

Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances

















Monitoring of Systemic Reforms and Public Grievances

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Introduction

Context

The Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG) received 8,52,451 (related to Central Government) grievances in 2015-16 across 88 Ministries/Departments through Centralized Public Grievance Redress and Monitoring System (CPGRAMS). Key objectives of this Department are to issue policy guidelines, monitor public grievances and improve public service delivery.

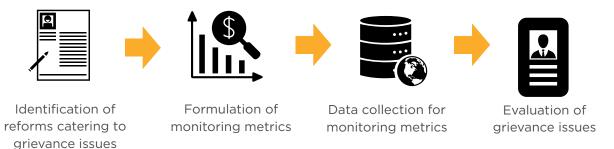
Moving towards this goal, the Department commissioned a Grievance Analysis Study in 2015 of top 20 highest grievance receiving Ministries/Departments. The Study involved identification of top grievance causing issues and recommendation of systemic reforms. Hence, this Study sowed in the seeds for bringing about systemic reforms to drive citizen centric Government in India.

Objective

Taking the study further, a Project Management Unit from Quality Council of India was set up by DARPG in August 2016. The objective of this PMU was to monitor implementation of identified reforms catering to grievance issues and review public grievances.

Approach

The 4-point approach for monitoring included identification of systemic reforms, formulation of monitoring metrics, data collection¹ and evaluation of change in grievance issues.²



¹Information for devised monitoring metrics is obtained directly from the respective Ministry/Department.

²The report highlights positive impact created by the reforms on public service delivery. Based on statistical evidences, the team has analyzed grievance categorization of a Ministry/Department. However, in certain cases, percentage impact of grievance issue might not be the best indicator because of major policy change in the government (like change in Monetary Policy) or seasonal factors (like change is age relaxation policy in SSC examination and introduction of National Eligibility Cum Entrance Test for medical admissions in colleges, surgical strike etc.). The study aspires to sensitize the Ministries about the root cause of their major grievance causing services, assist in continuous monitoring of systemic reforms and motivate them to strive for excellence by highlight impact of the reforms on grievance issues. The key to build resilience is not only to dispose grievances but also to be effective by eliminating root causes of grievances.

List of identified Ministries/Departments

The first step of 2015 report was the identification of 20 highest grievance causing Ministries/ Departments, which was done based on the number of grievances received by a particular Ministry/ Department (from 01.01.2012 to 19.08.2015). The findings have been summarized in the table below

Table: List of identified 20 Ministries/Departments

S.NO	Ministry / Department	No. of grievances received
1.	Department of Telecommunications	161,014
2.	Ministry of Railways (Railway Board)	76,776
3.	Department of Financial Services (Banking Division)	on) 65,095
4.	Ministry of Home Affairs	41,443
5.	Central Board of Direct Taxes (Income Tax)	38,825
6.	Department of Higher Education	34,594
7.	Ministry of External Affairs	30,780
8.	Department of Posts	27,552
9.	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare	27,552
10.	Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas	26,836
11.	Ministry of Labour and Employment	25,835
12.	Department of Defence	25,423
13.	Department of School Education and Literacy	23,862
14.	Department of Personnel and Training	21,681
15.	Ministry of Road Transport and Highways	20,660
16.	Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs	15,187
17.	Department of Justice	13,879
18.	Central Board of Excise and Customs	12,698
19.	© Department of Revenue	12,616
20.	Department of Ex Servicemen Welfare	12,062

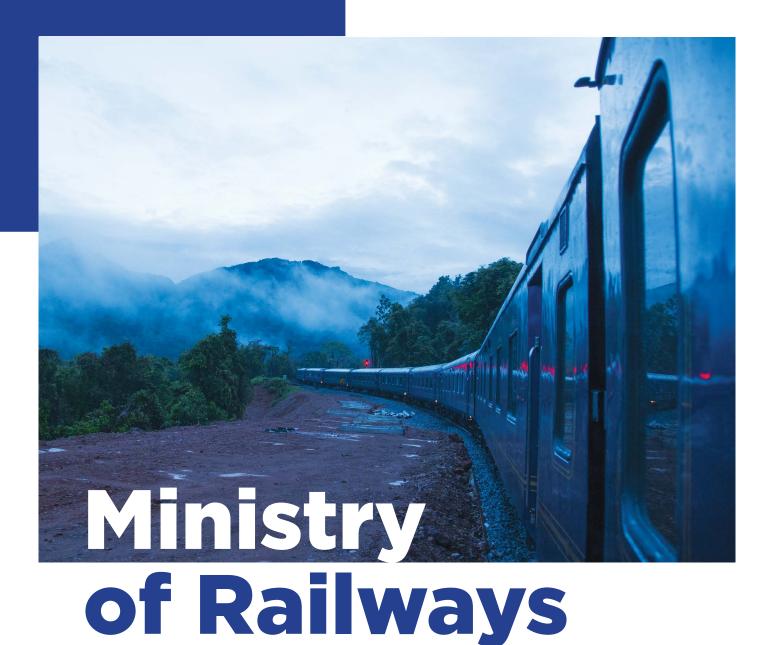
Source: DARPG Data (01.01.2012 to 19.08.2015)

With increasing awareness of Centralized Grievance Redress Portal, receipt of grievances rose sharply from 2015 to 2017. The Ministries/Departments receiving highest grievances continued making sincere and efficient efforts towards timely resolution of these grievances as witnessed in the table below:

S.	Ministries/		2014-15			2015-16		2016-17	(As on 30.	6.2017)
No.	Departments	Grievance Received	Grievance Disposed	Average Responsive Time	Grievance Received	Grievance Disposed	Average Responsive Time	Grievance Received	Grievance Disposed	Average Responsive Time
1	Department of Telecommunications	63959	62048	30	67551	68462	17	35108	36508	13
2	Ministry of Railways (Railway Board)	46693	42736	89	57159	53688	57	29071	35579	69
3	Department of Financial Services (Banking Division)	53856	50134	44	88853	73541	36	62793	70856	42
4	Ministry of Home Affairs	34423	32300	53	25942	25962	62	12329	13295	65
5	Central Board of Direct Taxes (Income Tax)	19670	15179	108	32284	37239	41	24066	23675	25
6	Department of Higher Education	30617	26629	114	27018	31389	21	13339	12973	24
7	Ministry of External Affairs	16663	16619	23	12422	12588	10	8166	8133	10
8	Department of Posts	16328	17309	29	29422	28644	16	20920	21314	12
9	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare	22342	20036	46	20599	20885	44	13700	14064	38
10	Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas	14691	14829	73	13924	14006	23	8646	8858	25
11	Ministry of Labour and Employment	22329	22914	17	24699	24636	18	16020	15844	14
12	Department of Defence	15668	12193	118	16882	17725	64	7519	8630	75
13	Department of School Education and Literacy	22782	18898	123	18214	22191	21	10356	10514	24
14	Department of Personnel and Training	17676	17010	23	36956	32028	21	17325	21183	27
15	Ministry of Road Transport and Highways	13997	10806	151	10896	13758	42	4914	5307	56
16	Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs	16165	15241	72	10779	11696	33	7733	8247	26
17	Department of Justice	11259	11063	19	9859	9646	19	5432	5768	11
18	Central Board of Excise and Customs	7747	7392	47	9682	10136	18	9360	8341	12
19	Department of Revenue	13699	8860	135	21278	24359	28	16207	15816	17
20	Department of Ex Servicemen Welfare	5967	5276	41	7130	6977	38	4235	4404	39



REFORMS IMPLEMENTED BY 20 MINISTRIES/DEPARTMENTS



1.1 Introduction

Nationalized in 1951, Indian Railways today is the largest rail network in Asia and the world's second largest network operated under a single management. It has 1,15,000 km of track length. It runs 12,617 trains to carry over 23 million passengers daily –equivalent to moving the entire population of Australia, connecting more than 7,172 stations. Indian Railways is responsible for end-to-end execution of the rail service across the country, from selling of tickets, to maintaining the stations, tracks, and platforms, to ensuring proper facilities, and most importantly to schedule the trains and implement timely running.

Since millions of passengers are dependent on Indian Railways every single day, grievances are inevitable reality of the system. In detailed sampling of grievances received by Ministry of Railways, delay in processing of refunds accounted for 45% of sampled grievances, followed by delay in pension release which accounted for 35%. Other issues like train's service quality, unclean railway stations and congestion on IRCTC website accounted for another 7%, 2%, and 1% of the grievances respectively. The specific details of these type of grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 1: List of identified grievance issues

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Details
1	Inefficiency in refund process	45%	 Long delay in refunds payment (average 2-4 months) Faulty rejection of refund claims (non-travelling passengers marked present)
2	Long delay in pension release	34%	 Long delay in pension release (average 1-2 years) No revision in pension amount, as per the Pay Commission
3	Issues with train service quality	ns' 7%	 Lack of cleanliness in trains (no soap or water in toilets; torn seats, pillows) Late running of trains
4	Unclean railway stations and railway lines	2%	 Inadequate cleaning of railway tracks No provision of clean toilets on some stations
5	Congestion on IRCTC website	1%	 Website is often down; Payment gateway faulty (money deducted without booking) Tatkal tickets booked out in very short time

1.2. Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

1.2.1. Identification of Systemic Reforms

Team spent time with the implementation body in the Ministry of Railways to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented and led to grievance resolution at the root cause level.

Table 2: Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process / Policy)	Year of initiation
1.	Inefficiency in refunds process Long delays in refunds payment (average 2-4 months)	Automatic refund Automatic refund issuance to passengers on full cancellation of trains for confirmed/waitlisted e-ticket. The process is applicable to all trains.	Process Improvement	2015
	Faulty rejection of refund claims (non-travelling passengers marked present)	Issuance of handheld device to TTEs TTEs are equipped with handheld devices linked to real time computerized reservation system, resulting in faster and transparent action.	Digitization	2016
		20 handheld devices are given to TTEs on 8 Shatabdi trains.		
2.	Congestion on IRCTC website	Next Generation E-Ticketing System (NGeT)	Digitization	2015
	Website is often down; Payment gateway faulty	Upgradation of e-ticketing system - Improving accessibility and overall experience of online ticket booking.		
	(money deducted without booking)	Booking capacity has increased from 2,000 to 12,900 tickets per minute and number of users supported increased from 40,000 to 1,20,000		
3.	Issues with trains' service quality	Clean My Coach Service	Process Improvement	2016
	Lack of cleanliness in	Provision of SMS based 'On-Demand Cleaning' service in trains		
	trains (no soap or water in toilets)	Installation of Bio-toilets ¹		
	Inadequate cleaning of railway tracks	Installation of bio-toilets in trains to eliminate direct waste discharge on railway tracks.		

In addition to the above reforms, Ministry of Railways launched Advanced Railway Pension Access Network Portal (ARPAN)² in 2014. It is an online pension settlement portal for generating PPOs and settling dues.

1.2.2 Formulation of Monitoring Metrics

Based on identified reforms, monitoring metrics were formulated to ensure time bound and quality of implementation.

Table 3: Monitoring Metrics

S. No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 31.03.2017)	Status (as on 30.06.2017)
1.	Automatic refund	No. of days taken to disburse the refunds	5.3 days	5 days
2.	Advanced Railway Pension Access Network (ARPAN)	No. of banks where ARPAN has been implemented	9	12
3.	Clean My Coach Service	No. of trains covered Staff available in trains No. of requests served out of received	2,016 64,470/66,137 15,12,647	2,040 87,306/90,690 15,12,647
4.	Installation of Bio-toilets	No. of Bio-toilets constructed No. of coaches covered	69,322 19,770	79,507 22,433

1.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to monitor identified grievance issues. The Ministry received 43,707 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017. The team analyzed random sample of 1000 grievances, results of which are as under:

Table 4: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage Impact (1.01.2015 to 31.08.15)	Percentage Impact (1.08.2016 to 31.03.17)
1.	Inefficiency in refunds process	45%	14%
2.	Long delays in pension release	34%	17%
3.	Issues with trains' service quality	7%	18%*
4.	Unclean railways stations and railway lines	2%	1%
5.	Congestion on IRCTC website	1%	1%

^{*12%} belongs to late running of trains

In addition to the above grievance issues, exams and recruitment related (17%), demand for new trains (13%) overcharging of meals in the train (6%) and dynamic pricing (4%) were found in the new analysis of grievances received by the Ministry.



Success Stories on Reforms

Passengers' feedback on CleanMyCoach service

The basic expectation of passengers travelling via trains is Cleanliness for which Railways Board initiated 'On-Demand Cleanliness Service' in trains under Swachh Bharat Abhiyan. Passengers can avail this service by sending an SMS to 58888.

53,604 requests met

1,831 trains covered



Culinary bliss on-the-go!

While travelling from Mumbai to Jaipur in Rajdhani Express, a group of college students tried E-catering service. They ordered Domino's Pizza using mobile app while travelling and got it delivered to nearest railway station within 30 minutes on their seats. This enriching experience was shared by them on social media (Twitter and Facebook).

