No. MF-CGA/ITD-SPC/Banking/2015-16/6 & 7 Government of India Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure Controller General of Accounts IT Division

New Delhi, 23rd March 2016

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Please refer to the enclosed Notification from Reserve Bank of India on "Annual Closing of Government Accounts – Transactions of Central / State Governments – Special Measures for the Current Financial year (2015-16)" issued vide No. RBI/2015-16/342 DGBA.GAD.No.2969/42.01.029/2015-16 dated 17th March 2016 wherein the time schedules for keeping open the counters of all agency banks for full day on 30th March 2016 and electronic transactions to continue till midnight on March 31, 2016 have been stipulated.

In view of this all PCCAs/CCAs/CAs with independent charge are requested to please give wide publicity on these stipulations to their accredited Banks so as to facilitate accounting for of all Government transactions with banks within the same financial year 2015-16.

(Hanumaiah K.)

Assistant Controller General of Accounts(ITD)

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- 1. All Pr. CCAs/CCAs/CAs with independent charge
- 2. All Accredited Banks

Copy to:

- 1. PPS to Addl. CGA
- 2. Dy. CGA (RBD)
- 3. Sr. TD, NIC-PFMS.
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- 5. Major C.S. Kaushik, Consultant (IT & Banking Domain), PFMS Project



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RBI/2015-16/342 DGBA,GAD.No. 2969/42.01.029/2015-16

March 17, 2016

The Chairman / Chief Executive Officer All agency banks

Dear Sir / Madam,

Annual Closing of Government Accounts – Transactions of Central / State Governments – Special Measures for the Current Financial Year (2015-16)

The Government of India has desired that all government transactions with banks must be accounted for within the same financial year and has requested that certain special arrangements be made for the purpose, as in previous years. Accordingly, it has been decided that all agency banks shall keep the counters of their designated branches conducting government business open for full day on March 30, 2016 and till 8.00 p.m. on March 31, 2016. All electronic transactions would, however, continue till midnight on March 31, 2016. Banks may give adequate publicity to the special arrangements made.

2. As regards conduct of extended clearing sessions / operations on these two dates, separate guidelines are being issued by our Department of Payment and Settlement Systems, Central Office, Mumbai.

Yours faithfully

(Manish Parashar) Deputy General Manager



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DGBA, GAD. No. 2968/42.01.029/2015-16

March 17, 2016

The Chairman/Chief Executive Officer All Agency Banks

Dear Sir / Madam,

Scheme for Collection of Dues of (i) Central Board of Direct Taxes (ii) Central Board of Excise and Customs (iii) Departmentalised Ministries Account - Reporting and Accounting of March Transactions - Special Arrangements - Financial Year 2015-16

Please refer to <u>Circular DGBA.GAD.No.4285/42.01.029/2014-15</u> dated <u>March 25</u>, <u>2015</u> advising the procedure to be followed for reporting and accounting of collection of Direct Taxes (CBDT) and Indirect Taxes (CBEC) and transactions of Departmentalized Ministries at the Receiving/Nodal/Focal Point branches of your bank for the Financial Year 2014-15.

- 2. The Government of India has decided that the date of closure of Residual Transactions for the month of March 2016 be fixed as April 10, 2016 for the Financial Year 2015-16.
- 3. In view of the ensuing closing of government accounts for the financial year 2015-16, please reiterate the instructions to your branches regarding introduction of special messenger arrangements at your receiving branches. Receiving branches not situated locally should also adopt special arrangements such as courier service etc. for passing on challans/scrolls etc. to the Nodal/Focal Point branches so that all payments and collections made on behalf of government towards the end of March are accounted for in the same financial year.
- 4. As regards reporting of March 2016 transactions by Nodal/Focal Point branches in April, the branches may be advised to follow the procedure as outlined in the Annex. To sum up, the Nodal/Focal Point branches will be required to prepare separate sets of scrolls, one pertaining to March Residual Transactions and another

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for April Transactions during the first 10 days of April 2016. The Nodal/Focal Point

branches should also ensure that the accounts for all transactions (revenues/tax

collections/payments) are effected at the receiving branches upto March 31, 2016

in the accounts for the current financial year itself and are not mixed up with the

transactions of April 2016. Also, while reporting transactions pertaining to March

2016 upto April 10, 2016, the transactions of April 2016 should not be mixed up with

"March Residual Transactions."

