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Office Memorandum

Subject:- Digitization of Government Payments

Reference is invited to this Office OM No. 3(2)(1)/2016 (R&P) Rules/Amendment/649 dated 5th December 2016 regarding payment to suppliers etc. by Government Departments through e-payments in which it was directed that all payments above Rs. 5,000/- to Suppliers/Contractors/Grantee/Loanee institutions etc. are to be released electronically.

2. Reference is also invited to this Office OM No. S-11012/3(1)/DP/WC/2017/GBA/1195-1251 dated 28th June 2017 and subsequent OM dated 4th August 2017 vide which exception report on the payment above Rs. 5,000/- through cheque was sought. The reasons cited by the Ministries/Departments for issue of cheque above Rs. 5,000/- were not found tenable.

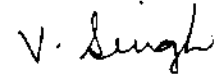
3. As per the data provided by the PFMS, it is noticed that Ministries/Departments are still issuing cheques for the payment above Rs. 5,000/-. It is, therefore, reiterated that henceforth payment to Telephone Companies, Electricity/Water Supply Companies/Boards, Payment of Professional tax etc. should be paid through electronic advices through GePG/PFMS. Account Numbers of such Companies/Boards have to be obtained for making payments electronically as is being done by many offices.

4. All the payments to government employees are also to be released electronically and wherever bank account is not available the same should be obtained before making e-payment as per the amendment to the Receipts and Payments Rules 1983 notified vide Gazette Notification No. GSR 412(E) dated 27th April 2017.

5. Pr.CCAs/CCAs/CAs (Independent Charge) are again requested to institute internal controls for adherence to the extant orders. Necessary arrangements for capacity building to enable e-payments in their realms may be made in respect of all stakeholders including payees. DDOs may be requested to maintain an updated directory of bank accounts.

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6. Pr.CCAs/CCAs/CAs are also requested to send a monthly report of exceptions not adhering to these instructions to this office by 7th of each month for preceding month in the proforma attached with this office OM dated 28th June 2017 (copy enclosed). Exception reports should invariably indicate the reasons for not adhering to the instructions.



(Vijay Kumar Singh)

Jt. Controller General of Accounts (GBA)

To

1. All Pr.CCAs/CCAs/CAs (Independent Charge)
2. Finance Secretary of UT Administration of Dadra and Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu, Chandigarh, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep.
3. Controller General of Defence Accounts, Ministry of Defence, New Delhi
4. Financial Commissioner, Railway Board, Ministry of Railways, New Delhi
5. Member (Finance), Department of Posts, New Delhi
6. Member (Finance), Department of Telecommunications, New Delhi

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**Signature of CCA/CA
Ministry/Department**