crore^ to the firm by charging concessional rather than commercial rate for the land.

The Corporation had earlier allotted (June 2005) another 5,040 sq mtr plot for a concessional consideration of Rs.15.88 lakh (at Rs.300 per sq mtr *plus* Rs.15 per sq mtr as front charges) to NLP on the condition the land would be used only for electronics industry. After taking the possession of the plot (June 2005), NLP sought (June 2005) permission to use it for expanding its hotel activity. The Corporation instead of canceling the allotment asked (December 2005) NLP to pay the commercial rate of Rs.3,000 per sq mtr for using the plot for hotel activity. The firm had not paid (March 2007) the additional cost of Rs.1.36 crore[⊕], but started construction. The Corporation did not take any further action to cancel the allotment or recover the additional commercial rate from the firm and instead again allotted land in contravention of Government orders.

The Government/Management stated (July 2007) that the State Tourism Department had declared (May 1997) tourism including hotel activities with the status of 'Industries'. Further, the State Urban Development Department had allowed (February 2004) for allotment of land for tourism activities at Gandhinagar. Hence, the plot allotted for golf course at Gandhinagar by charging industrial rate was in order. In case of plot allotted for expansion of hotel activity, reply stated that NLP had represented (February 2006/May 2007) to the Corporation for charging industrial rate for the plot. Thus,

* 69,003 sq mtr X basic rate of Rs.300 per sq mtr *plus* development charges at the rate of Rs.200 per sq mtr) *plus* the front charges of Rs.7.66 lakh.

^ 69,003 sq mtr X Rs.3,000 commercial rate *plus* development charges of Rs.200 *plus* front charges of Rs.7.66 lakh =Rs.22.16 crore *less* Rs.3.53 crore already paid.

⊕ 5,040 sq mtr X Rs.3,000 commercial rate = Rs.1.52 crore *less* Rs.0.16 lakh already paid.

pending disposal of the representation it was not proper to state that it had favoured the firm in any way.

The reply is not tenable. The SID clearly restricted (November 2000) the allotment of land at GEI, to any industries other than those specifically identified in its decision. Thus, the decision is estate specific, where as the permission given by the State Urban Development Department for allotment of land for tourism activities at Gandhinagar is of general nature and does not have any overriding effect on the SID decision (November 2000). Thus, the allotments of plots made to NLP were irregular. Besides, the Corporation did not recover commercial rates for these plots as decided (February and December 2005) by its BODs since the plots were being used for the purpose other than specified in the SID decision (November 2000). Thus, the Corporation's repeated violation of the State Government orders resulted in undue benefit to a private firm and resultant loss to Corporation amounting to Rs.19.99 crore.

General

3.18 Follow-up action on Audit Reports

Outstanding action taken notes

3.18.1 Audit Reports of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India represent the culmination of the process of scrutiny starting with initial inspection of accounts and records maintained by various public sector undertakings (PSUs). It is, therefore, necessary that they elicit appropriate and timely response from the Executive. As per rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure (Internal Working) of Committee on Public Undertakings (COPU), Gujarat Legislative Assembly, all the administrative departments of PSUs should submit, within three months of their presentation to the Legislature, explanatory notes indicating the corrective/ remedial action taken or proposed to be taken on paragraphs and reviews included in the Audit Reports.

Though, the Audit Reports for the year 2003-04, 2004-05 and 2005-06 were presented to the State Legislature on 13 September 2005, 24 March 2006 and 30 March 2007 respectively, 15 departments, which were commented upon, did not submit explanatory notes on 33 out of 69 paragraphs/ reviews as on 30 September 2007 as indicated below.

Year of the Audit Report (Commercial)	Total Paragraphs/ Reviews in the Audit Report	Number of Paragraphs/Reviews for which explanatory notes were not received
2003-04	23	06
2004-05	22	05
2005-06	24	22
Total	69	33

Department-wise analysis is given in *Annexure-14*.

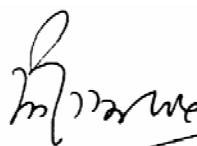
Response to Inspection Reports, Draft Paragraphs and Reviews

3.18.2 Audit observations noticed during audit and not settled on the spot are communicated to the heads of the respective PSUs and the concerned

departments of the State Government through Inspection Reports. The heads of PSUs are required to furnish replies to the Inspection Reports through the respective heads of departments within a period of six weeks. Review of Inspection Reports issued up to March 2007 pertaining to 48 PSUs revealed that 1,089 paragraphs relating to 365 Inspection Reports remained outstanding as on 30 September 2007. Department-wise break-up of Inspection Reports and audit observations outstanding as on 30 September 2007 is given in **Annexure-15**.

Similarly, draft paragraphs and reviews on the working of PSUs are forwarded to the Principal Secretary/Secretary of the Administrative Department concerned demi-officially seeking confirmation of facts and figures and their comments thereon within a period of six weeks. Audit noticed that seven draft paragraphs and three draft reviews forwarded to the various departments during April to August 2007 as detailed in **Annexure-16** had not been replied to so far (November 2007).

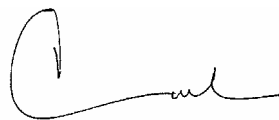
It is recommended that the Government should ensure that (a) procedure exists for action against the officials who fail to send replies to inspection reports/draft paragraphs/ reviews and ATNs to the recommendations of COPU as per the prescribed time schedule; (b) action to recover loss/ outstanding advances/ overpayment is taken within the prescribed time; and (c) the system of responding to audit observations is strengthened.


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ANNEXURE-1

Statement showing particulars of up-to-date paid-up capital, equity/loans received out of budget and loans outstanding as on 31 March 2007 in respect of Government Companies and Statutory Corporations.

(Referred to in paragraphs 1.3,1.4,1.5,1.11 and 1.17)

(Figures in column 3(a) to 4(f) are Rupees in lakh)

Sl. No.	Sector and Name of the Public Sector Undertaking	Paid-up capital as at the end of the current year				Equity/Loans received out of budget during the year		Other loans received during the year @	Loans outstanding at the close of 2006-07**		Total	Debt equity ratio for the year 2006-07 (Previous year) 4(f) / 3(e)	
		State Government	Central Government	Holding company	Others	Total	Equity		Loan	Government			Others
1	2	3(a)	3(b)	3(c)	3(d)	3(e)	4(a)	4(b)	4(c)	4(d)	4(e)	4(f)	5
A WORKING COMPANIES													
AGRICULTURE AND ALLIED SECTOR													
1	Gujarat Agro Industries Corporation Limited	808.25	--	--	--	808.25	--	--	--	700.00	2,000.00	2,700.00	3.34:1 (3.34:1)
2	Gujarat Sheep and Wool Development Corporation Limited	228.41	188.70	--	14.25	431.36	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
3	Gujarat State Seeds Corporation Limited	315.00	18.00	--	--	333.00	10.00	--	--	--	--	--	--
4	Gujarat State Land Development Corporation Limited	587.76	--	--	--	587.76	0.35	--	--	4,527.58	--	4,527.58	7.70:1 (3.00:1)
Sector wise total		1,939.42	206.70	--	14.25	2,160.37	10.35	--	--	5,227.58	2,000.00	7,227.58	3.35:1 (2.08:1)

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1	2	3(a)	3(b)	3(c)	3(d)	3(e)	4(a)	4(b)	4(c)	4(d)	4(e)	4(f)	5
INDUSTRY SECTOR													
5	Gujarat State Petroleum Corporation Limited (GSPC Limited)	10,036.00	--	--	525.00	10,561.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
6	GSPC (JPDA) Limited (Subsidiary of GSPC Limited)	--	--	5.01	--	5.01	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Sector wise total	10,036.00	--	5.01	525.00	10,566.01	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
HANDLOOM AND HANDICRAFTS													
7	Gujarat State Handloom and Handicrafts Development Corporation Limited	1,022.86	180.67	--	2.00	1,205.53	--	140.00	--	1,617.57	270.00	1,887.57	1.57:1 (1.33:1)
	Sector wise total	1,022.86	180.67	--	2.00	1,205.53	--	140.00	--	1,617.57	270.00	1,887.57	1.57:1 (1.33:1)
FOREST SECTOR													
8	Gujarat State Forest Development Corporation Limited	392.76	238.88	--	0.01	631.65	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Sector wise total	392.76	238.88	--	0.01	631.65	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
MINING SECTOR													
9	Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Limited	2,353.20	--	--	826.80	3,180.00	--	--	--	--	95,982.93	95,982.93	30.18:1 (34.08:1)
	Sector wise total	2,353.20	--	--	826.80	3,180.00	--	--	--	--	95,982.93	95,982.93	30.18:1 (34.08:1)

1	2	3(a)	3(b)	3(c)	3(d)	3(e)	4(a)	4(b)	4(c)	4(d)	4(e)	4(f)	5
CONSTRUCTION SECTOR													
10	Gujarat State Police Housing Corporation Limited	5,000.00	--	--	--	5,000.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
11	Gujarat State Road Development Corporation Limited	500.00 100.00*	--	--	--	500.00 100.00*	--	--	--	2.27	314.21	316.48	0.53:1 (0.53:1)
	Sector wise total	5,500.00 100.00*	--	--	--	5,500.00 100.00*	--	--	--	2.27	314.21	316.48	0.06:1 (0.06:1)
AREA DEVELOPMENT SECTOR													
12	Gujarat State Rural Development Corporation Limited	58.00	--	--	--	58.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
13	Gujarat Growth Centres Development Corporation Limited	1,500.00	2,135.00	--	--	3,635.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
14	Gujarat Urban Development Company Limited	2,103.00	--	--	--	2,103.00	10.00	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Sector wise total	3,661.00	2,135.00	--	--	5,796.00	10.00	--	--	--	--	--	--
DEVELOPMENT OF ECONOMICALLY WEAKER SECTION SECTOR													
15	Gujarat Women Economic Development Corporation Limited	532.00	170.05	--	--	702.05	--	--	--	--	1.63	1.63	-- (0.03:1)
16	Gujarat Minorities Finance and Development Corporation Limited	155.00	--	--	--	155.00	--	171.00	295.00	511.00	2,877.00	3,388.00	21.86:1 (23.69:1)
17	Gujarat Gopalak Development Corporation Limited	110.00	--	--	--	110.00	50.00	--	138.23	--	197.95	197.95	1.80:1 (2.52:1)

1	2	3(a)	3(b)	3(c)	3(d)	3(e)	4(a)	4(b)	4(c)	4(d)	4(e)	4(f)	5
18	Gujarat Safai Kamdar Vikas Nigam Limited	200.00	--	--	--	200.00	50.00	--	1,284.56	133.24	1,578.61	1,711.85	8.56:1 (6.65:1)
19	Gujarat Thakor and Koli Vikas Nigam	70.01	--	--	--	70.01	30.00	5.00	75.00	9.75	123.00	132.75	1.90:1 (1.37:1)
	Sector wise total	1,067.01	170.05	--	--	1,237.06	130.00	176.00	1,792.79	653.99	4,778.19	5,432.18	4.39:1 (4.42:1)
PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION SECTOR													
20	Gujarat State Civil Supplies Corporation Limited	1,000.00	--	--	--	1000.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Sector wise total	1,000.00	--	--	--	1,000.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
TOURISM SECTOR													
21	Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Limited	1,999.91	--	--	--	1,999.91	--	--	--	55.40	--	55.40	0.03:1 (0.03:1)
	Sector wise total	1,999.91	--	--	--	1,999.91	--	--	--	55.40	--	55.40	0.03:1 (0.03:1)
POWER AND WATER RESOURCES SECTOR													
22	Gujarat Water Resources Development Corporation Limited	3,148.61	--	--	--	3,148.61	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
23	Sardar Sarovar Narmada Nigam Limited	12,44,186.01 3,67,491.90*	--	--	--	12,44,186.01 3,67,491.90*	2,52,018.57	--	1,43,078.25	--	10,01,691.80	10,01,691.80	0.62:1 (0.77:1)

1	2	3(a)	3(b)	3(c)	3(d)	3(e)	4(a)	4(b)	4(c)	4(d)	4(e)	4(f)	5
24	Gujarat Power Corporation Limited	20,027.47	--	--	1,930.09	21,957.56	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
25	Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Limited (Subsidiary of GUVN Limited)	--	--	57,330.00	--	57,330.00	--	--	1,11,959.68	--	3,06,536.63	3,06,536.63	1.61:1 (1.55:1)
26	Gujarat Energy Transmission Corporation Limited (Subsidiary of GUVN Limited)	--	--	45.01	--	45.01	--	1,903.87	36,030.35	8,955.31	82,090.50	91,045.81	0.58:1 (--)
27	Gujarat Water Infrastructure Limited	5,992.01	--	--	--	5,992.01	1,000.00	--	11,200.00	--	17,184.57	17,184.57	2.15:1 (7.04:1)
28	Dashin Gujarat Vij Company Limited (Subsidiary of GUVN Limited)	--	--	5.01	--	5.01	--	--	3,293.00	--	46,127.00	46,127.00	1.58:1 (1.73:1)
29	Madhya Gujarat Vij Company Limited (Subsidiary of GUVN Limited)	--	--	5.01	--	5.01	--	--	1,978.00	--	36,780.00	36,780.00	1.37:1 (1.32:1)
30	Paschim Gujarat Vij Company Limited (Subsidiary of GUVN Limited)	--	--	5.01	--	5.01	--	--	5,093.00	--	1,03,095.00	1,03,095.00	1.19:1 (1.16:1)
31	Uttar Gujarat Vij Company Limited (Subsidiary of GUVN Limited)	--	--	5.01	--	5.01	--	--	6,234.58	--	63,549.00	63,549.00	1.43:1 (1.56:1)
32	Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam Limited (GUVN Limited)	225,182.77	--	--	--	2,25,182.77	13,324.00	1,676.00	5,109.71	41,375.95	38,009.85	79,385.80	0.33:1 (0.89:1)
33	GSPC Pipavav Power Company Limited (Subsidiary of GSPC Limited)	--	--	5.00	--	5.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Sector wise total	14,98,536.87	--	57,400.05	1,930.09	15,57,867.01	2,66,342.57	3,579.87	3,23,976.57	50,331.26	16,95,064.35	17,44,395.61	0.72:1 (0.86:1)
		3,82,815.90*		4,76,354.18*		8,59,170.08*							