5. The procedure now followed for reporting and accounting of transactions of Non-

Civil Ministries viz. Defence, Posts, Railways and Telecommunications (which was

revised with effect from October 1, 1993), is similar to the procedure for reporting

and accounting of transactions of Departmentalised Ministries. The special

arrangements for reporting March transactions by receiving branches to Nodal/Focal

Point branches and the procedure for reporting March 2016 transactions in April

2016 by Nodal/Focal Point branches as indicated in paragraphs 3 and 4 above are

also applicable to the reporting of transactions of Non-Civil Ministries. The branches

of your bank handling the Non-Civil Ministries transactions, if any, may, therefore, be

advised to follow the above procedure.

6. Kindly issue necessary instructions in the matter to your branches concerned

immediately.

Yours faithfully

(Manish Parashar) Deputy General Manager

Encl: As above

Reporting of March Transactions

Beginning from April 1, 2016, the Nodal/Focal Point branches will segregate on a daily basis all scrolls/challans pertaining to March 2016 received from the receiving branches concerned and prepare separate main scrolls for:

- (a) scrolls for transactions of March 2016 or earlier period (i.e. effected during the previous financial year 2015-16) and
- (b) scrolls pertaining to current transactions (i.e. those effected from April 1, 2016 onwards).
- The main scrolls for March 2016 transactions prepared from April 1 to April 10, 2016 are to be distinctly marked as March Residual - 1, March Residual - 2 and so on upto April 10, 2016. In other words, serial number should be allotted in consecutive order for each main scroll of March 2016 transactions sent from April 1 to April 10, 2016. These scrolls alongwith the copies of daily summary of Receipts and Payments prepared separately for March 2016 transactions will be forwarded to the Departmental Officials concerned (i.e. Zonal Accounts Officers/Pay and Accounts Officers and Designated Officers) in the usual way. The Nodal/Focal Point branches will also be required to report the above transactions to the Link Cell through separate Daily Memos. These advices must be sent to enable the Link Cell of each bank at Nagpur, to make daily settlement with Reserve Bank of India. Central Accounts Section (CAS) Nagpur. On receipt of advices from the Nodal/Focal Point branches, the Link Cell should segregate the advices for the March Residual transactions and forward them separately to Reserve Bank of India, CAS, Nagpur. This procedure should continue upto and inclusive of April 10, 2016 only. All transactions reported thereafter by the receiving branches will be reported and accounted for in the usual manner in the accounts of the month of report irrespective of the date of transaction. Following the special arrangements for March 2016 transactions, it is necessary for the Nodal/Focal Point branches to prepare two sets of DMS to be submitted to Zonal Accounts Officers/Pay and Accounts Officers for March 2016 transactions - one for transactions upto March 31, 2016 and another for March Residual Transactions adjusted by Nodal/Focal Point branches with Reserve Bank of India, Central Accounts Section, Nagpur, during April 1 to April 10, 2016.

Since the Nodal/Focal Point branch will also be reporting the April 2016 transactions pertaining to year 2016-17 in addition to March Residual transactions, monthly statement for April transactions should be compiled and furnished to Zonal Accounts Officers/Pay and Accounts Officers in the usual way. In order to distinguish the April 2016 (year 2016-17) and March Residual Transactions, the statement pertaining to March Residual Transactions should be clearly marked as "March Residual Account".

Note: As advised in our circular GA.NB.No.376/42.01.001/1995-96 dated May 22, 1996 all the cheques/amounts realized on or before March 31, 2016 should be treated as transactions relating to the current financial year as "March 2016 or March Residual Transactions", the reporting of which may take place during the month of April (upto April 10, 2016). But if any cheque is tendered on or before March 31, 2016 and realized on or after April 1, 2016, it will be treated as transaction for the next financial year as "April Transactions". Accordingly, the banks will prepare separate scrolls for March 2016 and April 2016 (year 2016-17) transactions.