

The Ministry reported that the Council had not yet completed the project due to financial constraints. However, the Council anticipated receiving funding from the 2013 CDF.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Non – Construction of VIP toilets at Mwalala Rural Health Centre (RHC) (2010)-Chama North – K1, 232,000.00.

The Ministry reported that the construction of VIP toilet was yet to be undertaken once funding was secured from the 2013 CDF allocation.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Uninsured Assets

The Ministry reported that the Council had not yet insured the properties due to financial challenges.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

No Certificates of Title for Properties

The Ministry reported that the Council had since procured the copies of Local Authorities (Financial) Regulations for use by accounting staff. The Council was yet to receive the Title Deeds from Ministry of Lands.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee notes the response and awaits a progress report on the receipt of Title Deeds from the Ministry of Lands.

Kaputa District Council

Updated Valuation Roll

The Ministry reported that the Council had not updated its Valuation Roll due to financial challenges.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Review of Assets Management (No certificates of title for some properties)

The Ministry reported that the Council had not acquired the Title Deeds as the process was still being pursued with the Ministry of Lands.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Obsolete motor vehicles, plant and machinery not disposed

The Ministry reported that the Council had not yet disposed obsolete vehicles, plant and machinery. However, an assessment on the status of the said vehicles, plant and machinery had been completed for the decision of the Council.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Lukulu District Council

Statutory Audit of District Fund Account and Constituency Development Fund Account for the period 1st January to 31st December, 2011

Valuation of council assets

The Ministry reported that the Council had not yet conducted a valuation of its assets due to the poor financial position.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Non-acquisition of Certificates of Title for Council Assets

The Ministry reported that it had not yet acquired Title Deeds as it was still processing survey diagrams of the said properties.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Ineffective Collection of Revenue - K1,691.00

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the matter was still under discussion with the Barotse Royal Establishment and other parties.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Gwembe District Council

Non-acquisition of Certificates of Title for Council Properties

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council had written to the Commissioner of lands to issue the duplicate certificate of titles. However, the duplicate certificates of title were not yet ready at the time of verification.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Three (3) Council Properties not on Title

The Ministry reported to your Committee that Council had written to the Commissioner of Lands to issue duplicate copies of titles.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Missing Council Tractor

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the tractor in question was not sold by the Council, and that the due process as guided by the *Local Government Act, Cap 281 of the Laws of Zambia*, on disposal of the Council assets was not complied with. The tractor was sold by the Board of Survey without the consent of the Council. At the time of verification, the Board of Survey failed to produce a duplicate copy of the General Receipt.

The matter had since been referred to Board of Survey to account for the sale.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Zambezi District Council

Audit review on Constituency Development Fund, Indebtedness and Assets Management for the period 1st January, 2007 to 31st December, 2011

Failure to complete projects within one year

The Ministry reported to your Committee that whilst the projects had been allocated to additional funding from the CDF, they had not been completed.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Mpongwe District Council

Statutory Audit for the period 1st January to 31st December, 2011

Non-return of Receipt Books after use by Revenue Collectors

The Ministry reported to your Committee that at the time of verification, the matter was still being investigated by the Zambia Police.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Chongwe District Council

Statutory Audit for the period 1st January to 31st December, 2011

Outstanding Debtors: K1, 401,885.00

The Ministry reported to your Committee that at the time verification, the Council had prepared a supplementary budget based on written assurances from debtors to pay the outstanding debts. However, the Council was yet to collect the debts.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Outstanding Creditors: K5, 982.78

The Ministry reported to your Committee that due to budgetary constraints, the Council had not yet paid the outstanding debts in full. The Council had however, entered into a settlement plan with all the creditors.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Chilubi District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection Report on the utilisation of Constituency Development Funds (CDF) for the period 1st January, 2007 to 31st December, and 2011

Irregular procurement of building materials using imprest: K102, 800.00

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the case above had been discharged. However, the Council had since appealed following the complaints and outcry of various stakeholders. The conclusion of the matter awaited the judgement from the courts of Law.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Unaccounted for Funds – K52, 435.00

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the case had been discharged. However, the Council had since appealed following the complaints and outcry of various stakeholders. The conclusion of the matter awaited the judgement from the courts of Law.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Review of Assets Management – No Title Deeds

