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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA/BHARAT SARKAR
CABINET SECRETARIAT/MANTRIMANDAL SACHIVALAYA
RASHTRAPATI BHAWAN

New Delhi, the 10th November, 2016

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

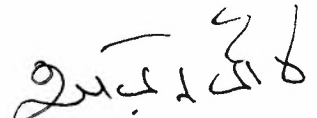
Subject: Seeking timely *ex-post-facto* approval of the Cabinet/Cabinet Committees.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Secretariat's O.M. No. 1/3/3/2011-Cab. dated 29.06.2011 which stipulates that in cases where approval of the Prime Minister has been obtained under Rule 12 of the Government of India (Transaction of Business) Rules, 1961, "*the note for seeking ex-post facto approval of the Cabinet or concerned Cabinet Committee should be forwarded to Cabinet Secretariat latest within one month of the approval under Rule 12*". Attention is also drawn to Cabinet Secretary's D.O. letter no. 1/48/6/2015-Cab. dated 14.08.2015 which conveyed the directions of the Prime Minister that "*all MoUs that are signed by the Departments and are required to be brought before the Cabinet for post facto approval or information, under extant provisions, must be submitted within one month of the signing of the MoU. In case of any delay, the Note should detail the specific reason(s) and justification(s) in submitting the Note before the Cabinet after the prescribed time period*".

2. In spite of the clear instructions on the subject, instances of delayed submission of notes by Ministries/ Departments have been observed. In many cases, the Ministry/ Department has not detailed reason(s) and justification(s) for the delay in submitting the note beyond the prescribed time period. This has been viewed seriously.

3. The undersigned has been directed to reiterate the above instructions and request the Ministries/ Department to forward notes seeking *ex-post-facto* approval of Cabinet/ Cabinet Committee or for information, well within the stipulated period of one month so as to enable this Secretariat to place the note for consideration of Cabinet/ Cabinet Committees.

4. It is requested that the above instructions may please be disseminated to all concerned for strict compliance.


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