

New Delhi-1, dated 29th Sept., 1981.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Permission to Government servants to work as Arbitrators and accept fee/honorarium therefor.

The undersigned is directed to invite a reference to the Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure)'s O.M.No.15(11)-E. II(B)/60, dated the 2nd July, 1960, on the above subject, and to say that the matter regarding grant of honorarium to Government servants appointed to act as arbitrators in disputes between the Government of India and private parties or between private parties, has been examined further. As there has been manifold increase in prices justifying the need for upward revision of the rates which had been prescribed as early as in 1960, it has now been decided, in partial modification of the O.M. dated 2.7.1960 referred to above, that the honorarium may be paid to an arbitrator to settle the disputes at the rate of Rs.50/- (Rupees fifty) per day subject to a maximum of Rs.800/- (Rupees Eight Hundred only) per case. Accordingly clause (ii) (b) of para 1 of the aforesaid O.M. dated 2.7.1960, shall be substituted as under:-

"the honorarium may be paid to him at the rate of Rs.50/- per day or Rs.25/- per half-day subject to a maximum of Rs.800/- per case. For this purpose a day means more than two hours continuous work on any date and half-day means work for two hours or less. He shall record a certificate in writing indicating whether he has done a day's work or a half-day's work on a particular day".

2. This issues with the concurrence of the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Law and Justice (Department of Legal Affairs).

3. In so far as persons working in the Indian Audit and Accounts Department are concerned, these orders issue after consultation with the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.

Sd/-

(A.N. SAWHNEY)

Under Secretary to the Government of India.

To

All Ministries/Departments etc. of the Government of India.