357 stations covered

2,500 users per day





Petroleum And Natural Gas

2.1 Introduction

Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas is entrusted with the responsibility of exploration and production of oils and natural gas. India is the third largest energy consumer in the world, and its energy appetite is growing alongside its population and economy. In order to ensure the country's demand, this Ministry is responsible for evaluating the import requirements and ways to optimally conserve these resources.

In line with the Government's vision 'Sabka Sath, Sabka Vikas', the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas's objective is to light up lives of millions by providing environment friendly and affordable fuel for all.

In the detailed grievance analysis study for Ministry of Petroleum and Natural gas, delay in delivery of LPG connection accounted for 66% followed by Malpractices and Corruption accounted for 29% and issues related to Petrol pump/LPG dealership accounted for another 2%. The specific details of these type of grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 5: List of identified grievance issues

S. No	Gı	rievance Issues	Percentage (1.05.2015 to 31.08.2015)	Details
1		LPG Connection Issues	66%	 Tedious and long process to get a Connection Long delay in delivery of refilled cylinders Incorrect/No subsidy amount credited via Direct Benefit Transfer Mechanism
2	\$ 0 P	Malpractices and Corruption	29%	 Black marketing of LPG cylinders Overcharging and force selling to the citizens Gas agency employees involved in pilferage of gas cylinders
3		Petrol pump/ LPG dealership issues	2%	Issues with Petrol Pump dealership/ LPG distributor allocation & termination E.g.: Petrol Pump dealership got terminated without proper verification and investigation

2.2. Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

2.2.1. Identification of systemic reforms

Team conducted detailed discussions with the implementation body in Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented and led to grievance resolution at the root cause level.

Table: 6 Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process / Policy)	Year of initiation
1.	LPG Connection Issues Tedious and long process to get a Connection	Sahaj LPG scheme ³ On line release of new LPG connections through mylpg.in portal.	Digitization	2015
	Long delay in delivery of refilled cylinders Incorrect/No subsidy amount credited via Direct Benefit Transfer Mechanism	Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana ⁴ Widespread use of LPG among masses by issuing new connections to BPL households at their doorstep. Target is to issue 5 Crore LPG connections across the country by 2019-20	Policy	2016
2.	Incorrect/No subsidy amount credited	Linking of Pratyaksh Hanstantarit (PAHAL) accounts with Aadhaar Efficient subsidy administration by linking Aadhaar with customer's ID and bank account under PAHAL scheme.	Process Improvement	2015
3	Malpractices and Corruption Black marketing of LPG cylinders Overcharging and force selling to the citizens	Unified web portal Online portal for tracking, bookingand delivery of refilled LPG cylinders. Thus, increasing accountability of the distributor by eliminating scope for black marketing and overcharging. 18,781 distributors are registered on the portal	Digitization	20 15

In addition to the above reforms, Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas initiated 'Give-It-Up' campaign in 2015 to appeal to all countrymen to come forward and give up their LPG subsidy. 1.04 Crores LPG consumers gave up the subsidy to provide LPG connection to BPL families.

2.2.2 Formulation of Monitoring Metrics

Based on identified reforms, monitoring metrics were formulated to ensure time bound monitoring and quality of implementation.

Table: 7: Monitoring Metrics

S.No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 31.03.2017)	Status (as on 30.06.2017)
1.	Sahaj LPG scheme	Average time to release new LPG connection	5.3 days	4.8 days
		No. of new LPG connections released (online mode)	21,815	25,116
		No. of LPG Connections released (offline mode - through distributors)	1,11,650	1,20,446
2.	Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana	No. of BPL LPG connections released under the scheme	2.03 Crores	2.45 Crores
		(Target is to issue 5 Crore LPG connections across the country by 2019-20)		
3.	Linking of Pratyaksh	No. of PAHAL (DBT) beneficiaries	17.02 Crores	18.04 Crores
	Hanstantarit (PAHAL) accounts with Aadhaar	Cash benefit transferred under PAHAL	46,806 Crores	51,170 Crores
		No. of Aadhaar seeded in LPG	16.98 Crores	17.97 Crores
		Bank A/c seeded with Aadhaar	13.80 Crores	16.93 Crores
		Bank A/c seeded without Aadhaar	2.46 Crores	3.70 Crores
4.	Unified web portal	Online refill booking (IVRS+WEB+SMS)	97.33 Crores	121.42 Crores
		No. of people making payment online	13.67 lakhs	20.02 lakhs
		No. of people making payment offline	13.73 Crores	47.89 Crores
		Offline refill bookings (through distributors)	40.18 Crores	46.01 Crores
5	Give It Up Subsidy Campaign	Annual Subsidy Saving	1,357 Crores	1,364 Crores

2.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to monitor identified grievance issues. The Ministry received 11,443 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017. The team analyzed random sample of 1000 grievances, results of which are as under:

Table 8: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Percentage (1.08.2016 to 31.03.17)
1	LPG Connection Issues	66%	34%
2	Malpractices and Corruption	29%	13%
3	Petrol pump/LPG dealership issues	2%	3%

In addition to the above grievance issues, grievances related to LPG connections not being given under Ujjwala Scheme (5%), Suggestion (5%), technical glitches with LPG portal - mylpg.in (4%) and differential service charge at petrol pumps (3%) were found in the new analysis of grievances received by the Ministry.



Success Stories on Reforms

Pradhan Mantri Ujjwalla Yojana

Traversing 30 kms of unpaved roads, river streams, and dense forest, 'Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana' has reached Amapani, a remote village in Chhattisgarh. For Sushiram and Sushila, a poor Gonda Adivasi couple in this village, LPG cylinder has made their lives easier.

2.45 Crores

LPG connections released has on June, 2017



Ek Nayi Disha, Ek Nayi Pahal

Pratyaksh Hanstantarit (PAHAL) Scheme - Direct Benefit Transfer of LPG subsidy into consumer's bank account has made it to the *Guinness Book of World Records* as the world's largest cash benefit transfer scheme. It has immensely improved subsidy administration of LPG across the country.

18 Crores

consumers benefitted through PAHAL

More than **21,000 Crores** of subsidy saved





of Revenue

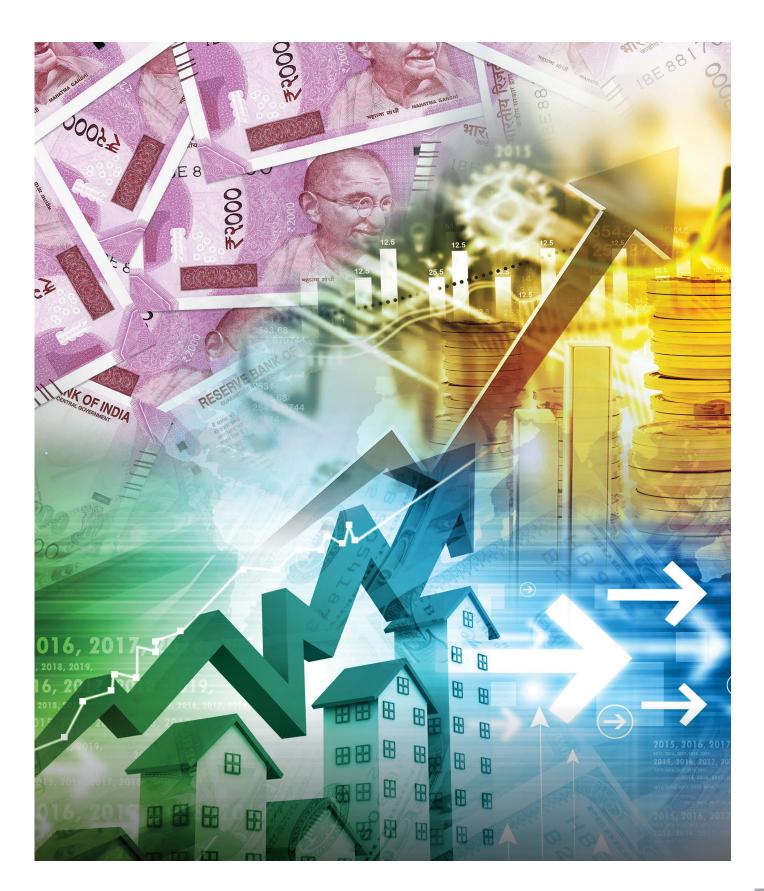
3.1 Introduction

The Ministry of Finance has multiple Departments under its purview which take care of (1) Economic Affairs (2) Financial Services - Banking and Insurance (3) Expenditure, (4) Department of Investment and Public Asset Management and most importantly (5) Revenue. It is important for the Government to spend on various needs of the Country and for that it needs to ensure sufficiency of funds. The Department of Revenue exercises control in respect of matters relating to all the Direct and Indirect Union Taxes, through two statutory boards, namely (1) Central Board for Direct Taxes (CBDT), and (2) Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC). It is responsible for matters relating to collection and levy of direct taxes falling under the purview of CBDT and that of customs and central excise duties falling under the purview of CBEC.

Taxes are the main sources of revenue for the country, and also has a large amount of grievances, considering the amount of money involved of every individual in the process. Hence, the number of grievances received by the Department is extremely high, and of utmost importance that the grievances be resolved at a fast pace. Even more important is to ensure

that systems in place are extremely smooth for the citizen to ensure that these grievances do not arise. In the previous detailed grievance analysis study (1.05.2015 to 31.08.2015) for Department of Revenue, the Sub departments responsible for highest number of grievances were CBDT and CBEC, accounting for 51% and 25% of the total grievances respectively. However, in the new grievances analysis study (1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017), CBDT accounted for 73% followed by CBEC which accounted for 13% of all grievances.

Refer next chapters for detailed study on CBDT and CBEC.





4.1 Introduction

The Central Board of Direct Taxes is a statutory authority functioning under the Central Board of Revenue Act, 1963. The Board is primarily responsible for policy and planning of direct taxes in India along with administration of the direct tax laws through Income Tax Department. CBDT comprises of members whose jurisdiction encompasses functions across, Income Tax, Legislation & Computerization, Personnel & Vigilance, Investigation, Revenue, and Audit & Judicial. Each of these Members is also responsible for certain jurisdictional zones in this country, for ensuring implementation of these rules across the country.

In the detailed grievance analysis study for Central Board of Direct Taxes, delay and inefficiency in refund process accounted for 70% of the sampled grievances followed by issues with IT Return/PAN cards, technical issues with website/helpline and inaccessibility of IT officers which accounted for 19%, 5% and 4% respectively. The specific details of these type of grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 9: List of identified Grievance Issues

S.No.		Grievance Issues	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Details
1	₹ ₀	Inefficiency in refund process	70%	 Long delays in refund payment (ranging from several months to years) Faulty rejection of refund claims
2		Issues with IT Return/PAN Issuance Process	19%	 Calculation mistake in TDS, refunds, adjustments, etc. Delays and mistake in PAN card issuance
3		Technical Issues with Website & Helpline	5%	 IT Return website not functioning properly (Server down; error in registration and file uploading) No acknowledgment email received post filling a return Central Processing Centre (CPC) helpline responses not up to date or incorrect
4		IT officers are inaccessible	4%	 IT officers are inaccessible to general public for voicing grievances. Inaction by IT officers

4.2. Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

4.2.1. Identification of Systemic Reforms

Team conducted detailed discussions with the implementation body in Central Board of Direct Taxes to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented leading to grievance resolution at the root cause level.

Table 10: Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process /Policy)	Year of initiation
1.	Inefficiency in refund process Long delays in refunds payment (ranging from several months to years)	Expediting refunds below Rs 5,000/- Quick refund issuance below Rs 5,000/- before adjustment of outstanding tax demand under section 245 Faster refund issuance below Rs. 50,000/- Expediting refunds below Rs 50,000/-, re- conciliation will follow.	Policy	2016
2.	Issues with IT Return/ PAN Issuance Process Calculation mistake in TDS, refunds, adjustments, etc.	TDS alert system SMS alert system to intimate employees about the TDS deducted and reported by their employers.	Process Improvement	2016
3.	IT officers are inaccessible IT officers are inaccessible to general public for voicing grievances. Inaction by IT officers	E-Nivaran Online platform for citizens to lodge complaint with necessary documents enabling tracking of redressal status. Training on E-Nivaran conducted in 9 Ayakar Seva Kendras (ASK)	Digitization	2016

4.2.2 Formulation of Monitoring Metrics

Based on identified reforms, monitoring metrics were formulated to ensure time bound and quality implementation.

Table 11: Monitoring Metrics

S.No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 31.03.2017)	Status (as on 30.06.2017)
1.	Quick refunds up to Rs. 5,000/-	No. of refunds disbursed under Rs 5000/-	0.76 Crores	0.95 Crores
		Amount of refunds released	1,489 Crores	1,839 Crores
2.	Faster refund issuance below Rs. 50,000/-	No. of refunds disbursed under Rs 50,000/-	1.6 Crores	1.72 Crores
	30,000/	Amount of refunds released	14,611 Crores	17,316 Crores
3.	TDS Alert system	No. of messages sent	0.29 Crores	6,46 Crores
4.	E-Nivaran	No. of grievances filed on E- Nivaran	3.33 Lakhs	4,65 Lakhs
		Average no. of grievances disposed per day	1,222	1,242 Lakhs

4.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to monitor identified grievance issues. CBDT received 21,538 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017 and the team analyzed 10% random sample, results of which are as under:

Table 12: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.2015)	Percentage Impact (1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017)
1	Inefficiency in refund process	70%	47%
2	Issues with IT Return/PAN Issuance Process	19%	38%
3	Technical Issues with Website & Helpline	5%	2%
4	IT officers are inaccessible	4%	4%

In addition to the above grievance issues, grievances related to same PAN number allotted to multiple users (5%), wrong PAN number allotted (3%) were found in the new analysis of grievances received by CBDT.

