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Subject:- Mobile Phone Facility-During Deputation Abroad-reg.

References are being received from various Ministries/Department seeking approval for mobile phone facility during deputation abroad on official tours. The issue has been considered and it has been decided with the approval of the Cabinet Secretary that visiting delegations of the level of DS/Director and above may be provided Sim Cards by the concerned Mission/Embassy. As far as usage is concerned, there will be a monetary ceiling of Rs. 1,000/- per day of duty for Secretary and above levels and Rs. 500/- per day of duty for other officers. The cost of usage may be debited to the concerned Ministries/Departments.

2. Ministry of External Affairs may issue necessary instructions as stipulated above, to the Missions/Embassies, to keep the sim cards handy for this purpose.

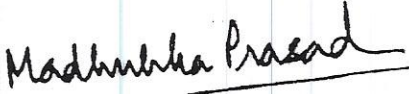
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