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council had written to the Commissioner of Lands requesting to be issued with certificates of title on the Council properties. However, at the time of the verification, the Commissioner had not responded to Council's request.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Lundazi District Council

Statutory Audit Report and Audit Inspection Report on CDF for the period 1st January to 31st December, 2010

Non-acquisition of Title Deeds for Council Properties

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council had written to the Commissioner of Lands requesting to be issued with certificates of title for the Council properties. However, at the time of the verification, the Commissioner had not responded to Council's request.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Mpulungu District Council

Audit Report on the Constituency Development Funds (CDF), Assets Management and the Council's Indebtedness for the period 1st January, 2007 to 31st December, 2011

Irregular payment of imprest to Council Chairperson for procurement of Walamo Radio Station Materials - K 28,195.00

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the matter was still under investigation by the Anti Corruption Commission.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Update of Valuation Roll

The Ministry reported that the Council had not yet compiled a Valuation Roll due to financial challenges.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Review of Assets Management

The Ministry reported that the Council had not yet acquired the Title Deeds because the survey diagrams were not yet ready.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Fixed Assets Register not Adequately Maintained

The Ministry reported that the Council was yet to carry out a valuation of assets once its financial position improved. Furthermore, management had since compiled a Valuation Report on the basis of management estimates. These figures had been inserted in the Fixed Assets Register.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Motor Vehicles Disposed and Sold Off by Provincial Board of Survey (BOS) without Ministerial Approval

The Ministry reported that the matter was still being considered by the Anti Corruption Commission (ACC).

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Review of assets management

The Ministry reported that the Title Deeds were presented and verified by the Ministry. On the construction of the civic centre, the matter was awaiting confirmation of funding.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Serenje District Council

Statutory Audit Report for the Period 1st January to 31st December 2011

No Legality or Substantiating Documents to back the Council's Claim of an Investment of K85, 000.00 in Lukanga Water and Sewerage Company reflected in the Financial Statement

The Ministry reported that it had directed all water utility companies to resolve the issues of investments with the councils.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Street Lighting Project Materials Procured through Imprest and not the through a Tender Process

The Ministry reported that the case had been referred to the Local Government Service Commission, for a decision to be made regarding the Council Treasurer.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Irregular Payment of Gratuity to the Councillors and Sitting Allowance to Officers attending a Council Meeting: K7, 800.00

The Ministry reported that the Council had not yet recovered the funds from the concerned former Councillors because it had faced challenges in tracing the whereabouts of the councillors.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Payment of Subsistence Allowance and Missing Lunch Allowance Simultaneously – K2, 165.00

The Ministry reported that the Council had not yet recovered the funds from the concerned officers.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Payment on Single Sourcing and Without Proof of Tendering: K 253, 420, 00

The Ministry reported that the then Council Secretary had since been transferred. The Local Government Service Commission (LGSC) had since warned the officers.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the disciplinary action that has been taken on the officer involved in single sourcing without proof of tendering.

Chibombo District Council

Audit Inspection Report on the Accounts for Chisamba, Katuba and Keembe Constituencies for periods covering 1st January 2008 to 31st October, 2011

Unaccounted for funds K80, 000.00 paid to Musamba Women's Club

The Ministry reported that the matter was still before the courts of law.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits the outcome of the court process.

Assets Revaluation and Supporting Documentations for Purchases

The Ministry reported that the Council had not yet concluded the revaluation exercise due to financial challenges.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Statutory Pension and Union deductions

The Ministry reported that the sum of K126, 000.00 had not yet been paid due to financial challenges.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Non-verification of Cash: K 59,222.00

The Ministry reported that the matter was still a subject of court proceedings.

Your Committee notes the response and awaits the outcome of the court process.

Irregular and fraudulent Constituency Development Fund: Fraudulent Purchase of Chisamba CDF vehicle No. ABV 1000: K 75,000.00

The Ministry reported that the matter was still a subject of court proceedings.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee notes the response and awaits the end of the court process.