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Success Story on Reforms

Aayakar Seva Kendras (ASK) are being upgraded to operationalize E-Nivaran module across the country. E-Nivaran module is for online lodging for online lodging of grievances and enabling tracking of their disposal. It consolidates grievances received across all platforms viz. CPGRAMs, E-filing, CPC-ITR, CPC-TDS, ASK, NSDL, UTIISL and SBI-Refund Banker. Thus, ensuring constant monitoring of grievances and delivery of services to taxpayers.







of Excise and Customs

5.1 Introduction

Department of Revenue is responsible for levying and collection of both direct and indirect taxes. There are two independent Departments under it, namely, Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) and Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC), which came into existence in 1964. The Central Board of Excise & Customs is the nodal agency, primarily responsible for administering custom laws in India and for collection of import duties. Other responsibilities of the Department span across following 3 verticals:

- 1. Central Excise & Service Tax: The Department is responsible for collection of excise duty and service tax, collection of customs duty as applicable at Special Economic Zones, and prevention of smuggling through Land Customs and Border Check Points.
- 2. **Customs:** In case of International Airports, Seaports, International Air Cargo Stations, the Department collects customs and is also responsible for prevention of smuggling.

3. Central Bureau of Narcotics: Prevention of drug trafficking, abuse of illegal substances, and collection of narcotics duty is the responsibility of this Department.

Since, the grievances received by this Department are linked to revenue stream for the Government, they are of utmost importance. In the detailed grievance analysis study for Central Board of Excise and Customs, 48% of sampled grievances were related to inefficiency in pension release process, followed by malpractices at custom offices and below par service quality which accounted for 38% and 12% respectively. The specific details of these type of grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 13: List of identified grievance issues

S.No.	G	irievance Issues	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Details
1	(F)	Inefficiency in refund process	48%	 No revision in pension amount, as per the pay commission Long delay in pension release (and gratuity, leave encashment, medical allowance) Administrative errors (e.g. passbook not issued, PPO misplaced, DOB wrong)
2		Alleged malpractices at Customs offices	47%	 High custom calculation; incorrect exchange rate levied Abnormally high amount charged by middlemen (custom clearance) and post office (foreign insurance) Shipment held long without intimating user - customs bottleneck
3	0	Issues with service quality	2%	 Officers regularly come in late Customs' officers misbehave when citizens inquire on abnormal taxation

5.2 Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

5.2.1. Identification of Systemic Reforms

Team conducted detailed discussions with the implementation body in Central Board of Excise and Customs to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented and led to grievance resolution at the root cause level.

Table 14: Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process /Policy)	Year of initiation
1.	Inefficiency in pension release process No revision in pension amount, as per the pay commission Long delay in pension release (and gratuity, leave encashment, medical allowance) Administrative errors (e.g. passbook not issued, PPO misplaced, DOB wrong)	Bhavishya portal Unified transparent portal to track and receive timely and accurate payment of pension and other retirement dues. Alerts are sent to stakeholders for every action due & performed.	Digitization	2014
2.	Alleged malpractices at Customs offices High custom calculation; incorrect exchange rate levied Abnormally high amount charged by middlemen (custom	Display of exchange rates Display boards installed in field formations to display the rate of exchange prominently. 51 display boards are put up in the service centres in 25 custom houses.	Digitization	2016
	clearance) and post office (foreign insurance) Shipment held long without intimating user - customs bottleneck	Speedy Import Clearance Mechanism Notifying importers about important stages of import clearances via emails	Digitization	2016
		Automation of courier operations Transformation of manual clearance process for courier parcels, gifts, documents, etc. with automated assessment through Express Cargo Clearance System (ECCS) [8].	Digitization	2016

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process / Policy)	Year of initiation
		This has increased custom clearance efficiency and support to e-commerce shipment		
		Single Window Interface for Facilitating Trade (SWIFT) Single-point interface for clearance from 6 Government agencies* for the consignments. Thus, reducing documentation and costs.	Process Improvement	2015
3.	Issues with service quality Officers regularly come in late	Bio-metric attendance Installation of Aadhaar linked bio-metric attendance machines. 74% field offices are installed with bio-metric attendance machines, covering 50% officers.	Process Improvement	2015

^{*}The Food Safety Standards Authority of India (FSSAI); Dept. of Plant Protection; Quarantine & Storage; Drug Controller; Animal Quarantine; Wild Life Crime Control Bureau and Textile Committee)

5.2.2 Formulation of Monitoring Metrics

Based on identified reforms, monitoring metrics were formulated to ensure time bound and quality implementation.

Table 15: Monitoring Metrics

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S.No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 31.03.2017)	Status (as on 30.06.2017)
		No. of cases processed through Bhavishya	800	844
		No. of training sessions on Bhavishya conducted for retiring employees	1	9
2.	Speedy Import Clearance Mechanism	Reduction in average no. of days taken for clearance	7 days	928
3.	Automation of courier operations	No. of Airports covered	Pilot project rolled out at C.S.I. Sahar Airport, Mumbai	Implemented ECCS at Bangalore and New Delhi courier terminals

5.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to evaluate identified grievance issues. CBEC received 5,597 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017. The team analyzed random sample of 1000 grievances, results of which are as under:

Table 16: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.2015)	Percentage Impact (1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017)
1.	Inefficiency in pension release process	48%	39%
2.	Alleged malpractices at Customs offices	47%	32%
3.	Issues with service quality	2%	1%

In addition to the above grievance issues, grievances related to Recruitment exams and results (12%), Excise duty (8%), were found in the new analysis of grievances received by the Ministry.





of Health and Family Welfare

6.1 Introduction

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare plays an instrumental role in the country's economy by providing quality healthcare to the citizens. The Ministry has two major Departments that are responsible for execution of the various policy matters, namely: (1) Department of Health and Family Welfare, and (2) Department of Health Research. The Department of Health deals with health care, including awareness campaigns, immunization campaigns, preventive medicine and public health. The Department frames guidelines for selection of doctors, and rules for their practice, and they also design control measures for the drug and food quality. The Department is also responsible for the running of the Government healthcare services centers for citizens and formulating special provisions for the Government employees, pensioners and ex-servicemen.

In the detailed study of grievances received by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, poor quality of services in CGHS centers accounted for 25% of sampled grievances followed by

non-enforcement of MCI norms, slow & cumbersome process of reimbursements and unavailability of drugs which accounted for 18%, 7% and 7% respectively. The specific details of these type of grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 17: List of identified Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Details
1	CGHS Center Service Quality	25%	 Doctors & staff are not available, no appointment system; long waiting time Service quality level is low (customers are mistreated)
2	CGHS Reimbursements (Servicemen & Pensioners)	7 %	 Reimbursement process is cumbersome & slow Reimbursements not completed, despite "Transferred" status in CGHS system
3	CGHS Drugs Availability & Purchasing	7 %	 Drugs are very frequently Unavailable; Drugs restocking takes very long Patients are asked to come multiple times to buy drugs (after consultation)
4	MCI Enforcement of Norms	18%	 Colleges not functioning as per norms Doctors register their presence at multiple colleges
5	FMG (Foreign Medical Graduates) Examination*	7 %	 License exam very tough for FMGs, very few seats Unclear awareness of expectations & content of FMG exams

^{*}The issue regarding, "Foreign Medical Graduates Examination", has been de-prioritized as it is a policy concern.

6.2. Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

6.2.1. Identification of Systemic Reforms

Team conducted detailed discussions with the implementation body in Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented and led to grievance resolution at the root cause level.

Table 18: Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process /Policy)	Year of initiation
1.	CGHS Center Service Quality Doctors & staff are not available, no appointment system; long waiting time Service quality level is low (customers are mistreated)	Aadhaar linked biometric machines Regular monitoring of availability of doctors through Aadhaar linked biometric machines in CGHS centres.	Digitization	2015
		CGHS online registration system Provision of registering online for doctor's appointment at CGHS centres.	Digitization	2015
2.	CGHS cards not issued on time	e-CGHS cards Self-printing of e-CGHS cards for existing CGHS beneficiaries.	Process Improvement	2016
3.	CGHS Reimbursements (Servicemen & Pensioners) Reimbursement process is cumbersome and slow Reimbursements not completed, despite "Transferred" status in CGHS system	Change in re-imbursement guidelines Expedition of medical claim settlement within 45 days by giving financial sanction authority to the Additional Directors in all States.	Policy	2016
4.	MCI Enforcement of Norms Doctors register their presence at multiple colleges Verification process conducted manually and paper-based No centralized database of medical practitioners	Digital Mission Mode Project ¹⁰ Continuous monitoring of registration and attendance of doctors by assigning Unique Permanent Registration Number (UPRN) and maintaining online attendance records in medical colleges.	Digitization	2016

6.2.2 Formulation of Monitoring Metrics

Based on identified reforms, monitoring metrics were formulated to ensure time bound and quality implementation.

Table 19: Monitoring Metrics

S.No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 31.03.2017)	Status (as on 30.06.2017)
1.	Aadhaar linked biometric	No. of CGHS centres covered	100	137
	machines	No. of cities covered	1	4
		Average wait time for doctors	30 Minutes	15 Minutes
2.	CGHS online	No. of zones covered	1	25
	registration system	No. of online registrations	137	143
3.	e-CGHS cards	No. of cities covered	29	30
		No. of wellness centers	358	413
		Total beneficiaries	30,81,595	31,99,133
		Total card holders	10,12,664	10,64,087
		Total cards printed by beneficiaries	85,416	1,85,415

6.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to monitor identified grievance issues. The Ministry received 12,426 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017. The team analyzed random sample of 1000 grievances, results of which are as under:

Table 20: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.2015)	Percentage Impact (1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017)
1	CGHS Center Service Quality	25%	8%
2	CGHS Reimbursements (Servicemen & Pensioners)	7%	4%
3	CGHS Drugs Availability & Purchasing	7%	1%
4	MCI Enforcement of Norms	18%	2%
5	FMG (Foreign Medical Graduates) Examination	7%	Nil

In addition to the above grievance issues, suggestions related to MBBS/NEET exam (29%), expensive treatment and medicines in public hospitals (12%), Employee/service matters (7%) and corruption (5%), were found in the new analysis of grievances received by the Ministry.



Success Stories on Reforms

Online registration system

Mr. Ashok Kumar Saroha, Assistant Commissioner Police (ACP), Delhi visited Chanakyapuri CGHS center for his checkup. He appreciated new facility of online registration for doctor's appointment and mentioned that there are dedicated labs for ECG, blood tests, in these centres which makes it easier to get medical tests done.



Aadhaar linked Biometric Attendance System

The system has been implemented in Delhi, Bengaluru, Kolkata and Jaipur.

Since, the implementation of Aadhaar linked bio-metric system, the number of complaints about the punctuality of CGHS staff received in the Directorate has come down drastically.







Housing and urban Affairs

7.1 Introduction

Urbanization in India is an important determinant of national economic growth and poverty reduction. Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) is responsible for broad policy formulation and monitoring of programmes relating to Urban Development. Though, Urban Development is a State subject but the Government of India coordinates, monitors role and also supports Urban Development through Central and Centrally Sponsored Schemes.

The responsibilities of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs also pertain to construction and maintenance of Central Government buildings, and residential accommodation. It is also responsible for management of Central Government land/property. These functions are discharged through the Central Public Works Department (CPWD) and Land and Development Office (L&DO).

Since, housing and urban development is an issue that affects a major part of the population, it is imperative to receive more grievances in this area. In the detailed grievance analysis study for Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, issues related to the construction/repair of public places accounted for 45% of addressable grievances, followed by the alleged corruption and malpractices which accounted for 26%. The specific details of these type of grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 21: List of identified Grievance Issues

S.N	lo.	Grievance Issues	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Details
1		Issues relating to construction/ repair of public places	45%	 Delay & inefficiency in construction of public places such as roads, parks. Delay in construction of Government housing projects Public places lacking proper maintenance and timely repair
2	#=	Allegation Corruption & Malpractices	26%	 Officials taking bribe for contract allotments Inaction towards citizen complaints Inefficiency in providing services
3	#	Others	16%	 Delay in allotment of DDA flats Incorrect pension amount credited; delay in pension payment

7.2. Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

Union Government has recently merged Urban Development and Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation Ministries but the scope of this report is confined to Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs only.

7.2.1. Identification of Systemic Reforms

Team conducted detailed discussions with the implementation body in Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Delhi Development Authority and Central Public Works Department to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented and led to grievance resolution at the root cause level.

