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Sub : Minutes of the 7th Meeting of the Steering Committee of Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) by circulation.

Please find enclosed a copy of the Minutes of the 7th Meeting of the Steering Committee of Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) by circulation.


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Joint Director, CARA

Encl. : As above.

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7th Meeting of Steering Committee of CARA by circulation

Agenda : Approval of the Annual Accounts of Central Adoption Resource Authority (CARA) for the financial year 2015-2016 by the Steering Committee of CARA through circulation.

As per Section 73(2) of the J.J. Act 2015 (F/A), the accounts of CARA shall be audited by C&AG and the same has to be forwarded to the Central Government to be laid before each House of the Parliament [Section 73(4) & (5) of J.J. Act, 2015 refers] (F/A).

2. Further, as per Section 69(3)(b) of the J.J. Act 2015 (F/B), the Steering Committee of CARA is required to approve the Annual Accounts which shall be produced before the C&AG for audit and subsequent laying before the Parliament.

3. The Annual Accounts for the financial year 2015-2016 was placed as Annexure-B to the Agenda Item No. 3 of the Steering Committee Meeting dated 23rd June, 2016 and approved by the Steering Committee during its Meeting held on 23rd June, 2016 (Decision of Agenda Item No.3 in the Minutes of the Meeting refers) (F/C). Accordingly, the same was submitted to C&AG vide Letter No.85-1/2015-CARA dated 19 July, 2016 (F/D).

4. However, since CARA became a Statutory Body under the provisions of Section 68 of the J.J. Act, 2015 w.e.f. 15 Jan 2016 (F/E), the entrustment of the auditing of the account of CARA to C&AG had to be given by the Central Government for the duration from 1st April 2015 to 14th Jan 2016 (upto the period CARA was an Autonomous Body). The same was obtained from Budget Division, Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance, vide their F.No.12(4)-B(R)/2017 dated 23 Feb. 2017 (F/F) and received vide MWCD F.No.18-10/2015-CW-II dated 15th Mar 2017 (F/G).

5. Now, C&AG has asked CARA vide letter No. AMG-III/4-31/SAR/Misc/2016-17/2445 dated 14 Mar 2017 (F/H) to submit the Annual Accounts for the year 2015-16 in two parts i.e. for a period from 1st April, 2015 to 14 January, 2016 (till CARA was an Autonomous Body for which entrustment of the audit was given by Central Government) and from 15 January, 2016 to 31 March, 2016 (w.e.f. the date CARA became a Statutory Body and C&AG is mandated to do the audit under the provisions of Section 73 of the J.J. Act, 2015).

6. The Annual Accounts already approved by the Steering Committee has now been split into the two periods as mentioned above, for submitting it 2015 to 14 January, 2016 and from 15 January, 2016 to 31 March, 2016 are placed at F/I & F/J respectively. A summary of Financial Statement for the above-mentioned periods are placed at F/K.

7. Services of Chartered Accountant have been taken for preparation of the Accounts for the above mentioned periods. Further, while making the Accounts, the Depreciation on the Fixed Assets have been revised and aligned with Companies Act, 2013. Also, the Accounts of Central Adoption Resource Agency (Autonomous Body) has been closed as on 14 January, 2016 and the closing balance of all assets and liabilities has been transferred to the Accounts of Central Adoption Resource Authority (Statutory Body).

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8. Since the auditing of the accounts got delayed due to delayed receipt of entrustment from the Central Government, the same couldn't be produced before the C&AG. Extension for the delayed laying of the Annual Report and the Audited Accounts of CARA for the year 2015-16 on the Table of Rajya Sabha has been obtained from Rajya Sabha Secretariat vide Letter No.RS.17(ii)(6)/2012-COPLLOT dated 21 April, 2017 (F/L). Extension of time upto Monsoon Session 2017 of Parliament has been acceded to.

9. In light of the foregoing, approval of the Steering Committee is solicited as per Rule 51(2) of the Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016 (F/M) by circulation so that the accounts for the financial year 2015-16 can be submitted to the C&AG for audit :

- a) Financial Statement as at 14.01.2016 (for the period from 01.04.2015 to 14.01.2016);
- b) Transfer of closing balance of all Assets and Liabilities as at 14.01.2016 (CARA as an Autonomous Body registered under Society Registration Act, 1860) and taken as opening balance in the Balance Sheet as at 31.03.2016 (CARA as a Statutory Body);
- c) Financial Statement as at 31.03.2016 (for the period from 15.01.2016 to 31.03.2016).

Decision : Approved.

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CEO, CARA
Member Secretary

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