1	2	3(a)	3(b)	3(c)	3(d)	3(e)	4(a)	4(b)	4(c)	4(d)	4(e)	4(f)	5
FINANCE SECTOR													
34	Gujarat Industrial Investment Corporation Limited (GIC Limited)	25,697.77	--	--	--	25,697.77	--	--	--	2,500.00	128.00	2,628.00	0.10:1 (0.34:1)
35	Gujarat State Investments Limited	44,276.91	--	--	--	44,276.91	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
36	Gujarat State Financial Services Limited (GSFS Limited)	2,628.00	--	--	--	2,628.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
37	GSFS Capital and Securities Limited (Subsidiary of GSFS Limited)	--	--	500.00	--	500.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
38	Infrastructure Finance Company Gujarat limited (Subsidiary of GIC Limited)	--	--	250.00	--	250.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Sector wise total	72,602.68	--	750.00	--	73,352.68	--	--	--	2,500.00	128.00	2,628.00	0.04:1 (0.12:1)
MISCELLANEOUS SECTOR													
39	Gujart Rural Industries Marketing Corporation Limited	917.44	--	--	--	917.44	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
40	Alcock Ashdown (Gujarat) Limited	1,200.00	--	--	400.00	1600.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
41	Gujarat Informatics Limited	1,706.44	--	--	145.00	1851.44	--	--	--	1,375.00	--	1,375.00	0.74:1 (0.74:1)
	Sector wise total	3,823.88	--	--	545.00	4,368.88	--	--	--	1,375.00	--	1,375.00	0.31:1 (0.31:1)
	TOTAL - A (All Sector wise Government companies)	16,03,935.59	2,931.30	58,155.06	3,843.15	16,68,865.10	2,66,492.92	3,895.87	3,25,769.36	61,763.07	17,98,537.68	18,60,300.75	0.74:1 (0.87:1)
		3,82,915.90*		4,76,354.18*		8,59,270.08*							

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1	2	3(a)	3(b)	3(c)	3(d)	3(e)	4(a)	4(b)	4(c)	4(d)	4(e)	4(f)	5
B WORKING STATUTORY CORPORATIONS													
TRANSPORT SECTOR													
1	Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation	55,306.31	10,627.82	--	--	65,934.13	3,300.00	10,000.00	3,344.64	46,978.00	25,751.14	72,729.14	1.10:1 (1.21:1)
	Sector wise total	55,306.31	10,627.82	--	--	65,934.13	3,300.00	10,000.00	3,344.64	46,978.00	25,751.14	72,729.14	1.10:1 (1.21:1)
FINANCE SECTOR													
2	Gujarat State Financial Corporation	4,909.04	--	--	4,002.36	8,911.40	--	12,417.00	--	41,281.80	38,965.86	80,247.66	9.01:1 (9.63:1)
	Sector wise total	4,909.04	--	--	4,002.36	8,911.40	--	12,417.00	--	41,281.80	38,965.86	80,247.66	9.01:1 (9.63:1)
AGRICULTURE AND ALLIED SECTOR													
3	Gujarat State Warehousing Corporation	200.00	200.00	--	--	400.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Sector wise total	200.00	200.00	--	--	400.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
MISCELLANEOUS SECTOR													
4	Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	254.30	--	254.30	--
	Sector wise total	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	254.30	--	254.30	--
	TOTAL (All Working Statutory corporations)	60,415.35	10,827.82	--	4,002.36	75,245.53	3,300.00	22,417.00	3,344.64	88,514.10	64,717.00	1,53,231.1	2.04:1 (2.27:1)
	TOTAL (All Working Government companies and Statutory corporations)	16,64,350.94	13,759.12	58,155.06	7,845.51	17,44,110.63	2,69,792.92	26,312.87	3,29,114.00	1,50,277.17	18,63,254.68	20,13,531.85	0.77:1 (0.92:1)
		3,82,915.90*		4,76,354.18*		8,59,270.08*							

1	2	3(a)	3(b)	3(c)	3(d)	3(e)	4(a)	4(b)	4(c)	4(d)	4(e)	4(f)	5
C NON WORKING COMPANIES													
AGRICULTURE AND ALLIED SECTOR													
1	Gujarat Fisheries Development Corporation Limited	193.77	--	--	--	193.77	--	--	--	228.57	--	228.57	1.18:1 (1.18:1)
2	Gujarat Dairy Development Corporation Limited (b)	1,045.81	--	--	--	1,045.81	--	--	--	11,059.67	21.16	11,080.83	10.60:1 (10.58:1)
	Sector wise total	1,239.58	--	--	--	1,239.58	--	--	--	11,288.24	21.16	11,309.40	9.12:1 (9.11:1)
INDUSTRY SECTOR													
3	Gujarat Small Industries Corporation Limited	378.95	--	--	21.05	400.00	--	40.00	--	867.00	1,442.00	2,309.00	5.77:1 (6.05:1)
	Sector wise total	378.95	--	--	21.05	400.00	--	40.00	--	867.00	1,442.00	2,309.00	5.77:1 (6.05:1)
ELECTRONICS SECTOR													
4	Gujarat Communications and Electronics Limited (b)	1,245.01	--	--	--	1,245.01	--	--	--	90.00	869.26	959.26	0.77:1 (0.77:1)
5	Gujarat Trans-Receivers Limited (Subsidiary of GIIC Limited) (b)	--	--	14.79	14.21	29.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	-- (3.44:1)
	Sector wise total	1,245.01	--	14.79	14.21	1,274.01	--	--	--	90.00	869.26	959.26	0.75:1 (0.83:1)

1	2	3(a)	3(b)	3(c)	3(d)	3(e)	4(a)	4(b)	4(c)	4(d)	4(e)	4(f)	5
TEXTILES SECTOR													
6	Gujarat State Textile Corporation Limited (GSTC Limited) (under liquidation) #	392.50 4,254.23*	--	--	--	392.50 4,254.23*	--	--	--	58,788.29	66.69	58,854.98	12.67:1 (12.67:1)
7	Gujarat Fintex Limited (under liquidation, subsidiary of GSTC Limited)	--	--	Rs.200.00 only	--	Rs.200.00 only	--	--	--	--	0.85	0.85	--
8	Gujarat Siltex Limited (under liquidation, subsidiary of GSTC Limited)	--	--	Rs.200.00 only	--	Rs.200.00 only	--	--	--	--	0.85	0.85	--
9	Gujarat Texfeb Limited (under liquidation, subsidiary of GSTC Limited)	--	--	Rs.200.00 only	--	Rs.200.00 only	--	--	--	--	0.85	0.85	--
Sector wise total		392.50 4,254.23*	--	--	--	392.50 4,254.23*	--	--	--	58,788.29	69.24	58,857.53	12.67:1 (12.67:1)
CONSTRUCTION SECTOR													
10	Gujarat State Construction Corporation Limited	500.00	--	--	--	500.00	--	--	--	776.08	--	776.08	1.55:1 (1.55:1)
Sector wise total		500.00	--	--	--	500.00	--	--	--	776.08	--	776.08	1.55:1 (1.55:1)

1	2	3(a)	3(b)	3(c)	3(d)	3(e)	4(a)	4(b)	4(c)	4(d)	4(e)	4(f)	5
MISCELLANEOUS SECTOR													
11	The Film Development Corporation of Gujarat Limited (b) \$	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
12	Gujarat National Highways Limited	1,000.00	600.00	--	--	1,600.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Sector wise total	1,000.00	600.00	--	--	1,600.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Total (Non working companies)	4,756.04	600.00	14.79	35.26	5,406.09	--	40.00		71,809.61	2,401.66	74,211.27	7.68:1
		4,254.23*				4,254.23*							(7.70:1)
	GRAND TOTAL	16,69,106.98	14,359.12	58,169.85	7,880.77	17,49,516.72	2,69,792.92	26,352.87	3,29,114.00	2,22,086.78	18,65,656.34	20,87,743.12	0.80:1
		3,87,170.13*		4,76,354.18*		8,63,524.31*							(0.94:1)

Except in respect of PSUs which finalised their accounts for 2006-07 (Sl.No.A-6,A-9,A-12,A-16,A-19,A-23,A-24,A-25,A-26,A-28,A-29,A-31,A-32,A-32,A-33,A-35,A-36,A-37,A-4(B-4 and C-2) figures are provisional and as given by the PSUs.

The Company was being wound up with effect from 6 February 1997. Hence latest information as provided by the Liquidator is incorporated.

@ Loans includes bonds, debentures, inter corporate deposits etc. * Represents share application money.

** Represents long term loans only. ^ Indicates Share capital suspense account pending financial restructuring plan of erstwhile Gujarat Electricity Board.

@@ Represent equity deposited by the Government in Company's personal ledger account, but not actual received by the Company.

(b) Information as furnished by Company in earlier years.

\$ The company has shown Nil balance in its latest finalised account in accordance with the requirements of Simplified exit scheme 2005.

ANNEXURE-2

**Summarised financial results of Government companies and Statutory corporations
for the year for which latest accounts were finalised**

(Referred to in paragraphs 1.1, 1.6, 1.7, 1.8, 1.9, 1.11, 1.13, 1.19, 1.20, 1.21, 1.35, 1.36 and 1.38)

(Figures in columns 7 to 12 and 15 are Rupees in lakh)

Sl. No.	Sector and Name of Public Undertaking	Name of Department	Date of incorporation	Period of accounts	Year in which accounts finalised	Net Profit/ Loss (-)	Net impact of Audit comments	Paid-up capital	Accumu-lated Profit/Loss(-)	Capital employed (A)	Total return on capital employed	Percentage of return on capital employed	Arrears of accounts in terms of years	Turnover	No. of Employees as on 31 March 2007
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)
A WORKING GOVERNMENT COMPANIES															
AGRICULTURE AND ALLIED SECTOR															
1	Gujarat Agro Industries Corporation Limited	Agriculture and Co-operation	9 May 1969	2005-06	2006-07	455.78	(-) 43.79	808.25	(-) 915.27	2,189.97	487.91	22.28	1	24,591.17	228
2	Gujarat Sheep and Wool Development Corporation Limited	Agriculture and Co-operation	9 December 1970	2005-06	2006-07	(-) 5.77	--	431.36	(-) 88.19	434.86	(-) 5.66	--	1	176.91	268
3	Gujarat State Seeds Corporation Limited	Agriculture and Co-operation	16 April 1975	2005-06	2006-07	780.81	--	323.00	2,328.08	2,791.21	780.81	27.97	1	4,473.67	215
4	Gujarat State Land Development Corporation Limited	Agriculture and Co-operation	28 March 1978	2004-05	2006-07	(-) 382.54	--	586.71 0.35*	(-) 10,081.19	(-) 7,886.15	(-) 181.35	--	2	10,109.30	1,040
Sector wise total						848.28	(-) 43.79	2,149.32 0.35*	(-) 8,756.57	(-) 2,470.11	1,081.71	--		39,351.05	1,751

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)
INDUSTRY SECTOR															
5	Gujarat State Petroleum Corporation Limited (GSPC Limited)	Energy and Petrochemicals	29 January 1978	2005-06	2006-07	32,305.00	--	10,561.11	92,503.00	1,26,666.00	32,309.00	25.51	1	1,76,640.00	174
6	GSPC (JPDA) Limited (Subsidiary of GSPC Limited)	Energy and Petrochemicals	13 October 2006	2006-07	2007-08	**	Under process	5.01	**	2.40	**	--	--	--	NF
Sector wise total						32,305.00	--	10,566.12	92,503.00	1,26,668.40	32,309.00	25.51		1,76,640.00	174
HANDLOOM AND HANDICRAFT SECTOR															
7	Gujarat State Handloom and Handicraft Development Corporation Limited	Industries and Mines	10 August 1973	2004-05	2006-07	(-) 377.53	--	1,205.53	(-) 4,363.23	(-) 1,203.08	(-) 230.92	--	2	696.42	213
Sector wise total						(-) 377.53	--	1,205.53	(-) 4,363.23	(-) 1,203.08	(-) 230.92	--		696.42	213
FOREST SECTOR															
8	Gujarat State Forest Development Corporation Limited	Forest and Environment	20 August 1976	2005-06	2006-07	175.37	--	631.65	1,317.48	2,532.80	176.77	6.98	1	1,819.24	248
Sector wise total						175.37	--	631.65	1,317.48	2,532.80	176.77	6.98	--	1,819.24	248

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)
MINING SECTOR															
9	Gujarat Mineral Development Corporation Limited	Industries and Mines	15 May 1963	2006-07	2007-08	18,250.18	185.00	3,180.00	80,693.28	1,88,168.08	25,620.70	13.62	--	58,895.65	2,963
Sector wise total						18,250.18	185.00	3,180.00	80,693.28	1,88,168.08	25,620.70	13.62	--	58,895.65	2,963
CONSTRUCTION SECTOR															
10	Gujarat State Police Housing Corporation Limited	Home	1 November 1988	2004-05	2006-07	--	--	5,000.00	##	5,000.00	##	--	2	--	184
11	Gujarat State Road Development Corporation Limited	Roads and Building	12 May 1999	2005-06	2006-07	233.95	--	500.00 100.00*	33.04	948.30	233.95	24.67	1	278.11	9
Sector wise total						233.95	--	5,500.00 100.00*	33.04	5,948.30	233.95	3.93	--	278.11	193
AREA DEVELOPMENT SECTOR															
12	Gujarat State Rural Development Corporation Limited	Panchayat Rural Housing and Rural Development	7 July 1977	2006-07	2007-08	16.71	1.03	58.00	(-) 183.24	-125.15	16.71	--	--	18.76	181
13	Gujarat Growth Centres Development Corporation Limited	Industries and Mines	11 December 1992	2005-06	2006-07	26.74	--	3,635.00	(-) 13.00	3,633.72	26.74	0.74	1	117.14	5
14	Gujarat Urban Development Company Limited	Urban Development and Urban Housing	27 May 1999	2005-06	2006-07	18.39	--	2,093.00	148.93	2,240.84	18.39	0.82	1	41.74	42
Sector wise total						61.84	1.03	5,786.00	(-) 47.31	5,749.41	61.84	1.08	--	177.64	228