³Union Government has recently merged Urban Development and Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation Ministries but the scope of this report is is confined to erstwhile Ministry of Urban Development.

Table 22: Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process /Policy)	Year of initiation
1.	1. Issues relating to construction/repair of public places Delay & inefficiency in construction of public places such as roads, parks. Delay in construction of Government housing projects Public places lacking proper maintenance	Online building permit (DDA) Transformation from manual process of obtaining clearance for constructing a building to online.	Process Improvement	2016
		Mobile Apps to capture citizen feedback (DDA) Mobile apps for citizens to give feedback on construction/ maintenance of Parks, Golf courses, Sport complexes etc	Digitization	2015
	and timely repair	CPWD Seva Portal (CPWD) ¹¹ A platform that allows citizens to file and track their complaints online.	Digitization	2015
2.	Allegation of Corruption & Malpractices Officials taking bribe for contract allotments Inaction towards citizen complaints Inefficiency in providing services	E- Measurement Book (DDA) Web based mobile application for filling the measurement book online in real time by the contractors/engineers, along with geo-tagging to ensure that engineers duly visit the site and project gets completed in the stipulated timeframe.	Digitization	2016
3.	Others Incorrect pension amount credited; delay in pension	Bhavishya portal (CPWD) Linkage to a transparent pension sanction and payment tracking system.	Process Improvement	2016
	payment	Awareness sessions (CPWD) Streamlining retirement procedures and increasing awareness among retired/retiring officials. 6 awareness sessions are conducted by CPWD.	Process Improvement	2016

7.2.2 Formulation of Monitoring Metrics

Based on identified reforms, monitoring metrics were formulated to ensure time bound and quality implementation.

Table 23: Monitoring Metrics

S.No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 31.03.2017)	Status (as on 30.06.2017)
1.	Online building permit (DDA)	Timeline to obtain clearance	60 days	30 days
2.	Mobile Apps to capture citizen feedback (DDA)	No. of feedbacks received No. of current users	649 33	707 40
3.	CPWD Seva Portal (CPWD)	Average no. of complaints received per day Percentage of grievances resolved within given timelines	~ 4500 75%	~ 5000 80%
		Number of downloads of the CPWD Seva App Outsourced service centers	4,500 5%	4,600 7%
4.	E- Measurement Book (DDA)	Number of projects whose measurements have been recorded in e-MB vis-à-vis total	326/501	695/1030
		No. of projects for which bill has been generated	280	534
		Amount of works executed (crores)	531.7 Crore	662 Crore
5.	Bhavishya portal (CPWD)	Percentage of offices registered on the portal	99%	100%

7.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to monitor identified grievance issues. The Ministry received 4,211 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017 and the team analyzed 10% random sample, results of which are as under:

Table 24: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.2015)	Percentage Impact (1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017)
1	Issues relating to construction/ repair of public places	45%	17%
2	Corruption & Malpractices	26%	23%
3	Others	16%	22%

In addition to the above grievance issues, grievances related to Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (8%), encroachment (4%), inefficiency in interview process for recruitment (3%), subletting (4%) and suggestions (8%) were found in the new analysis of grievances received by the Ministry.



Road Transport and Highways

8.1 Introduction

The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways is the apex body for formulation and administration of the rules, regulations and laws relating to road transport and transport research which is instrumental in increasing the mobility and efficiency of the road transport system in India. Road transport is a critical infrastructure for economic development of the country. It influences the pace, structure and pattern of development. In India, roads are used to transport over 60% of the total goods and 85% of the passenger traffic. Hence, development of this sector is of paramount importance for the country.

The Ministry is divided into two major sections: 1. *Road Wing*: This wing is responsible for planning, development and maintenance of National Highways, and provides assistance to the State Governments for the state roads, and for inter-state roads. 2. *Transport Wing*: This wing primarily deals with regulation of Motor Vehicles from registration to administration, also for the taxation of motor vehicles

The Ministry provides an essential service to the country, and its optimal functioning is an integral part of economic development and a pre-requisite to uninterrupted life. In the detailed grievance analysis study for Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, poor quality of roads accounted for 58% of addressable grievances, followed by non-enforcement of traffic rules, cumbersome vehicle registration process, inadequate public transport service accounted for 12%, 8% and 7% respectively. The specific details of these type of grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below

Table 25: List of identified Grievance Issues

S.N	lo.	Grievance Issues	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Details
1	A	Quality of roads is below par	58%	 Condition of roads is below par, with potholes, regular digging etc. Incomplete road construction projects, leading to traffic issues Maintenance of roads/highways is not done properly Road infrastructure (like pavements) not being maintained
2		Traffic rules are not enforced/ Followed*	12%	 Traffic rules not being enforced properly Traffic rules not followed (like lane discipline) by commercial vehicles
3		Vehicle registration process is cumbersome*	8%	 Registration is cumbersome, in case of transfer of states Complicated vehicle registration process for the specially abled
4		Inadequacy in public transport service*	7%	 Public buses are obsolete, lack proper infrastructure Overcharging of ticket prices in public transport buses

^{*}Issues regarding "Non-enforcement of traffic rules; Cumbersome vehicle registration process and Inadequate public transport service" have been de-prioritized as they are primarily State matters. Also, below advisory note is mentioned on the CPGRAMS portal for citizen's information.

State Roads/State Highways/Urban roads and issues relating to enforcement of Traffic Rules/ Vehicle Registration Process/ Issuance of Driving Licenses/Transfer of Vehicle/ Refund of Road Tax are under purview of State government Authorities. Rural roads/Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojna comes under the purview of Ministry of Rural Development. Hence such grievances may be filed under the option State Government or Ministry of Rural Development.

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8.2 Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

8.2.1. Identification of Systemic Reforms

Team conducted detailed discussions with the implementation body in Ministry of Road Transport and Highways to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented and led to grievance resolution at the root cause level.

Table 26: Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process /Policy)	Year of initiation
1.	Quality of roads is below par Condition of roads is below par, with potholes, regular digging etc. Incomplete road construction projects, leading to traffic issues Maintenance of roads/highways is not done properly Road infrastructure (like pavements) not being maintained	Road Asset Management System A system for capturing road's condition in real time using Google Earth. 3000 Kms of National Highway is covered connecting 9 States.	Digitization	2015

In addition to the above reforms, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways launched 'Fastags' in 2016. Fastags are rechargeable electronic chips that enable vehicles pass through the toll plaza without stopping. The Ministry also initiated online appointment system for Driving License in 2016 in 15 States and the facility of storing Driving License/Vehicle Registration Certificate in Digi locker.

8.2.2 Formulation of Monitoring Metrics

Based on identified reforms, monitoring metrics were formulated to ensure time bound and quality implementation.

Table 27: Monitoring Metrics

S.No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 31.03.2017)	Status (as on 30.06.2017)
1.	Digi Locker integration	No. of Digi Locker users No. of driving license uploaded in Digi Locker No. of registration certificates uploaded in Digi Locker	46,92,847 65,139 10,217	74,79,710 71,329 12,487
2.	Fastags	No. of toll plazas where Fastags are operational vis-à-vis no. of toll plazas No. of cars with Fastags	348/417 4,19,265	362/417 5,21,538

8.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to monitor identified grievance issues. The Ministry received 8,634 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017 and the team analyzed 10% random sample, results of which are as under:

Table 28: Systemic Reforms Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.2015)	Percentage Impact (1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017)
1	Quality of roads is below par	58%	39%
2	Traffic rules are not enforced/followed	26%	7%
3	Vehicle registration process is cumbersome	16%	4%
4	Inadequacy in public transport service	7%	2%

In addition to the above grievance issues, higher prices charged at toll plazas, non-acceptance of debit/credit cards at toll plazas accounted for 48% were found in the new analysis of grievances received by the Ministry



8.1 Introduction

The Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) also known as the Foreign Ministry is the Government agency responsible for the conduct of India's relations with foreign countries. Of all divisions of the Ministry, the Passport Division receives majority of public grievances. The Passport Service Project (and the Passport Seva Kendras) delivers passports & related services through 37 offices across the country &180 Indian Embassies and Consulates abroad. During the last few years, the growing economy has led to an increased demand for Passport along with huge number of public grievances. In the detailed grievance analysis study for Ministry of External Affairs, inefficient passport process accounted for 75% followed by long delay in passport re-issue/renewal and issues with Regional Passport Office service quality which accounted for 21% and 4% respectively. The specific details of these grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 29: List of identified Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Details
1	Inefficiencies in passport process	75%	 Long wait to get passport, after submission of documents, completion of police verification (average 2-4 months) Long delay in police clearance certificate process - bottleneck Multiple visits to RPO* as no clarity on documents required
2	Long delay in passport re-issue or renewal	21%	 Delay in correcting faulty details filled in /old application Application on hold for wrong reason (e.g. submission of unnecessary documents)
4	Issues with RPO* service quality	4%	 No response by customer care despite repeated calls No toilets, water facility at RPO*; File lost sometimes

9.2 Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

9.2.1. Identification of Systemic Reforms

Team conducted detailed discussions with the implementation body in Ministry of External Affairs to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented and led to grievance resolution at the root cause level.

Table 30: Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process /Policy)	Year of initiation
1.	Inefficiencies in passport process Long wait to get passport, after submission of documents, completion of police verification (average 2-4 months) Long delay in police clearance certificate process - bottleneck	3+1 Scheme ¹⁴ Expediting fresh passport issuance process by liberalizing police verification procedures.	Policy	2016

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process /Policy)	Year of initiation
		Applicant is required to submit Aadhaar Card, Electoral Photo Identity Card (EPIC), Permanent Account Number (PAN) Card and an affidavit for faster issue of passport, without payment of any additional fees.	Digitization	2016
		mPassport Police App		
		Shift from manual to digital platform for field level verification by police.		
2.	Long delay in passport re- issue or renewal	mPassport Seva App and Passport India web portal	Digitization	Revamped in 2015
	Delay in correcting faulty details filled in old application	A mobile application providing specific details on areas such		
	Application on hold for wrong reason (e.g. submission of unnecessary documents)	as location of centers, fee, application status, contact information and other general information.		
3.	Issues with RPO* service quality No response by customer care despite repeated calls	National Call Centre Toll free number 1800 258 1800 operational 24*7 to help citizens track their passport application, record grievances and answer citizens' queries related to passport issuance and renewal	Process Improvement	2015

^{*}Regional Passport Office

In addition to the above reforms, Ministry of External Affairs expanded the social media outreach and launched 'Twitter Seva Service' in 2016 with the aim to centralize its grievance mechanism by bringing over 200 social media handles including those of Indian Missions and regional passport offices under one platform.

9.2.2 Formulation of Monitoring Metrics

Based on identified reforms, monitoring metrics were formulated to ensure time bound and quality implementation.

Table 31: Monitoring Metrics

S.No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 31.03.2017)	Status (as on 30.06.2017)
1.	3+1 Scheme	Number of Tatkal passports issued	8,950	8,977
2.	mPassport Police App	Average time to obtain clearance Average number of hits	30 days 17,500+	21 days 18,000+
3.	mPassport Seva App and Passport India web portal	Number of downloads of Mobile App Average number of mobile app hits per day Average number of applications received for new passport/ renewal of passport per day No. of passports renewed per day Time taken to issue normal new passport (Excluding police verification) Time taken for police verification	24,65,174 15,000+ 45,000+ 44,000+ 48 days	25,42,673 14,000+ 44,000+ 14 days
4.	National Call Centre	Average number of calls addressed per day	20,000+	18,000+

9.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to monitor identified grievance issues. The Ministry received 3,436 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017 and the team analyzed 10% random sample, results of which are as under:

Table 32: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.2015)	Percentage Impact (1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017)
1	Inefficiencies in passport process	75%	39%
2	Long delay in passport re-issue or renewal	21%	19%
3	Issues with RPO service quality	4%	3%

In addition to the above grievance issues, problems faced by citizens overseas (25%) and corruption in passport process (5%), were found in the new analysis of grievances received by the Ministry.



School Education and Literacy

10.1 Introduction

The Ministry of Human Resource Development is one of the most important Ministries which is responsible for the Education System in India. It has two important Departments executing its objective, namely, (1) Department of School Education & Literacy, and (2) Department of Higher Education. The Department of School Education & Literacy at the Central level is responsible for creating policies to ensure accessibility of quality school education. This Department ensures that there are policies in place for students to access schools, and there is adequate infrastructure in these schools. It is also the responsibility of the Department to take care that once the students are in the school, they are taught the right syllabus, and that there are well-qualified teachers to impact education. Since, education is a concurrent subject, laws in this regard are implemented by the State Governments through the State Boards of Education. The Central Department also runs a few schools for Government employees, across the country.

