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## **Department of State Accounts**

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State Accounts Guideline No: 2021/02

<u>Issuance of Guidelines in relevant to Closing of Treasury Books for the year 2021, included in Paragraph 09, Part II of Public Finance Circular No. 02/2020 under FR 429</u>

As per the Section 15 of the National Audit Act No. 19 of 2018, the Secretary to the Treasury should submit the Financial Statements of the Government to the Auditor General not later than three (03) months after close of each financial year. The Auditor General audits the financial statements of the Government by verifying the details of the Financial Statements prepared for each Expenditure Head. For this purpose, as specified by Section 16(2) of the National Audit Act, all the Expenditure Heads for which funds are being allocated by the annual Appropriation Act shall require to submit their Annual Financial Statements including the Annual Appropriation Account, the Revenue Account and the accounts relating to Advance Account activities to the Auditor General. It is compulsory to submit the relevant Financial Statements to the Auditor General, providing sufficient period for performing the audit. Therefore, the following procedure will be implemented for the closing of accounts for the financial year 2021 enabling to present the Annual Financial Statements of all Expenditure Heads for the year 2021 to the Auditor General by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

Further, the entities which incur their expenses out of Consolidated Fund in compliance with FR 150, should prepare a set of Financial Statements covering the requirements of FR 150. The required instructions and specimen formats for preparation of Financial Statements will be issued by this Department in due course.

2. In compliance with F.R.429, books of accounts of the financial year 2021 should be closed on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021 and it is emphasized that summary of accounts, transfer orders and other accounting reports for the relevant year, prepared accurately and properly should be forwarded to the Director General of State Accounts on or before the dates mentioned in the paragraph 04 of this Guideline.

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#### 3. General Instructions

- 3.1 Details of monthly accounts uploaded to the https://newcigas.treasury.gov.lk website of the Department of State Accounts for the expenditure Head of your Ministry / Department/ District Secretariat need to be checked and any debits to expenditure heads without adequate provisions should be corrected immediately.
- 3.2 Prior approval of the respective Ministry/Department/District Secretariat should be obtained in passing entries to accounts of another Ministry/ Department/District Secretariat through supplementary summary of accounts.
- 3.3 Journal entries for correction of any erroneous accounting entries to be forwarded to the Treasury only when it is impractical to make entries to the summary of accounts using CIGAS programme of the respective Ministry/ Department/District Secretariat. The Chief Accounting Officers/Accounting Officers are responsible for the accuracy of information in journal entries forwarded to this Department for such corrections.
- 3.4. Final Treasury Accounting Statement for each institution for the year 2021 is issued to https://newcigas.treasury.gov.lk website of this Department. It is specially emphasized that Financial Statements for the year 2021 should only be prepared as per the information given in the certified Final Treasury Accounting Statements.
- 3.5. If any Ministry/Department or District Secretariat has procured goods or services from another state or private institution during the year 2021, action should be taken to settle and account the relevant bills on or before 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021.
- 3.6. In terms of F.R. 215 (3) (C), transfer of balance provisions in an Expenditure Head to the Deposit Account would be permitted only with the approval of the Department of Treasury Operations. The Department of State Accounts will allocate new Deposit Account number as sub account for the year 2021 to respective institutions in order to transfer the remaining provisions so approved. As such budgetary provisions of the year 2021 should not be transferred to deposit accounts relevant to previous years or to General Deposit Account under any circumstances. In submission of the above requests to the Department of Treasury Operations, it should be ensured that the adequate provisions are available in the particular vote for such transfers.



- 3.7. After taking action in accordance with State Accounts Circular No. 243/2015, if further balances are remaining in Deposit Accounts 6000/15 and 6003, such balances should be transferred to relevant Deposit Accounts. Balances which are not necessary to transfer as above should be transferred to Government Revenue and Deposit Accounts 6000/15 and 6003 should be closed.
- 3.8. Before initiating the process of Closing Accounts it should be ensured that there are no discrepancies between the books of accounts of Ministry/Department/District Secretariat and information available in Final Treasury Accounting Statements for the year 2021.
- 3.9. It is the responsibility of the relevant Ministry / Department / District Secretariat to maintain the accounting accuracy of non-financial assets. The balances in the books of the institution should be equal to the individual balances uploaded in the CIGAS Web Interface and the assets ledger balances in Final Treasury Accounting Statement.
- 3.10. Department of State Accounts will issue the Treasury Accounting Statements on due dates mentioned in Paragraph 04 below and relevant Ministries and Departments are responsible for presenting Final Monthly Summary and Supplementary Summaries within the prescribed time frames. Expenses of the institutions that the summary of accounts and other relevant accounting reports are not submitted on due dates will not be revealed in Treasury Accounting Statements. In order to avoid the queries to be raised by the Auditor General with regard to non- revealing the accurate financial status through the Final Treasury Accounting Statements, a systematic programme should be formulated by all the Chief Accounting Officers/Accounting Officers to report all expenditure of the respective Expenditure Heads on due dates.
- 4. Programme for closing of accounts for the financial year 2021

