F.No.19024/1/2007-E.IV Ministry Of Finance Department of Expenditure E.IV Branch

New Delhi the 17th September 2007

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Regulation of journeys by air while on official tours by non-Government officers

The undersigned is directed to state that existing instructions, as per SR 48 D provides that a Government servant who is not authorized to travel by air but who performs a journey by air on tour can draw only mileage allowance to which he would have been entitled, if he had travelled by rail, road or steamer or the mileage allowance as calculated under SR 48 C, whichever is less.

- A number of representations from different Ministries have been received in this Ministry requesting to allow non-entitled government servant the reimbursement at the rates for Rajdhani/shatabadi train in respect of journey undertaken by air while on official tour.
- The matter has been considered in this department and it has been decided that the reimbursement may be allowed at the rates applicable for Rajdhani/Shatbadi trains if operates on the route provided the government servant is entitled to it subject to the condition that two station between which air journey has been performed are connected by Rajdhani/Shatabadi trains. In case the fare paid for air ticket on official tour is less than the fare being charged for Rajdhani/Shatabadi type trains, the reimbursement would be limited to the actual expenditure
 - 4. Conditions laid down in the Department of Expenditure OM No 19024/1/E IV/2005 dated 24/3/2006 regarding air travel by Government servants within India during official visits would be applicable in case of TA on Tour mutatis mutandis.
 - The above orders will be applicable with effect from date of issue of this Office Memorandum.
 - 6 In their application to the staff serving in the Indian Audit and Accounts Department, these orders issue after consultation with the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.

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