This Department takes care of a subject that affects the future of the population of the Country. As a result of its impact, it is a Department which receives a large number of grievances. In the detailed grievance analysis study for Department of School Education and Literacy, poor quality of Government schools accounted for 33% of addressable grievances, followed by unaffordable education system; suboptimal syllabus structure; inadequate quality of Mid-Day Meal and delays in salary of teachers which accounted for 19%, 12%, 9% and 7% respectively. The specific details of these grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 33: List of identified Grievance Issues

S.N	lo.	Grievance Issues	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Details
1		Poor quality of Government	33%	 Large number of teachers are untrained or undertrained Government schools have poor infrastructure and resources
2	E S	Unaffordable education system	19%	 Private schools charge high fees Unregulated fee structures with arbitrary hike in fees in private education system
3		Issues with syllabus structure*	12%	 Syllabus of the current education system is suboptimal and outdated Practical approach is missing, with large focus on theory
4	""	Inadequate quality of Mid-Day Meal	9%	 Quality of food served under Mid-Day Meal program is variable and of low quality Alleged pilferages by the school officials from the budget allocated
5	\$	Teacher salary issues*	7%	Teacher salaries are not being paid on time, and not as per the Pay Commission recommendations

^{*}The issues regarding, "Issues with obsolete syllabus structure and Teacher's salary", have been de-prioritized as they primarily are policy concerns.

10.2 Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

10.2.1. Identification of Systemic Reforms

Team conducted detailed discussions with the implementation body in Department of School Education and Literacy to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented and led to grievance resolution at the root cause level.

Table 34: Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process /Policy)	Year of initiation
1.	Poor quality of Government Schools Government schools have poor infrastructure and resources	Swachh Vidyalaya An initiative under Swachh Bharat Abhiyan for construction and maintenance of separate toilets for girls and boys in schools. Under the initiative, 4.17 lakh toilets are constructed	Policy	2015
2.	Inadequate quality of Mid-Day Meal Quality of food served under Mid-Day Meal program is variable; is often of low quality Alleged pilferages by the school officials from the budget allocated	Automated monitoring system (AMS) Regular monitoring of Mid-Day Meal (MDM) served in schools by teachers and higher authorities at Block, District and State level through this app.	Digitization	Revamped in 2015

In addition to the above reforms, Department of School Education introduced E- Pathshala portal and mobile application in 2015 for school students to easily download books online. Interactive test modules are also available to enhance practical approach and improve learning outcomes.

10.2.2 Formulation of Monitoring Metrics

Based on identified reforms, monitoring metrics were formulated to ensure time bound and quality implementation.

Table 35: Monitoring Metrics

S.No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 31.03.2017)	Status (as on 30.06.2017)
1.	E- Pathshala portal	No. of downloads of the app	6.66 Lakhs	8.73 Lakhs
	and mobile App	No. of e-books uploaded on the portal	650	650
		No. of modules uploaded on the portal	364	504
		No. of visitors	1.20 Crore	1.63 Crore
		Ratings on google play store	4.5/5	4.3/5

S.No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 31.03.2017)	Status (as on 30.06.2017)
2.	Automated monitoring system (AMS)	Total no. of mobile app downloads Total no. of Schools with provision of MDM Total no. of students enrolled No. of students served with MDM No. of schools reported on AMS No. of states/UT sharing MDM data	10,000- 50,000 11.43 Lakhs 12.93 Crore 10.03 Crore 4.11 Lakhs 23	10,000- 50,000 11.50 Lakhs 13 Crore 10.03 Crore 4.11 Lakhs

10.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to monitor identified grievance issues. The Department received 11,367 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017 and the team analyzed 10% random sample, results of which are as under:

Table 36: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.2015)	Percentage Impact (1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017)
1	Poor quality of Government schools	33%	4%
2	Unaffordable education system	19%	14%
3	Issues with syllabus structure	12%	9%
4	Inadequate quality of Mid-Day Meal	9%	0%
5	Teacher salary issues	7%	9%

In addition to the above grievance issues, delay in pensions (11%), issues related to JEE/NEET (17%) and lack of school based management system (16%), were found in the new analysis of grievances received by the Department.



11.1 Introduction

Ministry of Human Resource Development is one of the most important Ministries responsible for the Education System in India. It has two important Departments executing its objective, namely, (1) Department of School Education & Literacy, and (2) Department of Higher Education. The Department of Higher Education at the Central level is responsible for creating policies to ensure accessibility of quality higher education. This is done through regulatory authorities under their administrative control.

There are two bodies under this Department, namely, University Grants Commission (UGC) and All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) that are responsible for coordination, determination and maintenance of University standards. As Higher Education Department is responsible for paving the future of India, its impact results in large number of grievances. In the detailed grievance analysis study for Department of Higher Education, long delays in disbursement of fellowship/scholarship money accounted for 23% followed by below par quality of teachers, low job opportunities post higher education, delay in awarding degrees, non-appointment of Vice Chancellor which accounted for 9%, 7%, 7% and 6% respectively. The specific details of these grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 37: List of identified Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Details
1	Fellowship, scholarships not being paid on time	23%	 Delay in disbursement of scholarship, fellowship money Gap in implementation of revised amounts
2	Quality of higher Education*	9%	 Teacher quality below par, with undertrained or untrained teachers Colleges lacking infrastructure for practical studies, overall development
3	Lack of job opportunities for courses*	7 %	 Employment opportunities for certain courses are low Low job opportunities post higher education
4	Delay in awarding of degrees*	7 %	 Degrees not being given in time to students resulting in employment delays Results for exams delayed by colleges
5	Vice Chancellor appointment Issues*	6%	 VC position vacant for last few years appointments pending Appointment not done according to norms

^{*}The issues regarding "quality of higher education; lack of job opportunities; delay in awarding of degrees and Vice Chancellor appointment" have been de-prioritized as they primarily are concerned with State or Private Universities.

11.2 Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

11.2.1. Identification of Systemic Reforms

Team conducted detailed discussions with the implementation body in Department of Higher Education, UGC and AICTE to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented and led to grievance resolution at the root cause level.

Table 38: Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process / Policy)	Year of initiation
1.	Fellowship, scholarships not being paid on time Delay in disbursement of scholarship, fellowship money Gap in implementation of revised amounts	Canara Bank portal - UGC Online portal to directly send details of scholarship/ fellowship holders to the bank for releasing instalments by UGC	Digitization	2015
		Tracking portal - UGC Online portal for fellowship/ scholarship holders to track status of amount disbursed	Digitization	2015

11.2.2 Formulation of Monitoring Metrics

Based on identified reforms, monitoring metrics were formulated to ensure time bound and quality implementation.

Table 39: Monitoring Metrics

S.No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 30.06.2017)
1	Canara Bank portal - UGC	No. of Scholarships/Fellowships listed No. of registrations % of Aadhaar Seeding	17/18 70,708 52%
2	Tracking portal - UGC	No. of fellowships/school listed No. of users availing this facility. No. of hits on the portal	17 ~70,000 16,38,337

11.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to evaluate identified grievance issues. The Department received 16,211 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017 and the team analyzed 10% random sample, results of which are as under:

Table 40: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.2015)	Percentage Impact (1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017)
1	Fellowship, scholarships not being paid on time	23%	21%
2	Quality of higher education	9%	5%
3	Lack of job opportunities for courses	7%	4%
4	Delay in awarding of degrees	7%	8%
5	Vice Chancellor appointment issues	6%	0%

In addition to the above grievance issues, complaints against college/hostel administration (19%), allocation of entrance exams centres (15%), corruption in admissions (8%) and harassment (4%) were found in the new analysis of grievances





Ex Servicemen Welfare

12.1 Introduction

Every country needs to have a strong defence system in place, to protect its borders and people from external threats which could be either natural or man-made in nature. The Ministry of Defence is the nodal Ministry at the Central level which is responsible for ensuring the right set of policies for strengthening the armed forces and protection of the borders of the country. The Ministry comprises of multiple Departments such as (1) Department of Defence, (2) Department of Defence Production, (3) Department of Defence Research, and (4) Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare.

The Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare deals with well-being of those men and women who have previously been in service of the country, and have now retired or have given up service. Grievances received by the Department relate to Ex-Servicemen. In the detailed grievance analysis study for Department of Ex Servicemen and Welfare, delays/non-receipt

of pension accounted for 90% of addressable grievances. The specific details of this grievance issue have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 41: List of identified Grievance Issue

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Details
1	Pension Related		 Delay in Payments Incorrect pension amount credited to ex-servicemen
A.	Issues	90%	Family Pension and Disability allowance not sanctioned
			 Non-receipt/discontinuance of pension after retirement

12.2 Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

12.2.1. Identification of Systemic Reforms

Team conducted detailed discussions with the implementation body in Department of Ex Servicemen and Welfare to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented and led to grievance resolution at the root cause level.

Table 42: Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process / Policy)	Year of initiation
1.	Pension Related Issues Delay in Payments Incorrect pension amount credited to Ex-servicemen Family Pension and Disability allowance not sanctioned Non-receipt/discontinuance of pension after retirement	Defence Pension Info Mobile Application A platform to provide pension disbursement related information to all Defence Pensioners i.e. pensioners drawing pension from Bank as well as from Defence Pension Disbursement Office (DPDO).	Digitization	2017

12.2.2 Formulation of Monitoring Metrics

Based on identified reforms, monitoring metrics were formulated to ensure time bound and quality implementation.

Table 43: Monitoring Metrics

S.No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 31.03.2017)	Status (as on 31.06.2017)
1.	Defence Pension Info Mobile Application	No. of users No. of downloads	26,536 4,872	32,747 6,211

12.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to evaluate identified grievance issues. The Department received 4,499 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017 and the team analyzed 10% random sample, results of which are as under

Table 44: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	la contra de la contra del la contra del la contra del la contra del la contra de la contra de la contra del la contra d	Percentage Impact (1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017)
1	Pension Related Issues	90%	54%

In addition to the above grievance issue, grievances related to OROP (25%), Ex Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (7%), Compassionate Employment (2%), were found in the new analysis of grievances received by the Department.





Defence

12.1 Introduction

Every country needs a strong Defence system to protect its borders and people from external threats. The Ministry of Defence is the nodal Ministry at the Central level that is responsible for ensuring that right set of policies are formulated and followed to strengthen the armed forces and protect borders of the Country. The Ministry comprises of multiple Departments which includes: (1) Department of Defence, (2) Department of Defence Production, (3) Department of Defence Research, and (4) Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare.

The Department of Defence deals with the Integral Defence Staff (IDS), three Services, and various Inter-Service Organizations. It is also responsible for the Defence Budget, Service matters, Defence policy, Defence co-operation with foreign countries and co-ordination of all Defence related activities. A Department as important as this, which is responsible for the protection of the citizen and the country, needs to ensure that the grievances are understood and solved in a systemic manner. In the detailed grievance analysis study for Department of Defence, issues related to employment and corruption/non-action on complaints by officials

accounted for 38% each followed by infrastructure issues which accounted for 10%. The specific details of these grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 45: List of identified Grievance Issue

S.N	lo.	Grievance Issues	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Details
1		Employee related issues	38%	 Issues relating to procedure and transparency of recruitment process Delay/Incorrect salary disbursement Issues relating to pension such as delay, non-receipt, incorrect amount, etc.
2		Corruption/ Inaction by Defence officials	38%	 Allegation of misuse of power by Defence officials Inaction against internal complaints Instances of bad behavior/ harassment by Defence officials
3		Infrastructure Issues*	10%	Defence infrastructure such as schools, hospitals, roads, etc. not maintained properly

^{*}Based on discussions with the Department, issue regarding infrastructure was de-prioritized as Defence schools are duly maintained while maintenance of roads lies outside the purview of Defence.

13.2 Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

13.2.1. Identification of Systemic Reforms

Team conducted detailed discussions with the implementation body in Department of Defence to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented and led to grievance resolution at the root cause level.

Table 46: Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process / Policy)	Year of initiation
1.	Issues relating to procedure and transparency of recruitment process	Online registration and tracking of application Online applications for recruitment exam for Personnel Below Officer Rank (PBOR) in all three divisions (Army, Air Force and Navy).	Digitization	2016
		Online Examination Online recruitment examination for Personnel Below Officer Rank (PBOR) in Navy.	Digitization	2017

13.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

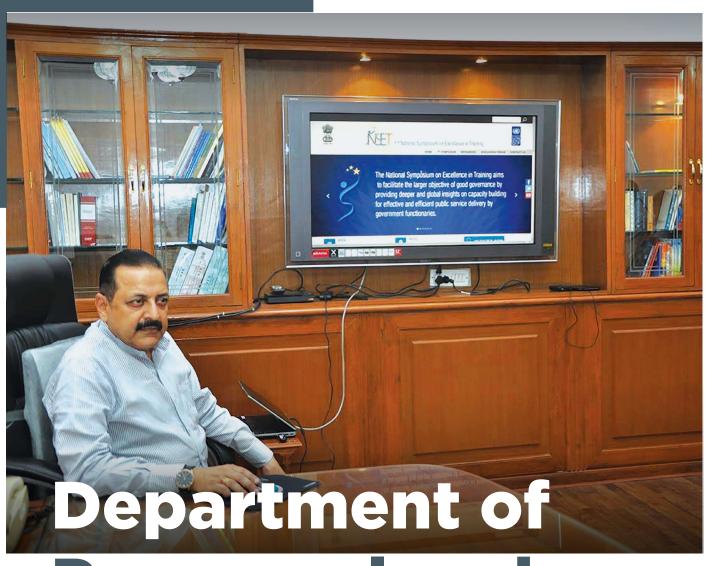
After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to evaluate identified grievance issues. The Department received 7,226 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017 and the team analyzed 10% random sample, results of which are as under

Table 47: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.2015)	Percentage Impact (1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017)
1	Employee related issues	38%	53%
2	Corruption/ Inaction by Defence Officials	38%	20%
3	Infrastructure Issues	10%	0%

In addition to the above grievance issues, suggestions related to policy, border safety, Indian Army accounting for 20% were found in the new analysis of grievances received by the Department.





