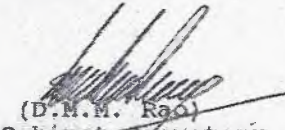


New Delhi, the 2nd May, 1997.
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The undersigned is directed to say that it has been decided, with the approval of the Prime Minister, to constitute the Cabinet Committee on Security and to reconstitute the following Cabinet Committees. The composition and functions of the said Committees are indicated in Annexure.

- (1) Cabinet Committee on Accommodation.
- (2) Cabinet Committee on Appointments.
- (3) Cabinet Committee on Foreign Investment.
- (4) Cabinet Committee on Parliamentary Affairs.
- (5) Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure.
- (6) Cabinet Committee on Scheduled Castes
Scheduled Tribes and Minorities.
- (7) Cabinet Committee on Science & Technology.
- (8) Cabinet Committee on Commemoration of 50th
Anniversary of India's Independence.

(9) Cabinet Committee on Security


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CABINET SECRETARIAT

COMPOSITION AND FUNCTIONS OF THE CABINET COMMITTEES

(1) Cabinet Committee on Accommodation

Composition

- Shri Murasoli Maran,
Minister of Industry.
- Shri Chaturanan Mishra,
Minister of Agriculture,
Minister of Civil Supplies, Consumer
Affairs & Public Distribution and
Minister of Food.
- Shri Janeshwar Mishra,
Minister of Water Resources.
- Shri Srikanta Kumar Jena,
Minister of Parliamentary Affairs
and Minister of Tourism.
- Dr. U. Venkateswarlu,
Minister of State in the Ministry of
Urban Affairs and Employment and
Minister of State in the Ministry of
Parliamentary Affairs.

Functions

- (i) To determine the guidelines/rules and terms and conditions to govern out-of-turn allotment of Government accommodation;
- ii) to decide upon allotment of Government accommodation to various categories of non-eligible persons and organisations and rate of rent to be charged from them;
- iii) to consider the question of allotment of accommodation from the General Pool to the Members of Parliament;
- iv) to consider proposals regarding shifting of existing Central Government Offices to places outside Delhi and the location of new offices in Delhi; and
- v) to consider and decide upon proposals relating to :-
 - a) revision of scales of accommodation to various categories of persons;
 - b) revision of licence fee for various types of Government Accommodation; and
 - c) other matters, like allotment of accommodation to the various categories of Central Government servants from the Central Pool or Special Pool.

(2) Cabinet Committee on Appointments.

Composition

Prime Minister.
Shri Indrajit Gupta,
Minister of Home Affairs.
Minister in-charge of the
concerned Ministry.

Functions

- i) To consider all recommendations and take decisions in respect of appointments specified in Annexure I to the First Schedule to the Government of India (Transaction of Business) Rules;
- ii) to consider all recommendations and take decisions in respect of the empanelments specified in Annexure II to the First Schedule to the Government of India (Transaction of Business) Rules;
- iii) to decide all cases of disagreement relating to appointments between the Department or Ministry concerned and the Union Public Service Commission;
- iv) to decide all cases of disagreement relating to appointments to board-level positions in public sector enterprises between the Department or Ministry concerned and the Public Enterprises Selection Board; and
- v) to consider and decide representations from officers of the rank of Joint Secretaries or equivalent and above against adverse remarks.

(3) Cabinet Committee on Foreign Investment

Composition

Prime Minister.
Shri Murasoli Maran,
Minister of Industry.
Shri P. Chidambaram,
Minister of Finance.
Minister of the concerned
administrative Ministry.

Functions

- i) To consider the recommendations of the Foreign Investment Promotion Board involving proposals in which the total investment in the project is above Rupees six hundred crores; and
- ii) to consider such other proposals that may be referred to the Committee or those which may be rejected by the Minister of Industry.

(4) Cabinet Committee on Parliamentary Affairs

Composition

- Shri Ram Vilas Paswan,
Minister of Railways,
- Shri Balwant Singh Ramoowalia,
Minister of Welfare.
- Shri Birendra Prasad Baishya,
Minister of Steel and Minister of Mines.
- Shri Chaturanan Mishra,
Minister of Agriculture,
Minister of Civil Supplies, Consumer
Affairs & Public Distribution and
Minister of Food.
- Shri Janeshwar Mishra,
Minister of Water Resources.
- Shri R.L. Jalappa,
Minister of Textiles.
- Shri Srikanta Kumar Jena,
Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and
Minister of Tourism.
- Shri T.G. Venkatraman,
Minister of Surface Transport.
- Shri Yerran Naidu K.,
Minister of Rural Areas and Employment.
- Shri Ramakant D. Khalap,
Minister of State (Independent charge) of
the Ministry of Law and Justice.
- Dr. U. Venkateswarlu,
Minister of State in the Ministry of Urban
Affairs and Employment and Minister of
State in the Ministry of Parliamentary
Affairs.

