



KRISHNA BHAGYA JALA NIGAM LTD

(A Government of Karnataka Undertaking)

Request For Quotation Document

(Through E-Procurement)

NAME OF THE ASSIGNMENT

**Appointment of Internal Auditors
For the Financial year
2022-23 and 2023-24**

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Chapter 1 Notice Inviting Bids



KRISHNA BHAGYA JALA NIGAM LTD.,

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PWD OFFICES ' ANNEXE' III FLOOR, K.R.CIRCLE, BENGALURU - 560 001

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Tender Notification

**Invitation of Bids for Appointment of Internal Auditors/Pre Auditors for the year
2022-23 & 2023-24 (through e-procurement portal)**

NO. KBJNL/FD/IA2022-24/FD001

Dt. July 29 , 2022

Krishna Bhagya Jala Nigam Ltd., a wholly owned Company of Government of Karnataka, invites competitive quotations through e-procurement portal for carrying out pre-audit of work bills for the period between 01.11.2022 to 31.10.2024 at Zonal offices and Internal Audit at Bangalore, Almatti, Bheemaranaganudi and Bagalkot offices for the years 2022-23 and 2023-24.

Competitive quotations through e-procurement portal are invited for the above assignment from Chartered Accountants or Cost and Management Accountants Partnership firm / Company / LLP, with minimum 10 years of experience and having offices in Bengaluru /Kalaburagi / Vijayapura / Bagalkot / Raichur / Hubballi / Koppal/ Yadgiri / Belgavi .

The eligible CA / CMA firms may access RFQ document from the e-procurement portal www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in from August 01, 2022

For the terms and conditions of above assignments, bidders may refer the above RFQ (Request for Quotation) document. Please note henceforth, any changes will not be published through News papers and further changes will be updated only on e-procurement Portal / KBJNL website ie., www.kbjnl.karnataka.gov.in

**GENERAL MANAGER - FINANCE &
CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER**

Chapter 2

Letter of Invitation (LOI)

NO. KBJNL/FD/IA2022-24/FD001

Dt. July 29 , 2022

Sir,

Subject : Request for quotation for appointment of Internal Auditors / Pre Auditors for the Financial years 2022-23 & 2023-24

1. Quotations (Bids) in the prescribed forms are hereby invited by the General Manager - Finance & CFO, KBJNL, Liaison Office, Bengaluru on behalf of the Managing Director , KBJNL for the following assignment which could form the basis for a legal agreement between your firm and Krishna Bhagya Jala Nigam Ltd:

Sl.	Particulars	Purpose
1.	Name of the Assignment	Appointment of Internal Auditors for Internal Audit for the financial years 2022-23 and 2023-24 and pre-audit of work bills for the period between 01.11.2022 to 31.10.2024.

2. The following details are provided in this Request for Quotation (RFQ) document to enable you to submit your quotation:

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3. Following are the schedule of Events for submission of Quotations:

Sl.	Events	Schedule
1	Date of publishing of Tender Notification	29.07.2022
2	Date of uploading RFQ document	01.08.2022
3	Last date for submission of pre-bid query if any in writing only	18.09.2022, 5.30pm
4	Pre-bid meeting	20.08.2022, 3.00pm
5	Last date for downloading RFQ document from e-procurement Portal	03.09.2022, 5.30pm
6	Last date for submission of bid	05.09.2022, 5.30pm
7	Date of opening of Technical bid	10.09.2022, 12.00pm
8	Date of opening of Financial bid	12.09.2022, 12.00pm

4. **Other relevant Information:**

Sl. No	Particulars	Particulars
1	Name and Address of the Procuring Entity	KRISHNA BHAGYA JALA NIGAM LTD. PWD Offices "Annexe" Building, 3 rd floor, K.R.Circle, Bengaluru - 560 001 Contact No. : 080-22244484/22277393/22277488 Fax No. : 080-22219470
2	Designation and Address of the Tender Inviting Authority	General Manager -Finance & (CFO) KRISHNA BHAGYA JALA NIGAM LTD. PWD Offices "Annexe" Building, 3 rd floor, K.R.Circle, Bengaluru - 560 001 Contact No. : 080-22244484/22277393/22277488 Fax No. : 080-22219470
3	Place of Opening of Proposal	At Computer section / Board room, KBJNL Liaison Office at the above mentioned address as per the scheduled date and time mentioned in this RFQ document

Yours faithfully

Sd/-

B.N.Biradar,

General Manager - Finance & CFO

Chapter 3

Information to the Bidders

a. Brief History and back ground of the Company

- 3.1. **KRISHNA BHAGYA JALA NIGAM LIMITED (KBJNL)** was incorporated as a wholly owned Government of Karnataka Company under Companies Act on August 19, 1994.
- 3.2. **Main objects as per the Memorandum of Association of the Company.**
- 3.2.1. To undertake Planning, investigation, estimation, execution, operation and maintenance and also the works of Krishna CADA, UKP, for Field Irrigation Channels (FICs), Ayacut Roads and other engineering works of all the Irrigation Projects coming under Upper Krishna Project and the construction of barrages and such other related works across the river Bhima and the river Krishna, main canals, distributaries, tanks and such other water sheds under various schemes and any other works which are allocated and directed by the Government from time to time, in Krishna river basin of Karnataka keeping in view the award of the Tribunal on Krishna water set up under section 4 of the interstate Water Disputes Act 1956 and the allocation of the water made by the Government of Karnataka. However, the Power Project at Almatti Dam Site will be executed by the Company in accordance with requirements of Karnataka Power Corporation Limited.
- 3.2.2. To prepare detailed project reports and estimates of irrigation projects in accordance with guidelines of Government of India/Government of Karnataka and to obtain their approvals as the case may be.
- 3.2.3. To implement the externally aided Upper Krishna Irrigation Project in Krishna Valley in accordance with guidelines of Government of India/Government of Karnataka.
- 3.2.4. To undertake resettlement and rehabilitation of the people affected by construction of the Project in accordance with the policies set forth by Government of Karnataka/Government of India.
- 3.2.5. To undertake measures for the protection and improvement of environment and health and well being of the people including the treatment of Catchment Areas of Project, keeping in view the

standards/guidelines, if any, prescribed by the Government of Karnataka/Government of India.

- 3.2.6. To draw standards and specifications for implementation of the project and maintenance thereof.
- 3.2.7. To promote schemes in the state for Flood control in the Krishna River Basin in Karnataka.
- 3.2.8. To promote schemes for Irrigation and Navigation.
- 3.2.9. To promote schemes for irrigation and water supply in the State for utilization of water from the Upper Krishna Project.

3.3. A brief summary of the business/ activities of the issuer and its line of business

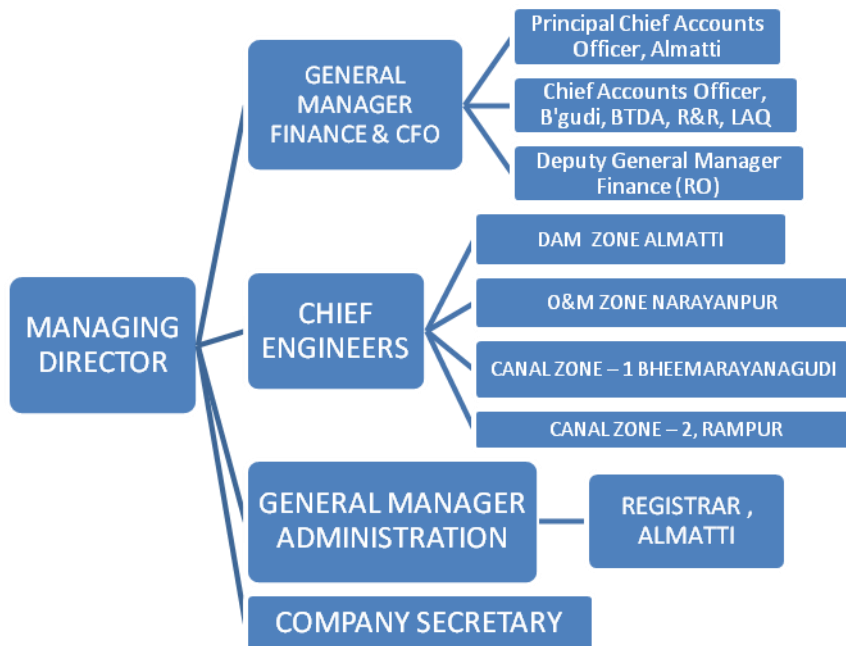
- 3.3.1. With a view to expediting completion of the Upper Krishna Project the Government of Karnataka promoted Krishna Bhagya Jala Nigam Limited. KBJNL was incorporated on 19-08-1994 as a Public Limited Company under the Companies Act 1956.
- 3.3.2. The Company is responsible for planning, investigating, estimation, execution, operation and maintenance of all the irrigation projects coming under Upper Krishna Project and construction of barrages and such other related works across river Bhima, Godavari River basin of Karnataka. The Company has also been executing irrigation projects entrusted to it by Government of Karnataka from time to time. The Company is also entrusted with the rehabilitation and resettlement of the people affected by the Project.
- 3.3.3. The Company is authorized to borrow or raise required resources through issue of debentures or any other securities for the purpose of the projects being executed by it.
- 3.3.4. The Company has been empowered to levy and collect water charges from individual and group of farmers including CADA, Town and City Municipalities and industries and recover revenues.
- 3.3.5. For the purpose of easy manageability of the works, the entire project has been divided in to Zones, divisions & sub-divisions. The details are given in **Annexure II.**

3.3.6. The maintenance of the accounts are centralized at the office of the Principal Chief Accounts officer, Almatti Zone comprising of Almatti Dam zone and the O & M Zone Narayanpur and the Chief Accounts Officer, Canal Zone comprising of Canal Zone-1 Bheemaranagudi, Canal Zone-2 Rampur. The CADA Bheemaranagudi maintains separate Accounts. The accounts of the four Zones are maintained manually as per the PWD requirement and also tally package is used to maintain the accounts on double entry book-keeping system. The accounts of BTDA, R & R & LAQ are maintained under the PWD system of accounts and they are presently outside the Nigam's Books, but funded by the Nigam. The expenditure of CADA,BTDA,R&R &LAQ are considered for incorporation with the Nigams accounts based on Statement of expenditure certified by an independent firm of Chartered Accountants. Hence Internal Audit shall be carried out at all the Offices as specified in **Annexure - II**.

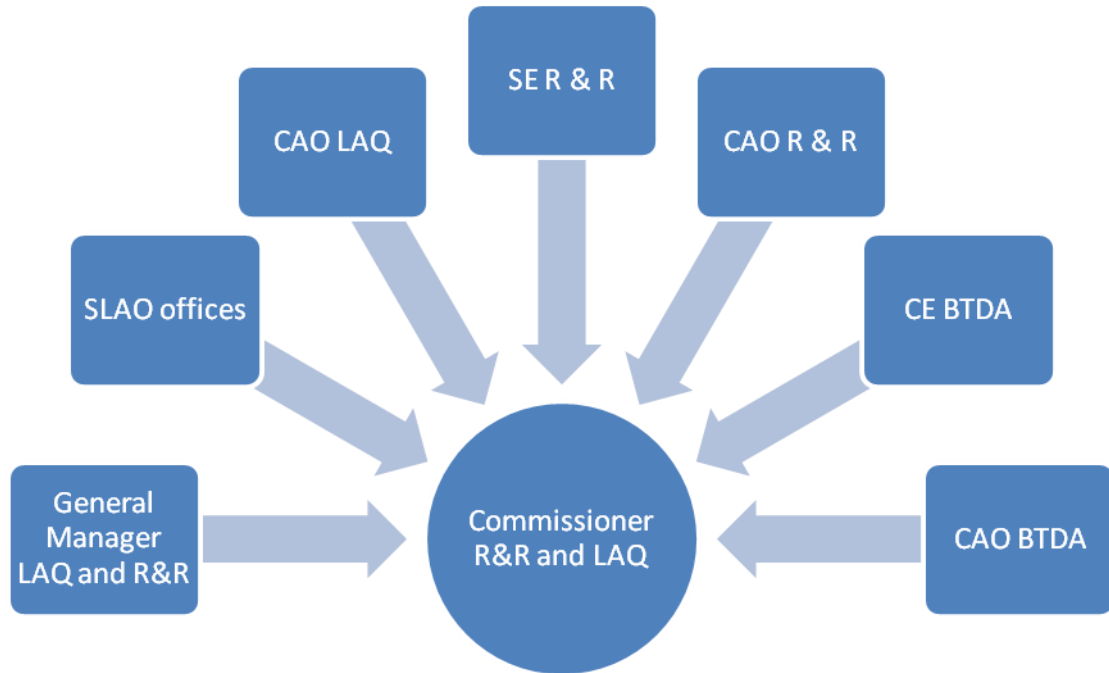
3.3.7. For Status of the Projects being executed by the Company and the Annual report kindly refer our Company's website www.kbjnl.karnataka.gov.in.

3.4 A) ORGANISATION STRUCTURE OF KBJNL

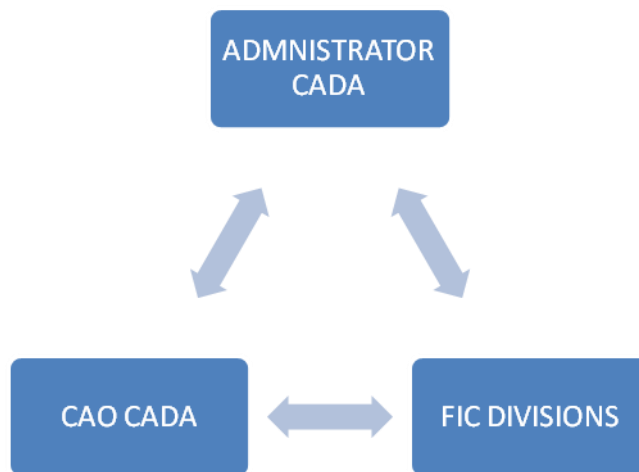
3.4.1 Managing Director KBJNL



3.4.2 COMMISSIONER LAQ & R&R



3.4.3 Command Area Development Authority



3.5 Scope of Assignments

- 3.5.1 The scope of the assignment for Internal Audit is set out in the Internal Audit Manual enclosed at **Annexure-III**. While effort has been made to define all the areas of importance, the scope is neither exhaustive nor is to be limited to the extent of the Internal Audit Manual. The Internal auditors may devise additional areas of inspection and examination of the documents/ areas of operation so as to minimize loss of revenue, increase transparency and internal controls, maximize functional efficiency, detect/prevent frauds and mis-management, efficient application of contract resources and finances, adherence to regulatory mechanisms as per the

contract documents, adherence to Indian Accounting Standards, Standards on Internal Audit, Guidance note / Guidelines issued by Institute of Chartered Accountants of India and to the requirement of Companies act 2013 and Rules there under etc. The Internal Auditor should facilitate strengthening the internal controls at all spheres of operation of the Company.

3.5.2 Internal Auditors are requested to meet the requirements under Standard for Internal Audit and Guidelines, if any, issued by ICAI and to comply with the provisions of Companies Act 2013 read with relevant rules.

3.6 Bidders are requested to consider following points before uploading Financial Proposal.

3.6.1 About ₹ 5000.00 crore per annum may be considered as the anticipated expenditure for the purpose of Financial Proposal.

3.6.2 Audit team should include one experienced Qualified Partner and sufficient number of semi qualified assistant(s) for Internal Audit and for pre-Audit.

3.6.3 The Liason Office of the Company is at Bangalore and the Project offices are at Vijayapura, Kalaburgi, Bagalkot, Yadgir and Koppal Districts.

3.6.4 For Pre- audit, the Audit team should be present for 2 days at least 4-5 times a month in each of PCAO / CAO Office in consultation with concerned PCAO/CAO or on a daily basis during March month.

3.6.5 For Internal Audit, the Audit team should be present for at least 10 days in a quarter in each of Almatti / Bheemaranagudi / Bagalkot offices and for at least 5 days at LO, Bangalore Office.

