

No. 7(8)E-Coord./94
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Deptt. of Expenditure

New Delhi, the 16th July, 2009,

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Enhancing the ceiling on furnishings etc., to be provided in the office and office portion of the residence of Ministers – Reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's OM No.7(8)E.Cord/94 dated 11.6.1997 addressed to all Ministries/Departments of Govt. of India and all FAs wherein a ceiling limit of Rs.1 lakh each for furnishing the office and office portion of the residence of the Ministers was laid down.

2. This Ministry has been receiving proposals from various Ministries/Departments of Government of India seeking relaxation of the above mentioned ceiling from time to time. The matter has been considered in consultation with the Ministry of Urban Development and it has been decided to revise the existing ceiling of Rs. 1 lakh as follows:

i) Minister's office in his residence	Rs. 2 lakhs for furniture & furnishings and Rs. 1 lakh for electrical appliances
ii) Minister's office in the Secretariat	Rs. 6.5 lakhs for furniture & furnishings and Rs. 1.5 lakhs for electrical and A/C appliances

3. It is also reiterated that expenditure upto the ceiling mentioned above in his office in the Secretariat may be incurred only once when the Minister assumes office. In respect of office portion of his residence, the expenditure on furniture & furnishings upto Rs. 2 lakhs can be incurred only once during his tenure as a Minister or during a period of 5 years.

4. The above financial ceilings should be strictly adhered to by all the Ministries/Departments.

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1. All Ministries/Departments of Government of India.
2. All FAs (By name).