Personnel and Training

14.1 Introduction

Department of Personnel & Training is a watchdog of the Government ensuring that certain accepted standards laid down by it, are followed by all Ministries/Departments in the recruitment, regulation of service conditions, posting transfers and deputation of personnel as well as other related processes. It controls the cadres of the Indian Administrative Service (IAS) and the Central Secretariat Service (CSS). It is also responsible for the appointment of Chairman, Managing Director, full-time functional Director/Member of the Board of Management of various public-sector undertakings/enterprises, corporations, banks and financial institutions. It also deals with the assignment of Indian experts to various developing countries. The Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration and the Institute of Secretariat Training and Management are two major training institutions directly under the administrative control of the Department.

In a Department like this which involves large number of Government employees, grievances are inevitable reality of the system. In the detailed grievance analysis study for Department

of Personnel & Training, issues related to Combined Graduate Level exam accounted for 38%, followed by issues related to SSC exam and Reservation system which accounted for 19% and 12% respectively. The specific details of these grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 48: List of identified Grievance Issues

S.No	o.	Grievance Issues	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Details
1		Combined Graduate Level exams related issues	34%	 Delay in release of results, joining details Alleged lack of transparency in CGL Delay in doc. verification process
2		Staff Selection Commission exam related issues	19%	 Alleged lack of transparency in SSC exams Delay in allotment to depts. (joining details)
3		Reservation system ineffectiveness	10%	 Reservation system not followed in certain recruitment processes Delay in procurement of caste certificates

14.2. Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

14.2.1. Identification of Systemic Reforms

Team conducted detailed discussions with the implementation body in Department of Personnel and Training to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented and led to grievance resolution at the root cause level.

Table 49: Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process /Policy)	Year of initiation
1	Combined Graduate Level exams related issues Delay in release of results, joining details Alleged lack of transparency in CGL Delay in doc. verification process	Combined Graduate Transformation from optical mark reading (OMR) to computer based examination	Digitization	2016

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process /Policy)	Year of initiation
2	Staff Selection Commission exam related issues	Computer based SSC Combined Higher Secondary Level and Junior Engineer examination	Digitization	2016
	Alleged lack of transparency in SSC exams	Computer based SSC Combined Higher Secondary Level and Junior Engineer examination		
	Delay in allotment to depts. (joining details)	SMS notifications Notifying qualified candidates about procedures, exam schedule etc. through SMS	Process Improvement	2017

14.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to evaluate identified grievance issues. The Department received 22,176 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017 and the team analyzed 10% random sample, results of which are as under

Table 50: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.2015)	Percentage Impact (1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017)
1	Combined Graduate Level exams related issues	53%	47%
2	Staff Selection Commission exam related issues		
3	Reservation system ineffectiveness	12%	3%

In addition to the above grievance issues, suggestions related to elimination of reservation from the system (22%), issues related to change in guidelines (15%), delay in salary (7%) and corruption (5%) were found in the new analysis of grievances.





15.1 Introduction

Ministry of Law and Justice comprises of 3 Departments – (a) Department of Legal Affairs, (b) Legislative Department and (c) Department of Justice. The Ministry of Law and Justice deals with the judiciary system of the country. The vision of the Department of Justice is to facilitate the administration of Justice in a manner that ensures its easy access by all. Few key functions performed by this Department are administrative function in relation to appointment of judges at various courts in India, maintenance & revision of rules and conditions of service of judges and other related entities. The services provided by the Department are of utmost importance to maintain peace and harmony in the country. Hence, it is important that the grievances received by the Department are redressed in time bound manner.

In the detailed 10% sampling of grievances received by the Department of Justice, 47% of sampled grievances related to delays in execution of cases in courts, followed by corruption in courts and unfair judgements which accounted for 15% and 7% respectively. The specific details of these type of grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 51: List of identified Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Details
1	Delay in execution of cases in courts	47 %	 Delay in processing of cases by the respective courts Delay in proceedings of the courts, leading to large pending cases Final judgement, execution of court orders is delayed Disposal of writ petitions delayed
2	Alleged corruption in courts	15%	 Alleged corruption in executing judgement of cases by judges Bribes asked for processing of cases (filing cases, getting dates for hearing)
3	Unfair judgement by courts	10%	Judgement of courts not done fairly, without presence of both parties

15.2. Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

15.2.1. Identification of Systemic Reforms

Team conducted detailed discussions with the implementation body in Department of Justice to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented and led to grievance resolution at the root cause level.

Table 52: Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process / Policy)	Year of initiation
1	Delay in execution of cases in courts Delay in processing of cases by the respective courts	Nyaya Mitra Identification and reduction of 10- year old pending cases by assisting litigants in speedy disposal of their cases through Nyaya Mitras.	Process Improvement	2017
	Delay in proceedings of the courts, leading to large pending cases	Pro-Bono Legal Aid Service Pro bono legal service to poor marginalized.	Process Improvement	2017

In addition to the above reforms, Department of Justice initiated 'Tele-Law Service' in 2015 to facilitate easy access to legal advice and referral through expert panel of lawyers by the citizens.

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process / Policy)	Year of initiation
	Final judgement, execution of court orders is delayed Disposal of writ petitions delayed	E-Courts Mission Mode Project Universal computerization of district and subordinate courts along with upgradation of ICT infrastructure of the Supreme Court and the High Courts	Digitization	2017

15.2.2 Formulation of Monitoring Metrics

Based on identified reforms, monitoring metrics were formulated to ensure time bound and quality implementation.

Table 53: Monitoring Metrics

S.No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 30.06.2017)
1	Nyaya Mitra	Percentage of 10-year old pending cases No. of districts covered	9.25% 227
2	E-Courts Mission Mode Project	No. of district courts computerized vis-à-vis total no. of courts	584/16934
		No. of judicial officers equipped with laptops	14,309
		No. of cases uploaded on Case Information System	2.41 Crore
		No. of judicial service centres established at computerized district courts	3,256
		No. of courts where VC facility in operational	488
		Total no. of cases listed on the national e-Courts portal	6.64 Crore
		No. of pending cases listed on the portal	2.42 Crore
		Orders/Judgements released	2.9 Crore

S.No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 30.06.2017)
3	Pro-Bono Legal Aid Service	No. of States covered	11
	33.11.53	No. of Panchayats covered	1800
		No. of lawyers engaged in Tele-law service	25-30
		No. of women para-legal volunteers engaged in Common Service Centres	~1000
		No. of cities where training conducted	2
		No. of cities where training of master trainers completed	1

15.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

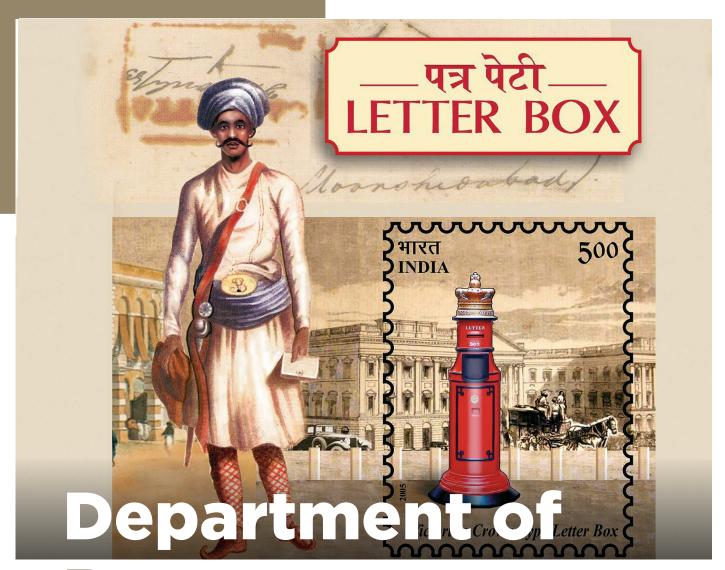
After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to evaluate identified grievance issues. The Department received 791 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017 and the team analyzed 10% random sample, results of which are as under

Table 54: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.2015)	Percentage Impact (1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017)
1	Delay in execution of cases in courts	47%	37%
2	Alleged corruption in courts	15%	13%
3	Unfair judgement by courts	10%	4%

In addition to the above grievance issues, 'Non-Procedural selection of Judges' accounting for 46% was found in the new analysis of grievances.





Posts

16.1 Introduction

Department of Posts is a Government operated postal system of India, and is the most widely distributed postal system in the world. The Department is a part of the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology of the Government of India. The Department of Posts is responsible for governing personnel, operations, technology, postal life insurance, human resource development and planning.

India is divided into 22 postal circles, and each circle is divided into multiple regions, each headed by a Chief Postmaster General. Regions are further divided into divisions and subdivisions, each headed by a Postal Official. In additions to the 22 circles, there exists a base circle which caters to the needs of the Armed Forces of India. The expansive network of post offices in rural and remote regions has been leveraged by Indian Post to offer financial and small savings banking services to citizens. The Department of Posts provides an essential service hence, its optimal functioning is of utmost importance. In the detailed 10% sampling of grievances received by the Department, 35% of sampled grievances related to sub-optimal postal service, followed by issues with administration, financial schemes and recruitment which accounted for 20%, 16% and 13% respectively. The specific details of these type of grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 55: List of identified Grievance Issues

S.N	lo.	Grievance Issues	Percentage Impact	Details
			(1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	
1		Sub - optimal postal service	35%	 International parcels not delivered Delay in parcel delivery, tracking flawed Parcel contents missing, tampered with
2	Å	Administrative issues	20%	 Customers harassed in related to service matters Frontline staff not friendly to the customers at the postal office
3		Financial scheme issues	16%	 National Savings Certificate not being issued, MIS maturity amount not paid, records show otherwise Gaps in awareness regarding Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana
4		Recruitment and employment issues*	13%	 Understaffed post offices, more employees required to meet demands PA/SA Candidates not received their joining details.
5		Others	3%	 Post office employees unaware of schemes on the website Unsatisfactory services delivery at post office

16.2. Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

16.2.1. Identification of Systemic Reforms

Team conducted detailed discussions with the implementation body in Department of Posts to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented and led to grievance resolution at the root cause level.

Table 56: Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process /Policy)	Year of initiation
1	Sub - optimal postal service	Parcel Tracking System System integration to provide	Process Improvement	2016

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process / Policy)	Year of initiation
	International parcels not delivered	System integration to provide tracking ID once parcel is transferred to the International System		
Delay in parcel delivery, tracking flawed Parcel contents missing, tampered with		Nodal Mechanized Delivery System Improved delivery performance of parcels by optimizing and consolidating resources in Nodal Delivery Centres.	Process Improvement	2016
2	Financial scheme issues National Savings Certificate (NSC) not being issued, MIS maturity amount not paid, records show otherwise	Expansion of Core Banking Solution Procedure for Certificates [NSC/ Kisan Vikas Patra (KVP)] have been changed, now passbooks are issued instead of certificates through an application	Process Improvement	2016
3	Administrative issues Customers harassed in case of issues with service Frontline staff not friendly to the	Soft skills and sensitization training sessions Employees sensitized through appropriate modules in Standard Training Packages (STP's) for induction, mid-career and refresher training Call Centre	Process Improvement Process	Continuous process
	customers at the postal office	Improving ease of lodging and tracking of complaints by introducing toll free helpline number-1924	Improvement	2010
		Tapping on Social Media Extending outreach for quick redressal of citizen complaints	Digitization	2017

In addition to the above reforms, Rural systems - Project Management Committee, Department of Posts initiated 'Rural ICT Project' in 2016 to enable internet banking and inter account transferability. SIM based hand held devices were introduced which are capable of doing online postal, banking and insurance transactions and remittance of money across the country. Also, in order to provide digital payment options to the customers of India Post, the Department has asked State Bank of India to provide the 'SBI buddy e-wallet' and 'Point of Sale (POS) terminals' which can be used to make card-based payments, to book domestic and foreign speed post, Registered Letters/Parcels, Money Orders & buying stamps and any other transactions being done by Post Offices. 100 Post offices have been installed with e-wallets and POS machines till June, 2017.

16.2.2 Formulation of Monitoring Metrics

Based on identified reforms, monitoring metrics were formulated to ensure time bound and quality implementation.