3.6.6 Average number of bills to be pre-audited every month, may be around 200 to 300 bills in each of the zonal office.

3.6.7 The Internal Auditor should be present for Audit Committee meeting which meets at least 4 times a year.

3.6.8 The Internal Auditor should review half yearly un-audited results of the Company and the Annual, consolidated and Zonal financial statements of the Company before the same is handed over to the Statutory Auditors.

3.6.9 For detailed nature of work refer **Annexure III** of this RFP document

Chapter 4

Procedure for submission of Bids

4.1. Payment of Tender processing fee and EMD

- 4.1.1. A non refundable Tender processing fee as determined by the e-Procurement platform, shall be payable, electronically, by the Bidders at the time of submitting Bids.
- 4.1.2. The Bidders shall pay Security Deposit of ₹ 1,000/- towards Earnest Money Deposit. The EMD of the Successful bidder will be taken to KBJNL account and the same will be refunded after satisfactory completion of the assignment.
- 4.1.3. EMD of Unsuccessful Bidders will be returned back to their Bank account automatically through online EMD Refund System of E-Governance Department, Government of Karnataka.
- 4.1.4. Kindly note that if Transaction processing fee and EMD are not submitted properly, Bids will be automatically rejected at e-procurement portal.

4.2. Instructions for submitting Quotations (Bids)

- 4.2.1. Quotes are invited under two cover system.
- 4.2.2. Upload scanned copies of all the documents as specified in Schedule - A along with non refundable Tender Processing Fee and EMD.
- 4.2.3. The fees quoted in commercial Financial Bid / Schedule B should be inclusive of all Taxes, including GST and Out of pocket expenses. Further no additional out of pocket expenses shall be payable. Tax will be deducted at source as per the provisions of Income - Tax Act and the GST Act and Rules, prevailing at the time of payment.
- 4.2.4. Bidders are requested to note the Scope of Work and details of assignment before quoting the fee. Fee quoted shall remain constant for next two financial year and enhancement will not be considered under any circumstances.
- 4.2.5. The fee should be quoted on yearly basis in Indian National Rupee only.

- 4.2.6. Technical Bid will be opened only if the bids are qualified / successful in the e-procurement portal i.e., who have submitted tender processing fee and EMD successfully in the E-procurement portal. Commercial Bids / Financial Bids i.e, Schedule - B will be opened only if the Bidders are qualified in the Technical Bid.
- 4.2.7. Bidders may please note that for Technical qualification all the eligibility criteria and Documentation requirement should be submitted to the satisfaction of the Company and minimum marks in each of the eligibility criteria as mentioned in this RFQ document should be scored.
- 4.2.8. The supporting documents, wherever required, evidencing the criteria prescribed for evaluation of Technical Bid shall have to be uploaded. Any ambiguity in any of the Information furnished will entail non-consideration of such information for the purpose of evaluation of Technical Bids.
- 4.2.9. The documents are to be uploaded properly and on no account, any deviations from the respective dates and timings are allowed.
- 4.2.10. The Completed Technical and Financial Bids must be uploaded on or before the scheduled date and time stated in this RFQ document along with prescribed Tender processing Fee and EMD.
- 4.2.11. KBJNL shall not be responsible for technical problems encountered while submitting Bids, payment of Tender processing Fee and EMD amount. Bidders are requested to submit their Bids well in time considering the Processing time involved and the Time involved in remittance of Fees and EMD through on-line payment system.

4.3 Other procedures

- 4.3.1 The Bids along with prescribed documents shall be submitted through e-procurement portal and as such the Bidders are requested to familiarize themselves with the procedure of E-procurement thoroughly before submission of Bids.
- 4.3.2 Mere Issue / downloading of RFQ Document does not qualify any bidding firm for appointment. The Bidding Firm which does not comply with the eligibility Criteria mentioned in the Tender Notification / RFQ document will be rejected.
- 4.3.3 The submission of Bids by the Chartered Accountant / Cost and Management Accountant firm implies that they have read and understood the contents of Tender Notification and the RFQ Document.
- 4.3.4 The Company reserves the right to accept / reject all or any of the tenders without assigning any reasons.

- 4.3.5 The Company reserves the right to include / exclude any work in the scope of work annexed at mutually agreed terms and conditions. In case situation warrants, Internal auditors will be requested to carryout the special audit of a particular zone /circle / division / area of work and no separate fee shall be paid for the same.
- 4.3.6 Conditional quotes / Bids are not acceptable.
- 4.3.7 Selected Chartered Accountant / Cost and Management Accountant Firm shall submit Declaration in ₹ 100/- stamp paper duly notarized as per the format given in **Annexure I** along with and a duly signed and sealed copy of the RFQ Document before issue of Appointment Letter on e-procurement portal only.
- 4.3.8 Bids shall be valid for 90 days from the last date for submission of Bids.
- 4.3.9 The selected Bidder shall accept the mandate within 15 days from the date of appointment letter. In case of the non- acceptance, same shall be offered to second highest scored bidder.

4.4 e-Tendering:

- 4.4.1 All Bids / Quotations are accepted only through e-Procurement, for which the Bidders should purchase Digital Signature Certificate from any of the Empanelled Certifying Authorities as mentioned in the e-Procurement portal.
- 4.4.2 Bidders who wish to undergo training on e-Procurement can contact e-Procurement Helpdesk, Government of Karnataka, M.S.Buidling, II Gate, Room No. 108, K.R.Circle, Bengaluru-560001.
- 4.4.3 **The** training on e-Procurement will be given by the Government of Karnataka on all Saturdays except, second Saturdays, between 11.00 am to 5.00 pm on prior appointment.
- 4.4.4 Any changes / notifications will be updated in the e-Procurement platform and in the Company's web site [http:// www.kbjnl.karnataka.gov.in](http://www.kbjnl.karnataka.gov.in) and shall be binding on all the participating Bidders.
- 4.4.5 Krishna Bhagya Jala Nigam Limited shall not be responsible for any technical problems encountered during submission of Bids through e-procurement Portal, delay in remittance of Tender Processing fee and EMD through on-line payment system.
- 4.4.6 The remittance of Tender Processing Fee and EMD through on-line payment system can be made only on Bank working days during Banking hours.

4.4.7 The submission of Bids through E-Procurement portal is not possible after the Last Date and Time mentioned for submission of Bids mentioned in this RFQ document.

4.4.8 Efforts are made to provide all the required details in the RFQ Document. In case of any query, Bidders may contact General Manager - Finance, KBJNL, Liaison Office, Bengaluru at telephone number: 080-22240521.

Chapter 5

Eligibility and qualification criteria

- 5.1. **Eligibility criteria for Technical Qualification:** in order to be eligible for Technical qualification, the Bids submitted should include following documents and score minimum required score for each of the eligibility criteria as mentioned in Chapter 6 :
- 5.1.1. Should be a Chartered Accountants / Cost and Management Accountants Partnership firm / Company / LLP with minimum 10 years of experience. **Upload scanned Self Certified copy of the Registration Certificate issued by Institute of Chartered Accountants of India / Institute of Cost Accountants of India along with the firm's registration number.**
- 5.1.2. Should have an office in Karnataka, at Bengaluru /Kalaburagi / Vijayapura / Bagalkot / Raichur / Hubballi / Koppal/ Yadgiri / Belgavi for internal audit / pre audit assignments. **Upload Self Certified scanned copy of any address proof along with a copy of the Registration Certificate issued by ICAI where the places of branches are mentioned.**
- 5.1.3. Should have experience in Statutory Audit / Internal Audit / System Audit / Cost and/or Management Audit of Infrastructure / Construction Companies/ Firms with turnover / Capital Expenditure exceeding ₹ 100.00 crore during any one of the last 5 years. **Upload self attested scanned copy of appointment Letter issued by the Infrastructure / Construction Companies/ Firm and extract of Audited Financial statement of the auditee in support of turnover / expenditure.**
- 5.1.4. Scanned copy of declaration as per the format given in **Annexure - I. Declarations should be submitted in the Letter head of the Bidding firm / Company / LLP at the time of submitting the BID with seal and signature of the authorized partner.** The selected CA / CMA firm / Company/LLP should submit the Declaration in ₹ 100/- stamp paper each duly notarized before issue of Appointment Letter.
- 5.1.5. **The resume of the Partner-in-charge of this assignment along with self attested copy of the Membership certificate issued by Institute of Chartered Accountants of India / Cost Accountants of India should be uploaded.**

5.1.6. Upload the profile of the firm as per the format given below:

Sl. No	Particulars	Details	Any remarks	other
1	Name of the firm			
2	Place of Liaison Office of the Firm			
3	Address of the Firm			
4	Year of Registration with ICAI			
5	No. of Branches and address of the Branches.			
6	No. of Partners			
7	Amongst Partners number of FCAs / FCMA's			
8	Amongst Partners number of ACAs / ACMA's			
9	Paid ACAs / FCAs / ACMA's / FCMA's			
10	Contact Person			
11	Partner In-Charge of the proposed assignment who will be the coordinator.			
12	Contact Details - Land Line No.			
13	Contact Details - Mobile Number			
14	Contact Details - Email - ID			
15	Details of Team Members assigned for Internal Audit of KBJNL. Please indicate Name, Qualification and experience of the Team Members.			

Chapter 6

Method of Evaluation

- 6.1. The Internal Auditor(s) will be selected under Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS), as per procedure mentioned below and in accordance with the provisions of Rule 28-C of “The Karnataka State Transparency in Public Procurements Rules, 2000”.
- 6.2. The evaluation of the Chartered Accountant / Cost and Management Accountant Firm / Company / LLP will be based on marking points for different capabilities of the Bidding Firm. Marks for each of the pre-qualification criteria will be awarded based on documentary evidences furnished by the Bidding entities as detailed below.

Sl. No.	Criteria	No. of Points	Maximum /Minimum points	Supporting Documents
1	Number of years of Standing of the firm		Maximum 15 points & minimum required 5 points	Self certified copy of the Registration certificate of the firm / Company / LLP
	10-15 years->	5 points		
	15-20 years->	10 points		
	Above 20 years ->	15 points		
2	Should have an Office at Bengaluru /Kalaburagi / Vijayapura / Bagalkot / Raichur / Hubballi / Koppal/ Yadgiri / Belgavi	10 points if the bidder has an office at Bangalore for assignment at Bangalore, 10 points if the bidder has an office at Kalaburagi / Raichur / Yadgir / Vijayapura / Bagalkot / Hubballi / Koppal / Belgavi for assignments at Almatti, Bheemaranagudi and Bagalkot	Maximum and minimum 10 points	Self Certified address proof along with a copy of the Registration Certificate issued ICAI where the places of branches are mentioned.

3	Should have experience in Statutory Audit / Internal Audit /System Audit / Cost and/or Management Audit of Infrastructure / Construction Companies/ Firms of Infrastructure / construction Companies with turnover / Capital Expenditure exceeding ₹ 100.00 crores during any of the last 5 years. Upload scanned copy of self attested appointment Letter issued by the Companies and extract of Audited Financial statement in support of turnover / expenditure	30 points	Maximum and minimum required 30 points	Self Certified copy of the Appointment letter issued by the Company and extract of Audited Financial statements in support of turnover / expenditure for any of last 5 years
4	Capability of Partner in-Charge of the proposed assignment		Maximum 20 points and minimum required 5 points	Resume and copy of the Membership certificate (FCA/ACA / FCMA/ACMA) issued by Institute of Chartered Accountants of India or Cost Accountants of India
	ACA / ACMA with experience >3 <5 years -	5 points		
	FCA / FCMA with experience >=5<10 years -	10 points		
	FCA / FCMA with experience >=10<15 years -	15 points		
	FCA / FCMA with experience => 15 years -	20 points		
5	No. of Partners in the Firm		Maximum 10 points and minimum required 5 points	Copy of the Registration Certificate issued by the ICAI.
	2-5 partners -	5 points		
	Above 5 partners -	10 points		
6	Team members assigned for internal audit:		Maximum 10 points and minimum required 2 points	Profile of the firm as per the format given in clause 5.1.6
	B.com graduates with 2 to 3 years of experience	2 points		
	IPCC/Inter CA or CMA with minimum 3 years of experience	5 points		

	CA / CMA with minimum 2 years of experience or IPCC/ Inter CA or CMA with minimum 5 years of experience	10 points		
7	Declaration as per the format given in Annexure - I	5 Points	Minimum and Maximum points 5 points	Scanned copy of the Declaration as per the format given in Annexure - I in the letter of the Bidder

- 6.3. For Technical qualification, the Bidder should submit all the documents mentioned in **schedule A (Technical Bids)** to the satisfaction of KBJNL and should score minimum marks prescribed in **this Chapter** for each of the eligibility criteria.
- 6.4. The Tender Scrutiny Committee appointed by the KBJNL evaluates the Bids on the basis of their responsiveness to the Terms of Reference, applying the evaluation criteria, sub criteria and point system in this document. Each responsive proposal will be given a Technical Score (TS). A proposal shall be rejected at this stage if
- a). Documents are not submitted to the satisfaction of the Company,
 - b). Minimum marks required under each of eligibility criteria are not scored,
 - c). important aspects of the Terms of Reference are not fulfilled.
 - d). Conditional bids are submitted
- 6.5. After Evaluation of Technical Proposals, based on the Evaluation criteria, the results of Technical Evaluation will be uploaded and technically accepted/rejected in e-Procurement portal. The decision of KBJNL will be final and binding on all the Bidders.
- 6.6. The e-procurement Portal will display the financial Bids of only those Bidders who are technically qualified based on the Eligibility criteria prescribed in the RFQ document and programmed in the E-Procurement Portal.
- 6.7. Financial Bids (FB) shall be opened, read aloud and recorded in front of the Bidders present at the time of opening of Financial Bids.
- 6.8. The Bids will be ranked according to their combined Technical Score (TS) and Financial Bids (FB) as per the formula given below:
- 6.9. Combined Total Score = $\{(TS \times 0.75) + [(LB/FB) \times 100 \times 0.25]\}$
- 6.10. (Where TS = Technical Score, LB is the Lowest Bid among the Financial Bids and FB is the fee offered by the Bidder being evaluated).
- 6.11. The weights given to the Technical Score and Financial Bids are TS = 0.75 and FB = 0.25.

- 6.12. The firm achieving the highest combined total score will be invited for negotiations, if KBJNL feels necessary.
- 6.13. Information relating to evaluation of Bids and recommendations concerning awards shall not be disclosed to the Firms who submitted the Bids or to other persons not officially concerned with the process, until the highest Combined Total Scoring Firm / Company has been finalized and appointed.
- 6.14. Freak Rates: Any financial bid which KBJNL feels that is unreasonably low ie., profession fees quoted does not even cover the out-of-pocket expenses to the best of knowledge of KBJNL will be rejected.
- 6.15. The responses of audit firms who have previously undertaken the internal audit/ pre audit in KBJNL and their services were found to be deficient/ complaints have been received on un ethical practices will be rejected at the discretion of KBJNL
- 6.16. The decision of KBJNL is final in all the matter.

Chapter 7

Terms of Reference for appointment of Internal Auditors and Terms of payment

General Terms and conditions regarding appointment of Internal Audit.

- 7.1.1. The fee shall be quoted separately for each zone mentioned in Schedule-B, separately for pre-audit of work bills and for Internal Audit.
- 7.1.2. The fee should be quoted for full year ie., per annum inclusive of all Taxes, GST and out of Pocket expenses, subject to deduction of tax at source as per the prevailing provisions of Income Tax Act, GST Act and Rules at the time of payment.
- 7.1.3. The Proposals shall be evaluated as per the method of evaluation mentioned in **Chapter 6** after opening of Financial Bids.
- 7.1.4. The Nigam reserves the right to negotiate the fee further with the highest scored firm.
- 7.1.5. Appointment of Internal Auditor is for the period of 2 years ie., 2019-20 and 2020-21 and for pre-audit for the period from 01.11.2019 to 31.10.2021. In case, during this period, it is found that the appointed internal auditor/Pre Auditor is not attending pre-audit as well post audit work as per the schedule, as per the terms of appointment / the services provided are not satisfactory, mandate issued is liable to be cancelled at any time.
- 7.1.6. The format of Pre-audit and Internal Audit report is enclosed **Annexure - A & B.** The Pre-audit / Internal Audit report should contain at least the items covered in the format, but not limited to the list. The auditor should exercise their professional judgement in reporting any issues which they feel are important to report.

