

No.372/38/2012-AVD-III
Government of India
Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions
Department of Personnel & Training

North Block, New Delhi
11/7/2013
July, 2013

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Regulating parameters for exercise of discretionary powers enjoyed by Ministers at the Centre.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's O.M. No.372/14/2012-AVD-III dated 16th April, 2012 and 1st May, 2012 on the subject cited above (copy enclosed), wherein all Ministries/Departments were requested for putting in place regulatory parameters for exercise of discretionary powers of Ministers and putting them in public domain so as to minimize arbitrariness in exercise of such powers and to send a copy of the guidelines, if already framed, within 15 days. The Ministries/Departments which are yet to prepare appropriate guidelines in the matter were asked to do so within three months from the date of issue of the said OM dated 1st May, 2012 and to indicate the reasons for the delay in finalization of appropriate guidelines to this Department. A reminder dated 1st April, 2013 was also issued in this regard (copy enclosed). However, no reply/information have been received from your Ministry/Department so far.

2. It is requested to kindly expedite the requisite information to this Department urgently.

(N.Raja) 11/7/13
Deputy Secretary to the Government of India
Tel. No. 23094542

1. Secretary, all Ministries/Departments (as per standard list), **except** the following:

- i. Department of Space.
- ii. Ministry of New & Renewable Energy.
- iii. Department of Information Technology (M/o Communications & IT).
- iv. Ministry of Labour & Employment.
- v. Ministry of Steel.
- vi. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare.
- vii. Department of Rural Development.
- viii. Department of Agriculture Research & Education.
- ix. Ministry of Power.
- x. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (D/o Health Research).
- xi. Department of Atomic Energy.
- xii. Department of Revenue (M/o Finance).
- xiii. Ministry of Home Affairs (Rajbhasa).
- xiv. Central Information Commission.
- xv. Department of AYUSH (M/o Health & Family Welfare).
- xvi. Department of Telecommunications (M/o Communications & IT).
- xvii. Department of Financial Services (M/o Finance).
- xviii. Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region.

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New Delhi, dated 16th April, 2012.


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The Government had constituted a Group of Ministers (GoM), on 6th January, 2011 with the approval of the Prime Minister to consider measures that can be taken by the Government to tackle corruption. One of the terms of reference (ToR) of the GoM was to consider and advise on "*Relinquishing discretionary powers enjoyed by Ministers at the Centre*".

2. The GoM reviewed information received from all Ministries/Departments as regards the discretionary powers enjoyed by the respective Ministries and, on the basis of the review has recommended that all *Ministries/Departments may carry out an exercise for putting in place regulating parameters for exercise of discretionary powers and putting them in public domain so as to minimize arbitrariness in exercise of such powers.*

3. The above recommendations of the GoM have been accepted by the Government and accordingly all Ministries are advised to put in place regulating parameters for exercise of discretionary powers, wherever such guidelines do not exist, and place them in public domain.


(N. Raja)
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Tel No.011-23094542

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North Block,
New Delhi the 1st May, 2012.

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enjoyed by Ministers at the Centre.**

Attention is invited to this Department's O.M. of even number dated 16th April, 2012 (copy enclosed) on the above subject, by which all Ministries/Departments were requested to carry out an exercise for putting in place regulatory parameters for exercise of discretionary powers of Ministers and putting them in public domain so as to minimise arbitrariness in exercise of such powers.

- 2.(i) Wherever such guidelines have already been framed by the concerned Ministry/Department, a copy of the guidelines may be sent to this Department within 15 days.
- (ii) All Ministries/Departments which are yet to prepare appropriate guidelines in this regard are requested to do so within three months from the date of issue of this Office Memorandum.
- (iii) A confirmation to the effect that necessary exercise in this regard has been carried out and necessary guidelines have been framed and put in public domain may be sent to this Department within the said period.
- (iv) In case there is delay in finalisation of appropriate guidelines in this regard, the reasons for the delay may be indicated to this Department.



(V.M. Rathnam)

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India
Tel. No. 23094637

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2. It is requested to expedite the requisite information to this Department urgently.

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11/4/13

V.M. Rathnam
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Deputy Secretary to the Government of India
 Tel. No. 23094637

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