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Government of India

Ministry of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises

Department of Public Enterprises

Public Enterprises Bhawan

Block No. 14, CGO Complex,

Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003

Dated: 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2011

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**Sub: Foreign tours of Executives and Functional Directors of CPSEs**

The undersigned is directed to refer to O.M. of even number dated 24.08.2007 on the subject mentioned above. In this regard it may be mentioned that based on the recommendations of the Ad-hoc Group of Experts (AGE) concerning the above subject, DPE had issued the above referred O.M. dated 24.08.2007. Recently an issue has been raised before the Government, that approval of Board of Directors is sufficient for foreign travel of Chief Executives of profit making CPSEs. Government has, accordingly reviewed the provisions particularly those contained in paras 3.1 and 4 of the O.M. dated 24.08.2007.

2. It has been observed that the administrative approval of the Reporting Officer is required, before Chief Executive of a CPSE proceeds on foreign tour. In any case, obtaining approval of Board of Directors for specific foreign tour may prove to be more cumbersome procedure unless prior omnibus approval of Board of Directors is obtained for a specific number of foreign tours of executives. Therefore, the requirement of prior approval of Secretary of the concerned Administrative Ministry for approving foreign tours of Chief Executives as contained in the above mentioned O.M. dated 24.08.07 is retained without any change.

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3. It may be reiterated here that as provided in Para 4 of O.M. dated 24.08.2007, the Board of Directors may frame guidelines for foreign tours of Chief Executives and Functional Directors according to their business needs with the approval of Administrative Ministry/Department, keeping the above principles in mind. The Administrative Ministry may approve the guidelines depending upon the sector, the performance of the CPSE and the business environment in which it operates.

4. This issues with the approval of Minister (HI&PE).

  
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1. Chief Executive of CPSEs.
2. Financial Advisors in the Administrative Ministries/Departments.
3. Comptroller & Auditor General of India (Commercial Audit Wing), 9 Deen Dayal Uadhayay Marg, New Delhi.
4. NIC - with the request to upload this O.M. on to the DPE website.
5. All officers of DPE.