Sinazongwe District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection Report on Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December 2010

Weaknesses in Management of Accounting Systems and Internal Controls

The Ministry reported that the Council had not yet revalued its assets due to limited financial capacity.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Doubtful Value of Assets in Financial Statements

The Ministry reported that the Council had not yet revalued its assets due to limited financial capacity.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Kalulushi Municipal Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection on CDF for the period 1st January to 31st December 2010

Database on Land Administration not Maintained

The Ministry reported that the Council had not yet computerised land management due to financial challenges.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Lack of Share Certificate

The Ministry reported that the Council had not acquired the share certificates as it was still awaiting the same from the water utility company.

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Title Deeds not obtained

The Ministry reported that the Council had not yet acquired Title Deeds because it was still processing survey diagrams.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Itezhi-tezhi District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection Report on Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December, 2010

Property without Certificates of Title

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council had written to the Commissioner of Lands requesting for the Certificates of Title. However, the Commissioner had not yet issued them.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Kasama Municipal Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection Report on Constituency Development Fund for the Period 1st January to 31st December 2010

Financial Statements not Finalised

The Ministry reported to your Committee that due to budgetary constraints, the Council had not yet valued the assets. The Council had, however, written to the Government Valuation Department, requesting to be placed on the priority list once resources were available. In addition, the Council was still preparing final accounts based on estimates instead of actual values.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Low Revenue Collection Efficiency

The Ministry reported that the Council was yet to conduct a revaluation of assets once the financial position improved. However, it had put in place a budgetary monitoring tool through the Finance Department, to measure collection efficiency.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Non-availability of Records of Some Assets in the Asset Register

The Ministry reported that the Council was yet to conduct a revaluation of assets once its financial position improved. However, in order to assess the values, the Council had formulated management estimates based on purchase price.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Mporokoso District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection on the Constituency Development Fund for the period 1st January to 31st December, 2010

Investment Register for Chambeshi Water and Sewerage Company not in Place

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council had written Chambeshi Water and Sewerage Company, requesting for the issue of the Share Certificates. Chambeshi Water and Sewerage Company had not yet responded to the Council's request.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Construction of Modern Market

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Ministry had approved the Council's request to fund the completion of the Market from the 2012 CDF allocation. At the time of verification, the Council was making final touches to the Market.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report.

Kaputa District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection on Constituency Development Fund for the period 1st January to 31st December 2010

Non-preparation of Financial Statements

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council had not prepared the Financial Statements. The Council had since computed the values of assets as per management valuation.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Payment of Contract by Cash instead of Cheque: K90, 000.00

The Ministry reported that following administrative changes at management level, the Council had to restart the efforts to trace the missing documents. The search was very difficult because institutional memory was lost during the management changes. The Council had requested for more time to consult with officers from the previous management.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Samfya District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection on Constituency Development Fund for the Period 1st January to 31st December, 2010

Unauthorised borrowings from Chiefs' Account: K18, 000.00

The Ministry reported to your Committee that due to budgetary constraint, the Council had not yet refunded the chiefs account in full.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Lundazi District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection on Constituency Development Fund of the Council for period 1st January to 31st December 2010

Non-Acquisition of Title Deeds for Council Properties

The Ministry reported that the Council had not yet acquired the Title Deeds because it was still processing the survey diagrams.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Nyimba District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection Report on Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December, 2010

Non-Acquisition of Certificates of Title for Council Property

The Ministry reported that the Council had not yet acquired the Certificates of Title because it was still processing the survey diagrams.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Unserviceable Motor Vehicles

The Ministry reported that the Council was still processing the disposal of obsolete vehicles. An assessment had been carried out in order to ascertain the status of the vehicles.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Budgetary Control

Under-collection of Revenue on Budget Lines – K1, 209,195.88

The Ministry reported that the Council had requested the Prisons Services for more land to re-allocation to would be developers.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Gwembe District Council

Establishment of Administrative Centre

The Ministry reported to the Committee that the matter of re-locating the Administrative Centre would be resolved in consultation with various other stakeholders.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Sinazongwe District Council

Construction of Infrastructure Facilities

The Ministry reported that the Council had not yet acquired earth moving equipment. The Council had provided for the same in the 2013 CDF allocation.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Namwala District Council

Construction of Modern Market

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the capital projects such as the construction of the market, office block and guesthouse had not been funded due to budgetary constraints. The Ministry had varied funds for grants to Councils to meet the Government's financial support towards the payment of salaries to Councils.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Livingstone City Council