7.2 Terms of payment of Internal Audit fee

- 7.2.1 Annual fee payable towards Internal Audit and Pre-audit will be divided in to 4 equal instalments i.e. quarterly fee.
- 7.2.2 Pre-audit fee will be paid once in a quarter after receipt of Pre-audit certificate in time during the quarter.
- 7.2.3 Internal Audit fee for the quarter will paid after receipt of internal audit report for the quarter and executive summary and final remarks for the previous quarter.
- 7.2.4 In case of quarterly fee for the quarter ending of June, fee will be paid immediately ie., after receipt of June, quarter report.

Schedule A

TECHNICAL BID

TECHNICAL-QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:

- a. Should be a Chartered Accountants' / Cost and Management Accountants' Partnership firm / Limited Liability partnership firm / Company / with minimum 10 years of experience. **Upload Self Certified scanned copy of the Registration Certificate issued by Institute of Chartered Accountants of India / Institute of Cost Accountants of India.**
- b. Should have an office in Karnataka, at Bengaluru/Kalaburagi / Vijayapura / Bagalkot / Raichur / Hubballi / Koppal/ Yadgiri / Belgavi for internal audit and pre-audit. **Upload Self Certified scanned copy of any address proof along with self attested copy of the ICAI Registration Certificate where details of Branches are indicated.**
- c. Should have experience in Statutory Audit / Internal Audit / System Audit / Cost and/or Management Audit of Infrastructure / Construction Companies/ Firms of Infrastructure / construction Companies with turnover / Capital Expenditure exceeding ₹ 100.00 crores during any of the last 5 years. Upload self attested scanned copy of appointment Letter issued by the Companies and extract of Audited Financial statement in support of turnover / expenditure. **Upload self attested scanned copy of appointment Letter issued by the Companies and self attested extract of Audited Financial statement in support of turnover / expenditure.**
- d. The resume of the Partner-in-charge of this assignment along with self attested copy of the **Membership certificate (FCA or FCMA / ACA or ACMA) issued by Institute of Chartered Accountants of India / Institute of Cost Accountants of India should be uploaded.**
- e. **Kindly upload scanned copy of declaration as per the format given in Annexure - I.** Declaration could be submitted in the Letter head of the CA or CMA firm / Limited Liability Partnership / Company at the time of submitting the Proposal with seal and signature of the authorized partner. The selected CA / CMA firm / Limited Liability Partnership / Company shall
- f. Submit the declaration on Rs.100/- stamp paper with the seal and signature of the authorised partner before issue of appointment orders.

g. **Upload the profile of the firm as per the format given below:**

Sl. No	Particulars	Details	Any other remarks
1	Name of the Chartered Account / Cost and Management Accountant Partnership firm		
2	Place of Liason Office of the Firm		
3	Address of the Firm		
4	Year of Registration		
5	No. of Branches		
6	No. of Partners		
7	No. of FCAs / FCMA's amongst partners		
8	No. of ACAs / ACMAs amongst partners		
9	Paid FCAs / FCMA's / ACAs / ACMAs other employees		
10	Contact Person with Mobile telephone No		
11	Partner In-Charge of the proposed assignment who will be the coordinator with mobile telephone No		
12	Contact Details - Firms Land Line No.		
13	Contact Details - Email - ID		
14	Details of Team Members assigned for Internal Audit of KBJNL. Please indicate Name, Qualification and experience of the Team Members*		

*Attach additional sheet if required

Schedule B

Commercial / Financial Bid

Details of Professional Charges to be paid on yearly basis

1. Pre-audit fee per annum inclusive of all taxes and GST and Out of pocket expenses.

Sl.	Name of the Zone	Professional Fee per annum (please quote in Indian National Rupee only. Fee should be inclusive of all Taxes/GST and out of pocket expenses)
A	Almatti Accounting Zone which includes work bills received from all the divisions coming under Chief Engineer, Dam Zone, Almatti and Chief Engineer, O&M Zone, Narayanapur	
B	Bheemaranagudi Accounting Zone and CADA which includes work bills received from all the divisions coming under Chief Engineer, Canal Zone 1, Bheemaranagudi, Chief Engineer, Canal Zone 2, Rampur and CADA Bheemaranagudi and SE /EES offices, Quality Control wing at Bheemaranagudi.	
C	Bagalokot offices consisting of General Manager R&R and LAQ , Special Land Acquisition Officers, CAO LAQ, SE R&R, CAO R & R, CE BTDA ,Rehabilitation Officers BTDA and CAO BTDA which includes all the bills received at CAO LAQ , CAO R&R and CAO BTDA offices	

2. Internal Auditor's fee per annum inclusive of all taxes and Out of pocket.

Sl.	Name of the Zone	Professional Fee per annum (please quote in Indian National Rupee only. Fee should be inclusive of all Taxes/GST and out of pocket expenses)
A	Almatti Accounting Zone which includes all the divisions coming under O/o Registered Office / Managing Director office,. Almatti, Principal Chief Accounts Officer, Almatti, Chief Engineer, Dam Zone, Almatti and Chief Engineer, O&M Zone, Narayanapur	
B	Bheemaranagudi Accounting Zone which includes all the divisions coming under the Office of Chief Accounts Officer, Bheemaranagudi, Chief Engineer, Canal Zone 1, Bheemaranagudi, Chief Engineer, Canal Zone 2, Rampur , CADA Bheemaranagudi which includes all the FIC Divisions coming under the office of the CAO CADA	
C	Bagalokot offices consisting of General Manager R&R and LAQ , Special Land Acquisition Officers, CAO LAQ, SE R&R, CAO R & R, CE BTDA ,Rehabilitation Officers BTDA and CAO BTDA which includes all the bills received at CAO LAQ , CAO R&R and CAO BTDA offices	
D	Liaison Office, Bengaluru	

Annexure - I

The following Declaration has to be uploaded on the firms' letter head by the Bidding firm along with Schedule A , that is, Technical Bid. The original declaration on ₹ 100/- stamp paper should be submitted before appointment.

NAME OF THE ASSIGNMENT: Carrying out Internal Audit at Liaison office, Bengaluru and at project offices and Pre-audit of work bills at Zonal offices for the year for the year 2019-20 and 2020-21.

Declaration

1. We (Name of firm) are a firm of Chartered Accountants / Cost and Management Accountants Liaison with the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India / Institute of Cost and Management Accountants of India (firm registration No.). In connection with submission of our bid for “ selection of CA or CMA Firm / Limited liability partnership firm / Company for carrying out Internal Audit at KBJNL” we hereby declare and solemnly affirm that we have not been declared as ineligible for corrupt and fraudulent practices by Government of Karnataka or black listed by any government department / organization / agency and no member handling the assignment if selected are penalized in any disciplinary proceedings before our respective professional institutes.
2. I/We hereby declare that I/We have made myself / ourselves thoroughly conversant with local conditions regarding the location of offices where the Internal Audit / pre-audit has to be carried out, the nature of work, quantum of work involved, no. of people required for effective audit of the work etc.
3. We would solemnly affirm that we will carry out the assignment in a professional manner keeping in view the guidelines /standards of Internal Audit issued by our respective professional institutes.
4. My / Our Bid / quotation is in total conformity with the RFQ stipulation and I/We do not have any additional Technical or Commercial conditions.
5. I/We accept all terms and conditions mentioned in RFQ document and terms of Reference and Payment.
6. The details / documents produced in the Technical Proposal are true and complete and are as per the Original Records.
7. We shall produce Original documents for verification / Records before appointment in case short-listed.

For (Name of the Bidder)

**Name and Designation of the
Authorized signatory
(SEAL OF THE FIRM)**

Annexure - II

(Below mentioned lists are not exhaustive. Internal Auditor(s) is (are) advised to obtain list of Division Offices at the time of conducting Internal Audit from the concerned PCAO/CAO office)

A. Details of Zones and Divisions where Pre-Audit has to be carried out:

1. Office of PCAO Almatti, comprising of Dam zone, Almatti and O&M zone Narayanpur.
2. Office of CAO Bheemaranaganudi, comprising of Canal zone - 1 Bheemaranaganudi , Canal zone - 2 Rampur,
3. Office of CAO CADA, Bheemaranaganudi, and SE, Quality Control Bheemaranaganudi.
4. Bagalkot zone consisting of Office of a) CAO, BTDA, b) CAO, R&R, c) CAO LAQ, Bagalkot and all offices of SLAOS.

B. Details of Zones and Divisions where Internal Audit has to be carried out: (May vary)

I. LIAISON OFFICE, BENGALURU

II. REGISTERED / CORPORATE OFFICE ALMATTI comprising of following offices

A. DAM ZONE, ALMATTI

- a) Registered Office / MD, OFFICE, ALMATTI
- b) PCAO, OFFICE, ALMATTI
- c) CE, Dam zone, Almatti
- d) Dam Division, Almatti
- e) D.C.F., Almatti
- f) Sr. Health Officer, Almatti
- g) Q.C. Division, Almatti
- h) A.L.B.C. Division, Almatti
- i) A.R.B.C. Division, Almatti
- j) M.L.I. Divn. No.1, Mattihal
- k) M.L.I. Divn. No.2, Mattihal
- l) MLI Division No. 3, Huvina Hipparagi
- m) MLI Division No. 4, Devar Hipparagi

B. O&M.ZONE, NARAYANPUR

- a) CE, O&M Zone, Narayanapur
- b) Dam Division, Narayanpur
- c) N.L.B.C.Division, Hunasgi
- d) NLBC. Divn., Rodalbanda
- e) NRBC Division 5, Rodalbanda

III. BHEEMARAYANAGUDI ZONE Comprising of following offices

A. CE, CANAL ZONE-I, BHEEMARAYANAGUDI

CAO, Canals, Bheemaranagudi

- a) NRBC.Dn.No.4 Chikkhonkuni
- b) NRBC.Dn.No.6 Amarapur cross
- c) SLI Dn. Khanapur
- d) JBC.Dn.No.2 B'Gudi.
- e) JBC.Dn.No.3 Chigarhalli.
- f) O&M.Dn. B'Gudi.
- g) O&M.Dn.Khanapur
- h) O&M.Dn.Chigarhalli.
- i) EE, QC Bheemaranagudi.
- j) SE, Quality Control Bheemaranagudi.

B. CE, CANAL ZONE-II, RAMPUR

- a) IBC.Dn.No.1, Kembhavi.
- b) IBC.Dn.No.2, Almel.
- c) IBC.Dn.No.8 ,Zalaki.
- d) O&M .Dn. Rampur

C. ADMINISTRATOR, CADA, BHEEMARAYANAGUDI

- a) CAO CADA
- b) FIC Division, Auvarad
- c) FIC Division, Hasanapur
- d) FIC Dn. Almel
- e) FIC Dn. Almatti
- f) CAO, CADA

IV. BAGALKOT ZONE includes following offices:

- a) CE, BTDA, Bagalkot
- b) CAO, R&R, SE R&R, BAGALKOT and related offices.
- c) CAO, BTDA, BAGALKOT and related offices.
- d) CAO, LAQ, General Manager, LAQ & R&R, BAGALKOT and related offices.
- e) SLAO Offices and Rehabilitation offices.

Annexure -III (Internal Audit Manual)

**KRISHNA BHAGYA JALA
NIGAM LIMITED**



INTERNAL AUDIT MANUAL

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GLOSSARY

The definitions/descriptions/meanings of the various terms used in this manual are as follows:

- **Accountant General** means the head of the office of audit and accounts subordinate to the Comptroller and Auditor General of India who keeps the accounts of the State and exercises audit functions on behalf of the Comptroller and Auditor- General of India.
- **Administrative Approval** means the formal approval of the competent authority/Managing Director of the KBJNL or its Board or the Government as per the delegated powers.
- **Assembly or Legislature** means Karnataka Legislative Assembly.
- **Audit Camp** means the location specified by the KBJNL for conducting audit by the auditor or audit parties.
- **Audit Committee** means Audit Committee of the Board of KBJNL set up under the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and /or the requirement of the Listing Agreement with the Stock Exchange, where the debt securities of the KBJNL are listed.
- **Audit Party** means the Composition of audit personnel as framed and approved in the audit program.
- **Audit Program** means a detailed plan of the audit to be performed, the procedures to be followed in verification, audit personnel involved and estimated time required to complete the audit.
- **Audit Sampling** means the application of audit procedures to less than 100% of the items to enable the auditor to obtain and evaluate audit evidence about some characteristic of the items selected, in order to form or assist in forming a conclusion.
- **Bank** means any branch of a scheduled Commercial Bank where Krishna Bhagya Jala Nigam Limited holds a savings/current/Fixed deposit account for its operations.
- **Board / Board of Directors** means Board of Directors of KBJNL.

- **Budget Year** means the year commencing on the 1st of April of the year and ending on the 31st of March of the following year
- **Chief Finance Officer (CFO):** means Chief Finance Officer as per the Companies Act as nominated / authorized by the Board of KBJNL
- **Company, KBJNL, Nigam** means Krishna Bhagya Jala Nigam Limited (A Government of Karnataka undertaking) having Liaison Office at PWD Offices 'Annexe', III Floor, K.R.Circle, Bengaluru - 560 001
- **Company Secretary** means Company Secretary of KBJNL.
- **Comptroller and Auditor General** means the Comptroller and Auditor General of India appointed under article 148 of the Constitution of India.
- **Competent Authority** means the Government /the Board or any other Committee /persons to whom relevant powers may be delegated by Government/Board / Managing Director of the Company by virtue of the approved delegation of Powers/Government orders directions circulars etc.
- **Constitution** means the Constitution of India.
- **Controlling Officer** means a Head of a Department or other Departmental officer who is entrusted with the responsibility of controlling the incurring of expenditure and or the collection of revenue by the officers of the Company.
- **Computer Assisted Audit Techniques** means the practice of using computers to automate the audit process, to test computer files and databases during an audit which may normally includes but not limited to using basic office productivity software i.e., spread sheets, word processors and more advanced software packages involving use of statistical analysis to arrive at audit conclusions.
- **Drawing and Disbursing Officer** means a Departmental officer who is entrusted with the responsibility of drawing and disbursing funds of the Company.
- *Estimate Review Committee (ERC) means Estimated Review Committee of KBJNL formed as per the Government order.*
- *Finance Department means the Finance Department of Krishna Bhagya Jala Nigam Limited*

- Financial Year means the year beginning on the 1st of April of the year and ending on the 31st of March of the following year.
- **Finance, Remuneration and Investors' Grievances Committee (FR&IG)** means Finance, Remuneration and Investors' Grievances Sub-Committee of Board of KBJNL
- **Grant** means the amount released by the Government of Karnataka as per budgetary allocation of Government of Karnataka.
- **Government (GoK)** means the Government of Karnataka.
- **Head of a Department** means (i) Any authority declared to be such by the competent authority
- Managing Director (MD) means Managing Director of KBJNL
- **Internal Auditor:** means an auditor appointed as such by the Company to conduct internal audit of the functions and activities of the Company as per provisions of Companies Act 2013 read with relevant Rules.
- **Internal Control** means the procedures adopted by the management of KBJNL to assist in achieving management's objective of ensuring the orderly and efficient conduct of its business, including adherence to management policies, to safeguard assets / interest of the Company, systems and procedures laid down by the Company to facilitate detection and prevention of fraud and errors, accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, and timely preparation of reliable financial information.
- **Performance Audit** refers to an independent examination of the programs, functions, operations or the management systems and procedures of the Company to assess whether the Company is achieving economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the employment of available resources to meet the laid down objectives of the Company as laid down in its Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company.
- **Reserve Bank** means any office or branch of the Banking Department, of the Reserve Bank of India constituted under the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 (2 of 1934).