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)
DEVELOPMENT OF ECONOMICALLY WEAKER SECTION SECTOR															
15	Gujarat Women Economic Development Corporation Limited	Women and Child Development	16 August 1988	2004-05	2006-07	(-) 54.11	--	702.05	\$	761.38	(-) 54.11	--	2	--	30
16	Gujarat Minorities Finance and Development Corporation Limited	Social Justice and Empowerment	24 September 1999	2006-07	2007-08	(-) 100.38	--	155.00	(-) 208.03	3,336.34	39.74	1.19	--	300.84	13
17	Gujarat Gopalak Development Corporation Limited	Social Justice and Empowerment	18 May 2001	2003-04	2004-05	2.58	0.03	5.00 20.00*	14.89	262.12	12.38	4.72	3	--	6
18	Gujarat Safai Kamdar Vikas Nigam Limited	Social Justice and Empowerment	24 October 2001	2005-06	2006-07	111.68	--	100.01 50.00*	184.93	1,384.32	145.99	10.55	1	--	11
19	Gujarat Thakor and Koli Vikas Nigam	Social Justice and Empowerment	19 September 2003	2006-07	2007-08	8.57	Under process	--	23.36	236.06	8.57	3.63	--	--	3
Sector wise total						(-) 31.66	0.03	962.06 70.00*	15.15	5,980.22	152.57	2.55	--	300.84	63
PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION SECTOR															
20	Gujarat State Civil Supplies Corporation Limited	Food and Civil Supplies	26 September 1980	2005-06	2006-07	631.42	(-) 67.11	1,000.00	118.48	4,184.00	698.41	16.69	1	83,873.67	1,801
Sector wise total						631.42	(-) 67.11	1,000.00	118.48	4,184.00	698.41	16.69		83,873.67	1,801

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)
TOURISM SECTOR															
21	Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Limited	Industries and Mines	10 June 1975	2005-06	2006-07	(-) 86.31	--	1,999.91	(-) 2,441.96	4,572.72	(-) 72.82	--	1	504.02	379
Sector wise total						(-) 86.31	--	1,999.91	(-) 2,441.96	4,572.72	(-) 72.82	--	--	504.02	379
POWER AND WATER RESOURCES SECTOR															
22	Gujarat Water Resources Development Corporation Limited	Narmada, Water Resources, Water Supply and Kalpsar	3 May 1971	2004-05	2005-06	333.91	--	3,148.61	(-) 2,549.74	32,219.96	343.68	1.07	2	3,069.20	3,750
23	Sardar Sarovar Narmada Nigam Limited	Narmada, Water Resources, Water Supply and Kalpsar	24 March 1988	2006-07	2007-08	**	--	12,44,186.01	**	18,30,353.00	**	--	--	--	5,753
								3,67,491.90*							
24	Gujarat Power Corporation Limited	Energy and Petrochemicals	28 June 1990	2006-07	2007-08	2,545.94	Under process	21,957.57	29,128.00	33,886.38	2,545.94	7.51	--	2,555.10	27
25	Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Limited (Subsidiary of GUVN Limited)	Energy and Petrochemicals	12 August 1993	2006-07	2007-08	50,748.79	175.00	57,330.01	35,054.05	5,33,175.37	77,516.76	14.54	--	5,31,146.86	8,499
								1,33,168.94^							
26	Gujarat Energy Transmission Corporation Limited (Subsidiary of GUVN Limited)	Energy and Petrochemicals	19 May 1999	2006-07	2007-08	3,414.63	--	45.01	5,524.50	3,85,739.23	19,206.30	4.98	--	68,185.63	11,782
								1,55,706.64^							
27	Gujarat Water Infrastructure Limited	Narmada, Water Resources and Water Supply	25 October 1999	2005-06	2006-07	56.17	284.68	5,992.00	(-) 1,910.94	44,946.93	1,918.24	4.27	1	3,132.67	18
								1,000.00*							
28	Dashin Gujarat Vij Company Limited (Subsidiary of GUVN Limited)	Energy and Petrochemicals	15 September 2003	2006-07	2007-08	3,827.28	Under process	5.01	3,031.66	1,09,069.27	11,260.86	10.32	--	3,13,846.41	4,997
								29,158.37^							
29	Madhya Gujarat Vij Company Limited (Subsidiary of GUVN Limited)	Energy and Petrochemicals	15 September 2003	2006-07	2007-08	2,847.30	Under process	5.01	3,436.34	92,086.45	8,445.94	9.17	--	1,71,631.47	5,746
								26,790.01^							
30	Paschim Gujarat Vij Company Limited (Subsidiary of GUVN Limited)	Energy and Petrochemicals	15 September 2003	2005-06	2006-07	765.34	--	5.01	2,668.32	2,23,886.43	15,713.70	7.02	2	2,52,382.06	8,805
								86,963.53^							

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)
31	Uttar Gujarat Vij Company Limited (Subsidiary of GUVN Limited)	Energy and Petrochemicals	15 September 2003	2006-07	2007-08	1,497.10	Under process	5.01 44,358.59 [^]	1,873.13	1,53,125.97	11,274.94	7.36	--	2,24,115.39	6,953
32	Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam Limited (GUVN Limited)	Energy and Petrochemicals	22 December 2004	2006-07	2007-08	(-) 3,176.47	Under process	2,25,182.27 13,324.00*	(-) 62,798.38	(-) 85,034.62	14,579.40	--	--	11,83,925.88	306
33	GSPC Pipavav Power Company Limited (Subsidiary of GSPC Limited)	Energy and Petrochemicals	22 February 2006	2006-07	2007-08	**	Under process	5.00 209.04*	**	206.26	**	--	--	--	7
Sector wise total						62,859.99	459.68	15,57,866.52 858,171.02	13,456.94	33,53,660.63	1,62,805.76	4.85	--	27,53,990.67	56,643
FINANCE SECTOR															
34	Gujarat Industrial Investment Corporation Limited (GIIC Limited)	Industries and Mines	12 August 1968	2005-06	2006-07	4,234.67	--	25,697.77	(-) 19,208.32	58,946.57	6,012.28	10.20	1	18,261.78	124
35	Gujarat State Investments Limited	Finance	29 January 1988	2006-07	2007-08	4,470.43	--	44,276.91	10,937.46	56,595.34	6,379.74	11.27	--	6,907.48	6
36	Gujarat State Financial Services Limited (GSFS Limited)	Finance	20 November 1992	2006-07	2007-08	4,055.34	--	2,628.00	9,690.19	3,40,016.71	26,399.38	7.76	--	26,531.62	18
37	GSFS Capital and Securities Limited (Subsidiary of GSFS Limited)	Finance	3 March 1998	2006-07	2007-08	72.12	--	500.00	600.39	1,089.63	72.12	6.62	--	106.97	2
38	Infrastructure Finance Company Gujarat Limited (Subsidiary of GIIC Limited)	Finance	3 February 2000	2005-06	2006-07	1.52	--	250.00	(-) 118.29	250.00	1.67	0.67	1	--	NIL
Sector wise total						12,834.08	--	73,352.68	1,901.43	4,56,898.24	38,865.19	8.51	--	51,807.85	150

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)
MISCELLANEOUS SECTOR															
39	Gujarat Rural Industries Marketing Corporation Limited	Industries and Mines	16 May 1979	2005-06	2006-07	28.61	--	917.44	-7.04	1,340.50	64.68	4.83	1	1,211.02	82
40	Alcock Ashdown (Gujarat) Limited	Industries and Mines	5 September 1994	2006-07	2007-08	1,621.94	--	1,600.00	1,182.65	5,314.37	2,071.47	38.98	--	8,946.95	227
41	Gujarat Informatics Limited	Science and Technology	19 February 1999	2005-06	2006-07	240.52	--	1,851.44	238.31	2,567.29	429.57	16.73	1	2,114.18	39
Sector wise total						1,891.07	--	4,368.88	1,413.92	9,222.16	2,565.72	27.82	--	12,272.15	348
Total - A (Working Government Companies)						1,29,595.68	533.81	16,68,638.68	1,75,843.65	41,59,911.77	2,64,267.88	6.35	--	31,80,607.31	65,154
B WORKING STATUTORY CORPORATIONS															
TRANSPORT SECTOR															
1	Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation	Ports and Transport	1 May 1960	2004-05	2006-07	(-) 12,455.89	(-) 2,442.33	60,865.13 1786.50#	(-) 1,24,233.68	4,077.30	(-) 5,016.98	--	2	1,32,097.38	47,580
Sector wise total						(-) 12,455.89	(-) 2,442.33	60,865.13	(-) 1,24,233.68	4,077.30	(-) 5,016.98	--	--	1,32,097.38	47,580
FINANCING SECTOR															
2	Gujarat State Financial Corporation	Industries and Mines	1 May 1960	2005-06	2006-07	(-) 1200.67	Under process	8,911.40	(-) 88,429.46	1,13,154.30	6,116.57	5.41	1	7,262.81	433
Sector wise total						(-) 1,200.67		8,911.40	(-) 88,429.46	1,13,154.30	6,116.57	5.41	--	7,262.81	433

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)
AGRICULTURE AND ALLIED SECTOR															
3	Gujarat State Warehousing Corporation	Agriculture and Co-operation	5 December 1960	2005-06	2006-07	415.39	11.52	400.00	1.03	837.19	415.39	49.62	1	916.77	175
Sector wise total						415.39	11.52	400.00	1.03	837.19	415.39	49.62	--	916.77	175
MISCELLANEOUS SECTOR															
4	Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation	Industries and Mines	4 August 1962	2006-07	2007-08	7,938.06	Under process	--	26,816.86	2,13,829.67	7,980.05	3.73	--	22,918.76	1846
Sector wise total						7,938.06		--	26,816.86	2,13,829.67	7,980.05	3.73	--	22,918.76	1,846
Total - B (Working Statutory Corporations)						(-) 5,303.11	(-) 2,430.81	70,176.53	(-) 1,85,845.25	3,31,898.46	9,495.03	2.86	--	1,63,195.72	50,034
Grand total (A+B)						1,24,292.57	(-) 1,897.00	17,38,815.21	(-) 10,001.60	44,91,810.23	2,73,762.91	6.10	--	33,43,803.03	1,15,188
C NON-WORKING GOVERNMENT COMPANIES															
AGRICULTURE AND ALLIED SECTOR															
1	Gujarat Fisheries Development Corporation Limited	Agriculture and Co-operation	17 December 1971	1998-99	2002-03	(-) 104.91	--	193.77	(-) 400.87	87.38	(-) 93.59	--	8	2,813.01	--
2	Gujarat Dairy Development Corporation Limited@	Agriculture and Co-operation	29 March 1973	2006-07	2007-08	(-) 16.57	--	1,045.81	(-) 12,121.79	87.38	(-) 1.38	--	--	--	8
Sector wise total						(-) 121.48		1,239.58	(-) 12,522.66	174.76	(-) 94.97	--	--	2,813.01	8

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)
INDUSTRY SECTOR															
3	Gujarat Small Industries Corporation Limited	Industries and Mines	26 March 1962	2005-06	2006-07	(-) 370.64	--	400.00	(-) 7,053.96	358.11	(-) 6.81	--	1	--	3
Sector wise total						(-) 370.64		400.00	(-) 7 053.96	358.11	(-) 6.81	--	--	--	3
ELECTRONICS SECTOR															
4	Gujarat Communications and Electronics Limited	Industries and Mines	30 May 1975	2001-02\$\$	2002-03	(-) 3,412.98	--	1,245.01	(-) 10,473.66	882.59	(-) 3,013.29	--	Under liquidation since 2003	557.01	--
5	Gujarat Trans-Receiver Limited (Subsidiary of GHC)	Industries and Mines	26 March 1981	2004-05	2005-06	(-) 0.92	--	29.00	(-) 596.29	(-) 392.96	(-) 0.92	--	2	--	--
Sector wise total						(-) 34,13.90		1,274.01	(-) 11,069.95	489.63	(-) 3,014.21	--	--	557.01	--
TEXTILES SECTOR															
6	Gujarat State Textile Corporation Limited (GSTC)	Industries and Mines	30 November 1968	1996-97	@@	(-) 29,755.34	--	392.50	(-)90,855	(-)24,162.81	(-) 24,880.57	--	Under liquidation since 1997	756.60	--
7	Gujarat Fintex Limited (Subsidiary of GSTC)	Industries and Mines	20 September 1992	1994-95	1995-96	(-) 0.08	--	Rs.200.00 only	(-) 0.17	(-) 0.01	(-) 0.08	--	Under liquidation since 1997	--	--
8	Gujarat Siltex Limited (Subsidiary of GSTC)	Industries and Mines	20 September 1992	1994-95	1995-96	(-) 0.08	--	Rs.200.00 only	(-) 0.18	(-) 0.02	(-) 0.08	--	Under liquidation since 1997	--	--
9	Gujarat Texfab Limited (Subsidiary of GSTC)	Industries and Mines	20 September 1992	1994-95	1995-96	(-) 0.08	--	Rs.200.00 only	(-) 0.18	(-) 0.02	(-) 0.08	--	Under liquidation since 1997	--	--
Sector wise total						(-) 29,755.58	--	392.50 4,254.23*	(-) 90,855.53	(-) 24,162.86	(-) 24,880.81	--	--	756.60	--

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)
CONSTRUCTION SECTOR															
10	Gujarat State Construction Corporation Limited	Roads and Buildings	16 December 1974	2005-06	2006-07	(-) 182.05	--	500.00	(-) 3,524.18	179.95	(-) 97.74	--	--	3,722.62	7
Sector wise total						(-) 182.05	--	500.00	(-) 3,524.18	179.95	(-) 97.74	--	--	3,722.62	7
MISCELLANEOUS SECTOR															
11	The Film Development Corporation of Gujarat Limited (B)	Information and Broadcasting	4 February 1984	2004-05	2005-06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
12	Gujarat National Highways Limited	Roads and Buildings	8 July 1997	2002-03	2005-06	130.34	--	1,600.00	446.71	2,050.71	130.34	6.36	1	--	NF
Sector wise total						130.34	--	1,600.00	446.71	2,050.71	130.34	6.36	--	--	NF
Total - C (Non-working Government Companies)						(-) 33,713.31	--	5,406.09	(-) 1,24,579.57	(-) 20,909.70	(-) 27,964.20	--	--	7,849.24	18
Grand total (A+B+C)						90,579.26	(-) 1,897.00	17,44,221.30	(-) 1,34,581.17	44,70,900.53	2,45,798.71	5.50	--	33,51,652.27	1,15,206
								8,62,595.60							
								1,786.50#							

- (A) Capital employed represents net fixed assets (including capital works-in-progress) plus working capital except in case of finance companies/corporations where the capital employed is worked out as a mean of aggregate of the opening and closing balances of paid-up capital, free reserves, bonds, deposits and borrowings (including refinance).
- (B) The Company has applied to Registrar of companies for striking off the name under the simplified exit scheme-2005.
- * Indicates Share application money.
- ^ Indicates Share capital suspense account pending financial restructuring plan of erstwhile Gujarat Electricity Board.
- ** Indicates the PSU is under construction.