Construction of Modern Market

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the construction of a modern market was still on-going and would be undertaken in phases.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Lusaka City Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection Report on the utilisation of Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December, 2008

Lusaka Clothing Factory

The Ministry reported to your Committee that due to budgetary constraints, the Council had not acquired modern machines for the Lusaka Clothing Factory. The matter had since been reported to the full Council with a view to obtain a loan from a local financial institution.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Monze District Council

Statutory Audit Report for the Period 1st January to 31st December, 2009

Non-acquisition of Title Deeds for Council Properties

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council had engaged the Commissioner of Lands, requesting for the issuance of Certificates of Title for all properties. However, at the time of the verification, the Certificates of Title had not been issued.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Solwezi Municipal Council

Statutory Audit Report for the Period 1st January to 31st December, 2009

Non-acquisition of Title Deeds for Council Buildings

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council had engaged the Commissioner of Lands, requesting for the issuance of Certificates of Title for all properties. However, at the time of the verification, the Certificates of Title had not been issued.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Serenje District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection Report on the utilisation of Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December, 2009

Outstanding Debtors owing the Council Rest House: K126, 461.70

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council had written reminders to all the debtors. Compliance was poor and the matter had since been reported to the full Council for its decision to write off the debt. At the time of verification, the matter was still under consideration.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Lukulu District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection Report on the utilisation of Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December, 2008

Non-existence of Internal Audit Section

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the recruitment of Internal Auditors for Councils was on-going. The Local Government Service Commission would soon deploy an Internal Auditor to the Council.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Wrongful Payment of Imprest to Council Employees using Funds meant for the Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Program: K122, 048.00

The Ministry reported to your Committee that due to budgetary constraints, the Council had not yet refunded the money. The Council had, however, agreed to a repayment plan to be implemented once the financial position improved.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Payment Voucher No 5, Cheque No. 0014009: K30, 000.00

The Ministry reported to your Committee that due to budgetary constraints, the Council had not yet paid back the balance of funds outstanding from the CDF. The Council had, however, agreed to a repayment plan to be implemented when its financial position improved.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Payment Voucher No 11, Cheque No. 014020: K12, 700.00

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council had written to Lukulu District Cooperative Union to refund the monies which were erroneously paid to the institution. However, at the time of verification, the funds had not been paid back.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Kaoma District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection Report on the Utilisation of Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December 2009

Unaccounted for Cash Withdrawals: K8, 969.00

The Ministry reported to your Committee that due to budgetary constraints, the Council had not paid back the funds. The Council had, however, agreed to a settlement plan. At the time of verification, the Council had not yet made any refunds.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Senanga District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection Report on the Utilisation of Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December, 2009

Poor Internal Control Systems

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the recruitment of internal auditors for councils was on-going. The Local Government Service Commission would soon deploy an internal auditor to the council.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Chama District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection Report on the Utilisation of Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December 2009

Continued Failure to Prepare Financial Statements

The Ministry reported to your Committee that due to budgetary constraints, the Council had not updated its Valuation Roll. However, the Council had written to the Government Valuation Department for consideration on the priority list once the finances were available. In addition, the Council had started preparing Financial Statements using estimate values for asset.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

CONSIDERATION OF THE ACTION-TAKEN REPORT ON THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR 2010

Isoka District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection Report on the Utilisation of Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December, 2008

Non-production of Financial Statements

The Ministry reported to your Committee that due to budgetary constraints, the Council had not updated its Valuation Roll. However, the Council had written to the Government Valuation Department, requesting to be placed on the priority list once finances were available. In addition, the Council had started preparing Financial Statements using estimate values for asset.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the issue.

Samfya District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection Report on the Utilisation of Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the period 1st January to 31st December, 2009

Non-receipt of Lease Charges from Samfya Sun and Sand Resort Limited: K12, 000.00

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the matter had not yet been disposed by the Courts of Law.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee notes and awaits the outcome of the court process.