- **Risk Based Assessment** means the process of (i) Identifying and analyzing potential risks posing threat on the Company's financial aspects as well as achievement of its objectives and (ii) Developing response to address the identified risks and prioritizing audit focus in the risk potential areas.
- **Risk Score Chart** means a score chart for assigning scores and ranks to the offices on the basis of the risk indicators.
- **Sampling** means the process of selecting a subset of the population of the items to draw inferences that represent the entire population.
- **Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)** means a Sub Committee of the Board to render Technical Advice to the Company as per the scope of the Committee laid down in Government Order.
- **Technical Sub Committee (TSC)** means Technical Sub Committee of KBJNL.
- **Value for Money Audit** means an independent assessment of the project, Program, scheme or of an organization in terms of their goals and objectives and ascertaining the extent to which the expected results have been achieved from the use of available resources of men, money and materials in consonance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company and directions of the Government from time to time.
- **Working Papers** means those papers which are formally referred to as (i) Audit documents or (ii) Audit file. The documents serve as proof of audit procedures performed, evidence obtained and the conclusion or opinion of the auditor.

ABBREVIATIONS

AAP	Annual Audit Program
ACM	Audit Committee Meeting
AR	Audit Report
ATR	Action Taken Report
CAAT	Computer Assisted Audit Techniques
C&AG	Controller and Auditor General of India
DDO	Drawing and Disbursing Officer
DO	Division Office
GoK	Government of Karnataka
HoO	Head of Office
HO	Head Office
IAO	Internal Audit Organization
IAD	Internal Audit Department
IAMC	Internal Audit Monitoring Cell
RSC	Risk Score Chart
SR	Schedule of Rates
UC	Utilization Certificate
WRD	Water Resources Department, Government of Karnataka

SECTION - 1

Introduction

1.1. Overview

Krishna Bhagya Jala Nigam Limited (KBJNL) aims to strengthen the Internal Control Systems throughout the Company's operations in its various Zones, Offices, Divisions and Departments operating under the Company. An effective Internal Audit function identifies the potential weaknesses in the internal controls with an aim to strengthen the functioning of the Company and helps in achievement of the objective of the Company. This manual is an attempt to lay down a set of guidelines to ensure effective internal audit procedure for directing and regulating internal audit function in KBJNL.

1.2. Pre Audit:

In order to effectively avoid errors in work bills before they are paid and to ensure that the payments proposed are as per the relevant clauses of the contract agreement, the Audit Committee of the Company in its 30th meeting held on 27.08.2012 directed that all work bills have to be pre-audited by the Internal Auditors 100%. The work bills are to be considered for payment after the Pre-Audit Certificate is furnished. The format of the Pre-Audit certificate is prescribed as **Annexure - A** of this manual.

1.3. Internal Audit:

As per section 138 of the Companies Act, 2013 and 13 (1) of Companies Accounts) Rules 2014, KBJNL being a Company with more than Rs. 50 Crores paid up capital and as also the Bonds of the Company are listed on the National Stock Exchange, is required to appoint an internal auditor or a firm of internal mnbvcxAuditors,

“who shall either be a chartered accountant or a cost accountant, or such other professional as may be decided by the Board to conduct internal audit of the functions and activities of the company.

(2) The Central Government may by rules, prescribe the manner and the intervals in which the internal audit shall be conducted and reported to the Board.”

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(2) The Audit Committee of the company or the Board shall, in consultation with the Internal Auditor, formulate the scope, functioning, periodicity and methodology for conducting the internal audit.”

1.4. Purpose of Manual

This Internal Audit Manual is developed to guide/assist the internal audit wing of the Company / Internal Auditor to provide independent, objective, value-added and advisory services in order to improve the achievement level of the Company. More specifically this manual is intended to provide internal audit wing of Company / Internal Auditor with tools and information for assessing risk in processes and activities, developing an appropriate internal audit work program and planning, performing and reporting on audit engagements.

1.5. It is intended:

- 1.5.1. To act as a handbook for internal Auditors,
- 1.5.2. To identify roles & responsibilities of internal auditors of KBJNL,
- 1.5.3. To focus internal audit to assess weakness in internal controls and suggest measures to strengthen the same .
- 1.5.4. To introduce the annual audit program planning through risk based assessment,
- 1.5.5. To standardize reporting and monitoring mechanism to improve audit effectiveness,

1.6. Applicability :

This manual is designed for the Internal Audit Wing / Internal Auditor of the Company who are primarily responsible for carrying out the internal audit function throughout the entire gamut of operations and functions of the Company across all locations of the Company. This manual contains guidance of a generic nature and outlines minimum common procedures for conduct of internal audit in the Company. It is not the intention of this manual to limit the independence of the Internal Auditor in the types of independent tests and Audit Procedures to be adopted by them to achieve the objectives of the Internal Audit.

This manual is intended for internal use of KBJNL only.

SECTION -2

Internal Audit Approach

2.1 *Definitions of Internal Audit*

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) defined, “Internal Audit is an independent management function, which involves a continuous and critical appraisal of the functioning of an entity with a view to suggest improvements thereto and add value to and strengthen the overall governance mechanism of the entity, including the entity’s strategic risk management and internal control system.”

2.2 *Position & Mission of Internal Audit*

Internal Audit in the Company should aid the Company in strengthening its management systems, and procedures and internal controls to prevent errors and frauds and deviations from the laid down procedures and processes in consonance and aligned with the overall objectives of the Company. The major scope of internal audit activity is summarized below:

- 2.2.1 Planning of Annual Audit Program
- 2.2.2 Assessment of Internal Controls within the Department
- 2.2.3 Risk Assessment and Sampling to narrow down areas of focus
- 2.2.4 **Reporting on the adequacy and effectiveness of the functioning of the internal controls and major deviations there from, suggesting improvement to existing systems and procedures.** Tracking compliance to audit findings and preparation of report for the consideration of the Audit Committee.
- 2.2.5 New schemes evaluation with special reference to its economy, efficiency and effectiveness, and whether they are aligned with the objective of the Company.
- 2.2.6 Suggest adequate Capacity Building measures to the Company to strengthen the management processes
- 2.2.7 **Report on significant deviations from the Annual Program of Works of the Company.**

2.2.8 Identify weaknesses and suggest actions for strengthening internal control over financial reporting.

2.3 Statutory compliances: Check and report on compliance with statutory compliances

2.4 Financial Compliance

They should also focus on financial compliance while conducting different types of audits as mentioned below:

2.4.1 Transaction audit includes examination of all relevant vouchers of receipts and expenditure as per the cashbook / bank book to establish the expenditure with reference to the activities and that the authority approving the expenditure has not exceeded its powers.

2.4.2 That expenditure of a personal nature are not charged to the Company.

2.4.3 Compliance audit means examination of documents as to whether money spent was legally available for expenditure and sanctioned by the competent authority.

2.4.4 That the expenditure incurred are strictly as per the contractual obligations, as per the contract documents and are arising out of compliance with statutory requirement.

2.4.5 Financial Reports Review includes Trial balance Audit and audit of the Annual financial statements for compliance with the requirement of the Companies Act, and the accounting standards before they re-submitted to the Statutory Auditors of the Company.

2.4.6 Performance Review : Performance review is an assessment of efficiency and effectiveness of the program, with due regard to economy and addresses the issues Internal Audit functions on the principle of 3Es:

➤ **Economy** - means acquiring resources at the lowest cost by observing financial proprieties keeping in view the objectives of the KBJNL.

➤ **Efficiency** - refers to the way resources are used achieve the objectives of the Company.

➤ **Effectiveness** -means the extent to which KBJNL has achieved its objectives by optimum use of its available resources.

➤ Review and report on the Advances including mobilization advance to Contractors and deposits made with various authorities,

2.4.7 Any one or more types of audits may be applied simultaneously by the Auditor as per requirement. And their professional judgement.

2.5 Capacity Building: Internal Audit shall also support in building capacities of the accounts and financial management within KBJNL. They should facilitate skill transfer by sharing of knowledge on better accounting practices.

SECTION - 3

Internal Audit Functioning in KBJNL

3.1 Head of Internal Audit Wing :

The Head of Internal Audit Wing (HoIA)/CFO of the Company shall control and supervise the functions of the Internal Audit in KBJNL and will ensure effective audit of the accounts of the Company and report to the Managing Director immediately on observing any Fraud, misappropriations and / or any other serious irregularities. Detailed job description of HoIA / CFO relating to the Internal Audit is given below:

- 3.1.1 To ensure optimum utilization of services of the appointed internal Audit firm.
- 3.1.2 To review, recommend and obtain approval of the Annual Audit Program from the Managing Director and the Audit Committee.
- 3.1.3 To issue a letter of intimation to the concerned zonal officers before Internal Auditors/Audit teams proceed to the audit camp.
- 3.1.4 To guide, direct and supervise the internal audit assignments and follow-up compliance report to achieve the objective of Internal audit.
- 3.1.5 To highlight the major audit objections and misappropriations to the notice of the Managing Director and the Audit Committee.
- 3.1.6 To clear audit reports reflecting minor observations and in case of special audits or any audit report depicting serious nature of loss of Govt. money shall be processed by him and endorsed to the Managing Director and the Audit Committee for approval.
- 3.1.7 To issue the relevant audit reports to proper Zonal offices and Department heads for compliance, get the Compliance examined by the Internal Auditor for their acceptance and report compliance to the Audit Committee
- 3.1.8 To take steps for realization of recoveries suggested by the audit after its due examination and to ensure credit of the recovered amount under appropriate Head of account.
- 3.1.9 To attend Audit Committee Meetings conducted for speedy disposal of audit objections/paras.
- 3.1.10 To review the cases of non-cooperation/non-compliance by the KBJNL and take steps to its logical end.

- 3.1.11** To appraise the Management and the Audit Committee on internal audit program and achievements.
- 3.1.12** Ensure that the Internal Audit reports are reviewed and processed after obtaining compliance reports from the field offices expeditiously and report major findings of the Internal Auditors to the Audit Committee.
- 3.1.13** To examine through Internal Audit and lay down proper internal controls, their continuous updation.
- 3.2 Internal Auditor:** Brief job description of the Auditor is given below:
- 3.2.1** To visit all prescribed Zones / Offices / Divisions of KBJNL and to carry out internal audit in accordance with the approved audit program.
- 3.2.2** To issue Audit Requisition to the Head of Office / Division / Zone for production of relevant accounting records, registers, files and other documents required to be checked during the course of audit.
- 3.2.3** To conduct physical verification of the cash book and cash balance on the date of commencement of audit. Findings of the physical verification shall be reported in the Internal Audit Report.
- 3.2.4** To obtain a general view of all accounts, records maintained by the KBJNL to prepare detailed plan of audit.
- 3.2.5** To evaluate the effectiveness of Internal Control System followed in the KBJNL including the effectiveness of internal control system over financial reporting to avoid material misstatements.
- 3.2.6** To review the compliance with the existing Statutory requirement financial rules, regulations, procedures etc. and executive instructions/orders issued by the competent authorities
- 3.2.7** To plan and execute the Internal Audit function in compliance with the requirements of Internal Audit Standards issued by Institute of Chartered Accountants of India issued from time to time as applicable to the nature and functions of KBJNL.
- 3.2.8** To conduct a detailed check of accounts of records of the period as given in the approved audit program.
- 3.2.9** To verify whether the Cash book is maintained according to Companies Act and other applicable Statutory Provisions.
- 3.2.10** To verify the correctness of opening balance, totaling of receipt and expenditure shown in the cash book and closing balance during the audit period.
- 3.2.11** To examine the receipts and disbursements with reference to relevant supporting documents and registers.
- 3.2.12** To identify the areas of wastage of resources, cases of general misuse of funds or properties and misappropriations of financial resources, if any.

- 3.2.13** To verify the reconciliation statements pertaining to bank and advances with specific emphasis on un-identified credits, un-encashed cheques, un-realized cheques.
- 3.2.14** To verify whether parking funds in banks etc. beyond authorized period, if any and the funds have been placed with the banks based on the competitive rates of interest.
- 3.2.15** To examine whether advances drawn for expenditures have been accounted for / adjusted within reasonable time and a second advance is not given when an earlier advance is pending for adjustment.
- 3.2.16** To conduct review of the procurement procedures of goods and services adopted by the KBJNL for compliance with the provisions of the KTPP Act and Rules.
- 3.2.17** To conduct performance review of specific scheme objectives and outcomes, if any.
- 3.2.18** To conduct review of the utilization certificates position on different schemes and report the outstanding position as per the prescribed format.
- 3.2.19** To conduct review of the status of past audit reports, Statutory Audit observations and AG audit objections, and other audit findings and its compliances.
- 3.2.20** To conduct review of the budgetary compliances such as timely release of grants/allotments, expenditure as per allotments, re-appropriation if any whether as per rules or not.
- 3.2.21** To examine and report whether the Mobilization advances given to report the deviations/ mistakes if any.
- 3.2.22** To review classification of expenditure under Capital/ Revenue and short term and long term receivables and liabilities and their effective disclosure in the financial statements and report the deviations / mistakes if any.
- 3.2.23** To examine that the assets completed and ready for use are Capitalized as and when Completion Certificates /provisional completion certificates are issued for such works.
- 3.2.24** The capitalization of works are in accordance with the Indian Accounting Standards
- 3.2.25** To report on diversion of funds.

- 3.2.26 To review and report on the short term investment of funds are in accordance with the investment guidelines issued by the Department of Public Enterprises.
- 3.2.27 To review and report on the compliance with GST Act and rules including availment of input tax credit .
- 3.2.28 Review and report on EFIs and report on any approvals for variation in quantities without approval of competent authority.
- 3.2.29 Check Price Escalation payments and that where the indices are negative, proper adjustments have been made in contractual payments.
- 3.2.30 Physically verify the existence of Bank Guarantees and Fixed Deposit receipts and ensure that wherever necessary, the BGs and FDRS are renewed and kept in force as per the requirement of Contractual clauses.
- 3.2.31 To prepare draft audit reports in the prescribed format enclosing relevant documents.
- 3.2.32 To submit the draft audit report to the concerned Departmental / Divisional / Zonal Head within 5 days of the date of completion of the audit.
- 3.2.33 To perform any other duties assigned by KBJNL.
- 3.2.34 To Submit final Internal Audit report after discussion the draft reports and after considering further information to the Chief Finance Officer of the Company.

3.3 Audit Committee of the Board

The Audit Committee of the Board of KBJNL shall overview the major Internal Auditor's Observations, may direct to drop the observations in consultation with Internal Auditors if the Compliance is satisfactory. If required, the Audit Committee may further direct the concerned to submit further compliance within the specified time limit.

SECTION - 4

Professional Standards

Professional Standards prescribe the norms, principles and practices, which the Internal Auditors shall adhere to during the course of audit. These standards shall act as a guide to Internal Auditors and overall audit function, thereby ensuring efficiency in operations and professional conduct.

4.1. Professional Standards of Internal Auditors

The Management of the Company relies on the Pre-Audit Certificate issued by the Internal Auditors before release of funds to the pay and accounts offices to meet the contract liabilities. The Internal Audit reports submitted by the Internal Auditors are relied upon by the Statutory Auditors while expressing their view on the Financial Statement of the Company. Further, the Management relies on the Internal Audit report while taking decisions and also as a test to ensure that the internal controls laid down by the Company are actually being followed and that they are fool proof. Hence the Internal Auditors are expected to maintain the following professional standards:

- **Objectivity:** Internal Auditors should acknowledge and incorporate all information received from KBJNL without withholding any information which may distort the reporting of activities under review. Internal Auditors shall be fair in reporting and any deviations from the laid down systems and procedures. Without fear or favor.
- **Competency:** They should possess thorough knowledge of the internal audit process, applicable rules and orders and Mandatory Standards on Internal Audit issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.
- **Confidentiality:** Internal Auditors should not disclose the information acquired during audit to any person other than the Company *unless there is a legal or professional obligation to do so. They should not use the information for any personal gain or in any other manner, which is detrimental to the KBJNL or to the Government.*
- **Integrity:** Internal Auditors should comply with ethical principles and code of conduct governing the auditor's professional behavior and responsibilities, which include; Integrity, Objectivity and fairness, Confidentiality and Technical Standards. They would be governed by the ethical requirements as laid down by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India or the Institute of Cost and management Accountants of India, as the case may be.

