Empowerment of Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs)—enhancement of delegated powers of other profit making PSEs.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department OM No. DPE/16(22)/90-Fin. dated 6th May, 1997 and 8th October, 1998 regarding delegation of powers to Board of Directors of PSEs to incur capital expenditure.

2. Keeping in view the pledge made in the National Common Minimum Programme (NCMP) that full managerial and commercial autonomy will be devolved to successful profit making companies operating in a competitive environment, the Government have reviewed the powers presently delegated to the Board of Directors of other profit making PSEs and have decided to enhance the powers in the manner stated below:

(i) The power to incur capital expenditure without Government approval stands revised to Rs. 150 crore or equal to 50% of the Net worth, whichever is less.

(ii) The Chief Executive of the PSE shall have the power to approve business tours abroad of functional directors up to 5 days’ duration (other than study tours, seminars, etc.) in emergency, under intimation to the Secretary of the administrative Ministry. In all other cases including those of Chief Executive, tours abroad would continue to require the prior approval of the Minister of the Administrative Ministry/Department.

3. The conditions and guidelines laid down in the OMs referred to in para.1 above shall remain unchanged.

4. The administrative Ministries/Departments concerned may bring the contents of this OM to the notice of the enterprises.

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