Non-preparation of Annual Financial Statements

The Ministry reported to your Committee that due to budgetary constraints, the Council has failed to update the Valuation Roll. However, the Council had written to the Government Valuation Department for consideration on the priority list once the finances were available. In addition, the Council had started preparing Financial Statements using estimated values.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Milenge District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection Report on the Utilisation of Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December, 2009

Unprofitable Lease of Council Tractor to Masesa Mine: K5, 800.00

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the matter regarding the unprofitable lease of the Council tractor to Masesa Mines was still before the Courts of law.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits progress report on the matter.

Missing Payment Vouchers: K51, 307.21

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the matter regarding the missing payment vouchers was still before the Courts of Law.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Fraudulent Payments: K11, 582.00

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the matter regarding the fraudulent payments was still before the Courts of Law.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Accounting Inadequacies for Locally Generated Cash at Source K34, 188.96

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the matter regarding the accounting inadequacies for locally generated cash at source was still before the Courts of Law.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Chavuma District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection Report on the Utilisation of Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December, 2009

Under-collections on Approval Revenue Provisions due to Undervalued Properties

The Ministry reported to your Committee that due to budgetary constraints, the Council has not been able to revalue the properties in the District. The Council had written to the Government Valuation Department requesting to be placed on the priority list once the funds for the exercise were available.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Valuation of Assets not Maintained

The Ministry reported to your Committee that due to budgetary constraints, the Council had not updated its Valuation Roll. The Council had, however, written to the Government Valuation Department requesting to be placed on the priority list once the funds for the exercise were available.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Non-disposal of Obsolete Assets

The Ministry reported that the Council had not disposed its obsolete assets. The Council had written seeking for Ministerial authority to dispose the obsolete assets.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Internal Audit Function

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council had written to the Local Government Service Commission to deploy an Internal Auditor, or to confirm the person who was currently acting in the position. The Commission had not yet responded to the request by the Council.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Kawambwa District Council

Statutory Audit and Audit Inspection Report on the Utilisation of Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December, 2009

Operational losses due to poor status of Council Rest House: K19, 994.57

The Ministry reported to your Committee that due to budgetary constraints, only minor renovations were undertaken on the Council Rest House. The renovations were carried out after the disbursement of various grants to the Council in December 2012.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Fire Tenders

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the tenders for the supply of the Fire Tenders were floated in the local and international media, and the bids had already been evaluated. The preferred supplier had been informed and the Ministry was waiting for the delivery of the Fire Tenders.

Your Committee notes the response and awaits a progress report on the matter.

Mpongwe District Council

Statutory Audit Report and Audit Inspection Report on the Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December 2008

Fixed Assets and Motor Vehicles not Insured

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council had only managed to insure its motor vehicles. The Council had written to the Government Valuation Department (GVD) to undertake the valuation of its fixed assets before they were insured. Due to budgetary constraints, the Council had not yet engaged the services of the GVD.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Mkushi District Council

Statutory Audit Report and Audit Inspection Report on the Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December 2007

Certificates of Title not available

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council was still pursuing the acquisition of the Certificates of Title with the Commissioner of Lands. At the time of the verification, the Certificates of Title had not yet been issued.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Luwingu District Council

Audit Inspection Report (CDF) of Lubansenshi and Lupososhi Constituencies for the period 1st January to 31st December, 2009

Purchase of a Motor Vehicle for Lubansenshi Constituency Development Fund (CDF): K70, 000.00

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the matter was still awaiting the decision of the Courts of Law.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Illegal payment for transport and training on workshop repairs: K 5,950.00 - Lubansenshi Constituency

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the matter was still awaiting the decision of the Courts of Law.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Kaputa District Council

Statutory Audit Report and Audit Inspection Report on the Constituency Development Funds (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December, 2007

Progress on the stalled Market Project at Nsumbu

The resolution of the matter still awaited the decision of the Courts of Law.

