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Dear Ms. Jagarnauth,

With reference to your correspondence, requesting information on accountability framework.

Please see reponses on behalf of the Ministry:

1. The Village Council is the lawful body established to administer village affairs including executing the budget. The Amerindian Act 2006 requires that tributes be paid to the Village Council for mining activities and further that the Guyana Geology and Mines Commission shall transfer 20% of funds from mining activities on village lands to a fund designated by the Minister for the benefit of Amerindian Villages (see Section 51).
The Act further requires that the Village Council provide financial reports to the Village General Meeting, Minister of Amerindian Affairs as well as the Region. This act also requires that financial reports be read quarterly at minimum during village meetings. Through the Act, the residents have recourse to the Minister to request audits and make complaints of financial mismanagement for consideration and intervention.

2. Government of Guyana has ensured training for good financial management is in place and the NTC remains a statutory oversight body to provide support to the village complimentary to the Ministry.
For funds payable through the designated fund, this should be managed by the agency with the relevant jurisdiction- the GGMC.

3. Based on the Act requirements and policy decisions, these payments from company to village councils could qualify as both direct subnational payments as well as social expenditure. Payments are required by law and negotiation for social expenditure in addition to the payment which qualifies as direct sub national payment based on the definition provided.

4. The revision process for the Amerindian Act 2006 is currently ongoing with education and awareness sessions being conducted nationwide based on request by the key stakeholders.

5. No submission has been made formally on extractive income disclosure.

Submitted for your information & guidance.

Warm Regards,

Ms. Lisa Rodrigues
Confidential Secretary to the Permanent Secretary
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