F.No.12(1)/E.II(A)/2004 Ministry of Finance Department of Expenditure E.II(A) Branch

New Delhi, the 17th June, 2008

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Grant of advance for purchase of Personal Computer – clarification

The undersigned is directed to invite attention to the provisions of Rule 21(5) of the Compendium of Rules on Advances to Government Servants-2005, and Department of Expenditure's O.M. dated 13th October, 2006, for grant of advance for purchase of Personal Computer.

- 2. References have been received from Ministries/Departments seeking clarification as to whether a Government servant can purchase a laptop computer by availing computer advance, in terms of the aforementioned provisions. The matter has been examined in this Department and after careful consideration, it has been decided to include laptop computers in the definition of 'Personal Computer' for the purpose of grant of computer advance, as stated in the said provisions. This, will however, not have any impact on the policy of the Government in regard to provision of Laptop computers to officers of the rank of Joint Secretary and above of Government of India, in terms of provisions of this Department's O.M. No. 1(29)/E.II(A)/2 dated 19th April, 2004.
- 3. These orders will take effect from date of issue.
- 4. All the Ministries/Departments are requested to bring the amendments to the notice of their attached and subordinate offices for their information and necessary action.

(Suchindra Misra) Director, E.II(A)

To

All the Ministries/Departments of Government of India

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