

105

No. 1/13/2/2008-Cab.
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA/BHARAT SARKAR
CABINET SECRETARIAT/MANTRIMANDAL SACHIVALAYA
RASHTRAPATI BHAWAN

New Delhi, the 7th October, 2008

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Clarification regarding terms used while recording the proceedings of the Cabinet/Cabinet Committees.

The undersigned is directed to say that doubts have been expressed by various Ministries as to the exact meaning attached to the word 'Deferred' used in the context of the proceedings of the Cabinet/Cabinet Committees. In many cases, the term "Deferred" has been misconstrued to be synonymous with the term 'Postponed'. With a view to ensure that there is no confusion in this regard, it is clarified that the term "Deferred", in the context of the proceedings of the Cabinet/Cabinet Committees, **connotes that the Cabinet/Cabinet Committee has disposed of the matter and the note on the subject no longer remains pending with the Cabinet Secretariat or with the Cabinet /Cabinet Committees. The concerned Ministry/Department will, therefore, have to bring up a fresh note for the consideration of the Cabinet/Cabinet Committee, in case it is considered necessary to do so.** The decision recorded as 'Deferred', is therefore, not the same as a decision recorded as 'Postponed'. In the latter case, i.e. where the decision recorded is 'Postponed', the matter remains pending and will be placed before the Cabinet/Cabinet Committee again and there would be no need for a fresh note on the subject being brought by the concerned Ministry/Department.

2. It is requested that the above clarification may please be disseminated to all concerned for information.


(K.L. Sharma)
Director (Cabinet)
Tele: 2301 5802