Functions

- i) ✓ To watch the progress of Government business in Parliament and to give such directions as may be necessary from time to time, in order to secure smooth and efficient conduct of such business;
- ii) ✓ to scrutinise, and to consider the attitude of the Government on, non-official bills and resolutions to be presented to Parliament;

- iii) to maintain a review from an all-India point of view of legislations undertaken by State Legislatures; and
- iv) to consider proposals to summon or prorogue the Houses of Parliament.

(5) Cabinet Committee on Infrastructure.

Composition

- Prime Minister.
- Shri Birendra Prasad Baishya,
Minister of Steel and Minister of Mines.
- Shri P. Chidambaram,
Minister of Finance.
- Professor Saifuddin Soz,
Minister of Environment and Forests.
- Shri Ram Vilas Paswan,
Minister of Railways.
- Shri T.G. Venkatraman,
Minister of Surface Transport.
- Smt. Kanti Singh,
Minister of State (Independent charge)
of the Ministry of Coal.

Special Invitees

- Prof. Madhu Dandavate,
Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission.
- Dr. S. Venugopalachari,
Minister of State in the Ministry of Power.
- Shri T.R. Baalu, Minister of State in the Ministry
of Petroleum and Natural Gas.

Functions

- i) to consider and decide upon the measures - fiscal, financial and legal - required to enhance investment in the infrastructure sector;
- ii) to consider the perspective plans of the infrastructure sectors to meet the demands of the economy;
- iii) to monitor on continuous basis the progress in implementation of infrastructure projects costing more than Rs. 100 crores in sectors like railways, coal, steel, power, surface transport and in other sectors which may be of critical importance to the economy;

- iv) to consider factors which may be adversely affecting implementation of projects of the type indicated in (iii) above and to decide upon remedial measures; and
- v) to review and bring about improvement in procedures having a bearing on the formulation and execution of projects, including preparation of feasibility reports, sanctions, finalisation of tenders and adoption of project management systems.

(6) Cabinet Committee on Scheduled Castes
Scheduled Tribes and Minorities

Composition

Prime Minister.
Shri Balwant Singh Ramoowalia,
Minister of Welfare.
Shri Indrajit Gupta,
Minister of Home Affairs.
Shri P. Chidambaram,
Minister of Finance.
Professor Saifuddin Soz,
Minister of Environment and Forests.
Shri S.R. Bommai,
Minister of Human Resource Development.
Shri Verran Naidu K,
Minister of Rural Areas and Employment.
Capt. Jai Narain Prasad Nishad,
Minister of State (Independent charge)
of the Ministry of Non-Conventional
Energy Sources.
Dr. U. Venkateswarlu,
Minister of State in the Ministry of Urban
Affairs and Employment and Minister of
State in the Ministry of Parliamentary
Affairs.

Special Invitee

Prof. Madhu Dandavate,
Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission.

Functions

- (i) All matters pertaining to the protection of the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and the Minorities, especially their protection against any violation of their life, liberty, property and other rights.
- (ii) All matters concerning elimination of exploitation of the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and the Minorities.
- (iii) All matters relating to the socio-economic development programmes aimed at bringing the gap of Society in a time-bound manner.

*Between the SCs, STs
and minorities and the rest*

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7. Cabinet Committee on Science and Technology.

Composition

- Prime Minister.
- Shri Chaturanan Mishra,
Minister of Agriculture,
Minister of Civil Supplies, Consumer
Affairs & Public Distribution and
Minister of Food.
- Shri Mulayam Singh Yadav,
Minister of Defence.
- Shri Murasoli Maran,
Minister of Industry.
- Shri P. Chidambaram,
Minister of Finance.
- Shri S.R. Bommai,
Minister of Human Resource Development.
- Shri Verran Naidu K.,
Minister of Rural Areas and Employment.
- Prof. Madhu Dandavate,
Deputy Chairman, Planning Commission.
- Shri Yoginder K. Alagh,
Minister of State (Independent charge)
of the Ministry of Planning and Programme
Implementation and Minister of State
(Independent charge) of the Ministry
of Science & Technology.

Functions

To consider all matters relating to Science and Technology and also those referred to by the Scientific Advisory Committee to the Cabinet (SAC-C)/Prime Minister/Administrative Ministries/Departments and make appropriate recommendations/decisions.

8. Cabinet Committee on Commemoration of 50th Anniversary of India's Independence.

Composition

- Shri Indrajit Gupta,
Minister of Home Affairs.
- Shri S.R. Bommai,
Minister of Human Resource Development.
- Shri Mulayam Singh Yadav,
Minister of Defence.
- Shri P. Chidambaram,
Minister of Finance.
- Shri C.M. Ibrahim,
Minister of Civil Aviation.

Functions

To take all decisions on behalf of the Government in connection with the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of India's Independence including sanction of expenditure, posts, allotment of office accommodation, creation of other infrastructural facilities and all other matters to ensure an efficient and successful organisation of the celebrations.

9. Cabinet Committee on Security

- Prime Minister.
- Shri Indrajit Gupta,
Minister of Home Affairs.
- Shri Mulayam Singh Yadav,
Minister of Defence.
- Shri P. Chidambaram,
Minister of Finance.

Functions

To deal with defence-related issues as also any other economic or political matter impinging upon national security.