- @@' Indicates the PSU is under liquidation and provisional figures.
- \$\$ Indicates results of the Company for six months.
- NF : Information not furnished by the Company.
- # Capital loan from Central Government.
- @ Indicates the PSU declared sick by BIFR.
- \$ Excess of income transferred to non-plan grant.
- ## Capitalised.

ANNEXURE-3

Statement showing grants and subsidy received/receivable, guarantees received, waiver of dues, loans on which moratorium allowed and loans converted into equity during the year and guarantee outstanding at the end of March 2007

(Referred to in paragraphs 1.5, 1.11 and 1.17)

Sl. No.	Name of the Public Sector Undertaking	Subsidy/ Grants received during the year				Guarantees received during the year and outstanding at the end of the year*					Waiver of dues during the year				Loans on which moratorium allowed	Loan converted into equity during the year
		Central Government	State Government	Others	Total	Cash Credit from banks	Loan from other sources	Letter of credit opened by banks in respect of import	Payment obligation under agreement with foreign consultants or contracts	Total	Loan Repayment written off	Interest waived	Penal interest waived	Total		
1	2	3(a)	3(b)	3(c)	3(d)	4(a)	4(b)	4(c)	4(d)	4(e)	5(a)	5(b)	5(c)	5(d)	6	7
A WORKING COMPANIES																
1	Gujarat Agro Industries Corporation Limited	168.00	5,850.06	--	6,018.06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
2	Gujarat Sheep and Wool Development Corporation Limited	--	347.30	50.00	397.30	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
3	Gujarat State Land Development Corporation Limited	5,781.80	12,676.29	--	18,458.09	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
4	Gujarat State Handloom and Handicrafts Development Corporation Limited	--	379.00	--	379.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
5	Gujarat State Forest Development Corporation Limited	--	150.00	--	150.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
6	Gujarat State Police Housing Corporation Limited	--	15,148.00	--	15,148.00	(898.21)	--	--	--	(898.21)	--	--	--	--	--	--

Annexure

1	2	3(a)	3(b)	3(c)	3(d)	4(a)	4(b)	4(c)	4(d)	4(e)	5(a)	5(b)	5(c)	5(d)	6	7
7	Gujarat State Rural Development Corporation Limited	--	50.00	--	50.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
8	Gujarat Women Economic Development Corporation Limited	1.78	738.75	244.30	984.83	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
9	Gujarat Minorities Finance and Development Corporation Limited	--	10.00	--	10.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
10	Gujarat Gopalak Development Corporation Limited	--	46.25	--	46.25	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
11	Gujarat Safai Kamdar Vikas Nigam Limited	--	1,625.00	--	1,625.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
12	Gujarat Thakor and Koli Vikas Nigam	--	15.00	--	15.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
13	Gujarat State Civil Supplies Corporation Limited	--	16.00	--	16.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
14	Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Limited	578.28	4,059.45	--	4,637.73	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
15	Gujarat Water Resources Development Corporation Limited	--	3,800.00	--	3,800.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
16	Sardar Sarovar Narmada Nigam Limited	--	--	--	--	--	59,700.00	--	--	59,700.00	--	--	--	--	--	--
17	Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Limited (Subsidiary of GUVN Ltd.)	--	3,471.00	--	3,471.00	--	(527,742.35)	(39,983.68)	(567,726.03)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
							(177.16)		(177.16)							

1	2	3(a)	3(b)	3(c)	3(d)	4(a)	4(b)	4(c)	4(d)	4(e)	5(a)	5(b)	5(c)	5(d)	6	7
B Working Statutory Corporations																
1	Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation	--	35,600.00	--	35,600.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
										(34,220.00)						
2	Gujarat State Financial Corporation	--	6.98	--	6.98	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
										(16,839.50)						
3	Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation	5,114.95	4,335.33	--	9,450.28	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
										(14.21)						
	Total (All working Statutory Corporations)	5,114.95	39,942.31	--	45,057.26	--	0.00	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Total (All working Government Companies and Corporations)	41,416.43	296,628.60	294.30	338,339.33	--	(51,073.71)	--	--	(51,073.71)	--	--	--	--	--	62,306.07
						(5,210.71)	(902,418.59)			(56,983.68)	(964,612.98)					
C NON-WORKING COMPANIES																
1	Gujarat Communications and Electronics Limited (b)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
										(4,000.00)						
2	Gujarat State Construction Corporation Limited	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
						(270.00)				(270.00)						
	Total (All non-working Government Companies)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
						(270.00)	(4,000.00)			(4270.00)						
	GRAND TOTAL	41,416.43	296,628.60	294.30	338,339.33	--	59,700.00	--	--	59,700.00	--	--	--	--	--	62,306.07
						(5,480.71)	(906,418.59)			(56,983.68)	(968,882.98)					

* Figure in bracket indicate guarantees outstanding at the end of the year

Except in respect of PSUs which finalised their accounts for 2006-07 (Sl.No.A-7,A-9,A-12,A-16,A-25,A-18,A-20,A-21 and B-3) figures are provisional and as given by the PSUs.

ANNEXURE - 4

Statement showing financial position of Statutory Corporations

(Referred to in paragraph 1.7)

1. Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation			
(Rupees in crore)			
Particulars	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
A. Liabilities			
Capital (including capital loan & equity capital)	588.72	608.83	626.52
Borrowings (Government:-)	---	---	---
(Others:-)	612.99	617.85	654.07
Funds*	1.42	1.71	2.52
Trade dues and other current liabilities (including provisions)	391.21	409.28	478.43
Total - A	1,594.34	1,637.67	1,761.54
B. Assets			
Gross Block	643.83	640.94	617.45
Less: Depreciation	483.86	543.72	552.52
Net fixed assets	159.97	97.22	64.93
Capital works-in-progress (including cost of chassis)	---	--	--
Investments	---	--	--
Current assets, loans and advances	431.70	447.00	454.27
Deferred Cost	---	--	--
Accumulated losses	1,002.67	1,093.45	1242.34
Total - B	1,594.34	1,637.67	1,761.54
C. Capital employed##	200.46	134.94	40.77

2. Gujarat State Financial Corporation			
(Rupees in crore)			
Particulars	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
A. Liabilities			
Paid-up capital	89.11	89.11	89.11
Forfeited Shares	9.21	9.21	4.60
Reserve fund and other reserves and surplus	92.08	89.46	253.65
Borrowings:			
(i) Bonds and debentures	530.26	359.27	238.11
(ii) Fixed Deposits	0.13	0.13	0.13
(iii) Industrial Development Bank of India & Small Industries Development Bank of India	588.89	588.85	331.37
(iv) Loan in lieu of share capital:			
(a) State Government	6.03	6.03	6.03
(b) Industrial Development Bank of India	--	--	--
(v) Other (including State Government)	106.42	232.83	322.12
Other liabilities and provisions	127.58	172.58	123.39
Total - A	1,549.71	1,547.47	1,368.51
B. Assets			
Cash and Bank balances	10.45	21.06	14.75
Investments	11.62	9.63	8.85
Loans and Advances	744.07	604.82	411.18
Net fixed assets	21.22	19.67	18.94
Other assets	752.35	887.76	897.77
Miscellaneous expenditure	10.00	4.53	17.02
Total - B	1,549.71	1,547.47	1,368.51
C. Capital employed**	1,425.23	1,398.51	1,131.55

3. Gujarat State Warehousing Corporation (Rupees in crore)

Particulars	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
A. Liabilities			
Paid-up-capital	4.00	4.00	4.00
Reserves and surplus	3.82	3.84	4.37
Trade dues and current liabilities (including provisions)	5.62	4.60	2.64
Total - A	13.44	12.44	11.01
B. Assets			
Gross Block	7.68	8.86	8.90
Less: Depreciation	3.30	3.54	3.94
Net fixed assets	4.38	5.32	4.96
Capital works-in-progress	1.14	--	--
Current assets, loans and advances	2.99	4.24	6.05
Accumulated losses	4.93	2.88	--
Total - B	13.44	12.44	11.01
C. Capital employed ##	2.89	4.96	8.37

4 Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation (Rupees in crore)

Particulars	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
A. Liabilities			
Loans	4.89	4.86	4.86
Subsidy from Government	14.31	97.55	141.80
Reserves and surplus	466.97	508.79	588.17
Receipts on capital account	1,136.53	1,306.34	1624.23
Current liabilities and provisions (including deposits)	335.59	372.30	421.64
Total - A	1,958.29	2,289.84	2,780.70
B. Assets			
Gross block	21.29	22.05	22.72
Less: Depreciation	10.75	11.46	12.34
Net fixed assets	10.54	10.59	10.38
Works-in-progress	0.28	33.14	56.35
Capital expenditure on development of industrial estates etc.	927.19	972.48	1060.98
Investments	161.39	162.35	135.79
Other assets	858.89	1,111.28	1517.20
Miscellaneous expenditure	--	--	--
Total - B	1,958.29	2,289.84	2,780.70
C. Capital employed***	1,577.23	1,770.12	2,138.30

* Excluding depreciation funds.

Capital employed represents the net fixed assets (including capital works-in-progress) plus working capital

** Capital employed represents the mean of the aggregate of opening and closing balances of paid up capital, loans in lieu of capital, seed money, debentures, reserves (other than those which have been funded specifically and backed by investments outside), bonds, deposits and borrowings (including refinance)

*** Capital employed represents the mean of aggregate of opening and closing balances of reserves and surplus, subsidy from Government borrowings and receipt on capital account.

ANNEXURE - 5

Statement showing working results of Statutory Corporations

(Referred to in paragraph 1.7)

1. Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation

(Rupees in crore)

Sl.No.	Particulars	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
1	Operating			
	(a) Revenue	1,271.77	1,340.17	1,320.97
	(b) Expenditure	1,430.37	1,427.24	1,420.26
	(c) Surplus (+)/Deficit(-)	(-)158.60	(-) 87.07	(-) 99.29
2	Non-operating			
	(a) Revenue	36.47	75.23	49.73
	(b) Expenditure	65.12	78.93	75.00
	(c) Surplus(+)/Deficit(-)	(-)28.65	(-) 3.70	(-) 25.27
3	Total			
	(a) Revenue	1,308.24	1,415.40	1,370.70
	(b) Expenditure	1,495.49	1,506.17	1,495.26
	(c) Net Profit(+)/Loss(-)	(-)187.25	(-) 90.77	(-) 124.56
	Interest on capital and loans	64.82	78.51	74.39
	Total return on Capital employed	(-)122.43	(-) 12.26	(-) 50.17

2. Gujarat State Financial Corporation

(Rupees in crore)

Sl.No.	Particulars	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
1	Income			
	(a) Interest on loans	41.05	61.78	72.63
	(b) Interest-sacrifice on restructuring	--	--	111.47
	(c) Other income	7.88	2.89	1.53
	Total - 1	48.93	64.67	185.63
2	Expenses			
	(a) Interest on long-term and short-term loans	120.85	113.39	73.17
	(b) Other expenses	86.56	89.50	124.46
	Total-2	207.41	202.89	197.63
3	Profit before tax (1-2)	(-)158.47	(-) 138.22	(-) 12.01
4	Provision for tax			
5	Profit(+)/ Loss (-) after tax	(-)158.47	(-) 138.22	(-) 12.01
6	Provision for non performing assets	50.10	25.85	(-) 18.65
7	Total return on Capital employed	(-)37.62	(-) 24.83	61.17
8	Percentage of return on Capital employed	--	--	5.41

3. Gujarat State Warehousing Corporation

(Rupees in crore)

Sl.No.	Particulars	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
	Income			
1	(a) Warehousing charges	2.10	3.32	9.17
	(b) Other income	0.14	3.12	0.38
	Total-1	2.24	6.44	9.55
	Expenses			
2	(a) Establishment charges	3.08	2.79	3.24
	(b) Other expenses	0.58	1.19	2.41
	Total-2	3.66	3.98	5.65
3	Profit(+)/ Loss (-) before tax	(-)1.42	2.46	3.90
4	Provision for tax	--	0.13	0.28
5	Prior period adjustments	0.04	0.27	0.12
6	Other appropriations	0.02	0.02	0.54
7	Amount available for dividend	--	--	2.96
8	Dividend for the year	--	--	0.40
9	Total return on capital employed	(-)1.42	2.46	4.15
10	Percentage of return on capital employed	--	49.67	49.62

4. Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation

(Rupees in crore)

Sl.No.	Particulars	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
1	Revenue Receipts	179.09	191.39	229.19
2	Net expenditure after capitalisation	177.70	149.58	149.81
3	Excess of income over expenditure	1.39	41.81	79.38
4	Provision for replacement, renewals and for additional liability	--	--	--
5	Net surplus	1.39	4.18	79.38
6	Total return on capital employed	2.26	42.24	79.80
7	Percentage of return on capital employed	0.14	2.39	3.73

Represents profit of current year available for dividend after considering the specific reserves and provision for taxation.