4.2. Audit Quality

The services rendered by the **Internal Auditors** are expected to be of high quality and the quality can be maintained by following:

- 4.2.1. By deploying professionally qualified personnel for conducting the Audit.
- 4.2.2. Understanding the functioning of the Company being audited, including the thorough knowledge of the various rules and technical parameters of the functioning of the Company
- 4.2.3. Frequent discussions with the KBJNL and its officers at the field and Head Office level
- 4.2.4. Use of standard sampling methods
- 4.2.5. Use of Computer Assisted Audit Techniques (CAATs)
- 4.2.6. By adopting the format of report insisted by the Company .
- 4.2.7. By complying with the standards of Internal Audit issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

4.3. Computer Assisted Audit Techniques (CAATs)

- 4.3.1. Computer Assisted Audit Techniques (CAATs) is the practice of using computers to facilitate and speed up the audit process by using spread sheets, word processers, advance software packages involving use of statistical analysis etc to analyse the data and transactions
- 4.3.2. Usage of CAAT increases economy and efficiency in audit covering huge volume of transactions saves times and focuses on areas of risk.
- 4.3.3. While planning an audit, the auditor may use both combinations of manual as well as computer assisted audit techniques in relation to the situation and context.
- 4.3.4. While deciding use of CAATs, the Internal Auditors may consider the following factors:
 - Availability of CAATS with the KBJNL;
 - IT infrastructure;
 - Availability of data and data sources;
 - Economy and time constraints.

4.4. Audit Quality Evaluation

Proper evaluation of the audit reports will lead to improvement of audit quality in due course of time. The following tools may be used for the purpose of audit quality evaluation:

4.4.1. While evaluating the quality of Internal Auditor's report, the HoIA shall evaluate the audit functions based on the professional standards, and criteria provided by the Company from time to time and shall involve examination of:

- Audit team's approach to strategic planning
- Auditing standards and Audit guidelines followed by the audit team
- Collection of audit evidence Documentation and reporting by the audit team
- Proper review and supervision mechanism whether followed
- Proper interactions held with KBJNL
- Any other guidelines and approaches followed by the internal audit team
- Adherence to this Internal Audit Manual requirements

4.4.2 The Officer In charge of the Internal Audit in KBJNL shall report and identify opportunities for improvement in the system along with a plan of action.

Section 5. Planning an Audit

This section deals with steps involved in selection of KBJNL units annually for the purpose of audit and planning the annual audit program. The existing list of Zonal / Offices may have changed due to closure or opening of new divisions. Hence at the Commencement of each year, Internal Auditor should identify and prepare a list of Auditee divisions in Joint consultation with the CFO PCAO / CAO/CEs

5.1. *Annual Audit Program Planning through Risk Assessment*

- 5.1.1. Since it is not possible to audit all offices of the Company every year, a scientific method should be in place to select offices cautiously for the purpose of audit. Since the objective of conducting internal audit is to ensure effective conduct of activities and achievement of desired goal by the Company, offices shall be selected on the basis of degree of risk parameters.
- 5.1.2. The Chief Finance Officer of KBJNL is responsible for selection of offices for audit and prepares an Annual Audit Program of the Company for each financial year in consultation with the Internal Auditor.
- 5.1.3. An approved Annual Audit Program of the Company shall be communicated to all concerned officials and to the Audit Committee by end of February each year.

5.2. **Risk Score Chart**

- 5.2.1. As discussed above a systematic framework should be in place for selection of offices / Activities as per their risk profile, hence a **Risk Score Chart (RSC)** shall be prepared, which assigns ranks to the offices on the basis of the risk indicators.
- 5.2.2. An overview of three broad categories of risk parameters is given in Table no.1.

Table No.1: An overview of three broad categories of risk parameters

	Category A: Most Critical	Category B: More Critical	Category C: Critical
Sl. No.	Matters which needs CFO attention immediately and to be reported to the Audit Committee	Matters which needs CFO attention could be cleared at CFO level	Matters which will be brought to the notice of the Head of the Office / Division / Zone and settled at their level
1.	Critical to the objectives of the Company.	Non Compliance of Statutory Provisions	Non maintenance of/ completion of/ updation of Registers
2.	Irrigation Potential Oriented activity	Non Reconciliation of Bank Accounts	Matters which could be verified during the next spell of audit and could be cleared at Divisional level.
3.	Public Interest is huge.	Non recovery / Short recovery of Statutory Deductions	Recovery of Rent, Electricity etc.
4.	Involves substantial monetary value.	Non remittance / Short remittance of Statutory Deductions	Non compliance of previous Audit observations
5.	Where loss of revenue to the Company and the Government is involved	Non filing of Statutory Returns in time	Non renewal of Security Deposits / Bank Guaranties etc.
6.	Major/Serious Fraud, suspected frauds, serious irregularities/ discrepancies which needs Management attention	Deviations from the approved Budget / Program of works	Non maintenance of proper Records

7.	Miss-appropriation of funds Lack of proper security to the Assets of the Company		Any other matters which Internal Auditor feels which needs to be brought to the notice of Zonal / Divisional Head
8.	Non compliance to the Statutory Provisions and Internal Control Guidelines of the Company	Non renewal of Security Deposits in time exceeding Rs. 15.00 lakhs.	
9	Lack of Internal Control System/ Internal Guidelines / policies which may lead to major fraud, risk etc.	Long pending Category C observations	
10	Long pending Category B observations	Any other matters on which CFO attention is required	
11	Any other matters which Internal Auditor feels it is most critical and needs to be discussed at ACM		
12	Non reconciliation of / Delays in reconciliation of Bank Accounts for more than 6 months.		
13	Non compliance with Income Tax and GST Acts and rules there under with potential for levy of penalty interest etc		

14	Release of contract securities without fulfilling conditions precedent to release of such securities		
15	Missing securities		
16	Long outstanding of advances pending adjustments		

5.3. Preparing Annual Audit Program

5.3.1. Generally, Annual Audit Program contains the following details:

- Name of the Zone/Division Offices selected for Internal audit
- Period of Accounts to be audited
- Number of working days allotted for completion of audit, the number of working days required for conducting audit will be decided by the CFO of the Company in consultation with the Internal Auditor, taking to consideration the experience from the last audit, quantum of receipt and expenditure to be audited, number of new schemes to be verified etc.
- Once the audit plan is finalized by the Chief Finance Officer, he/she will obtain the approval of the Managing Director. The Audit Committee of the Company should approve the Annual Audit Plan.

5.3.2. Preparing Audit Schedule

As the Annual Audit Program provides only the No. of working days allotted for each Zonal / Division office for carrying out audits, the respective Auditor shall schedule the visit dates to each Office in consultation with concerned PCAO / CAO/CFO

5.4. *Communication of Audit Program*

The Officer In Charge of the Internal Audit at the Liason Office will communicate the Program of audit to the concerned Head of the Office well in advance . A copy of this communication will be provided to the Auditor/Audit Team to take up and complete the audit within the stipulated time. In view of time limit fixed, the head of Office will be requested to extend their cooperation for completion of audit in due time.

The Heads of office will further communicate the Audit program to the Subordinate offices in his jurisdiction and ensure that the Books of Account, other records files are updated and kept ready for verification and provide the Audit all information /clarification/explanations to help the auditor to draw correct conclusions /offer suggestions recommendations.

5.5. *Coordination with the Head of KBJNL*

Audit Team Head /In-Charge shall seek cooperation of the Head of Office (HoO)/ Drawing and Disbursing Officer (DDO) and Other Office personnel responsible for maintaining accounts / records for smooth conduct of audit.

The Auditor shall have meeting with the Heads of office before commencing the audit for a particular period. On the closing day the auditor will discuss the major observations which would form a part of his reports. The Heads of office should not wait for the formal audit report to reach him but initiate necessary corrective actions immediately after noticing the same.

Section 6. Initiating an Audit

It is the responsibility of Internal Auditor to take necessary steps to initiate the audit as planned in annual audit Program. Before proceeding to conduct the audit they shall ensure that below mentioned steps are taken.

6.1. *Planning Individual Audits*

While planning individual audits, due considerations should be given to the information available in previous audit files of the KBJNL. In case of first audit, sufficient time should be given to the audit team to gain knowledge on the working of the Department.

Preliminary planning involves:

6.1.1. **Gaining an understanding of the KBJNL functions:** Auditor should have fairly good knowledge of the organization and its operations. This includes understanding the rationale behind establishing the Department, structure of the Department and functions of the Department. Primary source of information about the Department can be obtained through the following documents:

- Previous internal audit plans,
- Previous audit reports,
- AGs inspection reports,
- Budget estimates, revised estimates and actual expenditure,
- Statutory and regulatory requirements applicable to the Company /to be followed by the Company. Rules and regulations framed by the relevant Government of Karnataka Department like Water Resources Department, Public Works Department etc., to the extent they are applicable to KBJNL,
- Important directions /circulars /orders issued by State and Central Governments from time to time, as much as they are applicable to the Company.
- Organization charts and flow charts of processes,
- List of accounting registers and records maintained in the Department,
- MIS reports,
- Delegation of the Financial and other administrative powers to the officers of the Company,
- Any other document relevant to audit.

- 6.1.2. **Understanding Controls:** (i)The Auditor, in determining the extent and scope of the audit, should study and evaluate the reliability of internal controls in place. After gaining understanding of the organization, auditor should identify key control areas in of the functional area of operation and management of the Company. (ii)The Internal Auditor should examine and evaluate the existence and operation of internal control systems in relation to the financial statements of the Company as also the various controls laid down various codes, manuals, Internal Audit Standards and government orders. (iii) The auditor shall ensure that lack of such controls are not contributing to material misstatements in the annual financial statements.
- 6.1.3. **Analyzing the earlier audit reports:** Analysis of the earlier audit reports are needed to verify the Department's compliance on the recommendations of the audit. Following issues needs to be verified to understand the environment:
- Errors corrected at the instance of the audit,
 - Remedial recourse or penal actions taken on the recommendation of the audit,
 - Improvements in internal control systems in response to auditor's recommendations,
 - Any special audits conducted that supplements the present audit.
- 6.1.4 **Identifying legal compliances to be made:** Auditor should acquaint himself with the applicable legal provisions like adherence to Codes, Rules and various government orders tax laws and other statutory compliances applicable to the Company.
- 6.1.5 **Sharing and finalizing the areas of the audit in discussion with the KBJNL:** Based on the understanding of KBJNL functions and environment, scope of audit will be discussed with the KBJNL and areas of audit shall be finalized.
- 6.1.6 **Providing an overview of the audit process to the KBJNL:** Once the areas of Audit are finalized, the Internal Auditors shall provide an overview of the audit process to be carried out. Requirements, support or any other information or disclosures required from the KBJNL may be obtained.

6.2 Risk Based Assessment

Risk assessment is the process of:

- 6.2.1 Identifying and analyzing potential risks posing threat to the existence of the Company, going concern ,risks relating to regulatory requirement, risks that may affect the achievements of the objects of the Company risk of loss of revenues from operations, risks to the assets and properties of the Company, Lack of control over financial reporting leading material misstatements.
- 6.2.2 Developing recommending mitigation initiatives to be taken by the Company to address the identified risks and prioritizing audit focus in the risk potential areas.
- 6.2.3 After identification of risk areas, Internal Auditors shall finalize the audit plan prioritizing audit scrutiny in potential risk areas to test the sufficiency of internal controls systems and suggest measures to strengthen the internal controls in those focus areas.

6.3 Assessment of Internal Controls

6.3.1 Internal control mechanism is an integral process operated by an organization, designed to address risks and to provide a reasonable assurance in pursuit of organization's objectives /mission. Following general objectives are achieved by the process of Internal Control:

- Execution of orderly, ethical, economical, efficient and effective operations;
- Fulfilling of accountability obligations;
- An effective level of comfort to the stake holders of the Company that the Company is Compliance with applicable laws and regulations and Safeguarding resources against loss, misuse and damage.
- Safe guarding the Company against loss of revenue.
- Prevention of frauds by and against the Company

6.3.2 Internal Auditors shall do an assessment of Internal Controls to ensure that an adequate internal control framework is in existence and operating as designed by the Department and errors if any to be located with the operation of established internal controls. Internal Control Assessment will help Internal Auditors to know the following:

- Reliability of records and registers maintained by the Department;
- That the internal controls facilitate the preparation of error free financial statements by avoiding material misstatements in the Annual financial Statements of the Company.
- The extent and the depth of the examination and the focus required on the potentially risk areas that needs to be carried out;
- What are the areas where controls are weak and where it is unnecessarily excessive;
- Whether suggestions can be given to improve the control systems.
- Whether the internal controls are sufficient
- Whether the internal controls laid down are actually being followed

6.4 Types of controls

Generally there are two types of internal controls such as:

- 6.4.1 **Preventive Control:** This type of internal control would prevent a risk from occurring. For example:
- All transactions and events are initiated on proper authorizations and approvals.
 - Segregation of functions/duties among the official as far as practicable to prevent risk.
 - Control over access to resources and records to prevent unauthorized or improper use of resources.
 - There are no role and interest conflicts in the laid down business process.
- 6.4.2 **Detective Control:** Detective controls are measures that would point to any loss/misdeeds/misappropriation that is taking place in the organization. Any kind of reconciliation (bank reconciliation), analytical reviews, post audit, etc. would fall under this category as they help to detect if something had gone wrong. Some examples of control activities are:
- 6.4.3 **Verifications:** Transactions or events are verified to ensure correctness and validity. Personal records / service books etc. are periodically verified to ensure their correctness.
- 6.4.4 **Reconciliations:** This is one of the most commonly used and effective control measures. Reconciliation of one set of records with another including external source records like bank pass books etc an effective level of comfort to the stake holders of the Company are made to ascertain correctness of the transactions or facts.

6.5 Tests of Internal Controls

- 6.5.1 Through audit procedures the effectiveness of the KBJNL's internal control systems are assessed. The Internal Auditors should make a list of internal controls which are in operation in the KBJNL. Then Internal Auditors shall perform tests of controls to assess the existence and adequacy of all the internal controls.
- 6.5.2 The Internal Auditors may initially check the controls by conducting a compliance testing that is, testing to assess compliance with the internal control. Substantive testing is required to obtain evidence to ensure the completeness, accuracy and validity of the data produced by the accounting system.
- 6.5.3 The Auditor will first check whether there is compliance with the control measure. If it is seen that the control measure is not operating properly, then the auditor would have to go for a substantive testing of the transactions to examine whether non-compliance with the control has resulted in any irregularity.
- 6.5.4 Substantive testing includes tests of details of classes of transactions, account balances and disclosures.
- 6.5.5 The Auditor after assessing controls shall give his recommendation on the operation of the internal controls, whether operation of internal controls is satisfactory or needs improvement or is not in existence. A sample template for assessment of Internal Controls may be collected from the HoIA.



