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Government of India
Ministry of Water Resources, River Development
and Ganga Rejuvenation
(EA & IC Desk)

1, B Wing, Shastri Bhawan,
Dr. RP Road, New Delhi-110001,
27th July 2017

ORDER

Subject: Visit of Indian delegation led by Dr. Amarjit Singh, Secretary (WR, RD & GR) to Washington, USA for Government level discussions with World Bank in respect of Kishenganga and Ratle Hydro-electric Projects during 30th July to 1st August 2017 (excluding travel time).

Sanction of the President is hereby accorded to the deputation of following officers as a part of Indian delegation for Government level discussions with World Bank in respect of Kishenganga and Ratle Hydro-electric Projects on 30th July to 1st August 2017 (excluding travel time) in connection with ongoing dispute between India and Pakistan on design of these projects:

- a) Dr. Amarjit Singh, Secretary (WR, RD & GR) – head of the delegation
- b) Dr Deepak Mittal, Joint Secretary (PAI), Ministry of External Affairs
- c) Dr V D Sharma, Joint Secretary (L&T), Ministry of External Affairs
- d) Shri PK Saxena, Commissioner (Indus), MoWR, RD & GR
- e) Shri Balraj Joshi, Director (Technical), National Hydroelectric Power Corporation Ltd.
- f) Shri Jaideep Singh Bawa, Chief Engineer, Central Electricity Authority
- g) Shri Saibal Ghosh, Director, Central Water Commission, MoWR, RD & GR

2. The above officers are sanctioned the following:-

- (i) **Air Passage:** As per entitlement (No booking in first class is allowed).
- (ii) **Daily Allowance:** US \$ 400 (@ US\$ 100 per day for 4 days) for each officer. Officers can draw the DA either in India or from Indian Mission in USA. In case, meals are included in hotel accommodation, the DA will be given at reduced rates as per Gol guidelines.
- (iii) **Conveyance:** Internal travel is to be arranged by Indian Mission/ Embassy in USA. If the Mission/ Embassy is unable to make arrangements, hiring of car is allowed for Secretary (WR, RD & GR) and other officers may avail taxi services for local official travel (reimbursable of receipts wherever available)
- (iv) **Hotel Accommodation:** As per entitlement, to be arranged by Indian Mission at USA.
- (v) **Airport tax/health insurance:** As per actual.
- (vi) **Mobile phone:** to be arranged by Indian Mission and raise bills as per MoF Circular No. 24(1)/E.Coord./2010 dated 21.7.2010.

3. The entire expenditure on the visit of above three officers from the MoWR, RD & GR, mentioned at Sl. No. a), d) and g), in para 1, above shall be charged on Ministry of Water Resources, RD & GR's Major Head 3451.00.090.16.01.12 FTE – Kishanganga for the year 2017-18. The expenditure in respect of officers mentioned at Sl. No. b), c), e) and f) in para 1 above will be borne by their respective Ministries.



4. The officers shall travel on diplomatic/ official passport. The period of absence from the post in India and grant of pay and allowances and counting of services for increment of above officers will be regulated in accordance with the provisions of Para 13-15 of the Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure O.M. No. 19036/7/75-E.IV (B) dated 5.8.1976.

5. The resignation or request for voluntary retirement from service while abroad will not be entertained under any circumstances. The officers will not stay abroad under any circumstances beyond the above-mentioned approved period without the prior sanction of Government of India.

6. The officers shall submit a report about his visit to Ministry of External Affairs (AMS Division and PAI Division) and Ministry of Water Resources (EA & IC Division) within one month of their return to India.

7. This issues with the approval of Screening Committee of Secretaries *vide* Ministry of Finance (Exp) ID Note No. 53301/E.Coord/2017 dated 27.07.2017 and with the concurrence of IFD of MoWR, RD& GR *vide* their Diary No. 92-IFD/2017 dated 27.07.2017.

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1. Controller of Accounts, Ministry of Water Resources, Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg, New Delhi-110001.
2. Pay and Accounts Officer, Ministry of Water Resources, 'C' Wing, Shastri Bhawan, Dr Rajendra Prasad Road, New Delhi-110001.
3. Indian Ambassador in Washington, USA (2107 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20008) with the request to arrange for DA (if not taken from India), hotel accommodation, SIM for mobile and local transport in USA for the officers from MoWR, RD&GR, and raise bills to PAO, MoWR, RD&GR, New Delhi.
4. Ministry of External Affairs [Kind attn: Vishwesh Negi, Director (PAI), PAI Division], 146E, South Block, New Delhi.
5. PPS to Secretary (WR, RD & GR)
6. Officers concerned.
7. Joint Secretary (Admn), MoWR, RD & GR.
8. Chairman, Central Water Commission, Sewa Bhawan, New Delhi
9. Cash Section, Ministry of Water Resources, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi (2 copies) with the request to release Daily Allowance of US\$400 in Indian currency to each officer from MoWR, RD& GR as per sanction order, if not being taken from Indian Embassy in USA.
10. Admn/Finance Desk/ Budget, MoWR, RD & GR, New Delhi.
11. NIC Cell/e-Gov. for uploading the Order on website of the Ministry.
12. ✓ Sanction folder.

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