ANNEXURE -6

Statement showing operational performance of Statutory Corporations

(Referred to in paragraph 1.12)

1. Gujarat State Road Transport Corporation

Particulars	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
Average number of vehicles held	9,336	9,042	8,473
Average number of vehicles on road	7,793	7,729	7,113
No. of Employees	58,324	52,111	49,956
Employee vehicle ratio	7.48	6.74	7.02
Percentage of utilisation of vehicles	83.47	85.50	83.94
Number of routes operated at the end of the year	18,507	17,275	16,217
Route kilometres	11,26,944	11,07,360	11,28,000
Kilometres operated (in lakh)			
(a) Gross	10,294.21	10,215.91	9,330.81
(b) Effective	10,199.21	10,126.16	9,250.79
(c) Dead	95.00	89.75	80.02
Percentage of dead kilometres to gross kilometres	0.93	0.89	0.86
Average kilometres covered per bus per day	361.40	360.80	359.39
Operating revenue per kilometre (Paise)	1,246.94	1,323.48	1,427.96
Average expenditure per kilometre (Paise)	1,402.44	1,409.47	1,535.29
Profit(+)/Loss(-) per kilometre (Paise)	(-)155.50	(-)85.99	(-)107.34
Number of operating depots	140	138	132
Average number of break-down per lakh kilometres	10.30	11.70	13.30
Average number of accidents per lakh kilometres	0.16	0.16	0.15
Passenger kilometre operated (in crore)	3,464.96	2,933.64	2,726.04
Occupancy ratio	67.47	56.75	57.60
Kilometres obtained per litre of:			
(a) Diesel Oil	5.30	5.24	5.02
(b) Engine Oil	2,391	1,420	1,047

2. Gujarat State Warehousing Corporation

Particulars	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
Number of stations covered	49	61	72
Storage capacity created upto the end of the year (tonne in lakh)			
(a) Owned	1.35	1.29	1.29
(b) Hired	0.17	0.98	0.84
Total	1.52	2.27	2.13
Average capacity utilised during the year (tonne in lakh)	0.94	2.05	1.76
Percentage utilisation	61.84	90.31	82.63
Average revenue per tonne per year (Rupees)	238.06	314.60	547.43
Average expenses per tonne per year (Rupees)	388.63	194.29	348.94
Profit (+)/Loss (-) per tonne (Rupees)	(-) 150.57	120.31	198.49

3. Gujarat State Financial Corporation

Particulars	2003-04		2004-05		2005-06	
	Number	Amount (Rupees in crore)	Number	Amount (Rupees in crore)	Number	Amount (Rupees in crore)
Applications pending at the beginning of the year	31	49.03	--	--	--	--
Applications received	--	--	--	--	--	--
Total	31	49.03	--	--	--	--
Applications sanctioned	--	--	--	--	--	--
Applications cancelled/withdrawn/ rejected/ reduced	--	--	--	--	--	--
Applications pending at the close of the year	--	--	--	--	--	--
Loans disbursed	31	3.11	--	--	--	--
Loan outstanding at the close of the year	--	737.54	--	604.82	--	728.43
Amount overdue for recovery at the close of the year						
(a) Principal	--	638.21	--	666.82	--	512.83
(b) Interest	--	1,212.03	--	1,298.29	--	1,902.48
Total	--	1,850.24	--	1,965.11	--	2,415.31
Percentage of overdue to the total loans outstanding	--	250.87	--	324.91	--	331.57

4. Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation

Particulars	2004-05*	2005-06	2006-07
Number of estates	237	244	245
Area (in hectares)			
(a) Acquired	26,096	25,944	26,331
(b) Developed	17,765	17,268	17,381*
(c) Allotted	12,524	12,836	16,129*
Sheds			
(a) Constructed	12,332	12,284	12,284*
(b) Allotted	11,873	11,895	12,073*
Housing Quarters			
(a) Constructed	12,868	12,876	12,876
(b) Allotted	11,198	11,211	12,062
Percentage of			
(a) Area developed to area acquired	68.07	66.55	66.00
(b) Area allotted to area developed	70.49	74.33	92.79
(c) Sheds allotted to sheds constructed	96.27	96.83	98.28
(d) Quarters allotted to quarters constructed	87.02	87.07	93.67

* The figures are provisional.

ANNEXURE-7

Statement showing paid-up capital, investment and summarised working results of 619-B Companies as per their latest finalised accounts

(Referred to in paragraph 1.39)

(Figures in column 5 to 19 are Rupees in lakh)

Sl. No.	Name of company	Status (working/non-working)	Year of account	Paid-up capital	Equity by *			Loans by			Grants by			Total investment by way of equity, loans and grants			Profit (+)/ Loss (-)	Accumulated profit(+)/ loss(-)
					State Government	State Government PSUs	Central Government and their PSUs	State Government	State Government PSUs	Central Government and their PSUs	State Government	State Government PSUs	Central Government and their PSUs	State Government	State Government PSUs	Central Government and their PSUs		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)
1	Gujarat State Machine Tools Limited	Non-working	2006-07	52.29	--	20.84 (38.92)	20.85 (38.94)	--	264.22	--	--	--	--	--	285.06	20.85	(+) 8.27	(-) 254.54
2	Gujarat Leather Industries Limited	Under liquidation	2001-02	150.00	--	76.50 (51.00)	--	21.42	184.35	--	--	--	--	21.42	260.85	--	(-) 78.76	(-) 665.95
3	Gujarat Ports Infrastructure and Development Company Limited	Working	2005-06	1,800.00	--	1,800.00 (100)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1,800.00	--	(-) 17.50	(-) 52.10
4	Gujarat State Fertilizers and Chemicals Limited	Working	2006-07	7,969.55	--	3,116.12 (39.10)	1,313.73 (16.48)	--	--	--	508.19	--	--	508.19	3,116.12	1,313.73	(+) 41,578.76	(+) 1,05,120.86
5	Gujarat Industrial and Technical Consultancy Limited	Working	2006-07	20.00	--	10.80 (29.00)	30.00 (40.00)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	10.80	30.00	(+) 1.57	(+) 29.54
6	Gujarat State Energy Generation Limited	Working	2006-07	16,148.00	--	8,697.00 (55.85)	6,951.00 (43.05)	--	--	17,334.46	--	--	--	--	8,697.00	24,285.46	(+) 3,083.64	(+) 3,195.03
7	Gujarat State Petronet Limited	Working	2006-07	54,280.35	--	27,424.33 (50.52)	2,769.10 (5.10)	--	--	77,905.52	--	--	--	--	27,424.33	80,674.62	(+) 13,691.40	(+) 10,447.41

In respect of Sl. No. 2 and 3; the information in columns 5 to 17 pertains to previous years as provided by the companies.

* Figures in brackets indicate percentage.

ANNEXURE 8

Statement showing emporia wise sale targets and achievements during 2002-07

(Referred to in paragraph 2.2.8)
(Rupees in lakh)

Emporia	2002-03			2003-04			2004-05			2005-06			2006-07			Total 2003-07	
	Target	Achievement	Per cent of achievement	Target	Achievement	Per cent of achievement	Target	Achievement	Per cent of achievement	Target	Achievement	Per cent of achievement	Target	Achievement	Per cent of achievement	Target	Achievement
Ahmedabad (Ashram Road)	68.00	48.36	71.12	165.00	107.92	65.41	140.00	105.18	75.13	140.00	114.07	81.48	145.00	157.76	108.80	590.00	484.93
Bangalore				85.00	54.14	63.69	65.00	45.01	69.25	65.00	47.64	73.29	60.00	80.41	134.02	275.00	227.20
Chennai				55.00	26.54	48.25			6.59							55.00	33.13
Delhi				105.00	94.09	89.61	115.00	169.58	147.46	185.00	149.17	80.63	170.00	174.27	102.51	575.00	587.11
Hyderabad				50.00	35.04	70.08	50.00	30.00	60.00	50.00	37.60	75.20	50.00	62.96	125.92	200.00	165.60
Kolkata	22.00	16.73	76.05	85.00	57.87	68.08	37.00	17.95	48.51	70.00	78.84	112.63	95.00	131.69	138.62	287.00	286.35
Mumbai				85.00	49.69	58.46	38.00	21.16	55.68	40.00	37.79	94.48	45.00	65.02	144.49	208.00	173.66
Lucknow										32.00	8.81	27.53	20.00	13.88	69.40	52.00	22.69
Ahwa	8.50	5.90	69.41		1.70					11.00	1.50	13.64				11.00	3.20
Ambaji	7.00	2.48	35.43	10.00	0.27	2.70	5.00	2.84	56.80	7.00	0.87	12.43	0.00	0.06		22.00	4.04
Amreli					1.72					11.00	5.85	53.18	9.00	5.49	61.00	20.00	13.06
Ambawadi	20.00	11.14	55.70	20.00	10.39	51.95	15.00	17.55	117.00	30.00	16.12	53.73	25.00	17.17	68.68	90.00	61.23
Anand	20.00	7.48	37.40	25.00	6.46	25.84	9.00	7.86	87.33	25.00	11.52	46.08	20.00	27.31	136.55	79.00	53.15
Vadodara	33.00	20.12	60.97	35.00	27.52	78.63	32.00	28.92	90.38	40.00	50.74	126.85	60.00	35.07	58.45	167.00	142.25
Vadodara- Mandvi	10.00	10.56	105.60		6.45											0.00	6.45
Bharuch	25.00	13.25	53.00	25.00	12.69	50.76	15.00	16.78	111.87	20.00	11.12	55.60	22.00	24.34	110.64	82.00	64.93
Bhuj	11.50	8.63	75.04	15.00	7.34	48.93	10.00	9.54	95.40	13.00	8.77	67.46	15.00	22.95	153.00	53.00	48.60
Gandhinagar	63.00	44.73	71.00	60.00	55.39	92.32	65.00	54.47	83.80	69.00	55.48	80.41	65.00	76.13	117.12	259.00	241.47
Himatnagar	11.50	6.62	57.57							8.00	0.37	4.63				8.00	0.37
Jaipur	8.50	0.40	4.71					0.30		10.00	2.49	24.90	8.00	1.24	15.50	18.00	4.03
Kanpur	8.50	0.47	5.53					0.90		12.00	2.90	24.17	15.00	9.35	62.33	27.00	13.15
Khambhat	8.00	3.81	47.63	10.00	1.97	19.70		0.25		4.00	0.99	24.75				14.00	3.21
Palanpur	8.00	3.64	45.50	12.00	3.07	25.58	5.00	2.10	42.00	7.00	3.58	51.14	10.00	2.33	23.30	34.00	11.08
Petlad	6.00	0.00	0.00													0.00	0.00
Rajkot	28.50	19.18	67.30	30.00	24.90	83.00	30.00	29.47	98.23	44.00	35.11	79.80	40.00	32.37	80.93	144.00	121.85
Shamlaji	8.00	3.91	48.88	10.00	2.54	25.40	6.00	4.06	67.67	7.00	1.54	22.00				23.00	8.14
Surat	30.00	17.98	59.93	30.00	16.59	55.30	22.00	20.80	94.55	25.00	32.19	128.76	38.00	33.82	89.00	115.00	103.40
Surendranagar	25.00	13.31	53.24	22.00	12.87	58.50	16.00	14.51	90.69	18.00	14.44	80.22	20.00	18.50	92.50	76.00	60.32
Others (HO, DO and Exhibition)				350.00	199.74	57.07	245.00	90.07	36.76	135.00	16.60	12.30	68.00	62.74	92.26	798.00	369.15
Head Office				145.00	161.81	111.59	150.00	63.08	42.05	75.00	8.43	11.24				370.00	233.32
Division Office					4.61	--	7.00	6.81	97.29	10.00	4.28	42.80				17.00	15.70
Extension Counter (Navsari, Godhra, Himatnagar)					--	--		0.20	--	15.00	0.28	1.87				15.00	0.48
Franchise				25.00	4.79	19.16	25.00	6.34	25.36	25.00	3.61	14.44				75.00	14.74
Exhibition				180.00	28.53	15.85	63.00	13.64	21.65	10.00	--	--				253.00	42.17
TOTAL	430.00	258.70	60.16	1,284.00	816.90	63.62	920.00	695.89	75.64	1,078.00	746.10	69.21	1,000.00	1,054.86	105.49	4,282.00	3,313.75

Note: The figures of 2002-03 pertains to handloom divisions only and blanks pertains to places where no emporia was operated.

