

default arises out of the inspection carried out under this section, the competent authority may decide whether to initiate action under one default process or as separate default processes. However, if defaults occur under sections 5.2.1.3 and 5.2.1.4 then separate default processes will be initiated under each section.)

Further, nothing in the foregoing precludes a competent authority from issuing a single notice for defaults occurring in different processes.

Communications related to defaults and penalties

All communications related to defaults will be sent to the PIA at the primary email id provided by the PIA in the project execution readiness form. The email is deemed to have been received by the PIA two days after the date of despatch. In addition, where penalty proceedings are initiated, notices will be sent to the PIA by Registered Post or Speed Post.

All communications related to defaults sent by the SRLM/CTSA/MoRD will specify the email id to which the PIA has to send its response. In addition, responses by the PIA to all notices related to penalties should also be sent by Registered Post or Speed Post to the address specified in the relevant communication.

Competent authority

Competent authorities to deal with all processes related to defaults are specified in “SF 10.1B: Competent authority for handling default procedures”.

Impact of policy changes

Notwithstanding any of the procedures prescribed in this Chapter and Standard Forms, PIAs may be required to undertake or modify activities in the event of a change in government policy or programme objectives. In such cases, the new/revised activities to be undertaken by PIAs would be considered part of the streamlining process and would not constitute any penal action.

imposing a penalty or dropping of penalty proceedings will indicate the action to be taken for the next occurrence of a default; failing this, a Yellow Alert will be issued on the occurrence of the next default.

For example: If on 8 February, a Yellow Alert is issued for a shortfall in January, then by end of February, the PIA has to achieve the cumulative target for the month of February for the Yellow Alert to be closed. If the cumulative target is not achieved in February, then a Red Alert will be issued on 8 March. If the cumulative target for the month of March is not achieved, then it will be escalated to penalty processes.

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2	1 st to 15 th January 2016 (1 st fortnight)	18 th January,2016		For payment made on 19 th to 31 st January 2016	8 th March 2016	Yellow Alert
				For payment not made by 31 th January 2016	8 th March 2016	Red Alert

While every single instance of delay or non-payment will invite the issue of an Alert, a PIA will be sent a consolidated list of Alerts for each month – that is, all the individuals for whom payment is pending will be listed, with the kind of Alert being issued in each case indicated against the name of each individual.