Circular No: C-03/2005(Pt)-MPLADS

Subject: Admissibility of laptop as an eligible item under MPLADS-reg

As per Para 3.30 of the extant Guidelines on MPLADS, purchase of computers is permissible for Government and Government-aided educational institutions. Representations have been received in this Ministry from several quarters for allowing purchase of laptops for Government and Government-aided educational institutions under MPLADS.

2. The matter has been examined by the Ministry. In view of the increasing emphasis on usage of laptop in promoting digital education, it has been decided to include laptop as an eligible item for Government and Government-aided educational institutions under MPLADS.

3. Para 3.30 of the MPLADS Guidelines may henceforth be read as follows: “Purchase of computers (including laptops) is permissible for Government and Government-aided educational institutions”.

4. In addition to the detailed provision provided in Para 4 of Annexure-II A of the MPLADS Guidelines, following conditions are also to be fulfilled for permissibility of laptops for Government and Government-aided educational institutions, which is incorporated as Para 4.1 of Annexure-II A.

(i) User agency shall provide exclusive space for installation of the laptops and District Authority shall sanction the project only after provisioning of such space by the user agency.

(ii) Prior to sanction, District Authority shall obtain an undertaking from user agency that the laptops shall be utilized solely for the purpose of imparting education.

(iii) District Authority shall exercise due supervision and monitoring at regular intervals to ensure that laptops are not used as private / individual possessions.
(iv) Once the laptops are installed in the earmarked space, User Agency shall furnish a certificate to the effect that the laptops are being utilized only within the premises of the institution with the sole objective of imparting education and are being maintained in working condition, on yearly basis for a period of at least five years or more, as the District Authority may deem appropriate.

5. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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To

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2. The Commissioners, Corporations of Kolkata / Chennai / Delhi
3. All District Collectors / District Magistrates / Deputy Commissioners

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