Section 7. Conducting Audit

- 7.1. While conducting audit, Internal Auditors are required to visit various field offices located across Districts and villages. Further, field work involves verification of accounts, relevant records and compliance to rules, codes and various orders; however the responsibility of the Internal Auditor is not limited to verification of accounts and procedures but also to give recommendations to improve the financial management system of the KBJNL.
- 7.2. Any discrepancies noticed while conducting audit or non-production of any record or non-cooperation by any Officer-In Charge shall be brought to the notice of the Head of office by way of issue of Draft observation. In case there is non-compliance even after intervention of the Head of Office, the matter may be reported to the CFO who shall immediately initiate remedial measures /penal action in consultation with the Head of Administration wing of KBJNL.
- 7.3. Whenever any loss of money or stores is detected by means of any misappropriation or fraud, the fact shall be reported promptly through an Interim Report to the Managing Director directly who shall consider the gravity of the case and take appropriate actions.
- 7.4. Internal Auditors are expected to continually update themselves with the various Departmental and other guidelines issued from time to time concerning audit.
- 7.5. **SCOPE OF PRE-AUDIT:**
- 7.5.1. The Board has decided that all the work bills of various zones, R&R, LAQ and BTDA bills, have to be pre-audited by the Internal Auditors.
- 7.5.2. The Internal Auditor / Pre-auditor shall place an auditor conversant with verification of civil and PWD work bills. Normally the Nigam has 3 payment dates in a month viz, 5th, 15th and 25th of every month. Hence, the auditor may have to visit thrice a month to the PCAO / CAO Offices in co-ordination with concerned PCAO / CAO. In case, if any PCAO / CAO office has pending bills on other dates also, same should be pre-audited in consultation with PCAO/CAO.
- 7.5.3. The PCAO / CAO's office will before seeking release of funds from the KBJNL, Liaison Office get the bills pre-audited by the Pre-auditor / Internal Auditor. The PCAO/CAO shall submit bills to the Internal Auditors only after examining the bills internally. The Auditor should certify that the bills are in conformity with the tender agreements, approved program of works, PWD Codal provisions and rules and



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guidelines issued by the MD / TSC of the Board etc. Focus should be on examination of Quality control reports that are appended to the bills. The Certificate of the Internal Auditor shall be appended to each of the bills before fund release is sought. The format of Pre-audit Certificate is enclosed at **Annexure - A**

- 7.5.4. Percentage of Check: 100% Audit and Check List is given below:
- 7.5.5. Ensure that all necessary confirmations / certifications as required by the Liaison Office, from concerned Engineers, PCAO/CAO and Other officers are available.
- 7.5.6. Ensure that the Annexure "A" enclosed with the bills is complete, and duly certified by the concerned engineers is
- 7.5.7. Ensure that duly filled and certified check-lists are enclosed along with digital photos for the works above Rs. 1.00 crore. The photos should depict the progress that has happened after the last bill paid suitable indicating the chainage of the work
- 7.5.8. Ensure that the works awarded are in the approved program of works or are specifically approved by the MD's office of KBJNL on a case to case basis
- 7.5.9. Verify whether proper approvals from competent authority were obtained for awarding the work, which are not appearing in the approved program of works.
- 7.5.10. Ensure that procedure lay down under KTPP Act and Rules have been followed.
- 7.5.11. Ensure that the measurement books are verified while passing the bills for payment.
- 7.5.12. Ensure that the measurement books are properly recorded and are in agreement with the PWD Codal Rules.
- 7.5.13. Ensure that the extent of check measurement by the competent authority has been exercised as per the guidelines issued by KBJNL from time to time.



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- 7.5.14. Check whether the payments are proposed as per the contractual agreement / terms and conditions in the tender documents / work orders .
- 7.5.15. Ensure that the statutory deduction like TDS, GST ,workers welfare cess, Workers Benevolent Fund, Royalty etc., have been properly made and that the have been remitted with the authorities in time.
- 7.5.16. Verify the quantity billed is as per measurement books and within the tender quantities. Any work in excess of the powers of the sanctioning authority, have been approved by competent authority as per the delegation of powers up to 125% and beyond 125% same is approved by the MD/EFI Committee / Board as the case may be.
- 7.5.17. Verify that materials such as hard rock, etc., excavated during the course of work have been properly recorded and accounted in the Material at site books maintained at the divisional offices, and issues back to contractor are properly documented and billed to the Contractor at rates specified in the tender agreement. The deduction towards royalty has been properly made and deposited with the Mines and Geology Department in time.
- 7.5.18. Verify that the statutory deductions / advances / recoveries are made in each running bill in accordance with the Rules / Act for the time being in force and as per the terms of contract.**
- 7.5.19. Verify whether mobilization advances granted only where the provision is available in the Contract agreement and at the rate of interest agreed to in the contract document and such advances have been recovered / adjusted within the time frame indicated in the tender agreement.
- 7.5.20. Check whether works were taken up after proper agreements are entered into with the Contractors.
- 7.5.21. Check whether security deposits are released as per the Contractual clauses and approval of the competent authority has been obtained.
- 7.5.22. Ensure that the recoveries towards security deposits are made properly and the same are recorded in the registers prescribed for the purpose.
- 7.5.23. Check whether Bank Guarantees are obtained in lieu of Security Deposits and such bank guarantees are renewed if the contract is still in force till the defect liability period is completed or the final bill is paid whichever is later. The Bank Guarantees should have been



renewed well before the expiry date, without which payment should not be recommended.

7.5.24. Check time extensions are given after proper analysis of the delays and penalties as per clause 2(d) of the Tender Document and are levied apportioning the delays between the Contractors and the departments.

7.5.25. Extra Financial Implications are approved by the competent authority.

7.5.26. Ensure that the payment released to the contractor is recorded properly in the contract file.

7.5.27. Ensure that the proper and relevant price indices have been adopted while arriving at the price escalation.

7.5.28. Ensure that the price escalation formula and indices as laid down as per the Latest FD circular only is adopted.

7.5.29. Ensure that the price adjustment clause is not adopted in respect of quantities executed after the completion of the contract period due to the delays attributable to the Contractor.

7.5.30. Such other areas as may be found expedient.

7.6 Scope of Internal Audit:

Format of Internal Audit report is enclosed at Annexure - B.

Areas to be covered in Internal Audit:

- I. MOBILIZATION OF FUNDS**
- II. DEPLOYMENT OF FUNDS**
- III. ACCOUNTING AND RECORD KEEPING**
- IV. HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT**
- V. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION MATTERS.**
- VI. STATUTORY COMPLIANCES**
- VII. ACTION TAKEN ON PREVIOUS INTERNAL AUDIT OBSERVATIONS**
- VIII. LEGAL MATTERS**
- IX. PROJECT WORKS**
- X. LAND ACQUISITION, REHABILITATION AND RESETTLEMENT**
- XI. REALIZATION OF REVENUE**
- XII. TRIAL BALANCE**
- XIII. OTHERS**



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I. MOBILIZATION OF FUNDS:

A. Areas to be covered in this section

- i. Share capital
- ii. Borrowings through bonds and loans

B. Percentage of Coverage: 100%

C. Share capital: Verify and report whether

- i. The Share Capital does not exceed the Authorized capital as per the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company and verify the limit of the Authorized Capital.
- ii. The addition to issued and subscribed capital is backed by proper authorization of the Board.
- iii. the legal requirements as laid down by the companies act, SEBI and other regulatory bodies are met.
- iv. Compliance requirements: Auditor should check that various compliance requirement in relation to share capital and filing of related returns are carried out within the Statutory period.

D. Borrowings through bonds and loans:

- i) Verify whether the Company has obtained necessary approval from the Government of Karnataka, Annual General Meeting of the Company, Board of Directors and the Off Budget Borrowing Monitoring Committee, Stock exchange for listing and other required Statutory Authorities for borrowing.
- ii) Verify whether the Company has complied with all the required Statutory Provisions while borrowing the funds including applicable SEBI guidelines and Companies Act.
- iii) Verify whether all the Intermediaries appointed are as per the delegation of power and as per the provisions of KTPP Act and Internal control manual.
- iv) Verify whether the Rate of Interest at which the funds are raised is best competitive prevailing Rate by a process of competitive bidding. Verify whether the Company has complied with all the provisions of Information Memorandum / Loan agreement after the borrowing, and post issue SEBI guidelines in respect of Bonds including complying with the relevant clauses of Trustee agreement.
- v) Verify, in case of debentures, bonds, allotment of the securities has been made as per the terms of prospectus / Information Memorandum / applicable statutory provisions.



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- vi) Verify whether the money borrowed has been utilized for the purpose for which it has been borrowed.
- vii) To verify and report whether Debt Servicing is done regularly and paid as per the terms of borrowing.
- viii) To verify whether proper compliance reports are submitted to Regulatory Authorities
- ix) To verify and report whether sufficient Asset Cover is available as per the terms of borrowing.
- x) To verify and confirm whether Debt Equity Ratio is within the acceptable norms.
- xi) To issue the Compliance Certificate as per the format enclosed quarterly.

II. DEPLOYMENT OF FUNDS

a. Areas to be covered in this section

- i. Investment of Short-term surplus.
- ii. Budgetary Control
- iii. Releases to Project (works).
- iv. Payment of bills / Other expenses

b. Percentage of Coverage: 100%

c. Investment of Short-term surplus.

- i. To verify and report whether the Company has complied with the guidelines issued by the Department of Public Enterprises.
- ii. To verify and report (a) instances current account balances have been carried in excess of 7 days without conversion to interest bearing deposits unless the rate of interest in the SB accounts is higher than the Interest in short term deposits for similar period.
(b) surplus amount in the current account in excess of Rs. 1.00 crore have been invested in interest bearing deposits as per the Investment policy and Internal Control manual.
- iii. To verify and report whether the rate of interest received on deposits are competitive rates prevailing at the time of deposit, by inviting quotes.
- iv. To verify and report whether the interests on deposits have been received fully and are reconciled and proper documents for



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deduction of tax at source are available and they are reconciled with the entries in the AS-26 statement generated on the TRACE

- v. To verify and report whether proper Certificates of Deposits in the name of KBJNL have been received and the same has been kept in safe custody. Physically verify the existence of the fixed deposit receipts as the date of commencement of audit.
- vi. To verify and report whether proper Registers have been maintained with regard to Deposits and updated regularly.

III. BUDGETARY CONTROL

- i) To verify and comment on the Company's Budgetary Control system and give suggestion for improvement.
- ii) To check and report that the variations of expenditure in excess of the budget allocation are properly monitored and have the approval of the competent authority

IV. RELEASES TO PROJECT OFFICES FOR WORKS AND OTHER EXPENSES

- i. To verify and report whether requisitions by Project Offices are supported by proper certifications and confirmations and are as per the Internal Control guidelines and circulars issued from time to time in this regard.
- ii. To verify and report whether the proper budgetary provisions are available for release of funds and in case of re-appropriation of budgetary provisions from one head of account to another head of account is approved by competent authority.
- iii. To verify and report whether necessary approvals from the Competent authority have been obtained before release of funds.

V. PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR OTHERS EXPENSES

- i. To verify and report whether necessary supporting documents are available.
- ii. To verify and report whether the expenditures are within the budgetary provisions and are approved by competent authority and as per delegation of powers.
- iii. To verify and report whether proper Internal Control procedures are followed.
- iv. To verify and report whether all Statutory deductions are made, remitted and Returns filed as per the Statutory Provisions.



VI. ACCOUNTING AND RECORD KEEPING

a. Areas to be covered in this section:

- i. Petty cash expenses payment procedures
- ii. Cheque payment procedures
- iii. Accounting and Record keeping
- iv. Bank Reconciliation and Confirmations
- v. Inter Unit Reconciliation and confirmations
- vi. Temporary Advances to Employees outstanding for settlement.

b. Percentage of Coverage: 100%

c. Petty cash expenses payment procedures :To verify and report whether:

- i. Imprest amount drawn are in excess of the limits sanctioned,
- ii. Proper authorization from the competent authority has been obtained for the expenditure as well for payment.
- iii. Proper supporting documents are available for the transaction.
- iv. The expenditure has been accounted properly in the books and all the vouchers are authenticated by the competent authority
- v. The drawee has submitted accounts before drawing the next Imprest advance.
- vi. That expenditure of a personal nature are not charged to the Company.
- vii. The bills are not split to avoid it from requirement of inviting quotes/tenders.
- viii. The petty cash book is checked by a competent officer named for the purpose and entries are authenticated. The petty cash book is balanced daily and the opening balance for the next day is physically verified.

d. Cheque payment procedures: to verify and report whether:

- i. The expenditure is bonafide and is in the interest of the Company.
- ii. The transaction is supported with proper documentary evidence.
- iii. The expenditure and the payment are approved by the competent authority and are as per the procedures mentioned in the Internal Control manual and relevant statutory provisions.



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- iv. The statutory deductions (including GST under reverse charge mechanism, wherever applicable) have been made, remitted and returns have been filed as per the relevant provisions.
- v. The transactions have been accounted as per the standard accounting principles in the books of accounts and the vouchers are authenticated by the competent authority.
- vi. A proper cheques register is maintained and the entries in the register are authenticated by the authorities writing the Cheque and signing the cheque.
- vii. A record of Cheque books is kept with serial numbers of cheques and unused cheque books are properly accounted for are held in the safe deposit locker, when not in use.

e. Accounting and Record keeping: To verify and report whether:

- i. Ledger accounts are reviewed periodically at least once in a month and correction entries are passed only with the approval of the authorized signatory/ies by way of approved Journal Vouchers. No entry once passed shall be deleted in the system . A system of hierarchical authorization for various levels of officers for passing of correction entries has been laid down and actually is being followed.
- ii. Check whether proper books of accounts as laid down under the Companies Act 2013 and Rule there under are maintained in the manner required to be maintained as per extent provisions of the said Act and Rules.
- iii. That proper back up norms to save and preserve the electronic accounting records are laid down and properly being followed.
- iv. That Physical vouchers, ledgers and other Accounting records are properly preserved in safe locations for the periods laid down as per the provisions of the Companies Act so as to protect them from destruction etc.
- v. Whether proper internal control procedures are in practice to detect fraud, misuse of funds and documents.
- vi. That print outs of books of accounts maintained in computer system are taken periodically and preserved.

f. Reconciliation and Confirmations: To verify and report whether:

- i. There is a proper system of monthly reconciliation of the various bank accounts and internal unit accounts. Check bank statements



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for extensions/ carry forwards /balancing and accuracy of balance reflected. Check all payments and receipts with the bank statements for each quarter.

- ii. Check that all items in the reconciliation of the previous period are cleared in accordance with the reconciliation.
- iii. Check through the items in reconciliation to the next period.
- iv. Comment upon the adequacy of/arrears in reconciliation.
- v. Check whether Stale cheques are reversed and the fact is informed to the bank to stop payment.
- vi. Check whether instructions to transfer of funds are accompanied with a cheque.

g. Temporary Advances to Employees: To verify and report whether

- i. Temporary advances, festival advance given are properly accounted
- ii. All the advances are approved by the appropriate authority.
- iii. All the advances are settled within the stipulated period and accounted for properly.
- iv. Any advances over and above the stipulated time period may be specifically reported.

VII. HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

a. Areas to be covered in this section

- i. Human resources management policy
- ii. Human resources planning
- iii. Employee recruitment, training etc.
- iv. Performance appraisal and control
- v. Payment of employee emoluments

b. Percentage of Coverage: 100%

c. Human resources management policy: To verify (review once in a year) and report whether:

- i. The company has well defined and active Human Resources Management Policy for regulation of the employees.
- ii. The company has documented succession and replacement plan.



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- iii. The company has proper promotion policy.
- d. **Human resources planning:** To verify and report whether Company has defined and active Human Resources Management policy
- e. **Employee recruitment, training etc. To verify and report whether:**
- i. The recruitments are based on man power requirement (only when fresh recruitments are made).
 - ii. At the time of inviting applications vide publicity is given.
 - iii. No discrimination is done based sex, caste etc., except Roster policy and the reservation policy of the Government.
 - iv. Proper training is provided to employees to update their knowledge to carry out day to day activities of the Company.
 - v. The creation of posts have been done only with the prior approval of the Board/ DPE
- f. **Performance appraisal and control: To verify and report whether:**
- i. Proper performance measurement and appraisal policy is in vogue.
 - ii. Proper feedback is given to the employee after appraisal for improvement.
 - iii. Corrective actions are taken based on the appraisal.
- g. **Payment of employee emoluments: To verify and report whether:**
- i. The employee emoluments are approved by the appropriate authority
 - ii. Employee attendance is regulated properly.
 - iii. Disbursement of employee emoluments like salaries, allowances, gratuity, EPF, advances are as per the relevant provisions and are accounted properly.
 - iv. The provisions of National Pension Scheme have been properly implemented and the employees subscription and Companies contributions have been properly deposited to the authority in time.
 - v. Tax is deducted at source wherever required as per the provisions of Income Tax Act and is remitted to Central Government A/c within the time limit and necessary Returns have been filed.