Annexure 9

Statement showing the operational performance of hotels during 2002-07

(Referred to in paragraph 2.3.22)

Sl. No	Name of Unit	Year	Total Income	Total Expenditure	Profit / Loss (-)
1	Balaram	2002-03	69,906	1,18,764	(-)48,858
		2003-04	59,800	1,39,383	(-)79,583
		2004-05	1,40,612	1,59,019	(-)18,407
		2005-06	1,67,700	1,97,715	(-)30,015
		2006-07	1,87,500	2,60,391	(-)72891
2	Bhuj	2002-03	3,51,536	12,59,197	(-)9,07,661
		2003-04	5,11,895	8,72,102	(-)3,60,207
		2004-05	9,36,869	8,15,063	1,21,806
		2005-06	8,19,079	7,36,195	82,884
3	Chorwad	2002-03	4,80,348	11,05,450	(-)6,25,102
		2003-04	6,25,956	12,03,355	(-)5,77,399
		2004-05	5,64,922	12,92,533	(-)7,27,611
		2005-06	4,71,944	9,00,417	(-)4,28,473
		2006-07	4,34,636	10,56,090	(-)621454
4	Dholavira	2005-06	21,832	3,57,645	(-)3,35,813
		2006-07	26,452	4,16,660	(-)3,90,208
5	Dwaraka	2002-03	5,02,677	7,04,861	(-)2,02,184
		2003-04	6,22,429	7,21,310	(-)98,881
		2004-05	6,93,225	8,51,402	(-)1,58,177
		2005-06	8,30,830	7,84,375	46,455
		2006-07	8,57,242	7,79,875	77,367
6	Gandhi Ashram	2002-03	16,55,934	26,67,107	(-)10,11,173
		2003-04	19,45,746	27,09,647	(-)7,63,901
		2004-05	18,33,337	25,46,042	(-)7,12,705
		2005-06	20,56,902	16,34,307	4,22,595
		2006-07	25,77,897	23,36,368	2,41,529
7	Junagadh	2002-03	4,42,409	15,23,456	(-)10,81,047
		2003-04	9,84,607	18,90,144	(-)9,05,537
		2004-05	9,33,749	17,89,351	(-)8,55,602
		2005-06	9,61,111	12,26,974	(-)2,65,863
		2006-07	10,16,915	11,77,935	(-)1,61,020
8	Malvan	2005-06	14,638	3,52,269	(-)3,37,631
		2006-07	64,425	3,65,556	(-)3,01,131
9	Mandvi Kachchh	2002-03	6,04,267	10,44,150	(-)4,39,883
		2003-04	5,32,868	12,10,480	(-)6,77,612
		2004-05	3,19,264	9,32,134	(-)6,12,870
		2005-06	2,32,999	6,96,101	(-)4,63,102
		2006-07	67,461	2,77,319	(-)2,09,858
10	Mount Abu	2002-03	6,90,350	14,49,077	(-)7,58,727
		2003-04	8,28,021	13,07,415	(-)4,79,394
		2004-05	12,28,856	12,96,699	(-)67,843
		2005-06	12,55,154	13,56,672	(-)1,01,518
		2006-07	1443192	1354507	88,685

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Sl. No	Name of Unit	Year	Total Income	Total Expenditure	Profit / Loss (-)
11	Nal Sarovar	2004-05	15,639	93,639	(-)78,000
		2005-06	1,37,277	3,57,909	(-)2,20,632
		2006-07	3,58,155	10,72,283	(-)7,14,128
12	Palitana	2002-03	7,84,863	17,20,061	(-)9,35,198
		2003-04	10,04,703	18,37,805	(-)8,33,102
		2004-05	10,95,498	20,23,937	(-)9,28,439
		2005-06	8,74,832	14,65,095	(-)5,90,263
		2006-07	7,21,747	12,83,422	(-)5,61,675
13	Pavagadh	2002-03	19,52,086	26,03,114	(-)6,51,028
		2003-04	19,88,400	23,85,108	(-)3,96,708
		2004-05	29,99,108	27,54,338	2,44,770
		2005-06	33,95,783	27,82,872	6,12,911
		2006-07	40,29,658	32,49,320	7,80,338
14	Porbandar	2002-03	8,73,204	13,89,353	(-)5,16,149
		2003-04	10,57,629	13,16,008	(-)2,58,379
		2004-05	14,55,529	13,10,477	1,45,052
		2005-06	18,09,330	13,25,801	4,83,529
		2006-07	17,21,137	14,47,796	2,73,411
15	Saputara	2002-03	64,34,693	49,09,638	15,25,055
		2003-04	94,18,392	57,56,005	36,62,387
		2004-05	89,35,603	60,83,903	28,51,700
		2005-06	96,19,000	64,62,635	31,56,365
		2006-07	88,14,232	59,95,221	28,19,011
16	Shamlaji	2005-06	3,488	4,81,449	(-)4,77,961
		2006-07	29,350	5,55,881	(-)5,26,531
17	Tithal	2002-03	13,00,815	13,31,964	(-)31,149
		2003-04	13,32,191	13,34,944	(-)2,753
		2004-05	10,75,333	8,26,384	2,48,949
		2005-06	12,46,632	8,70,804	3,75,828
		2006-07	6,84,421	7,92,407	(-)1,07,986
18	Vadnagar	2006-07	42,484	1,78,992	(-)1,36,508
19	Valthan	2005-06	2,12,671	6,44,579	(-)4,31,908
		2006-07	2,96,213	7,39,881	(-)4,43,668
20	Veraval	2002-03	8,27,744	11,85,285	(-)3,57,541
		2003-04	8,37,077	12,32,873	(-)3,95,796
		2004-05	7,82,391	10,48,942	(-)2,66,551
		2005-06	6,84,501	7,62,612	(-)78,111
		2006-07	7,87,862	7,82,742	5,120
Total Profit/Loss (-)			11,07,07,163	11,82,70,991	(-)75,63,828

Note :- Sl.No.11 started operating from February 2005, Sl. No. 18 started from November 2006, Sl. No 4, 8, 16 and 19 started operations from May 2005, Sl.No.2 closed from February 2006 and Sl. No. 9 closed from September 2006.

Annexure 10

Statement showing the operational performance of cafeterias during 2002-07

(Referred to in paragraph 2.3.25)

Sl. No	Name of Unit	Year	Total Income	Total Expenditure	Profit / Loss (-)
1	Kevadiya	2004-05	1,11,748	7,76,593	(-)6,64,845
		2005-06	28,407	4,00,350	(-)3,71,943
		2006-07	22,964	2,70,089	(-)2,47,125
2	Modhera	2002-03	6,37,366	7,15,557	(-)78,191
		2003-04	6,60,041	9,10,630	(-)2,50,589
		2004-05	7,61,579	11,18,391	(-)3,56,812
		2005-06	8,27,146	9,29,188	(-)1,02,042
		2006-07	7,89,853	9,66,594	(-)1,76,741
3	Patan	2002-03	--	85,000	(-)85,000
		2003-04	27,603	2,88,150	(-)2,60,547
		2004-05	2,018	1,25,733	(-)1,23,715
4.	Somnath	2004-05	2,93,197	6,72,099	(-)3,78,902
		2005-06	3,85,007	8,25,478	(-)4,40,471
		2006-07	2,75,517	7,92,817	(-)5,17,300
5	Sarita Udhyan	2002-03	10,48,406	16,46,810	(-)5,98,404
		2003-04	6,33,427	13,54,142	(-)7,20,715
		2004-05	4,54,635	13,16,070	(-)8,61,435
		2005-06	5,82,883	13,80,451	(-)7,97,568
		2006-07	5,70,496	24,30,395	(-)18,59,899
6	Sector-28, Gandhinagar	2002-03	3,39,401	10,43,181	(-)7,03,780
		2003-04	2,53,220	9,95,614	(-)7,42,394
		2004-05	2,17,470	6,10,778	(-)3,93,308
		2005-06	1,47,223	3,76,799	(-)2,29,576
7	Toran Sachivalaya	2002-03	13,83,765	17,77,011	(-)3,93,246
		2003-04	12,17,512	16,78,024	(-)4,60,512
		2004-05	11,64,826	19,12,486	(-)7,47,660
		2005-06	14,15,915	19,49,589	(-)5,33,674
		2006-07	4,04,921	6,23,340	(-)2,18,419
8	Toran VIP	2002-03	7,12,430	7,54,879	(-)42,449
		2003-04	6,20,604	6,94,645	(-)74,041
		2004-05	6,66,081	5,54,266	1,11,815
		2005-06	8,25,424	6,56,102	1,69,322
		2006-07	11,66,193	10,90,148	76,045
Total Profit/Loss (-)			1,86,47,278	3,17,21,399	(-)1,30,74,121

Note: - Sl.No.1 started operating from August 2004, Sl.No.4 started operating from August 2004, Sl.No.6 closed from April 2006 and Sl.No.7 closed from August 2006.

ANNEXURE 11

Statement showing distribution losses exceeding theoretical losses where transmission and distribution loss exceeds 20 per cent

(Referred to in paragraphs 3.15.2 and 3.15.3)

Name of division	Year	Number of feeders having above 20 per cent losses	Range of theoretical loss	Range of Actual loss	Range of excess loss	Excess loss in MUs	Rate per unit	Revenue loss (Rupees in lakh)
			<i>(Per cent)</i>					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Dakshin Gujarat Vij Company Limited								
Ankleshwar (Rural)	2002-03	2	6.86 to 9.36	23.03 to 24.89	15.53 to 16.17	3.020	2.46	74.29
	2003-04	3	6.86 to 10.11	24.05 to 28.42	15.17 to 19.06	4.250	2.84	120.69
	2004-05	12	4.6 to 21.42	21.48 to 61.16	14.73 to 47.79	23.490	2.85	669.49
	2005-06	47	1 to 20.96	31.49 to 97.86	19.05 to 96.86	126.540	3.85	4,871.87
	2006-07	46	1 to 29.51	32.80 to 100.00	10.68 to 94.82	87.140	3.85	3,355.02
Vyara	2002-03							
	2003-04							
	2004-05	3	4.95 to 11.91	21.25 to 43.54	11.62 to 38.59	5.010	2.85	142.79
	2005-06	45	0 to 20.39	25.83 to 99.89	18.59 to 92.73	115.580	3.85	4,449.49
	2006-07	44	0 to 20.39	21.67 to 94.95	9.59 to 90.26	106.480	3.85	4,099.44
Navsari (Rural)	2002-03	5	6.72 to 7.99	20.36 to 44.88	13.64 to 37.60	3.671	2.46	90.29
	2003-04	4	6.72 to 12.05	20.59 to 28.41	13.87 to 16.37	1.399	2.84	39.74
	2004-05	5	3.99 to 18.41	20.23 to 22.51	2.81 to 17.51	0.319	2.85	9.04
	2005-06	27	0 to 18.14	24.38 to 82.08	12.88 to 69.09	30.380	3.85	1,169.64
	2006-07	38	0 to 15.69	22.14 to 84.93	14.21 to 84.06	23.770	3.85	915.16
Rajpipla	2002-03							
	2003-04							
	2004-05	5	6.15 to 13.85	29.14 to 65.630	18.98 to 54.98	2.427	2.85	69.17
	2005-06	26	1 to 18.51	27.65 to 100.00	20.32 to 93.18	48.910	3.85	1,883.30
	2006-07	26	3.1 to 18.82	31.22 to 89.48	25.43 to 80.42	39.287	3.85	1,512.52
Surat (Rural)	2002-03	2	14.31 to 20.71	26.39 to 33.58	5.68 to 19.27	4.570	2.46	112.42
	2003-04	2	1 to 18.18	20.15 to 25.59	1.97 to 24.59	1.870	2.84	53.11
	2004-05	5	1 to 18.70	28.77 to 72.03	20.59 to 61.85	15.150	2.85	431.79
	2005-06	15	3.23 to 18.77	25.52 to 78.50	21.35 to 72.79	51.990	3.85	2,001.64
	2006-07	18	3.23 to 18.77	26.25 to 72.82	18.46 to 68.01	50.890	3.85	1,959.30
Surat (Urban)	2002-03	13	8.12 to 14.63	22.78 to 72.27	14.66 to 62.27	107.070	3.85	2,633.92
	2003-04	14	1 to 20.17	20.80 to 48.57	0.63 to 37.15	61.700	3.85	1,752.30
	2004-05	21	1 to 25.17	21.18 to 58.66	9.87 to 50.94	91.380	2.85	2,604.33
	2005-06	26	1 to 25.17	27.60 to 100.00	13.46 to 99.00	182.850	3.85	7,039.73
	2006-07	36	1 to 39.89	20.50 to 92.94	3.01 to 87.64	144.570	3.85	5,565.95
Valsad (Rural)	2002-03							
	2003-04							
	2004-05	3	0 to 15.19	20.82 to 30.80	6.78 to 30.80	1.251	2.85	35.65
	2005-06	22	0 to 17.89	21.22 to 100.00	3.33 to 87.64	65.650	3.85	2,528.21
	2006-07	34	0.07 to 18.53	29.76 to 85.03	20.83 to 81.41	52.070	3.85	2,005.30
Vapi (Rural)	2002-03	6	3.96 to 12.99	20.02 to 39.80	6.87 to 35.84	12.692	2.46	312.30
	2003-04	7	6.15 to 11.71	27.42 to 53.35	20.68 to 41.66	9.771	2.84	277.47
	2004-05	7	5.4 to 15.49	20.82 to 88.30	14.68 to 76.06	14.043	2.85	400.22
	2005-06	15	0 to 23.92	23.89 to 78.63	12.74 to 67.87	29.057	3.85	1,118.70
	2006-07	40	3.58 to 31.17	21.14 to 92.85	11.49 to 78.14	59.652	3.85	2,296.63

