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**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Subject : Financial and administrative reforms for efficient functioning and delivery of Science & Technology in India – relaxation from provisions of write off of losses in DFPR.

A meeting of Committee of Secretaries (CoS) was held on 26.5.2017 to discuss the note circulated by Min of Science & Technology relating to financial and administrative reforms for efficient functioning of S&T Departments.

2. Consequent to decision taken in the meeting of CoS relating to enhanced power for write off of losses for Scientific Departments, it has been decided that in relaxation of the existing limits in Schedule VII under Rule 13 of DFPR, 1978, the write off limits for the Scientific Departments are enhanced to Rs. 5 crore, as a special measure. The enhanced limit of Rs.5 crores is restricted to the following categories :-

(a) Irrecoverable losses of stores or of public money not due to theft, fraud or negligence.

(b) Deficiencies and depreciation in the value of stores (other than a motor vehicle or motor vehicle or motor cycle) included in the stock and other accounts.

3. Other conditions relating to write off of losses remain the same.

4. This issues with the approval of Finance Minister.

  
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