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OFFICE MEMORANDUM


Sub: Payment of Transport Allowance during the lockdown period due to COVID-19 pandemic - Regarding

Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), New Delhi has been issuing Orders/Guidelines/Directives on strict implementation of lockdown measures across the country to prevent and contain the spread of COVID-19 virus from time to time. The lockdown measures have been enforced w.e.f. 23-03-2020 up to 31-05-2020 and are subject to further orders.

2. The Department has advised its Constituent Units/PSUs/Aided Institutions to strictly comply with the directives/guidelines issued by MHA and the respective State Governments/Union Territories/Local Authorities from time to time. One of the advices issued by the Department inter alia instructs, restricting attendance of employees at workplace as per the ceiling prescribed by MHA/State authorities. In this regard, the Department has also sought data from the Constituent Units/Public Sector Undertakings/ Aided Institutions on the month-wise attendance details of its employees in both essential and non-essential services and travelled by departmental transport facility or by their own means during the lockdown period.

3. It has now been decided in the Department that, since no clarification has been issued by the Nodal Ministry for grant/regulation of travelling allowance to the employees who have attended office/duty during the lock down period, the payment of travelling allowance be kept in abeyance in respect of all eligible employees whether attended office/duty or otherwise with immediate effect until further orders. The travelling allowance paid if any during the lock down period i.e. for the month of April, 2020 will be subject to orders/clarification from the Nodal Ministry which may be brought to the notice of the concerned employees.

4. This is issued with the approval of the Competent Authority in the Department.


(Sandeep S Deokar)
Under Secretary (SCS)

All Heads of Constituent Units/PSUs/Aided Institutions of DAE

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