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Bharuch	2002-03							
	2003-04	5	0.10 to 18.27	26.17 to 91.72	7.90 to 75.67	83.070	2.84	2,359.19
	2004-05	9	0.10 to 28.28	25.21 to 72.58	7.05 to 57.00	19.370	2.85	552.07
	2005-06	16	0.10 to 28.28	27.60 to 100.00	9.44 to 99.01	18.470	3.85	711.15
	2006-07	15	0.10 to 14.68	27.47 to 100.00	20.70 to 99.90	21.870	3.85	842.05
TOTAL		669				1,720.679		61,065.37
Paschim Gujarat Vij Company Limited								
Amreli (Division I)	2002-03	10	5.22 to 14.83	33.09 to 63.27	23.63 to 57.89	28.300	2.46	696.30
	2003-04	11	1.21 to 11.73	25.63 to 60.85	15.12 to 54.51	19.100	2.84	542.40
	2004-05	13	4.83 to 10.53	20.47 to 66.67	10.86 to 61.22	19.540	2.85	556.90
	2005-06	28	4.83 to 21.74	25.67 to 98.44	15.85 to 90.69	43.130	2.66	1,147.30
	2006-07	59	4.83 to 21.74	21.57 to 98.57	17.49 to 97.87	107.650	2.66	2,863.40
Bhavnagar	2002-03	17	2.40 to 9.54	22.31 to 57.94	15.94 to 50.31	29.370	2.46	722.40
	2003-04	20	3.44 to 11.69	20.23 to 57.15	13.28 to 52.11	33.290	2.84	945.30
	2004-05	23	4.44 to 29.03	33.44 to 95.97	28.88 to 91.11	53.020	2.85	1,511.10
	2005-06	31	3.71 to 15.44	21.05 to 93.67	17.25 to 87.33	75.840	2.66	2,016.40
	2006-07	25	5.73 to 24.00	22.41 to 84.29	16.48 to 74.79	55.150	2.66	1,466.90
Bhuj	2002-03	7	5.01 to 12.17	26.00 to 45.11	17.63 to 32.98	19.080	2.46	469.30
	2003-04	9	5.09 to 27.60	23.75 to 50.62	0 to 39.99	10.460	2.84	296.90
	2004-05	25	4.39 to 20.72	20.08 to 64.62	0 to 56.48	18.800	2.85	535.70
	2005-06	39	4.11 to 59.58	21.24 to 77.54	2.43 to 69.93	33.980	2.66	903.70
	2006-07	109	4.04 to 32.75	20.39 to 99.43	0.42 to 77.85	100.770	2.66	2,680.50
Botad	2002-03	9	4.92 to 10.18	35.66 to 69.67	30.35 to 60.61	38.020	2.46	935.30
	2003-04	13	1.00 to 8.68	27.94 to 99.99	22.85 to 98.99	35.720	2.84	1,014.20
	2004-05	21	1.00 to 19.35	29.20 to 99.72	22.94 to 89.92	60.720	2.85	1,730.50
	2005-06	33	2.93 to 15.84	24.79 to 93.88	19.45 to 85.83	112.110	2.66	2,982.00
	2006-07	33	4.48 to 19.36	31.02 to 91.12	23.14 to 83.39	93.740	2.66	2,493.40
Dhranga- dhra	2002-03	6	6.72 to 14.50	20.92 to 54.83	14.09 to 41.83	24.930	2.46	613.30
	2003-04	6	1.68 to 14.50	23.53 to 47.11	21.85 to 32.61	22.050	2.84	626.22
	2004-05	11	1.68 to 14.50	20.43 to 89.75	18.75 to 84.65	37.990	2.85	1,082.70
	2005-06	41	5.64 to 37.57	29.26 to 100.00	4.79 to 91.80	85.530	2.66	2,275.10
	2006-07	213	3.74 to 21.37	20.56 to 100.00	7.90 to 89.45	391.090	2.66	10,403.00
Dhoraji	2002-03	22	2.20 to 9.33	27.38 to 42.86	22.34 to 39.79	44.200	2.46	1,087.20
	2003-04	22	4.10 to 9.60	26.11 to 42.05	0 to 37.25	39.630	2.84	1,125.50
	2004-05	31	3.99 to 10.33	20.48 to 99.57	11.99 to 89.24	45.834	2.85	1,306.30
	2005-06	43	3.99 to 10.88	20.38 to 80.23	13.83 to 76.24	79.420	2.66	2,112.60
	2006-07	39	3.99 to 10.88	20.63 to 91.80	13.01 to 81.39	59.460	2.66	1,581.60
Gondal	2002-03	6	4.10 to 12.78	26.29 to 47.47	22.19 to 42.09	13.840	2.46	340.47
	2003-04	6	0 to 12.78	29.35 to 50.97	25.25 to 46.34	12.290	2.84	349.04
	2004-05	12	3.65 to 12.78	36.55 to 95.28	25.12 to 90.23	18.480	2.85	526.67
	2005-06	25	3.65 to 16.88	34.42 to 95.75	21.74 to 91.41	64.570	2.66	1,717.54
	2006-07	25	3.65 to 16.88	36.29 to 98.88	23.51 to 91.77	69.790	2.66	1,861.71
Jamnagar	2002-03	6	7.95 to 15.90	28.74 to 36.19	15.81 to 27.46	6.890	2.46	169.50
	2003-04	6	8.03 to 9.49	21.68 to 29.90	18.24 to 21.57	7.080	2.84	201.10
	2004-05	12	7.91 to 15.57	20.33 to 52.27	15.79 to 38.71	12.130	2.85	345.70
	2005-06	38	3.94 to 18.76	21.22 to 76.03	13.68 to 70.96	25.010	2.66	665.40
	2006-07	40	4.55 to 20.84	21.88 to 91.75	1.06 to 80.53	50.570	2.66	1,345.20
Junagarh (Rural)	2002-03	15	3.47 to 13.79	21.92 to 65.03	11.15 to 58.91	20.740	2.46	510.30
	2003-04	10	4.16 to 15.15	20.03 to 43.20	5.26 to 37.88	10.450	2.84	296.90
	2004-05	25	1.00 to 12.09	22.85 to 94.06	14.04 to 93.06	23.790	2.85	613.50
	2005-06	48	0.01 to 18.03	22.73 to 98.94	15.52 to 97.94	82.700	2.66	2,176.30
	2006-07	130	1.00 to 24.85	21.00 to 99.02	0.30 to 85.19	136.870	2.66	3,640.70

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Keshod	2002-03	10	4.57 to 11.36	25.97 to 38.32	20.79 to 31.14	17.470	2.46	429.79
	2003-04	10	4.45 to 10.92	23.76 to 35.91	15.35 to 28.69	15.220	2.84	432.34
	2004-05	11	1.00 to 9.00	20.19 to 53.88	11.72 to 52.88	18.330	2.85	522.49
	2005-06	30	2.00 to 17.89	21.06 to 90.05	16.35 to 86.15	30.980	2.66	824.07
	2006-07	36	3.50 to 11.76	21.01 to 79.43	10.73 to 75.38	31.380	2.66	834.66
Rajkot (City II)	2002-03	21	6.20 to 14.57	24.14 to 52.35	13.94 to 45.56	58.100	2.46	1,429.26
	2003-04	21	5.20 to 11.90	20.98 to 49.17	11.63 to 40.24	43.230	2.84	1,227.74
	2004-05	24	6.22 to 13.95	21.11 to 50.28	12.63 to 42.28	45.160	2.85	1,287.10
	2005-06	26	6.25 to 15.93	20.89 to 42.72	7.45 to 35.62	41.090	2.66	1,090.56
	2006-07	20	3.12 to 17.78	20.13 to 50.02	2.35 to 41.66	27.650	2.66	735.45
Rajkot (Rural)	2002-03	4	6.17 to 10	28.23 to 49.77	19.13 to 43.60	10.360	2.46	254.85
	2003-04	5	5.42 to 13.02	25.11 to 43.94	18.92 to 34.34	8.000	2.84	227.19
	2004-05	10	0 to 18.65	36.36 to 99.09	29.23 to 99.09	21.610	2.85	615.88
	2005-06	13	4.37 to 73.26	26.29 to 100.00	18.27 to 43.58	28.840	2.66	767.88
	2006-07	14	5.14 to 13.58	42.70 to 90.59	35.52 to 81.65	30.820	2.66	821.14
Savar-kundla	2002-03	7	4.96 to 13.88	29.56 to 60.75	17.60 to 55.37	15.450	2.46	380.07
	2003-04	7	5.21 to 8.79	23.81 to 43.49	15.47 to 37.63	14.380	2.84	408.40
	2004-05	13	4.35 to 16.26	23.72 to 96.61	14.38 to 80.55	21.589	2.85	615.29
	2005-06	26	4.35 to 20.01	26.12 to 89.29	16.78 to 79.13	38.260	2.66	1,017.60
	2006-07	55	0.00 to 14.44	21.10 to 97.48	15.02 to 91.90	147.306	2.66	3,918.34
Surender-nagar	2002-03	16	5.40 to 12.80	21.88 to 54.44	12.10 to 47.69	32.530	2.46	800.30
	2003-04	13	5.40 to 12.80	20.45 to 57.89	12.11 to 51.14	28.137	2.84	799.10
	2004-05	26	5.40 to 22.88	20.02 to 89.49	13.86 to 79.67	56.599	2.85	1,613.10
	2005-06	40	3.45 to 17.17	25.00 to 99.86	17.00 to 91.46	96.203	2.66	2,558.99
	2006-07	75	0 to 18.19	21.36 to 98.67	10.44 to 99.92	112.320	2.66	2,987.80
TOTAL:		1,906				3,371.138		90,091.84
Grand Total		2,575				5,091.817		1,51,157.21
DGVCL								
				2002-05	133			
PGVCL					572			
Total 2002-05				705				
DGVCL								
				2005-07	536			
PGVCL					1,334			
Total 2005-07				1,870				
Increase in feeders from 2002-05 to 2005-07				1,165				
Per cent Increase in 2005-07 compared to 2002-05				165 per cent				

ANNEXURE 12

Statement showing feeders having theoretical loss of above 20 per cent

(Referred to in paragraph 3.15.2)

Sl. No.	Name of the feeder	Units sent out in Million Units					Theoretical loss more than 20 per cent					Loss of Million Units					Grand Total
		2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Dakshin Gujarat Vij Company Limited																	
(I) VYARA Division																	
1	11 KV Laxmi Kheda	9.59	9.73	6.64			21.57	22.39	24.63			0.15	0.23	0.31			
2	11 KV Pishavar	16.26	12.7	11.36			24.40	24.18	21.29			0.72	0.53	0.15			
3	11 KV Ott	2.20	4.89	9.50			22.09	21.75	23.56			0.05	0.09	0.34			
4	11 KV Kukarmunda		8.39	6.55				23.52	21.62				0.30	0.11			
5	11 KV Piplod			8.51					20.85					0.07			
6	11 KV Vyaval				0.18	1.64				20.39	20.39						
(II) RAJPIPLA (O&M) Division																	
7	11 KV Awra pura AG					0.73					26.82						0.05
(III) NAVASARI (RURAL)																	
NIL																	
(IV) VAPI (RURAL)																	
8	Bilpudi				10.25	5.82					21.16	21.16			0.12	0.07	
9	Pindval				4.42	2.05					23.92	23.92			0.17	0.08	
10	Tukwada	0.48					20.09										
11	Dhamni					0.49					31.17	31.17					0.05
(V) BHARUCH (RURAL)																	
12	11 KV Jolva		4.82	3.78					28.28	28.28				0.40	0.31		
(VI) SURAT (URBAN)																	
13	22 KV Ind. South			49.68	49.29				22.08	22.08				1.03	1.03		
14	22 KV Dindoli	33.52	35.18		34.53		21.62	21.13		23.15		0.54	0.40		1.09		
15	11 KV Madhav Baug	20.23	17.59			1.19	20.91	20.17			22.45	0.18	0.03				0.03
16	11 KV Gandhi					6.85					21.93						0.13
17	11 KV Digas					6.58					22.86						0.19
18	11 KV Shiv					3.53					39.89						0.70

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
19	11 KV Bamsoli			30.77	31.83				25.17	25.17				1.59	1.65			
(VII) SURAT (RURAL)																		
20	11 KV Hajira	14.52					20.71					0.10						
(VIII) VALSAD (RURAL)																		
NIL																		
(IX) ANKLESHWAR (RURAL)																		
21	11 KV Umarpada			9.68	10.62				21.42	20.96				0.14	0.10			
22	11 KV Dehli				9.86	5.00				20.02	29.51						0.48	
23	11 KV Amboss					4.39					29.34						0.41	
24	11 KV Kara					2.70					26.45						0.17	
25	11 KV Thava					0.91					27.60						0.07	
26	11 KV Atkol					4.03					28.31						0.33	
27	11 KV Nani Naroli					1.71					26.82						0.12	
28	11 KV Sajod					0.84					25.19						0.04	
												Total Loss in Million Units	1.74	1.58	4.14	4.47	2.92	14.85 (A)
												Rate per unit in Rupees	2.46	2.84	2.85	3.85	3.85	
												Amount Rupees in crore	0.43	0.45	1.18	1.72	1.12	4.90 (C)

Paschim Gujarat Vij Company Limited

(I) AMRELI (Division I)																	
1	11 KV Akala				3.69	6.94				21.74	21.74				0.06	0.12	
(II) BHAVNAGAR																	
2	Monpar			6.61		4.86			29.03		23.36			0.59		0.16	
(III) BHUJ																	
3	Sutelik		5.06					27.60					0.38				
4	Dhaneti		16.02					23.75					0.60				
5	Dagada			9.09					20.72					0.07			
6	Sukhapar				7.37	2.96				59.58	25.07				2.92	0.15	
7	Nadapa					3.83					21.12					0.04	
8	Chapredi					4.07					30.31					0.42	
9	Purasar					4.29					23.05					0.13	
10	Trramban					3.27					20.89					0.03	
11	Kalita lavadi					7.35					28.79					0.65	
12	Padhar					4.89					30.86					0.53	
13	Mamuara					3.61					24.40					0.16	
14	Chanarna					6.78					27.23					0.49	
15	Nageshwar					4.20					31.50					0.55	
16	Anandsar					4.62					32.59					0.58	
17	Deshalpar					2.58					24.16					0.11	
18	Kalyanpar					4.94					31.43					0.56	
19	Veshalpar					4.01					21.10					0.04	

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
20	Bharasar					2.93					21.69					0.05	
21	Mankuwa					3.60					29.79					0.35	
22	Kodki					4.24					32.18					0.52	
23	Bhaduli					4.94					26.43					0.32	
24	Jadai					4.48					25.30					0.24	
25	Piyoni					3.59					30.34					0.37	
26	Jatavira					4.11					30.53					0.43	
27	Kadia					5.37					32.75					0.68	
28	Bagput					5.68					27.93					0.45	
29	Devisar					3.04					30.48					0.32	
30	Tharavada					4.33					28.12					0.35	
31	Suksan					6.77					31.52					0.78	
32	Matanamegh					3.00					25.46					0.16	
33	Gadani					4.60					25.50					0.25	
34	Netra					4.47					21.30					0.06	
35	N Khombhadi					2.70					21.13					0.03	
36	Rasaliya					6.51					29.35					0.61	
37	Rampar					4.62					20.81					0.04	
38	Laxmipar					3.11					22.74					0.09	
39	Kalyaneshwar					3.96					22.94					0.12	
40	Yax					6.91					30.43					0.72	
41	Gangeshwar					4.89					31.83					0.58	
42	Hajapar					3.96					26.55					0.26	
43	Mokhana					2.28					28.40					0.19	
44	Gulara					3.47					26.67					0.23	
45	Kanaibe					3.76					23.53					0.88	
46	Vadva					3.79					28.80					0.33	
47	Sansosara					5.00					29.02					0.45	
48	Vandh					4.88					23.52					0.17	
49	Saparlimbo					5.47					30.38					0.57	
50	Jadura					6.31					25.12					0.32	
51	Kailashnagar					5.32					31.12					0.59	
52	Chubdak					4.27					29.22					0.39	
53	Warli					4.89					25.84					0.28	
54	Ashram AG					5.40					25.25					0.28	
(IV) DHANGADHRA																	
55	11 KV Than city				14.02	2.81				21.78	21.37				0.25	0.04	
56	11 KV Amarpur				18.68					28.56					1.60		
57	Kadiyana				0.95					37.57					0.17		
58	Rajdeep				1.54					33.55					0.21		

