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**AWAM wants to know on follow-ups to A-G's report**

THE All Women's Action Society (AWAM) would like to congratulate Auditor-General Tan Sri Ambrin Buang and the National Audit Department for the 2005 Auditor-General's annual report.

The report is a welcome example of transparency and accountability – elements of good governance which should be promoted at both local and national level.

Issues and questions highlighted in the report have been eye opening for the public in general, and we thank him and his staff for a job well done.

Our citizens deserve to know how our nation's finances are being managed by the bodies entrusted with them.

AWAM is appalled by reports of mismanagement and abuse such as the diversion of funds meant for the underprivileged to frivolous purchases.

We hope that in future the Auditor-General will be able to expand his scope to cover more government projects and ministries such as the Ministry of Women, Family and Community Development.

We look forward to hearing from the Government how it intends to follow up on the findings of the Auditor-General's report and ensure public funds are not misused.

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