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The particulars of any arrangement that exists for consultation with, or representation by the Members of the public in relation to the formulation of its policies or implementation thereof:

The State Taxes Section mainly deals with matters relating to some State taxes. Hence, there is a regular institutional mechanism for consulting the States, before taking any decision. For instance, on matters relating to State sales tax/ VAT/ CST etc., the consultation takes place through the Empowered Committee of State Finance Ministers. Similarly, for matters relating to stamp duty, there is a Standing Committee of State Secretaries on Stamp and Registration. However, on some occasions, when direct consultation with general public is considered necessary on matters of extreme importance, the same is done through release of Press Notes/ posting the draft policy on website and inviting comments/ views thereon.