VIII. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION MATTERS.

a. Areas to be covered in this section

- i. Levy and collection of Water rates. Recoveries
- ii. Purchase of fixed assets and maintenance of registers
- iii. Purchase of consumables, stores etc.,
- iv. Disposable of assets
- v. Repairs and maintenance
- vi. Security of assets

b. Percentage of Coverage: 100%

c. Water rates collection from farmers: To verify and report whether:

- i. The area under Irrigation for the year has been notified by the Irrigation Consultative Committee (ICC).
- ii. Demand has been raised for the water let out to the farmers during Khariff and Rabi as per the rates prescribed in the Karnataka Irrigation Act and Rules.
- iii. There is a system of serving the Demand notices on the Farmers as per the procedure laid down in KBJNL
- iv. Proper Demand & Collection Register is maintained and the same is updated for each irrigation season i.e Khariff and Rabi. The demand raised and actual collection is entered in the register and balanced on a date to day basis. The total arrears of a particular farmer is ascertainable from the register.
- v. Un collected demand over a period of 3 years is intimated to the District Collector/Deputy commissioner/Concerned Assistant Commissioner/Tahasildar to recover the liability in the revenue records of the Government.
- vi. The Banks in the area /jurisdictional sub registrar of properties have been intimated to insist on a due certificate from the Concerned Irrigation Officers for the purpose of bank lending/disposal or alienating the properties.
- vii. Periodical returns are submitted to the General manager Administration for further follow up in the matter and appraising the Audit Committee periodically.
- viii. Water charges collected have been deposited to designated accounts and the accounts are reconciled and confirmations obtained from the Banks.
- ix. The collections over and above Rs. 5,000/- have been transferred



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to escrow account maintained at the State Bank of India, Cauvery Bhavan Branch, Bangalore.

d. Recovery of water rates from industries and for generation of electricity deposits.

- i. The demand has been raised on the industrial users as per the tariff laid down under the Karnataka Irrigation Act and as per the tariffs approved by the Government.
- ii. The demand has been collected and banked and the arrears are followed up for speedy recovery.

d. Recoveries: To verify and report whether:

- i. Whether there is laid down accountability of officers to prevent mis use, un authorized occupation of the Properties including Land and Buildings.
- ii. That all such properties are in the possession of the Company in the Revenue records of the Company and proper rent, electricity etc., have been recovered properly.
- iii. In case of non-recovery details may be provided.
- iv. Suggest measures for speedy recovery.
- v. That proper GST is collected by raising GST tax invoice.

e. Purchase of fixed assets and maintenance of registers : To verify and report whether:

- i. Purchases of fixed assets are per the procedures laid down in Internal Control manual and are authorized by the appropriate authority. Wherever required proper procedure laid down as per the KTPP Act and Rules have been followed.
- ii. Fixed assets are accounted properly in the books of accounts as required in the CARO audit report
- iii. Fixed asset Register has been maintained properly and updated regularly including Location where such assets are currently placed including such properties lying with third parties
- iv. Physical verification of assets has been made at least once in a year and proper adjustments have been made for impairment of assets sales destruction etc.



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- v. The sale proceeds of the assets have been properly accounted as profit/loss on sale of assets.
- vi. All the assets are numbered and can be identified.

f. Purchase of consumables, stores etc.,: to verify and report whether:

- i. Purchase of consumables, stores etc., have been purchased for the official use through a centralized basis operated by the GM Admin for Liason Office and concerned heads of offices as per the delegated financial powers by inviting rate contracts /inviting tenders wherever required on the Indents authorized by the concerned department head
- ii. Purchases are authorized by proper authority as per the delegation of powers and all applicable statutory provisions have been complied with while purchasing.
- iii. Proper stock registers have been maintained and are updated regularly.
- iv. Purchases are based on actual requirement and should not be stocked for more than next three months requirement based on the average consumption for the last 2 quarters.
- v. Issues are approved by competent authority.
- vi. The bills for purchase of consumables are checked for quantity and quality by an officer independent of the purchasing authority.
- vii. The stock of consumable to be reviewed periodically to weed out slow moving non moving stocks.
- viii. Stock verification is done regularly.

b. Disposal of Assets: To verify and report whether:

- i. Disposable assets are declared as scrap as per the prevailing guidelines issued by the Government from time to time before disposal of assets are approved by competent authority
- ii. Disposal of assets has been done as per the applicable rules and regulations by online electronic tendering/auction system
- iii. Disposal of assets has been accounted properly bifurcating the book value of assets, depreciation provision and the sale price and accounting the Profit/ loss on the sale of assets as per the relevant Accounting Standard.



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- iv. the Fixed Assets Registers have been updated.
- v. Receipts from the disposal have been accounted properly.

c. Repairs and maintenance: To verify and report whether:

Whether repairs and maintenance have been done based on actual requirement and is carried on properly after obtaining the approval of the appropriate authority and the same have been certified and confirmed by the concerned officer with regard to quantity and quality of work.

d. Security of assets: To verify and report whether:

- i. The Company has an inventory of assets.
- ii. Proper security arrangements have been made for the protection of the assets of the Company.

IX. COMPLIANCES TO LISTING AGREEMENT

a. Areas to be covered in this section

Compliance to listing agreement.

b. Percentage of Coverage: 100%

c. Compliance to listing agreement : To verify and report whether

The Company has complied with all the clauses of Listing agreement entered in to with the National Stock Exchange or other Stock Exchange if any.

X. ACTION TAKEN ON PREVIOUS AUDIT OBSERVATIONS

a. Areas to be covered in this section

Action taken on previous Internal Audit observations

b. Percentage of Coverage: 100%

c. Action taken on previous Internal Audit observations

To verify and report whether the Company has taken necessary action on previous Internal Audit observations. If not provide the details and provide pendency report as given Annexure -C



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XI. LEGAL MATTERS

a. Areas to be covered in this section

- i. Wherever decrees are passed in favor of KBJNL, necessary action have been taken to execute the decrees and realize the decreed amount.
- ii. Are there any long pending litigations.
- iii. Examine whether adverse decisions are appealed in higher courts and wherever the decisions are not contested 'non appeal' decisions have been taken only by the Competent authority. Whether court deposits made have been properly followed up and withdrawn wherever KBJNL has won the case.
- iv. To verify and report whether the Company has accounted/disclosed contingent liabilities arising out of litigations properly as laid down in the relevant accounting standard of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India.

b. Percentage of Coverage: 100%

XII. PROJECT WORKS /CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

a. Areas to be covered in this section

- i. Sanction of new work
- ii. Progress of existing work
- iii. Procedures followed while providing extension of time
- iv. Approval of additional financial implication
- v. Completion of work
- vi. Payment of work bills
- vii. Levy of penalty for slow progress of work
- viii. Management of security deposits

b. Percentage of Coverage: 100%

c. Sanction of new work: To verify and report whether

- i. Whether administrative approval of the Government has been received before taking up the schemes in case of all works exceeding Rs. 5.00 crore individually.



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- ii. Whether approvals of the Board / TSC / TAC / ERC / Managing Director/Chief Engineer/Superintending Engineer/Executive Engineer of KBJNL have been taken as per delegated financial powers.
 - iii. All necessary approval of the appropriate authority has been obtained for the new work
 - iv. Whether the work is included in the approved list of program of works.
 - v. Estimates prepared are as approved by competent authority.
 - vi. Provisions of KTPP Act have been complied with while selecting Vendor/Contractor /Service provider.
 - vii. Agreement with Contractor is as per the Standard tender document as per DTP approved by competent Authority and is not detrimental to the interest of the Company.
- d. Progress of existing work: To verify and report whether**
- i. The progress of the work as per the time schedule indicated in the Contract document
 - ii. The progress of the implementation of the project has been reviewed as per contract clause -2 and the delay has been apportioned between the Contractor and the Department ,and the contractor has been penalized as per clause 2(d) of the contract agreement.
 - iii. The work bills are supported with quality control reports issued by the Quality control department and the defects noticed are rectified and so reported before the bill are admitted for payment.
- e. Procedures followed while providing extension of time :To verify and report whether**
- i. Procedures required as per tender conditions have been complied with by apportionment of delays while granting extension of time and the same has been properly recorded.
 - ii. Clause 2(d) penalty has been levied as per tender conditions after apportioning the delays between department and the Contractor.
 - iii. The price adjusted payments have been considered as per the extant guidelines issued b the Government in finance department.



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- iv. The price adjustment payments are not paid for quantities executed during periods of delay attributable to the Contractor.
 - v. The Negative price indices have been considered while regulating payment.
- f. Approval of additional financial implication: To verify and report whether**
- i. Procedures required under Internal control manual, tender conditions, PWD Codal procedures, delegation of power and the provisions of all other applicable rules and regulations have been complied with while granting Extra Financial Implications and the same has been properly recorded.
 - ii. EFIS as a general rule are not to be considered. Only in exceptional cases the reasons for the EFI have been analyzed to prevent recurrence in future.
 - iii. That the Extra / Additional Financial implications are approved by the competent authority and are not netted off with the excess and savings to bring it within the delegated powers of the officers to avoid it being reported to the competent Committee.
- g. Completion of work: To verify and report whether**
- i. Whether the work as completed as per the scheduled and approved time period.
 - ii. Whether the concerned officers have inspected the work and certified the quality and quantity of work as per the PWD Codal Rules, Internal Control guidelines of the Company.
 - iii. Whether the same has been entered properly in the measurement book, accepted by the Contractor and authenticated by the authority responsible for measuring verification and check measurement.
 - iv. Whether the completion certificate is issued.
 - v. Whether the Certificate for satisfactory maintenance of work during the maintenance period is available.
 - vi. Whether all the audit recoveries legal case recoveries have been fully deducted from the final bill. Whether the bills have been finalized and the assets are capitalized on completion as per the accounting policy of the Company.
 - vii. Whether assets completed and ready for use are capitalized in the books.



h. Payment of works bills: To verify and report whether

- i. Works bills have been pre-audited before payment.
- ii. Necessary entries for the Gross amount and recoveries / deductions have been passed in the books of Accounts properly keeping in view classification of Capital and Revenue expenditure in terms of accounting policies and accounting standards.
- iii. Statutory Deductions have been made for Royalty, GST etc. and proper tax invoice is raised by the Contractors
- iv. Escalation cost/ bills have been prepared / raised as per the terms of Contract, and the relevant and appropriate price index have been adopted as per the provisions of Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 2000 and subsequent amendments form time to time, and no escalations are allowed for the quantities extended beyond the contractual period for the delays attributed and apportioned to the contractor.
- v. The correct base price indices have been adopted

B. Management of security deposits: To verify and report whether;

- i. Security Deposits recovered were not refunded in advance of the due date as per tender conditions and without the approval of the competent authority.
- ii. To ensure that the Security Deposits wherever converted into Fixed Deposits are with the consent of the Contractors only and that they are in the joint names of the EE and the Contractor. Such fixed deposits receipts are in the safe custody of the concerned Executive Engineer In Charge of the work. The fixed deposits are renewed from time to time till they are to be returned to the Contractor.
- iii. To verify whether the security deposit registers are kept up-to-date, and wherever they are released, under a competent authority's orders properly recorded in Registers and reported to the account section promptly.
- iv. Whether the release of EMD and Security Deposits is as per the Internal Control guidelines of the Company laid down from time to time, Tender conditions.



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a. Verification OF Records - DIVISIONAL OFFICE RECORDS:

- i. Verify and report whether Statutory Registers like Minor / Major Work Registers, Contractor's Ledger, Bank Guarantee Register, FDR register Time Extension Register, EMD / FSD Registers are maintained, updated and reconciled with Actual and Tally records. Major instances of non reconciliation between the various records shall be reported and their compliance shall be verified and reported during the next audit.

XIII. LAND ACQUISITION, REHABILITATION AND RESETTLEMENT, BTDA and CADA

a. Areas to be covered in this section

- i. Remarks on Action taken Report
- ii. Funds Management
- iii. Payments and Operation of Bank Account
- iv. Reconciliation of bank accounts and Accounting of Stale Cheques
- v. Process of payment for Land Acquisition with identification of awardees
- vi. Suggestions:

b. Percentage of Coverage: 100%

c. Action taken report:

- i. To review the compliances on observation rose in previous audit report and to confirm the completeness of actions taken.
- ii. To highlight the area through an exception to Management where action is yet to be taken.

d. Funds management:

- i. To verify Account wise detail of receipts from KBJNL and that the amounts temporarily surplus for requirement have been converted in to interest bearing deposits.



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- ii. To check accuracy of Interest accrued and credited with respect to fixed deposits.
- iii. To verify the Account wise detail of payment on account of following are as per the laid down rehabilitation policy
 - Land acquisition payments
 - Compensation to Project affected Families (PDFs)
 - Rehabilitation and Resettlement
 - Others
 - Record of court deposits are maintained and reviewed periodically to ensure control over such deposits.
 - The decisions taken for non contesting the court judgements are taken by proper authority with justifiable recorded reasons in writing.

e. Payments and operation of Bank Account

- i. To verify that funds in the Joint Accounts of the PDF and the Rehabilitation Officers are used for the purpose they are meant for and comment on the long outstanding balances in such accounts and report discrepancies.
- ii. To check that payments towards compensations and R&R payments have been made properly and method adopted for selection & identification of beneficiaries and comment on the procedure adopted.
- iii. To confirm that all the payment have been made to the project affected people through RTGS to Land Losers' / Beneficiaries' Bank Account or through Account Payee Cheques only.
- iv. To verify and report instances of non recovery of Income tax at source on eligible land acquisition payments under the old act.
- v. To confirm whether adequate arrangement exist for safe custody of un-issued cheques, stale cheques etc. and the action taken on the same.
- vi. To comment on adequacy of the system of entire process of disbursement of compensation, documents management and give suggestions for the improvement in the above.



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- vii. To check and report whether the land acquired have been Liaison in KBJNL's name or not. Report on the cases where the assets / Land acquired are not Liaison / transferred in the name of the Company.
- viii. Report on cases where the land acquired have remained idle.
- ix. Check and report whether any land has been encroached and action taken to vacate such lands from encroachment.

f. Reconciliation of bank accounts and Accounting of Stale Cheques

- i. Verify monthly Bank Reconciliation Statement (BRS) of each Bank Account.
- ii. Check Account wise BRS as at the end of each month covered in the reporting Period.
- iii. Check pending items in the BRS for more than 3 months.
- iv. Comment on the adequacy of bank reconciliation and confirm whether reconciliation is done on monthly basis.
- v. Confirm and report whether the Stale cheques are reversed and the same has been taken to books properly.
- vi. Verify Balances in each of Bank Account, Reconciliation Statement, Interest Certificates & TDS Certificate of each Bank Account at the end of each quarter.
- vii. Report on idle funds lying with banks for more than a week.

g. Process of payment for Land Acquisition with identification of Awardees

- i. To verify and comment upon the procedures of payment for land acquisition starting with identification awardees and system of physical identification of standing crops, resettlement and rehabilitation assistance, structures and standing trees, for which the payment is made and checked with Assets register of Gram Panchayath.
- ii. Verify and comment on the procedure for payment of R&R, wherever applicable.



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- iii. Verify whether cheques distributed and amount disbursed on account of cost of compensation of land acquisition have been appropriately accounted for and are backed by the proper documents example, if the payment is made for the standing crops or resettlement and rehabilitation assistance, structures and standing trees, there is adequate documents available for needful validation.
- iv. To check the land awards with reference to the notified rates.
- v. To check the R&R awards with reference to the notified R&R compensations.
- vi. To confirm that all payments made are supported by proper documentation for land acquisition and Land Awards.
- vii. Verify ad report the instances of - i). Accounting of the cheques issued to PAPs but not encashed; ii). Award declared but PAPs have not accepted the payment; iii). Instances of increased compensation due to arbitration / Lokadalt or court decision, and survey number wise details are linked to the original land compensation.
- viii. Details of funds locked in due to legal issues such as:
 - Land Award amount deposited in courts;
 - Money frozen due to stay by court order;
 - Funds held up due to Arbitration Awards
- ix. Comment upon the complete procedure being followed by the SLAOs for declaration and disbursement of awards along with its accounting of Rule 28A cases.

h. Suggestions:

- i. To make suggestion with regard to improving the accounting of the award declaration and its disbursement.
- ii. To suggest / draw a format for Monthly Progress Report (MPR) for all awards, funds received, payments made and balances for each SLAO Office and its consolidation at Chief Accounts Officer's office.
- iii. Court decree cases delays should be paid or appealed immediately.



