

Back ground

The Directorate of Local Fund Audit & Pensions was created in the year 2012 vide Govt. Order No.70-F of 2012 Dated 20-03-2012 with the view to enforce financial discipline & accountability in the Urban Local Bodies & Panchayati Raj Institutions. In order to achieve the above stated objectives, this directorate has been undertaking the following assignments;

A). To control & coordinate the activities of Local fund Audit & pensions Organisation & monitor the audit of the Municipal Corporation & other Local Body Institutions & PRI's.

i). The number of Urban Local Bodies audited in 2012-13 =50

(List enclosed at Annexure 'A').

ii). The number of Urban Local Bodies audited in 2013-14 =52

(List enclosed at Annexure 'B') (upto 31/12/2013)

B). Apart from the foregoing the directorate has been monitoring the settlement of Pension cases authorised by the Examiner's & CAO's, Local Fund Audit & Pensions, Kashmir/Jammu in their respective Jurisdictions.

C). Previously there used to be one Examiner/CAO for the entire state of Jammu & Kashmir for authorisation of pension to the retirees of Municipal Corporations & other Local Body Institutions but as per the Government order referred to above, a separate Examiner & CAO, Local Fund Audit & Pensions, Jammu was created. The duties & functions of Director, Local Fund Audit & Pensions & Examiner/CAO, Local Fund Audit & Pensions are specified in Government Order No.220-F of 2012 dated 09-10-2012 (**order enclosed at Annexure 'C'**).

As per, SRO-400 dated 13-09-2013, the settlement of pension cases by this Directorate has been put under J & K public service Guarantee Act, 2011. The stipulated time for settlement of the Pension Cases is 30 working days. The citizens can seek information by approaching the designated officers after following the procedures provided in the RTI-Act & the rules made there-under. The information can be sought on the following telephone numbers.

Director (Jammu) = 0191-2549990

(Srinagar) = 0194-2489971

Dy.Director(HQ), (Jammu) = 9419359090

(Srinagar) = 0191-2489971

Examiner/CAO. (Kashmir) = 0194-2312589