

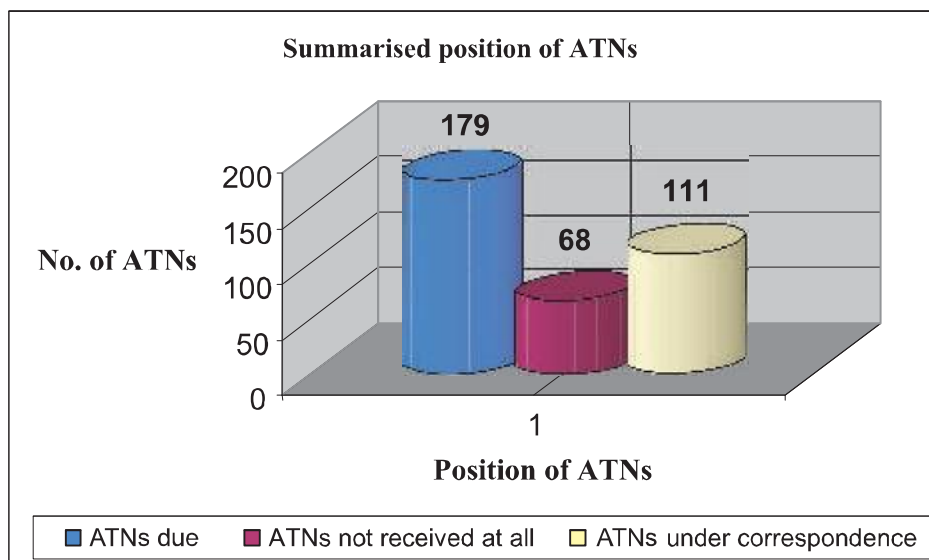
CHAPTER X

10.1 Follow-up action on Audit Reports-Summarised Position

The Lok Sabha Secretariat issued instructions in April 1982 to all Ministries to furnish notes to the Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure), indicating remedial/ corrective action taken on various paragraphs contained in the Audit Reports, soon after these were laid on the Table of the House.

In their Ninth Report (Eleventh Lok Sabha) presented to the Parliament on 22 April 1997, the Public Accounts Committee desired that submission of pending Action Taken Notes (ATNs) pertaining to Audit Reports for the years ended March 1994 and 1995 should be completed within a period of three months and recommended that ATNs on all paragraphs pertaining to the Audit Reports for the year ended March 1996 onwards be submitted to them duly vetted by Audit, within four months from the laying of the Reports in Parliament.

A review of the position of receipt of ATNs on paragraphs included in Audit Reports (Autonomous Bodies) up to the period ended 31 March 2008 (**Appendix-IX**) revealed that the Ministries did not submit remedial/corrective ATNs in respect of a large number of paragraphs inspite of the above instructions. Out of 179 paragraphs on which ATNs were required to be sent, ATNs in respect of 68 paragraphs had not been received at all as shown in the chart given below:



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Out of these 68 paragraphs six paragraphs pertained to Reports up to the year ended March 1993. The final ATNs in respect of 111 paragraphs, which were under correspondence, were awaited.

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