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Subject: - Amendment in DFPDS 2016- Vice Chiefs/CISC/DGAFMS as Next Higher CFA.

As per the definition of Competent Financial Authority (CFA) at para 1.4.3 of DPM 2009 the 'Next Higher CFA' is defined as an authority with higher delegated financial powers under a particular schedule of delegation of financial powers. As per DPM, approval of 'Next Higher CFA' is required in various instances such as (i) ex-post facto financial concurrence, (ii) disagreement with IFA, etc.

- 2. In the financial powers delegated under DFPDS 2016 there are certain sub-schedules wherein the highest CFA in SHQs/HQ IDS/AFMS is below the level of Vice Chiefs/CISC/DGAFMS. For cases being dealt under such sub-schedules, the 'Next Higher CFA' is MoD.
- 3. In order to reduce processing time it has been decided that the Vice Chiefs/CISC/DGAFMS would be the 'next higher CFA' for all such sub-schedules of DFPDS-2016 wherein the highest CFA is presently below the Vice Chiefs/CISC/DGAFMS. This would be applicable for all instances under DPM wherein approval of 'Next Higher CFA' is required.
- 4. This issues with the concurrence of Financial Advisor (DS) and approval of Defence Secretary.

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