

F.No.10(1)/2009-CDN.(A&A)

Dated the 24th September, 2010

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

The Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure has issued clarification regarding Air travel on official account- both domestic and international. As approved by the Competent Authority, the O.M. No.19024/1/2009-E.IV dated the 29th July, 2010 has been posted on the ICAR Web-Site <u>www.icar.org.in</u> for information, guidance and compliance.

(Rashmi R. Rao) Dv. Director (Finance)

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No. 19024/1/2009-E.IV Government of India Ministry of Finance Department of Expenditure **E-IV Section**

New Delhi dated the 29th July, 2010.

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

Office Memorandum

Sub: Air travel on official account- both domestic and international.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's OM dt. 13.07.2009(copy enclosed) on the subject cited above, which mandated air travel only by Air India in all cases of air travel, both domestic and international, where the Government of India bears the cost of air passage. Further, the para 3 of the said OM stipulates that in all cases of deviation from these orders because of operational or other reasons or on account of nonavailability, individual cases may be referred to the Ministry of Civil Aviation for relaxation.

References are being received in this Ministry for extension of periods of deputation abroad due to non-availability of seats in Air India flights. (As extensions in deputations entail additional costs, M/o Civil Aviation is advised that in all cases of official tours, where the tickets by Air India are not available on the scheduled day of travel as per approved tour itinerary, Government officials may be exempted from the requirement to travel only by Air India.

Encls: As stated.

Ministry of Civil Aviation

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All Secretaries to the Govt. of India

F.No.19024/1/2009-E.IV Government of India Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure)

New Delhi, the 13th July, 2009.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Air Travel on official account - both domestic and international.

In partial modification of this Ministry's OM No. F. No. 7(2)/E. Coord/2005 dated 23rd November, 2005 and in supersession of this Ministry's OM No. 19024/1/E.IV/2005 dated 24.3.2006, it has been decided that in all cases of air travel, both domestic and international ,where the Government of India bears the cost of air passage, the officials concerned may travel only by Air India.

- 2. For travel to stations not connected by Air India, the officials may travel by Air India to the hub/point closest to their eventual destination, beyond which they may utilise the services of another airline which should also preferably be an alliance partner of Air India.
- 3. In all cases of deviation from these orders because of operational or other reasons or on account of non-availability, individual cases may be referred to the Ministry of Civil Aviation for relaxation.
- 4. All Ministries/Departments of the Government of India are requested to strictly adhere to these instructions.

5. These orders will also apply to officials in autonomous bodies funded by Government of India.

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Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India.

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