Serial No.	Task	Explanation related to the task	Due date
4.1	Closing of Cash Book for the year 2021	Closing of Cash Book should be performed according to the instructions issued by the Department of Treasury Operations.	31st December 2021



4.2	Submission of the Summary of Accounts for December 2021	Accounts summary including transactions relevant to month of December 2021 should be submitted.	Guideline 01 In accordance with State Accounts Circular 232/2013 (i) Institutions listed in Schedule I - before 07 <sup>th</sup> January 2022 (ii) Institutions listed in Schedule II - before 11 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
4.3	Issuance of Treasury Accounting Statement for December 2021	The Treasury Accounting Statements including transactions of the summary of accounts for month of December 2021 will be released to the Department of State Accounts webpage of the Treasury Website https://newcigas.treasury.gov.lk	On 13 <sup>th</sup> January, 2022
4.4	Submission of the First Supplementary Summary of Accounts	The "First Supplementary Summary of Accounts" should be submitted including only the transactions which were not included in the summary of accounts for month of December 2021. The First Supplementary Summary of Accounts should be submitted only after performing the month end process for December 2021 in the CIGAS programme.	On or before 21 <sup>st</sup> January, 2022



4.5	Uploading Commitments and Liabilities to the New CIGAS Web Application	A statements on commitments and liabilities which are uploaded to the New CIGAS Web Application in accordance with FR 94(1) by each Expenditure Head will be released with the first Treasury Accounting Statements. Any adjustments to commitments and liabilities should be made through the first supplementary summary. Any commitment or liability that is not reported should not be settled during the year 2022.  It is not necessary to submit hard copies/soft copies of statement of commitments and liabilities to the Department of State Accounts.	On or before 21 <sup>st</sup> January, 2022
4.6	Issuance of First Supplementary Treasury Accounting Statement including the first Supplementary Summary of Accounts	The First Supplementary Summary of Accounts including all receipts and payments reported through December 2021 accounts summary and correction of errors reported by the first summary of accounts in December 2021 will be released to the Treasury Website https://newcigas.treasury.gov.lk	On 24 <sup>th</sup> January, 2022
4.7	Submission of F.R. 69 applications to the Department of National Budget before issuing the second and final Treasury Accounting Statements	F.R. 69 applications approved by the Department of National Budget should be submitted to the Department of State Accounts.	On or before 26 <sup>th</sup> January, 2022



4.8	Submission of second and final Supplementary Summary of Accounts that includes corrections of errors in accounts to the Department of State Accounts	Second and final supplementary summary of accounts generated through CIGAS after inclusion of all corrections pertaining to the year 2021 should be submitted to the Department of State Accounts.	On or before 28 <sup>th</sup> January, 2022
4.9	Issuance of Second Supplementary Treasury Accounting Statement	The second Supplementary Treasury Accounting Statement will be issued including correction of errors in the second and final supplementary summary of accounts and F.R. 69 transfers.	On 02 <sup>nd</sup> February, 2022
4.10	Uploading non-financial assets to CIGAS Web Interface	All the non-financial assets relevant to the year 2021 should be uploaded to the CIGAS Web Interface.  It is not necessary to submit hard copies/soft copies of statements of non-financial assets to the Department of State Accounts.	On or before 03 <sup>rd</sup> February, 2022



4.11	Submission of Journal Entries by Departments of Treasury Operations, Posts, Inland Revenue, Customs, Railway and Public Enterprises	Journal Entries should be submitted to the Department of State Accounts as per the information given in the second Treasury Accounting Statements.	On or before 07 <sup>th</sup> February, 2022
4.12	Issuance of Final Treasury Accounting Statement for the year 2021	Final Treasury Accounting Statement will be issued incorporating journal entries pertaining to corrections to all the accounting deficiencies and transfers to accounts. Instructions in paragraph 3.4 herein should be followed in obtaining this accounting statement.	On 10 <sup>th</sup> February, 2022
4.13	Advance Accounts	The originals of all Advance Accounts should be forwarded to the Auditor General with copies to the Department of State Accounts and Department of National Budget.  When submitting the annual reconciliation statements of Public Officers' Advance "B" accounts prepared as per State Accounts Guideline 04 issued in the year 2020 in compliance with F.R. 506 (d), a soft copy should be submitted to the following e-mail address in addition to the hard copy. loaninfor@sad.treasury.gov.lk	On or before 28 <sup>th</sup> February, 2022



- 5. Accordingly, it is emphasized that all the Ministries, Departments and District Secretaries should follow the instructions in this Guideline.
- 6. For any clarification on this Guideline, please contact Director (Macro Accounts & Advance Accounts) Tel. 0112484733, Director (Public Financial Statistics & Management Information) Tel. 0112484649, Director (ITMIS, Financial Information & Reporting) Tel. 0112440857, Director (System Development, Training) Tel. 0112484826, Director (Accounts Monitoring & Payroll Management) Tel. 0112440857 of the Department of State Accounts.

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