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राष्ट्रीय शैक्षिक अनुसंधान एवं प्रशिक्षण परिषद  
श्री अरविंद मार्ग, नई दिल्ली -110016  
(स्थापना समन्वय अनुभाग)

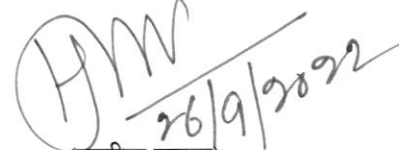
दिनांक : 26.09.2022

### परिपत्र

**विषय : Instructions on booking of Air Tickets on Government Account in respect of Leave Travel Concession (LTC) – regarding.**

उपरोक्त विषय पर Government of India, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Department of Personnel & Training, Establishment A-IV Desk, New Delhi की वेबसाइट से डाउनलोड किया गया कार्यालय ज्ञापन संख्या 31011/12/2022-Estt.A-IV दिनांक 29.08.2022 की प्रतिलिपि सूचना एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु ई-ऑफिस (KMS) एवं ई-मेल द्वारा परिचालित की जा रही है।

यह सक्षम अधिकारी के अनुमोदन से जारी किया जा रहा है।

  
(सुशील कुमार)  
अवर सचिव

### **संलग्नक: उपरोक्तनुसार**

1. संयुक्त निदेशक, सी.आई.ई.टी.।
2. संयुक्त निदेशक, पी.एस.एस.सी.आई.वी.ई., श्यामला हिल भोपाल।
3. डीन, अकादमिक एन.सी.ई.आर.टी.।
4. एन.आई.ई. के सभी विभागों के अध्यक्ष।
5. प्राचार्य, क्षेत्रीय शिक्षा संस्थान, अजमेर/भोपाल/भुवनेश्वर/मैसूर/शिलांग।
6. मुख्य लेखाधिकारी, एन.सी.ई.आर.टी.।
7. सभी उपसचिव/अवर सचिव, एन.सी.ई.आर.टी.।
8. एन.आई.ई. के सभी अनुभाग/प्रकोष्ठ।
9. प्रशासनिक अधिकारी, प्रकाशन विभाग, एन.सी.ई.आर.टी.।
10. निदेशक, एन.सी.ई.आर.टी. के निजी सचिव।
11. संयुक्त निदेशक, एन.सी.ई.आर.टी. के निजी सचिव।
12. सचिव, एन.सी.ई.आर.टी. के निजी सचिव।
13. विभागाध्यक्ष, डी.आई.सी.टी., सी.आई.ई.टी. – परिषद की वेबसाइट पर अपलोड करने हेतु।

**F. No. 31011/12/2022-Estt.A-IV**  
**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions**  
**Department of Personnel & Training**  
**Establishment A-IV Desk**

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North Block, New Delhi.  
Dated 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2022

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Instructions on booking of Air Tickets on Government Account in respect of Leave Travel Concession (LTC) – regarding.**

The undersigned is directed to refer to the above mentioned subject and to state that in view of the disinvestment of Air India and the consolidated instructions issued consequently by Department of Expenditure vide O.M. No. 19024/03/2021-E.IV dated 16.06.2022, which is also applicable in case of air journey in respect of LTC, it has been decided that:

- i. In all cases of air travel in respect of LTC, air tickets shall be purchased only from the three Authorized Travel Agents (ATAs), namely:
  - (a) M/s Balmer Lawrie & Company Limited (BLCL),
  - (b) M/s Ashok Travels & Tours (ATT),
  - (c) Indian Railways Catering and Tourism Corporation Ltd. (IRCTC).
- ii. The choice of the travel agent for booking of ticket from the three authorized travel agents is left open to the Ministry/Department and the official in case of self booking, based on convenience and service quality. No agency charges/convenience fees will be paid to these ATAs.
- iii. Government employees are to choose flight having the **Best Available Fare** on their entitled travel class which is the **Cheapest Fare** available, preferably for Non-stop flight in a given slot, mentioned below, at the time of booking. They are to retain the print-out of the concerned webpage of the ATAs having flight and fare details for the purpose of the settlement of the LTC claims.
  - (a) On the day of travel in the desired 3 hours' slot of following time band – 00:00 hours to 03:00 hours, 03:00 hours to 06:00 hours, 06:00 hours to 09:00 hours, 09:00 hours to 12:00 hours, 12:00 hours to 15:00 hours, 15:00 hours to 18:00 hours, 18:00 hours to 21:00 hours, 21:00 hours to 24:00 hours.
  - (b) With provision of optimizing within a 10% price band, for convenience and comfort.
- iv. Employees are encouraged to book flight tickets at least 21 days prior to the intended date of travel on LTC, to avail the most competitive fares and minimize burden on the exchequer.

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- v. Employees are also encouraged to avoid unnecessary cancellations. Cancellations made less than 24 hours before intended travel on LTC, will require the submission of a self-declared justification by the employee. All the three ATAs have been directed to provide zero/nil cancellation charges. Till then, cancellation charges are to be reimbursed for all cases where cancellation was due to the circumstances/reasons beyond the control of Government employee.
- vi. Employees should preferably book only one ticket for each leg of intended travel on LTC. Holding of more than one ticket is not allowed.
- vii. While tickets may be arranged by the office through the travel agent, employees are encouraged to make ticket booking digitally through the Self Booking Tool/online booking website/portal of these 3 ATAs only. Employees must register their official Government Email-Id with these three agencies to book their air tickets digitally through above modes for travel by any airlines.
- viii. In case of unavoidable circumstances, where the booking of ticket is done from unauthorized travel agent/website, the Financial Advisors of the Ministry/Department and Head of Department not below the rank of Joint Secretary in subordinate/attached offices are authorized to grant relaxation.
- ix. No Mileage Points will be generated against travel on Government account.

#### **Provisions for Advances**

- (i) Government employees entitled for air travel, may apply for LTC advance with the print-out of the concerned webpage of authorized travel agency having suitable flight and fare details while tracking the fare of the flight under the three hour time slot, as mentioned at Para 1(iii)(a) above, at least 30 days prior to the intended date of journey.
- (ii) Government employees not entitled for air travel and wish to travel by air but not under the Special Dispensation Scheme, may apply for LTC advance with reference to Rail/Bus fare.
- (iii) Those Government employees who are not entitled for air travel but who wish to travel by air under the Special Dispensation Scheme, may apply for LTC advance with reference to Rail/Bus fare from their Headquarters/place of posting up to Kolkata/Guwahati/Chennai/Visakhapatnam/Delhi/Amritsar plus air fare (indicated in print-out of the concerned webpage of authorized travel agency having suitable flight and fare details) from the relevant railhead in Kolkata/ Guwahati/ Chennai/ Visakhapatnam/ Delhi/ Amritsar till the place of visit in North East Region/Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir/Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar/Union Territory of Ladakh.

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