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16th April 2018

The Chairman, Public Accounts Committee
Standing Committee on Public Accounts
Parliament of Fiji
P.O.Box 2353, Government Buildings
Suva.

Dear Sir,

RE: Clarification of Issues – 2016 Audit Report on Social Services Sector

The Ministry of Health and Medical Services written responses with regards to your correspondence dated 05th April 2018 is submitted herewith.

Issue 22.14 TMA Sales Revenue Understated in VAT Returns

The total sales by TMA for the period ending 31st July, 2016 was \$178,132.62. This amount was the correct sales amount as per total receipts for the same period. Therefore, the VAT paid on the sales amount for the same period was also correct.

The postings of Total Sales for TMA Posted in FMIS GL \$229,464.03. **A sum of \$51,331.38 was incorrectly posted.** Since, the 2016 accounts has been closed, the Ministry is liaising with Ministry of Economy on the adjustment to correct the accounts.

Issue 22.25 Outstanding Patients Surgery Costs – Sahyadri Trust

The remaining funds (at the bank) as at March 2018 stands at \$20,609.49. The account is currently being audited. After audit the MoHMS will write to Ministry of Economy and transfer the balance to Consolidated Revenue to close the account.

Issue 22.28**Local Purchases Orders not raised to Engage Aeromedical Services**

The particulars of the Cheques and EFT are as follows:

No	Cheque EFT No	Amount	Payment Date	Invoice Date	Date PO Closed (as per closing of Accounts circular)	Details of Payment	Particulars of Invoice
1	1082	19,656	22.07.16	09.07.16 11.07.16	13.06.16	Payment of Mercy Flight to Island Hoppers	Nadi/CWM/Moala/ CWM/Nadi
2	381	36,900	18.07.16	06.07.16 30.06.16	13.06.16	Payment of Mercy Flight to Joyce Aviation	CWM/Levuka CWM/Vanuabalavu
3	30526	46,872	22.06.16	16.06.16	13.06.16	Payment of Medivac to Island Hoppers	Nadi/CWM/Levuka/C WM/Nadi

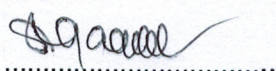
The services was carried out and payments were made within the financial year against the allocated budget to avoid the carryover of these invoices in the next financial year.

Issue 22.39 In-service training

The total bond amount is equivalent to the total tuition fees paid for the officers' entire programme. The table below shows the total fees paid and the total bond amount.

EDP No.	Year 2012	Year 2013	Year 2014	Year 2015	Year 2016	Value of Bond Amount
90289	9000 (FHSSP)	9000 (MOH)	15750 (MOH)	15750 (MOH)	15750 (MOH)	\$65,250
91619	-	-	15,750 (MOH)	15,750 (MOH)	15,750 (MOH)	\$47,250

Should you require further clarification, please contact Mr. Sanjay Chand and Mr. Idrish Khan on email address schand009@health.gov.fj & ikhan001@govnet.gov.fj or telephone contacts 3306177.



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