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GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

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RESOLUTION
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The 11th July 2012

SUBJECT—Creation of Directorate of Local Fund Audit.

The Local Fund Audit Organisation (L.F.A.O.) of the State Government is entrusted with the responsibility of all the Panchayati Raj Institutions (P.R.Is), Urban Local Bodies (U.L.Bs), Development Authorities, Universities, Aided Educational Institutions (Schools as well as Colleges) and Autonomous Societies of the State Government. Currently L.F.A.O. is responsible for regular audit of 16319 such institutions.

2. With increasing devolution of funds to the P.R.Is and U.L.Bs as well as enhanced quantum of grants to the educational institutions and autonomous societies, it has become necessary to strengthen and augment the capacity. Besides, successive Finance Commissions have also stressed upon the need of strengthening of the L.F.A. Organisation so that it can conduct regular audit of the P.R.Is and U.L.Bs and present its report to the State Legislative.

3. Keeping in view the above facts, the Government after careful consideration, have been pleased to create an independent Head of the Department under the Finance Department, namely, Directorate of Local Fund Audit. The Directorate shall be headed by Director of Local Fund Audit to be filled up by an officer of Odisha Finance Service (Special Secretary) Cadre. He shall be assisted by Joint Director, Deputy Directors, Assistant Directors and such other officers as may be notified by the Government.

4. The headquarters of the Directorate of the Local Fund Audit shall be at Bhubaneswar. The date of commencement of its operation will be notified separately.

ORDER—Ordered that the Resolution be published in an extraordinary issue of the *Odisha Gazette* for general information and copies forwarded to all Departments of Government/Heads of Departments/Accountant-General (Audit/Accounts)/D.A.G., Puri, Special Secretary, Odisha Public Service Commission/Secretary to the Governor, Odisha.

By order of the Governor
J. K. MOHAPATRA
Principal Secretary to Government