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Mumbwa District Council

Statutory Audit Report and Audit Inspection Report on the Constituency Development Funds (CDF) for the period 1st January to 31st December, 2008

Non availability of Certificate of Title

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council was still pursuing the issuance of the Title Deeds with the Commissioner of Lands. At the time of the verification, the Certificates of Title had not yet been issued.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Chavuma District Council

Statutory Audit Report and Audit Inspection Report on the Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December, 2008

Non-existence of Internal Audit

The Ministry reported to your Committee that Council had requested the Local Government Service Commission to fill up the vacant position in the Internal Audit Section. However, at the time of verification, the vacant positions had not been filled, nor were the confirmations and promotion for officers who were acting carried.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Milenge District Council

Statutory Audit Report and Audit Inspection Report on the Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January to 31st December, 2007

Understaffing in the Accounts Unit

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council had requested for the Local Government Service Commission to fill the vacant positions in the Treasury Department. The Commission was yet to deploy and confirm promotions for those in acting positions.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Shang'ombo District Council

Statutory Audit Report and Audit Inspection Report on the Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the period 1st January to 31st December, 2007

Non-acquisition of Title Deeds for the Civic Centre and Rest House

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council was still following up on the processing of Title Deeds with the Commissioner of Lands. The Title Deeds had not yet been issued.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Chilubi District Council

Statutory Audit Report and Audit Inspection Report on the Constituency Development Fund (CDF) for the Period 1st January 2008 to 31st December 2009

Council Properties without Title

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council had been making efforts to change ownership of the properties which originally belonged to the Central Government. The process of change of ownership and acquisition of Certificates of Title was still on-going.

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Chibombo District Council

Huge Statutory Debt - K 201, 938.97

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council had failed to clear the debt due to budgetary constraints, which the council had experienced as result of a narrowed financial base, following the abolition of Crop Levy. The Council had, however, proposed a settlement plan.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Guest House renovations in order to improve its appearance and to attract more customers

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council had only managed to undertake minor renovations on two guesthouses in Chibombo and Chisamba, because its revenue base had been narrowed following the abolition of the Crop Levy. The Council had submitted a request to the Ministry of Local Government and Housing for funding to modernise the guesthouses.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Kabwe Municipal Council

Huge Statutory Debt - K3, 333,834.28

The Ministry reported to your Committee that various debt settlement plans had been agreed upon and signed. The National Pension Scheme Authority had signed for a land for debt swap and the Local Authorities Superannuation Fund had signed for a monthly cash installment of K15, 000.00 and land for debt swap. In addition, the Council was paying the staff creditors on *first in first out* basis, depending on the availability of resources.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the clearance of the debt.

Poor and inadequate market facilities

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council could not afford to construct a market from its local resources. It had, therefore, submitted a proposal to the Ministry of Local Government and Housing, and to another funding agent. The Council was still waiting for responses from the Ministry and the funding agent.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Masaiti District Council

Huge Statutory Debt

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the Council had failed to clear the debt due to financial challenges experienced after the abolition of the Crop Levy. The Council had proposed a settlement plan through land for debt swap but it had not received responses from the creditors.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Ndola City Council

Huge Statutory Debt – K15, 099,328. 98

The Ministry reported to your Committee that due to the declining revenue base, the Council had failed to liquidate its debts in full. Instead, it had proposed cash payments in installments and land for debt swap.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Kitwe City Council

Huge Statutory Debt: K45, 712.94

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the declining revenue base had made it difficult for the Council to liquidate its debt in full. The Council had, however, agreed on a settlement plan which comprised of cash payments in installments and land for debt swap.

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Appointment of Market Boards

The Ministry reported to your Committee the operationalisation and commissioning of market boards could not be undertaken due to budgetary constraints. However, the Ministry was making frantic efforts to ensure that the Treasury prioritises funding the commissioning of the market boards country wide.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

Kalulushi Municipal Council

Huge Statutory Debt: K 5, 917,541.53

The Ministry reported to your Committee that because of the inadequate revenue base, the Council had found it difficult to liquidate its outstanding debt in full. The Council had developed a re-payment plan in order to clear the debts.

Committee's Observations and Recommendations

Your Committee awaits a progress report on the matter.

THE ACTION-TAKEN REPORT ON THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT FOR 2009

Kawambwa District Council

Statutory Audit Report of the Council's Financial Accounts and Audit Inspection Report of the Constituency Development Fund for the Period 1st January to 31st December, 2006

Fraudulent Disposal of Injector Pump: K19, 912.38

The Ministry reported to your Committee that the case was changed from criminal to civil. As result of the change, the accused was directed to pay the Council cash for the injector pump. The accused failed to settle the debt and even when a warrant of distress was issued, the accused had no assets which the Council could seize to recover the debt.

APPENDIX I

LIST OF OFFICIALS

National Assembly

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