OVERVIEW

The report contains five chapters. A synopsis of the findings contained in paragraphs is presented in this overview:-

I. INTRODUCTION TO ULBS IN THE STATE OF BIHAR

• Five cases of surcharge involving ₹ 2.42 lakh were proposed and notices were issued for recovery by the ELA, Bihar in three ULBs, during the year 2010-11.

(Paragraph - 1.6)

• A sum of ₹ 22.99 lakh with respect to non/short credit, rent outstanding, bid money dues etc. was recovered at the instance of audit in 12 ULBs.

(Paragraph – 1.7)

2. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING

• The State Government was deprived of revenue to the tune of ₹ 13.68 crore due to non deposit of Education and Health Cess in Government Account by nine ULBs.

(Paragraph – 2.2.1)

• There was a huge outstanding holding tax of ₹ 12.26 crore against Government buildings in 16 ULBs.

(Paragraph – 2.2.2)

• In 14 ULBs, the unrealised taxes on private holdings stood at ₹ 28.20 crore.

(Paragraph - 2.2.3)

• A sum of \gtrless 1.72 crore was outstanding as shop rent in 10 ULBs.

(Paragraph - 2.2.4)

• PMC suffered a revenue loss of ₹ 1.56 crore due to short realisation of royalty.

(Paragraph - 2.6.1)

• There was blockage of ₹ 72.97 crore in 19 ULBs for varying periods due to non-utilisation.

(Paragraph - 2.10.1)

3. INTERNAL CONTROL MECHANISM

• There was Poor/Non- Maintenance of Accounts by the ULBs.

(Paragraph - 3.2)

4. **EXECUTION OF SCHEMES**

• There was unfruitful expenditure of ₹ 2.24 crore on construction of drains and roads in Nagar Parishad, Bettiah.

(Paragraph – 4.1)

• There was irregular expenditure of ₹ 48.35 lakh in execution of BRGF schemes in Nagar Parishad, Masaurhi.

(Paragraph – 4.2.1)

• There was irregular payment of ₹ 52.38 lakh to ITI, Bangalore for computerisation (e-governance) in PMC.

(Paragraph - 4.6)

5. PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF RELEASE AND UTILISATION OF TWELFTH FINANCE COMMISSION (TFC) GRANTS BY ULBS IN THE STATE OF BIHAR

• In eight ULBs, ₹ 68.22 lakh was misutilised on purchase of walky-talky, biometric attendance machine and maintenance of office/municipal building etc. though not permissible under the guidelines.

(Paragraph - 5.6.2)

• Grants of ₹ 30.12 lakh released to four ULBs during 2009-10 lapsed due to delayed receipt by respective ULBs.

(Paragraph – 5.7.2)

• Despite expenditure of ₹ 59.13 lakh in 11 ULBs under e-governance, neither database was created nor accounts were maintained in computerised system.

(Paragraph - 5.8)

• State Government submitted utilisation certificate of ₹ 127.80 crore to Finance Department, Government of India just after its release which was not realistic.

(Paragraph - 5.10)