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XIV. REALIZATION OF REVENUE:

a. Areas to be covered in this section: Verify and report

- i. Fixation, Demand and collection of water rates from farmers
- ii. Fixation, Demand and Realization of revenue from Power producers
- iii. Fixation, Demand and Realization of revenue from Industrial users
- iv. Fixation, Demand and Realization of revenue from Domestic users
- v. Fixation, Demand and Realization of Lease rent on land and buildings

b. Percentage of Coverage: 100%

XV. TRIAL BALANCE AUDIT:

The Divisional / Field office Trial Balance as at 31st March shall be audited along with the final audit spell with special emphasis on the Indian Accounting Standards and the requirements of Companies Act, 2013, provisioning, etc. A separate report shall be submitted on the same.

XVI. OTHERS:

Any other issue or subject related to the audit referred by the Managing Director.



Section 8. Internal Audit Reports

- 8.1. No objection shall be booked or reflected in draft audit report without discussing the matter with the concerned Division / Department Head, without issue of initial draft Audit report. Initial observations issued by Internal Auditors shall be complied by the Officers-In Charge of Accounts within 2 days from the date of issue and returned to the Internal Auditors with necessary reply under the signature of the head of the office or in his absence the Officer-in- Charge of Accounts.
- 8.2. In case the reply of the officer is found to be satisfactory, the objection need not be incorporated in the Audit Report. The original initial draft audit observations with reply thereon shall be appended with the Audit Report for reference. The Auditor shall mark dropped with red ink on the initial draft report with date and signature.
- 8.3. If initial draft Audit report is not returned within stipulated time or returned with unsatisfactory replies, the Auditor shall incorporate the objection in the Audit report without waiting for an indefinite period for the reply. The duplicate copy of the memo shall be attached with the Report to substantiate the Audit views.
- 8.4. The Head of the Audit Teams / AAO should check the supporting Audit evidence for each observation that is proposed to be put in the report. He should satisfy himself about the sufficiency and relevance of the evidence. Then He/she should prepare a Draft Audit Report.
- 8.5. The format of the draft report shall be same as final report after approval by the concerned authority. All the applicable quality checks equally hold good for draft report also except that the title of the report shall be "Draft Internal Audit Report".

8.6. *Qualities of a good report*

The Internal Auditors should exercise due professional care to ensure that the internal audit report, inter alia, is:

- 8.6.1. Clear and not ambiguous
- 8.6.2. Factual - presents all significant matters with disclosure of material facts
- 8.6.3. Specific
- 8.6.4. Concise



8.6.5. Timely and

8.6.6. Complies with generally accepted audit procedures

8.7. *Preparing the Internal Audit Report* : *Internal Auditor(s) shall use a standard format for reporting audit observations.*

8.8. Pre-Audit Report shall be as per the format given in Annexure - A

8.9. The Internal Audit report should be divided into seven parts. A Sample Report format given in **Annexure - B** Contents to be covered under each part of the Internal Audit Report is detailed below:

8.10. Part - 1: General Information

The Internal Auditors shall mention general information details in the prescribed format which includes following:

- **KBJNL Profile:** Name, Address, Head of the KBJNL Office, etc.
- **Internal Auditors Profile:** Name and contact details (email and phone no.) of the Internal Audit Team who conducted the audit
- **Audit Profile:** Audit Period or cycle and Duration of Audit.
- **Audit Starting and Completion Date:**
- **Name(s) of the Auditor(s) / Audit Team:**
- **Books of Accounts Maintained and verified:** Provide the details of the Books of Accounts applicable / maintained and verified in the Office Audited.
- **Scope of Internal Audit :** Provide the Details of the Activities / Scope of Internal Audit which are applicable to the Office Audited.

8.11. Part - 2: Previous Audit Compliance

The Internal Auditors shall mention the following details regarding previous audit status:

8.12. Previous Audit Observations and Compliance: In this section, the Internal Auditors shall provide the pending status of previous audit observations and compliances. (Internal and AG Audits)



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8.13. **Persistent Irregularities:** Internal Auditors shall give details of persistent irregularities which were identified during the past audits but are still not addressed. The Internal Auditors shall identify the cases of non-compliance and list the same under Persistent irregularities.

8.14. **Internal Audit Pendency report shall be as per the format given below:**

Sl	Quarter and year	Internal Audit Observation	Compliance given by the Concerned officer	Auditor's remarks for not considering the report	Nature of Risk ie., Category A,B or C	Pending Since

Internal Audit Pendency report Statistics

sl. No	Name of the Office	Year															
		Q1			Q2			Q3			Q4			Total			
		OPENING	No. of observations	Disposed	Pending	No. of observations	Disposed	Pending	No. of observations	Disposed	Pending	No. of observations	Disposed	Pending	No. of observations	Disposed	Pending
		BALANCE															

8.15. **Part - 3: Pending Position of IRs / Draft Para/Draft Report of C&AG shall be provided as per the format given in Annexure-B**

8.16. **Part- 4: Verification of Internal Controls, Observations and suggestions for strengthening the Internal Control Systems:**

In this section, Internal Auditors shall detail out the Weak Internal Control System which are against the Internal Control Guidelines of the Company / Industry Practice and shall suggest the better system as per the format given in Annexure-B.



8.17. Part - 5: Provide the Physical verification and Reconciliation Status, Observations as per the Format Given in Annexure -B

8.18. Part - 6: Current period observations and recommendations: Detailed Observations as per the format given in Annexure - B shall be provided. All major irregularities noticed during the course of audit shall be mentioned separately in this section. The Internal Auditors shall also report consequences for non-compliance of the same. Reference evidence and memos shall be attached as annexure.

8.18.1. Some examples of major irregularities are mentioned below:

- Fraudulent withdrawal from treasury/ government bank accounts
- Bogus payment and non-payment to beneficiaries
- Misappropriation of cash and stocks
- Any excess payments
- Irregularities in procurement procedure which may or may not have resulted in excess or illegal payments
- Loss in revenue and fee realization
- Irregularities in revenue and fee collections and utilizations
- Any un-authorized expenditure.

8.18.2. **Other Irregularities:** Here Auditor shall report the observations on irregularities noticed while conducting audit. On each item of verification as mentioned below, separate observations will be given on irregularities.

- Physical Verification of Cash, Stock and other items(there will not be any major cash or stock)
- Receipts
- Payments
- Contracts
- Stores
- Procurements
- Reconciliations
- Any Other Review Conducted



8.19. Part - 7: Risk Score Chart: as per the format provided in Annexure - B , Part 7, shall be provided.

8.20. Part-8: General Overall view:

This section shall be filled by the Internal Auditors after consultation with the KBJNL. The Auditor shall provide the list of the areas needing improvement and recommendations for compliance along with a proposed time line as per the Risk Score Chart provided in this manual.

8.21. Annexure

The observations given by the Internal Auditors in report need to be supported by relevant audit evidence. These evidences act as a reference to the Audit observations reported by the Auditor(s). Internal Audit report should ideally contain the following documents as Annexes:

- Draft Initial Audit Report
- Internal Control Assessment checklists, questionnaires
- List of books of accounting records verified
- Statements of closing stock, assets, cash and other valuables with physical verification reports
- Procurement review checklists
- Performance review status
- Budget Vs Expenditure with reason for variance
- Bank Reconciliation statements
- Non - recoupment of advances
- Statement of recovery amounts
- Annexure of supporting evidence documents (Any photo copies, photos, CDs etc.)
- Any other Audit evidence which may be considered appropriate by the Internal Auditors



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8.22. Submission of Internal Audit Report

The following is the schedule of reporting:

AUDIT SPELL	QUARTER/PERIOD	DEADLINE FOR REPORTING
I	April to June	31 st July
II	July to Sep.	31 st Oct
III	Oct to Dec.	31 st Jan
IV	Jan to Mar	30 th Apr
Trial Balance review	As at 31 st March	By June 30 th of each year



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Annexure - A

Format of Pre-audit Report

Date:

To,

The Managing Director,
Krishna Bhagya Jala Nigam Limited,
PWD Offices 'Annexe',
III floor, K.R.Circle,
Bengaluru - 560 001

Dear Sir,

Sub : Pre-audit of work bills for the period from ----- to-----

Ref :

In terms of the appointment order dated _____ we confirm that we have pre-audited the following bills:

Name of the Division:

Sl.	Running Bill No. and Date with Stage	Name of the Contractor/vendor/service provider	Name of the Work	Amount	Certified for payment	Remarks (in case of final bill mention actual date of completion and reasons for delay if any)

We certify that above bills have been verified with respect to 1) Approved Annual Programme of works and Budgetary Provision provided 2) Internal guidelines of the Company 3) Circular issued regulating payments vide No.a) KBJNL/EDF/09/2009/C-1219 dt:12.03.2009 b) KBJNL/MD/EDF/BILLPMTS/09-10/F/C-302 dt:11.06.2010 4) PWD codal rules 5) Tender Conditions 6) Terms of Contract 7) Quality control reports for the quantities billed and find the



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same are in order. Further we certify that all necessary certifications / documents are available relating to the bills like Annexure "A", Checklist, photos , Joint inspection report, Third party inspection report, Quality Control report, as per quality control manual, time extension orders issued by the competent authority. Wherever required as per the PWD codal rules and KBJNL internal control guidelines, are complete, duly certified and are in order and are ready for payment in all respect.

For **(INTERNAL AUDITOR)**

Name and Designation of the Authorized signatory

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Annexure-B Format of Internal Audit Report (IAR)

Part-1: General Information

1	Name of the Accounting zone	
2	Name of the Zonal office	
3	Name of the Division Office	
4	Audit Period	
5	Audit Starting date and Completion date	
6	Name(s) of the Auditor(s)/ Audit Team	
7	Books of Accounts Maintained and verified	a. b. c.
8	Scope of Internal Audit (applicable)	a. b. c. d.

Part-2: Pending position of previous internal audit observations:

A. Pending observation details:

S l	Quarter and year	Internal Audit Observation	Compliance given by the Concerned officer	Auditor's remarks for not considering the report	Nature of Risk ie., Category A,B or C	Pending Since

B. Pending observation statistics:

sl. No	Name of the Office	Year															
			Q1			Q2			Q3			Q4			Total		
		OPENING BALANCE	No. of observations	Disposed	Pending	No. of observations	Disposed	Pending	No. of observations	Disposed	Pending	No. of observations	Disposed	Pending	No. of observations	Disposed	Pending



Part-3: Pending position of IRs/Draft para/Draft report of C&AG

The status of Inspection Reports as at is as follows;

Sl.	Particulars	No.
a	No. of Inspection Reports outstanding	
b.	No. of Inspection Paras outstanding	
c.	No. of paras replied	
d	No. of Paras marked for local verification	
e.	Further remarks awaited from AG	
f.	No. of Paras carried forward after conducting adhoc committee meeting	
g	Draft Notes issued during the period	
h	Draft Notes replied during the period	
i	Draft Notes dropped during the period	
j	Draft Paras issued during the period	
k	Draft paras replied during the period	
l	Draft paras dropped during the period	
m	C&AG report report for the year -----issued. No of paras -----	
n	C&AG para replied	
o	C&AG report for -----Dropped	
p	No of C&AG paras dropped	
i	Less than 6 months / more than 6 months	

Part-4: Verification of Internal Controls, Observations and suggestions for strengthening the Internal Control Systems

Sl	Particulars (Heading)	Existing Internal Control system	Internal Auditor's observations on the adequacy of the control	Suggestions of Internal Auditor if the existing controls are in adequate

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Part-5: Physical verification and Reconciliation of accounts:

Sl.	Particulars	Opening Balance as per Manual book / Tally	Closing Balance as on ... as per Books / Tally of KBJNL	Closing balance as on... as per pass book/ Tally or physical verification	Deviations	Internal Auditor's Remarks
1.	Fixed Deposits					
2.	Bank Guarantees*					
3	Stamps					
4	Stock and Stores					
5	Bank accounts					
6	FDRS *					

**Please indicate any guarantees required to be renewed but not renewed*

Part-6: Current period observations and recommendations (if not applicable to kindly mention not applicable)

SL.	PARTICULARS	RISK CATEGORY	RECORDS VERIFIED	INTERNAL AUDITOR'S OBSERVATIONS
A	MOBILIZATION OF FUNDS			
1	Share capital			
2	Borrowings through bonds and loans			
B	DEPLOYMENT OF FUNDS			
3	Investment of Short-term surplus.			
4	budgetary Control			
5	Releases to Project (works).			
6	Payment of bills / Other expenses			
C	ACCOUNTING AND RECORD KEEPING			
7	Petty cash expenses payment procedures			
8	Cheque payment procedures			
9	Accounting and Record keeping			
10	Bank Reconciliation, Confirmations and action taken on the BRS items.			
11	Temporary Advances to Employees			



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	outstanding for settlement.			
D	HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT			
12	Human resources management policy			
13	Human resources planning			
14	Employee recruitment, training etc.			
15	Performance appraisal and control			
16	Payment of employee emoluments			
E	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION MATTERS.			
17	Water rates collection			
18	Recoveries			
19	Purchase of fixed assets and maintenance of registers			
20	Purchase of consumables, stores etc.,			
21	Disposal of assets			
22	Repairs and maintenance			
23	Security of assets			
F	COMPLIANCES TO LISTING AGREEMENT			
24	Whether Board of Directors of the Company have met as and when received.			
25	Whether Audit Committee of the Company is active and has met as and when received.			
26	Whether Remuneration / Investor's Grievance Redressal Committee of the Company is active and has met as and when received.			
27	Whether the Company has Complied with terms Listing Agreement and Information Memorandum			
28	Comment on timely servicing of debt			
29	Comment on Professional management of the activities of the Company			
30	Comment on Risk assessment & Minimization Procedure			
31	Any Frauds detected during the Audit			
G	LEGAL MATTERS			
32	Wherever decrees are passed in favor of KBJNL, necessary actions have been taken to realize the decreed amount.			
33	Are there any long pending litigation?			
34	Examine whether 'non appeal' cases which have been decreed against the Nigam, have been approved by the competent authority for compliance.			



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35	Whether court deposits made have been properly followed up.			
36	To verify and report whether the Company has accounted contingent liabilities arising out of litigations properly.			
H	PROJECT WORKS			
37	Sanction of new work			
38	Progress of existing work			
39	Procedures followed while providing extension of time			
40	Approval of additional financial implication			
41	Completion of work			
42	Payment of work bills			
43	Levy of penalty for slow progress of work			
44	Management of security deposits			
45	1 Price escalation bills 2.Negative price escalation - regulation of payment. 3.Price escalation for quantities executed during delays attributable to contractor.			
I	LAND ACQUISITION, REHABILITATION AND RESETTLEMENT			
45	Land acquisition and payment of compensation			
46	Maintenance of registers			
47	Reconciliation of bank accounts			
48	1.Court deposits, whether register maintained 2.Instances of non refund of court 3. With drawl of deposits when appeals are decided in favour of the Nigam			
J	REALIZATION OF REVENUE			
48	Fixation of Demand and collection of water rates from farmers			
49	Fixation of Demand and Realization of revenue from Power producers			
50	Fixation of Demand and Realization of revenue from Industrial users			
51	Fixation of Demand and Realization of revenue from Domestic users			
52	Fixation of Demand and Realization of Lease rent on land and buildings			



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K	TRIAL BALANCE			
53	The Divisional/Field office Trial Balance as at 31st March shall be audited along with the final audit spell with special emphasis on the Indian Accounting Standards and the requirements of Companies Act, 2013, provisioning, etc. A separate report shall be submitted on the same.			
54	Status of reconciliation of balances as per subsidiary books/ registers / records like FDs, BGs, FSD, MPWA, waters rates with Tally and physical records			

Part-7: Risk Score Chart

Sl. No.	Category A: Most Critical	Category B: Critical	Category C: Less Critical
	Matters which needs CFO attention immediately and to be reported to the Audit Committee	Matters which needs CFO attention & could be cleared at CFO level itself	Matters which will be brought to the notice of the Head of the Office / Division / Zone and settled at their level

Part-8: General overall view

Part-9: Annexure if any

For (INTERNAL AUDITOR)

Name and Designation of the Authorized signatory

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