Table 57: Monitoring Metrics

S.No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 31.03.2017)	Status (as on 31.06.2017)
1	Nodal mechanized delivery system	No. of Nodal Delivery Centres rolled out in 6 cities	153	237
2	Expansion of Core Banking Solution	No. of offices covered	23,256	23,314
3	Soft skills and sensitization training sessions	No. of employees trained in 2016-17	83,707	1,01,428
4	Call Centre	No. of complaints settled on call centre	15,805	23,504
		No. of queries answered	65,188	97,028
5	Tapping on Social Media	No. of complaints settled on Twitter	25,917	37,961
6	Rural ICT project	No. of branch post offices covered	21,118	28,048
		No. of postal circles where RICT is rolled out	10	16
		Number of handheld devices rolled out	17,737	17,737

16.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to evaluate identified grievance issues. The Department received 32,339 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017 and the team analyzed 10% random sample, results of which are as under

Table 58: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.2015)	Percentage Impact (1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017)
1	Sub - optimal postal service	35%	53%
2	Administrative issues	20%	2%
3	Financial scheme issues	16%	7%
4	Recruitment and employment issues	13%	1%
5	Others	3%	3%

In addition to the above grievance issues, non-receipt of money on shipment of article (15%), delay is pensions (7%) and non-receipt of money order/post letter (7%), were found in the new analysis of grievance.



Labour and Employment

17.1 Introduction

Ministry of Labour & Employment is one of the oldest and important Ministries of the Government. Key responsibility of the Ministry is to protect and safeguard the interests of workers in general and of those who constitute deprived and disadvantaged sections of the society, in particular. It is responsible for creating healthy work environment for ensuring higher productivity and also to develop & coordinate vocational skill training.

Government's attention is also focused on promotion of welfare and providing social security to the labour force both in the organized and unorganized sectors, in tandem with the process of liberalization. These objectives are sought to be achieved through enactment and implementation of various labour laws, which regulate the terms & conditions of service and employment of workers. The laws and policies are instituted and enforced by this Department, and its enforcement affects the day-to-day activities and welfare of the population at large, it is important that the grievances are looked into with utmost importance. In the detailed grievance analysis study for Ministry of Labour and Employment, grievances related to slow

processing in EPFO, negligence by private sector, EPFO website not updated/working were observed. The specific details of these type of grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 59: List of identified Grievance Issues

S.N	lo.	Grievance Issues (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Details
1		Slow, unclear processing in EPFO	 PF settlement taking longer than expected; no response given on status PF withdrawal applications not being tracked, despite all documents being given
2		Private Sector Negligence - PF related	 Companies not paying PF amount when employees exit Complaints raised with PF departments not being taken up
3		Private Sector Negligence - Labor Laws	 Labour inspectors sometimes ineffective. Companies not abiding by HR policies Benefits not being given, unlawful termination
4		Pension Related Issues*	 Minimum pension amount should be raised Cap of 75% for PF withdrawal is too high
5		EPF Site is not updated/not working	 Entries in EPF website not updated in multiple cases EPF site crashes during office-hours, not available when demand exists

17.2. Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

17.2.1. Identification of Systemic Reforms

Team conducted detailed discussions with the implementation body in Ministry of Labour and Employment and EPFO to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented and led to grievance resolution at the root cause level.

Table 60: Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process / Policy)	Year of initiation
1	Slow, unclear processing in EPFO PF settlement taking longer than expected; no response given on status	UAN and Aadhaar integration Linking of Aadhaar, bank accounts and Universal Account Numbers for easy transfer and settlement of PF balances.	Process Improvement	2016

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process /Policy)	Year of initiation
	PF withdrawal applications not being tracked, despite all documents being given	Integration of PF accounts All regional PF accounts are brought in to a central PF account in order to expedite claim transfer and settlement process.	Process Improvement	2016
2	Private Sector Negligence - PF related Companies not paying PF amount when employees exit Complaints raised with PF departments not being taken up	Simplification of PF withdrawal procedures Cumbersome withdrawal process that requires employer's verification and attestation is replaced with simplified process where employee can directly approach EPFO for PF withdrawal. As a result, time taken to complete withdrawal procedures reduced from 30 days to 15 days.	Process Improvement	2016

17.2.2 Formulation of Monitoring Metrics

Based on identified reforms, monitoring metrics were formulated to ensure time bound and quality implementation.

Table 61: Monitoring Metrics

S.No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 31.03.2017)	Status (as on 31.06.2017)
1	UAN and Aadhaar integration	No. of UANs activated by members vis-à-vis total no. of UANs	3.27 Crore	11.81 Crore
		Verified Aadhaar out of Total	0.37 Crore	2.8 Crore
		No. of bank accounts linked	3.43 Crore	3.63 Crore
		No. of PAN seeded	1,45,17,866	1,45,17,866
2	Integration of PF accounts	No. of establishments integrated out of total	9,46,650	10,13,757
		No. of accounts integrated	189007738 out of 196171908	189007738 out of 196171908
		No. of EPF offices migrated to the Central Server	114 out of 120	114 out of 120

17.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to evaluate identified grievance issues. The Ministry received 18,041 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017 and the team analyzed 10% random sample, results of which are as under:

Table 62: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage Impact (1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017)
1	Slow, unclear processing in EPFO	12%
2	Private Sector Negligence - PF related	17%
3	Private Sector Negligence - Labor Laws	30%
4	Pension Related Issues	4%
5	EPF Site is not updated/not working	3%

In addition to the above grievance issues, grievances related to UAN (8%), recruitment (6%), harassment (5), labour trafficking and corruption (4%) were found in the new analysis.





18.1 Introduction

Ministry of Home Affairs is responsible for the maintenance of internal security and domestic policy. The Ministry also assists State Governments by providing guidance, financial support, and manpower to maintain peace and security, whenever required. The Ministry consists of six Departments namely (1) Border Management, (2) Internal Security, (3) Jammu & Kashmir Affairs, (4) Home, (5) Official Language, and (6) States. In addition to the six mutually independent Departments, the Ministry is also further subdivided into twenty Divisions without being partitioned into independent specialized units. Each Division deals with a particular type of issue faced by India that falls under the purview of the Ministry of Home Affairs.

The Ministry of Home Affairs is also the cadre controlling authority of the Indian Police Service (IPS). The police services of the Union Territories are handled by dedicated Divisions of the Ministry. The security and harmony of the country hinges upon the Ministry of Home Affairs, and grievances received by this Ministry are one of the most important and highest in number. In the detailed 10% sampling of grievances received by the Ministry, 37% of sampled grievances were related to quality of Police Services, followed by issues with Women Security and Safety, Operational and Functional issues with Central Armed Police Force and Foreign Nationals' issues which accounted for 17%, 15% and 12% respectively. The specific details of these type of grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 63: List of identified Grievance Issues

S.N	lo.	Grievance Issues	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Details
1		Quality of Police Services	37 %	 low investigation in critical cases (rape, dowry, etc.) Lack of responsiveness towards lodged complaints No right forum for voicing concerns against police
2		Issues with women safety and security	17%	 Insufficient initiatives for women safety Inadequate functioning of CCTV at some public areas
3		Operational and Functional issues with Central Armed Police Forces*	15%	 Delay in appointment of new recruits Long delays in arrears and pension release Other issues like differential pay scale, denial of transfer, lack of quality equipment
4		Foreign Nationals' Issues*	12%	Issues with work permit, citizenship applications, FCRA and OCI/PIO card

^{*}Based on discussions with the Ministry, issues regarding "Operational and Functional issues with Central Armed Police Forces and Foreign Nationals' Issues" were de-prioritized.

18.2. Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

18.2.1. Identification of systemic reforms

Team conducted detailed discussions with the implementation body in Ministry of Home Affairs to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented and led to grievance resolution at the **root cause level**.

Table 64: Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process /Policy)
1	Guality of Police Services Slow investigation in critical cases (rape, dowry, etc.) Lack of responsiveness towards lodged complaints	Real time Management Information System Web based software to provide updated status of complaints received, disposed and pending for actions by National Human	Digitization

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process /Policy)
	No right forum for voicing concerns against police	Rights Commission (NHRC) through a dashboard.	
		Online FIR service Provision to lodge FIR online	Digitization
		Integrated Criminal Justice System (ICJS) Dashboard Platform to share data online among Criminal Justice system namely Police, Courts, Prisons Forensics, Prosecution and Juvenile Homes.	Digitization
		Emergency SOS and helpline number for Senior Citizens Emergency SOS button on mobile and helpline number for the safety of senior citizens.	Digitization
2.	Issues with women safety and security Insufficient initiatives for women safety Inadequate functioning of CCTV at some public areas	Himmat App Bilingual mobile app to help women in distress and to ensure their safety in Delhi.	Digitization
3.	Operational and Functional issues with Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) Delay in appointment of new recruits Long delays in arrears and pension release Other issues like differential pay scale, denial of transfer, lack of quality equipment	Mobile App Direct access to MHA by Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) personnel at all levels for speedy resolution of their grievances.	Digitization
4	Foreign Nationals' Issues Issues with work permit, citizenship applications, FCRA and OCI/PIO card.	Integration of Person of Indian Origin card with Overseas Citizenship of India (OCI) card OCI Card will serve as a multiple entry lifelong visa for entering India with no registration requirement.	Digitization

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process /Policy)
		Immigration, Visa and Foreigners Registration and Tracking (IVFRT)	Process Improvement
		Provision of a secure and integrated service delivery framework to strengthen security.	

18.2.2 Formulation of Monitoring Metrics

Based on identified reforms, monitoring metrics were formulated to ensure time bound and quality implementation.

Table 65: Monitoring Metrics

S.No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 31.03.2017)	Status (as on 31.06.2017)
1	Himmat App	No. of mobile app registrations	9799	17,939
		No. of SOS calls received	2,224	5,407
2	Emergency SOS and helpline	No. of SOS calls received	645	1,071
	number for Senior	No. of test calls received	222	281
	Citizens	No. of calls received on helpline number (1291)	2000	3,981

18.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to evaluate identified grievance issues. The Ministry received 16,211 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017 and the team analyzed 10% random sample, results of which are as under

Table 66: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.2015)	Percentage Impact (1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017)
1	Quality of Police Services	37%	18%
2	Issues with women safety and security	17%	10%
3	Operational and Functional issues with Central Armed Police Forces	15%	29%
4	Foreign Nationals' Issues	12%	6%

In addition to the above grievance issues, grievances related to terrorism (15%), recruitment (5%) and Visa process (5%) were found in the new analysis of grievances.



Telecommunication

19.1 Introduction

Telecommunication has been recognized as an important tool for Socio-Economic Development of the Country. In India, the Department of Telecommunication is responsible for formulating policies in respect of telecommunication services and grant of licenses for various telecom services. The delivery of these services lies with the service providers which includes (1) Public players (like Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited, Mahanagar Telecom Nigam Limited), and (2) Private players (like Bharti Airtel, Vodafone, Reliance Communications and other such players). The services include landline, internet, mobile network and mobile data etc.

TRAI is the regulatory body for the telecommunications sector in India and is also responsible for framing rules for grievance redressal. The performance of the telecommunication services affects large number of people in day-to-day life. In the detailed 10% grievance analysis study for Department of Telecommunication, 40% of sampled grievances related to landline and broadband, followed by poor quality of grievance redressal, issues in respect of mobile services and fault with bills which accounted for 31%, 19% and 5% respectively. The specific details of these type of grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 67: List of identified grievance issues

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Details
1	Landline and broadband service issues	40%	 Repeated breaking of landline service Broadband speeds are not as promised; service is erratic
2	Complaints redressal below par (BSNL, MTNL)	31%	 Officers not responsive to complaints; multiple complaints being lodged Long waiting time for redressal of complaints regarding service issues
3 ((0)	Issues with mobile services (Pvt. + BSNL, MTNL)	19%	 Network on phone is feeble in certain areas; high call drop rates 3G data is hardly available, despite subscribing for 3G service
4	Faults with bills (BSNL, MTNL)	5%	Customers being charged wrongly for services that have not been used

19.2. Monitoring of Systemic Reforms

19.2.1. Identification of systemic reforms

Team conducted detailed discussions with the implementation body in Department of Telecommunication, BSNL and MTNL to understand the reforms and processes. The questions revolved around new policies and operational improvements that have been implemented and led to grievance resolution at the root cause level.