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
(V) JUNAGADH (RURAL)																	
59	Bhatgam					2.95					21.26						0.04
60	Gundali					3.78					21.14						0.04
61	Mendpara					2.73					20.55						0.02
62	Rameshwar					2.18					23.17						0.07
63	Bamnasa					3.87					20.71						0.03
64	Alidhara					4.36					21.69						0.07
65	Burawala					1.43					20.78						0.01
66	Dhandhavada					2.04					22.53						0.05
67	Nagalpar					1.66					22.79						0.05
68	Ranidhar					2.66					22.19						0.06
69	Surygnda					1.27					24.85						0.06
70	Akha					3.16					22.33						0.07
71	Lushala					2.89					22.15						0.06
72	Mota Kajuliyalu					2.26					21.85						0.04
73	Lebiya					3.93					20.66						0.03
74	Ratang					2.91					21.04						0.03
(VI) JUNAGADH																	
75	Sarsai					2.81					20.70						0.02
(VII) SAVARKUNDLA																	
76	11 KV Zamar			6.47					22.88					0.19			
77	11 KV Tavi			7.55					22.46					0.19			
	TOTAL		21.08	29.72	46.25	279.55		51.35	95.09	202.78	1761.33						
													0.98	1.04	5.21	17.97	25.20 (B)
													2.84	2.85	2.66	2.66	
													0.28	0.30	1.38	4.78	6.74 (D)

Total MUs lost 14.85 (A) + 25.20 (B) = 40.05
 Loss of revenue Rs.4.90 crore (C) + Rs.6.74 crore (D) = Rs.11.64 crore

ANNEXURE 13

**Statement showing targets fixed and achievement for reduction of T&D loss
(Commulative 2002-03 to 2006-07)**

(Referred to in paragraphs 3.15.3 and 3.15.9)

Name of division	Maintenance of HT/LT lines in Kms		Maintenance of transformers		Checking of consumers Installations		Replacing defective meters		Providing MMBs		Sealing meters		Replacing CRGO with Amorphous core		Target for PVC conductors (in Kms)	
	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement
Dakshin Gujarat Vij Company Limited																
Ankleshwar (Rural)	30,455	17,369	10,463	5,554	3,85,758	18,125	50,065	30,677	52,907	53,813	47,600	47,600	10,463	162	109	109
Bharuch (Rural)	26,827	26,188	7,992	8,295	62,000	52,720	34,000	67,142	36,000	48,316	57,000	90,430	100	89	150	138
Navsari (Rural)	50,388	53,801	13,356	13,338	27,000	16,825	29,000	27,081	50,000	45,736	50,000	69,522	500	76	65	61
Rajpipla	20,773	20,539	10,155	2,641	3,09,431	45,575	37,276	48,028	52,684	27,741	44,544	27,073	2,993	514	2,721	28
Surat (Rural)	6,039	5,967	8,484	8,484	5,52,677	1,92,958	1,33,660	60,624	97,031	75,638	1,49,869	89,587	794	374	417	202
Surat (Urban)	13,100	7,982	18,886	2,635	2,90,000	2,00,000	47,500	40,200	1,15,000	1,03,700	2,00,000	1,65,900	400	294	1,500	800
Valsad (Rural)	29,616	24,657	10,728	11,751	1,05,552	1,05,552	59,802	59,802	68,551	68,551	88,445	88,445	187	187	168	168
Vapi (Rural)	27,355	29,530	10,765	12,788	91,000	91,000	63,076	63,076	59,564	59,564	68,271	68,271	548	548		293
Vyara	9,835	10,103	6,700	7,117	55,000	57,657	20,510	21,250	20,945	21,472	20,945	21,472	480	497	400	400
Total	2,14,388	1,96,136	97,529	72,603	18,78,418	7,80,412	4,74,889	4,17,880	5,52,682	5,04,531	7,26,674	6,68,300	16,465	2,741		
Percentage of Achievement		91.49		74.44		41.55		88.00		91.29		91.97		16.65		
Paschim Gujarat Vij Company Limited																
Amreli (Division I)	31,076	30,157	15,806	15,219	1,32,700	99,713	19,500	15,795	30,000	25,019	69,500	60,050	250	215	90	79.2
Bhavnagar	36,241	33,298	14,574	13,162	60,388	32,398	52,400	47,723	48,050	44,558	66,300	61,321	515	436	25	24
Bhuj	17,000	11,320	11,900	5,882	1,92,000	1,64,291	50,500	39,283	1,80,000	1,50,983	1,80,000	1,41,257	772	772		74
Botad	19,178	15,799	32,953	27,929	70,109	70,109	34,916	34,916	34,276	34,276	40,531	40,531	428	428		48,463
Dhrangadhra	9,380	7,720	7,850	6,488	96,000	85,757	36,000	27,484	54,000	45,878	86,000	76,026	1,077	1,077		339
Dhoraji	41,845	35,410	22,646	20,094	2,32,000	2,19,974	60,634	53,425	47,714	47,714	63,845	63,845	962	878	70	66.8
Gondal	30,000	26,159	9,000	8,416	1,46,794	74,562	39,552	39,552	36,500	35,291	51,000	44,704	666	604	67	21.37
Jamnagar	63,423	66,107	25,899	16,060	1,18,065	1,15,164	78,000	64,905	78,000	59,714	78,000	1,02,285	236	236		102
Junagarh (Rural)	15,088	4,116	29,713	27,954	1,79,000	1,72,592	91,320	60,408	71,080	64,101	2,27,736	70,307	549	549	105	105
Keshod	35,912	48,975	15,175	12,328	1,26,989	1,12,140	62,990	66,039	64,440	67,814	64,440	68,582	290	584		15
Rajkot (City II)	6,615	7,016	7,650	7,800	1,17,500	1,23,915	56,180	55,876	40,910	42,793	63,750	67,482	1,000	1,065	20	20
Rajkot (Rural)	21,585	18,948	8,345	6,933	1,61,230	1,61,230	27,150	25,774	1,18,000	1,12,332	1,09,350	1,02,906	1,740	1,740	210	187
Savarkundla	24,663	19,873	11,731	8,609	91,778	73,627	25,050	29,828	41,775	34,199	91,000	77,938	483	483		22
Surendernagar	31,819	22,011	19,071	14,249	1,16,000	85,413	55,000	58,056	47,000	48,328	1,00,000	88,571	458	458		226.5
TOTAL:	3,83,825	3,46,909	2,32,313	1,91,123	18,40,553	15,90,885	6,89,192	6,19,064	8,91,745	8,13,000	12,91,452	10,65,805	9,426	9,525		
Percentage of Achievement		90.38		82.27		86.44		89.82		91.17		82.53		101.05		

Note: MMB = Metal Meter Boxes; CRGO = Cold Rolled Grain Oriented and PVC conductor = Poly Vinyl Chloride conductor.

ANNEXURE 14

Statement showing paragraph/reviews for which explanatory notes were not received

(Referred to in paragraph 3.18.1)

Sl.No.	Name of the Department	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06
1.	Narmada, Water Resources, Water Supply and Kalpsar	--	1*	6#^
2.	Energy and Petrochemicals	4	2*	12^
3.	Home	--	1*	
4.	Industries and Mines	1\$	3*	4#^
5.	Agriculture and Co-operation	1\$	2*	2#^
6.	Forest and Environment	--	1*	1^
7.	Food and Civil Supplies	--	1*	--
8.	Women and Child Development	--	1*	1
9.	Science and Technology	--	1*	1^
10.	Urban Development and Urban Housing	--	1*	1
11.	Roads and Building	2\$	1*	1^
12.	Ports and Transport	--	--	1
13.	Social Justice and Empowerment	--	1*	2#^
14.	Finance	--	1*	1^
15.	Panchayat, Rural Housing and Rural Development	--	--	1^
	Total	6	5	22

- \$ Includes one paragraph for which replies were awaited from three departments
 * Includes one paragraph for which replies were awaited from thirteen departments.
 # Includes one paragraph for which replies were awaited from four departments.
 ^ Includes one paragraph for which replies were awaited from ten departments.

ANNEXURE 15

Statement showing the department-wise outstanding Inspection Reports (IRs)

(Referred to in paragraph 3.18.2)

Sl. No.	Name of Department	Number of PSUs	Number of outstanding IRs	Number of outstanding paragraphs	Years from which paragraphs outstanding
Working PSUs					
1.	Narmada, Water Resources, Water Supply and Kalpsar	3	96	339	1998-99
2.	Energy and Petrochemicals	12	117	301	1997-98
3.	Home	1	2	3	2004-05
4.	Industries and Mines	10	57	183	1996-07
5.	Agriculture and Co-operation	5	13	31	1998-99
6.	Forest and Environment	1	7	14	1996-97
7.	Food and Civil Supplies	1	5	6	2000-01
8.	Women and Child Development	1	4	12	1999-00
9.	Science and Technology	1	3	6	2004-05
10.	Urban Development and Urban Housing	1	4	7	2003-04
11.	Roads and Building	1	3	8	2003-04
12.	Ports and Transport	2	39	155	1995-96
13.	Social Justice and Empowerment	4	7	14	2005-06
14.	Finance	2	3	4	2000-01
15.	Panchayat, Rural Housing and Rural Development	1	2	2	1996-97
Non-working PSUs					
1.	Industries and Mines	1	2	2	1998-99
2.	Roads and Building	1	1	2	2002-03
	Total	48	365	1,089	

ANNEXURE 16

Statement showing the department-wise draft paragraphs/reviews reply to which are awaited as on 30 November 2007

(Referred to in paragraph 3.18.2)

Sl.No.	Name of the Department	Number of draft paragraphs	Number of draft reviews	Period of issue
1.	Narmada, Water Resources, Water Supply and Kalpsar	2	--	June/July 2007
2.	Energy and Petrochemicals	3	1	April /July/August 2007
3.	Industries and Mines	1	2	June/July/August 2007
4.	Ports and Transport	1	--	June 2007

Glossary of Technical terms

Sl. No.	Terminology	Description
1	Annual overhauling	In a year generally for 21/25 days the plants are taken under shut down for attending defects such as, replacement of worn out spares, checking of bearings clearance and alignment of turbine, generator.
2	Boiler feed pump	It is a high pressure pump containing multistage impellers to feed the water in the boiler drum through various pressure parts of boiler.
3	Calorific value	It is a value of heat (Kcal./Kg) to be delivered by coal during the combustion in the boiler to generate one unit of Electricity.
4	Capital overhauling (COH)	Once in four years COH is undertaken generally for 35/40 days to attend major defects in the critical equipments viz., turbine, generator, feed pumps <i>etc.</i>
5	Coal mills	It is equipments in which the coal is pulverized up to fine particle to feed in the boiler for continuous firing.
6	Combined cycle power plant/ project	This plant consists of configuration of a gas turbine generator and a steam turbine generator. In this plant, the gas initially utilised in the gas turbine is further utilized in the water tube boiler for generation of electricity by Steam turbine.
7	Condenser tubes	The steam utilised in the turbine is collected and cooled by cooling water circulating in the condenser tubes.
8	Cooling water pump	These pumps are installed to supply the water to the condenser received from cooling tower.
9	Dual flue gas conditioning system	In DFGC system SO ₃ (Sulphur) and NH ₃ (Ammonia) are injected before ESP inlet in the flue gas to reduce resistivity of fly ash and increase the collection efficiency of ESPs.
10	Economizer tubes/ assemblies	This pressure part is a bunch of small diameter of carbon steel tubes in which the water is circulated to recover the heat energy from the flue gas for rising the temperature of water for making the steam.
11	Electrostatic precipitator (ESP)	This equipment is located near the chimney. The flue gas released from boiler enters in the ESP in which ash is collected through magnetic field created by two types of electrodes (collecting electrodes & emitting electrodes) installed in the ESP.
12	Forced draft fans	These fans are installed for supply of air through suction from atmosphere and the discharge is passed through air heaters to raise the temperature to be supplied to burners located in boilers.
13	Generator rotor	A generator rotor converts the mechanical energy into electrical energy.

Sl. No.	Terminology	Description
14	High pressure heaters	High Pressure (HP) feed water heaters are used to recover heat from the steam which is extracted from the turbine. The heat that is transferred from the steam to the feed water increases the temperature of the feed water which is then directly fed into the boilers.
15	High pressure turbine rotor	It is a rotor of high pressure stage of turbine in which steam at rated pressure is injected.
16	Induced draft fan	These fans suck the flue gas having temperature of 900°c from the furnace through the second pass and the ESP and discharge the gases into atmosphere through chimney.
17	Low sulphur heavy stock oil (LSHS)	This is a by-product fuel, produced during refining the raw oil extracted from the earth crust after extracting Fuel oil cost-wise it may be cheaper than Fuel Oil.
18	Low temperature super heater (LTSH)	This LTSH part is equipped with number of tubes in which the steam of low temperature is circulated for rising further temperature of steam from the heat of flue gas passing around the LTSH area. Thereby, heat energy from flue gas is recovered and out let temperature of flue gas is maintained.
19	Plant availability factor (PAF)	This factor indicates the hours during which unit is available for generation during a certain period.
20	Plant load factor (PLF)	It is the percentage of actual generation to rated generation capacity of plant.
21	Platen super heater	This is a pressure part located in the first pass of boiler at 45 meter elevation below Boiler drum. The low temperature steam is circulated in it.
22	Rated capacity	The designed generation capacity of the power plant.
23	Raw coal stacker reclaimer	It is a moving plant used in coal yard for stacking of crushed coal and reclaiming it to feed in furnace.
24	RLA study	RLA study full name is Residual life assessment study. It is conducted normally after the completion of 10/12 years of operational life of the plant to assess the balance life of each equipments/ plant.
25	Turbine rotor	A turbine rotor in a thermal power plant converts heat energy in the steam coming from boilers into mechanical energy