Table 68: Systemic Reforms Implemented

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process /Policy)
1	Landline and broadband service issues	Preventive Maintenance (MTNL) Regular maintenance of indoor/outdoor network	Process Improvement
	Repeated breaking of landline service Broadband speeds are not as promised; service is erratic	Strengthening of Landline and Broadband Network (BSNL) Introduction of Wi-Fi Hotspot for improved data connectivity. Migration to "New Generation Network".	Process Improvement

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Systemic Reforms	Category (Digitization/ Process / Policy)
2	Complaints redressal below par (BSNL, MTNL) Officers not responsive to complaints; multiple	Proactive monitoring (MTNL) Central Broadband Networks Operations Center has been set up to handle broadband service related complaints.	Process Improvement
	complaints being lodged Long waiting time for redressal of complaints regarding service issues Strengthening of grievance redressal mechanism (BSNL) Ensuring forwarding of Cases to last field unit within 24 hrs. Monitoring of cases pending for more than 30 days by CMD.		Process Improvement
		Feedback mechanism from customer (BSNL) Improving quality of grievance disposal by collecting direct feedback from complainant before closing any grievance.	Process Improvement
		Initiatives for improving customer satisfaction (BSNL) Conducting quarterly consumer education workshop. Interacting with consumers via Twitter.	Process Improvement
3	Issues with mobile Services (Pvt. + BSNL, MTNL) Network on phone is feeble in certain areas; high call drop rates 3G data is hardly available,	Deployment of DSLAMS -Digital Subscriber Line Access Multiplexer (MTNL) DSLAMs deployed near customer's premises to connect multiple customer digital subscriber line interfaces to a high speed digital communication.	Digitization
	despite subscribing for 3G service	Expansion of 3G Network - Installation of 1080 Node Bs in Delhi (MTNL) Installation of Node Bs to provide connection between mobile phones and the wider telephone network.	Process Improvement
		Strengthening of Mobile Network (BSNL) Installation of new towers. Also, BSNL is planning to migrate to new technologies.	Process Improvement

19.2.2 Formulation of Monitoring Metrics

Based on identified reforms, monitoring metrics were formulated to ensure time bound and quality implementation.

Table 69: Monitoring Metrics

S.No.	Systemic Reforms	Monitoring Metrics	Status (as on 30.06.2017)
1	Strengthening of Landline and Broadband Network (BSNL)	Percentage of wire-line fault repaired by next working day Percentage of broadband fault repaired by next working day	88.09 % 83.90%
2	Deployment of DSLAMS -Digital Subscriber Line Access Multiplexer (MTNL)	No. of DSLAMS installed/redeployed in Delhi & Mumbai	150 each
3	Expansion of 3G Network - Installation of 1080 Node Bs in Delhi (MTNL)	Percentage of installation work completed in Delhi	55%

19.3 Monitoring of Grievance Issues

After identification of grievance issues and systemic reforms, a need was felt to evaluate identified grievance issues. The Department received 46,491 grievances on PG portal from 1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017 and the team analyzed 10% random sample, results of which are as under

Table 70: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.2015)	Percentage Impact (1.08.2016 to 31.03.2017)
1	Landline and broadband service issues	40%	47%
2	Complaints redressal below par (BSNL, MTNL)	31%	2%
3	Issues with mobile services (Pvt. + BSNL, MTNL)	19%	15%
4	Faults with bills (BSNL, MTNL)	5%	15%

In addition to above grievance issues, grievances related to delay in pensions (8%), portability of mobile number (6%) and recruitment exam (3%) were observed in the new analysis of grievances.



Financial Services - Banking Division

20.1 Introduction

The Department of Financial Services (DFS) covers the functioning of Banks, Financial Institutions, Insurance Companies and the National Pension System. The various functions covered in the Department are (1) Pensions Reforms & Insurance (Life & Non-Life segments of insurance & others), (2) Institutional Finance (Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) lending & financing of priority sectors), (3) Financial Inclusion (Mobile Banking, Agricultural Credit & others) and (4) Banking Administration (Appointments of Chief Executives & Directors in Public Sector Banks & others)

DFS also interfaces with various banks in the country. For grievances, DFS evaluates and monitors them (received against banks in the country. As banking is an essential component of the economy, and consumers across the country depend on efficient banking, it is imperative that this sector would be receiving large number of grievances. In the detailed grievance analysis study, 39% of sampled grievances are related to gaps in pension implementation (PSBs), followed by issues related to loan processing and payment, gaps in implementation of new schemes and delays in payment of allowances and arrears which accounted for 20% ,6% and 4% respectively. The specific details of these type of grievance issues have been detailed out in the table below:

Table 71: List of identified grievance issues

S.No.	Grievance Issues	Percentage Impact (1.05.2015 to 31.08.15)	Details
1	Pension implementation gap (PSBs)	39%	 Pension installments not being paid on time Gap in family pension implementation Delay in transfer of pension accounts
2	Loan processing and payment issues (PSBs & Pvt. Banks)	20%	 Documents submitted as per regulations, but loan not being processed Money not being disbursed despite loan being approved Loan payment policies not followed Loan collaterals not being returned, despite loan amount being settled
3	New schemes implementation (PSBs & Pvt. Banks)	6%	 Gap in implementation of new schemes like Atal Pension Yojana, Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana
4	Payment of allowances, arrears	4%	 Arrears, allowances not being paid on time Revised amounts for allowances not being implemented

Post discussion with the Department, monitoring of reforms and grievance issues were deprioritsed due to lack of jurisdictory power with the Department

Table 72: Evaluation of Grievance Issues

S.No.	Grievance Issue	Percentage Impact (01.01.2015 to 31.08.2015)	Percentage Impact (01.07.2017 to 31.09.2017)
1	Pension Implementation gap	39%	5%
2	Loan processing and Payment issues	20%	11%
3	New schemes implementation	6%	3%
4	Payment of allowances, arrears	4%	4%

Apart from the issues, issues pertaining to Customer dealing (18%), Debit/ Credit card (6%), Recruitment (15%) and Demonitization (5%) were also found in the new analysis

Online Grievance Dashboard



To monitor public grievances on real time and periodically review progress of systemic reforms, an online dashboard was developed. This dashboard serves the following purposes

I. Grievances

- Real time performance evaluation of grievance redressal of all Ministries/ Department
- Category, Sub-Department and Region wise grievance analysis

II. Reforms

- Key systemic reforms undertaken by top 20 Ministries/Departments
- Quarterly monitoring of the systemic reforms

Following is the feature-wise view

• Performance evaluation of grievance redressal

Grievance redressal performance is computed based on four parameters, weightages of which are mentioned below:

S.No.	Parameters	Weights
1	Percentage of disposal of pending grievances with reference to total grievances received	35
2	Percentage reduction in more than 1-year old pending cases	20
3	Percentage reduction in 6-12 months old pending cases	10
4	Average citizen rating	35

(Source - OM: K-11017-1-2015-PG-C2(Pt) dated 18.11.2015 read with OM dated 10.02.2016 and 10.03.2016)

PERFORMANCE OF MINISTRIES/DEPARTMENTS

Grievance redressal in 87 Ministries/Departments (Quarterly)

Time Period

No. of Grievances Recieved

All **87** above 2000 **13** Between 300 & 2000 **29** Upto 300 **45**

S. No.	Ministry Name	Total Score (Out of 100)	P1 (Wt: 35)	P2 (Wt: 20)	P3 (Wt: 10)	P4 (Wt: 35)
1	Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals	90.67	35	20	10	25.67
2	Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation	90.67	35	20	10	25.67
3	Department of Sports	90.67	35	20	10	25.67
4	Ministry of Housing and Poverty Alleviation	90.2	35	20	10	25.2
5	O/o the Comptroller & Auditor General of India	89.5	35	20	10	24.5
6	Department of Land Resources	89.5	35	20	10	24.5
7	Department of Youth Affairs	89.11	35	20	10	24.11
8	Department of Health Research	88.8	35	20	10	23.8
9	Department of Disinvestment(M/o Finance)	88.33	35	20	10	23.33
10	Central Board of Direct Taxes (Income Tax)	87.14	35	20	10	22.14
11	Department of Heavy Industry	87.08	35	20	10	22.08
12	Ministry of New and Renewable Energy	87.05	35	20	10	22.05
13	Department of Pharmaceutical	86.78	35	20	10	21.78
14	Department of Revenue	86.27	35	20	10	21.27
15	Department of Fertilizers	86	35	20	10	21
16	Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas	85.5	35	20	10	20.5
17	Legislative Department	85.44	34.44	20	10	21

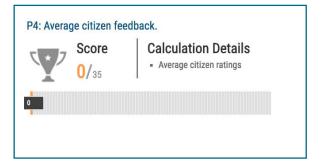
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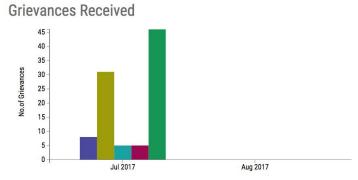


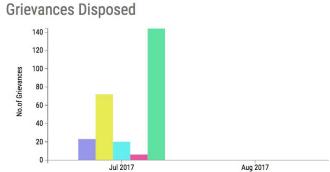




Grievances received and disposed by all divisions of the ministry



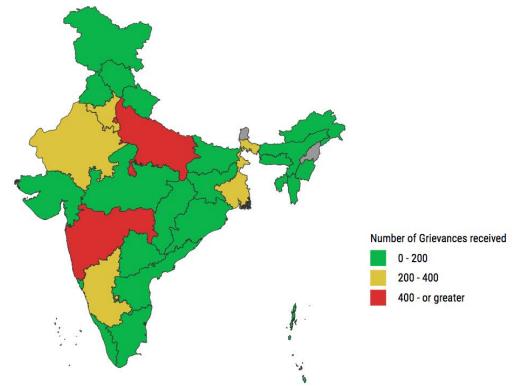




• Region-wise grievances

Geographical distribution of grievances becomes critical for knowing regions of concern. Below sample shows grievance distribution across India for Ministry of Railways:

Region wise Grievance Distribution (Received)



*Grievances disposed are based on grievances recieved by the region.

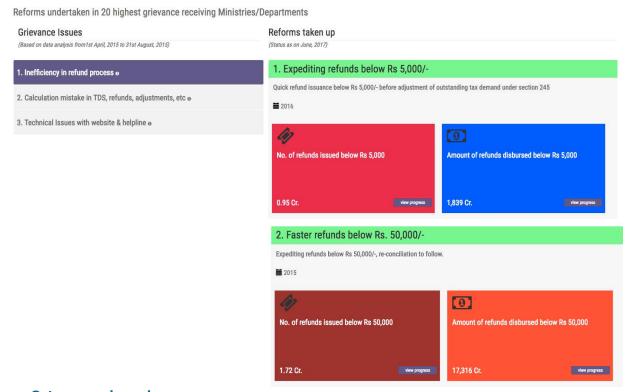
Sr. No.	State	No. of Grievances
1	Delhi	587
2	Maharashtra	504
3	Uttar Pradesh	502
4	Rajasthan	259
5	Karnataka	240
6	West Bengal	228
7	Haryana	214
8	Tamil Nadu	182
9	Gujarat	168
10	Punjab	130
11	Madhya Pradesh	114
12	Bihar	112
13	Telangana	76
14	Jharkhand	56
15	Kerala	50
16	Andhra Pradesh	42
17	Chandigarh	40
18	Uttarakhand	39

Sr. No.	State	No. of Grievances
19	Chattisgarh	34
20	Odisha	33
21	Assam	30
22	Jammu and Kashmir	21
23	Himachal Pradesh	16
24	Goa	8
25	Tripura	7
26	Meghalaya	5
27	Mizoram	2
28	Arunachal Pradesh	2
29	Dadara & Nagar Havelli	1
30	Puducherry	1
31	Andaman & Nicobar Island	1
32	Manipur	1
33	Daman & Diu	1

• Reforms Monitoring

Systemic reforms and their monitoring metrics, catering to grievance issues are highlighted in reforms view of the dashboard. This enables Cabinet Secretariat, DARPG and concerned Ministries/Departments to centrally monitor implementation of these reforms:

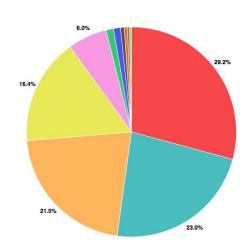
Reforms undertaken in 20 highest grievance receiving Ministries/Departments



Category-wise grievances

Ministries/Departments categorize grievances based on nature of the issues. Below sample shows percentage of grievances in specific categories alloted by Ministry of Railways:

Category wise Grievance Distribution (Received)



Sr. No.	Category Name	Number of Grievances
1	PAN TAN Matters	711
2	Refund Matters	559
3	Others	522
4	Rectification Matters	399
5	TDS matter	147
6	Tax Policy matters	28
7	Appeal Effect Matters	26
8	Harrassment	14
9	General Complaint	12
10	Pension Matters	8
11	Retirement Dues	7

• Division wise grievances

Grievances are allocated to concerned divisions within a Ministry/Department for effective resolution. Below sample shows grievance distribution among different divisons in Ministry of Railways:

Conclusion

The state of public grievances serves as a barometer to gauge the efficiency and effectiveness of the administrative processes and polices. Redress of grievances play major role in building citizen friendly, responsive administration.

As grievance disposal has generally shown increase from 2015, expectations of people have risen leading to more than 5 times increase in receipt of grievances. The Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances is constantly working towards constructing resilient administrative ecosystem to identify key grievance issues, analyze the root causes and bring about improvements in citizen service delivery through recommendations to concerned Ministries/Departments. Moving towards this path, the Department engaged dedicated team to conduct intensive deliberations with 20 Ministries/Department and drive monitoring of systemic reforms, thereby ensuring timely implementation.

Lakh grievances received in 2015 across 20 Ministries/Departments

100 top grievances issues identified

81 reforms recommended

75 reforms implemented out of recommended

additional reforms implemented by Ministries/Departments to target grievance causing services

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