# GUIDELINES FOR RELAXATION TO TRAVEL BY AIRLINES OTHER THAN AIR INDIA

- 1. A Permission Cell has been constituted in the Ministry of Civil Aviation to process the requests for seeking relaxation to travel by airlines other than Air India.
- 2. The Cell is functioning under the control of Shri B.S. Bhullar, Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Civil Aviation. (Telephone No. 011-24616303). In case of any clarification pertaining to air travel by airlines other than Air India, the following officers may be contacted:

Shri M.P. Rastogi Ministry of Civil Aviation Rajiv Gandhi Bhavan Safdarjung Airport New Delhi – 110 003. Shri Dinesh Kumar Sharma Ministry of Civil Aviation Rajiv Gandhi Bhavan Safdarjung Airport New Delhi – 110 003.

Telephone No : 011-24632950 Extn : 2873

Address : Ministry of Civil Aviation, Rajiv

Gandhi Bhavan, Safdarjung Airport,

New Delhi – 110 003.

- **3.** Request for seeking relaxation is required to be submitted in the Proforma (Annexure-I) to be downloaded from the website, duly filled in, scanned and mailed to permissioncell.moca@nic.in.
- **4.** Request for exemption should be made at least one week in advance from date of travel to allow the Cell sufficient time to take action for convenience of the officers.
- 5. Sectors on which General/blanket relaxation has been accorded are available at **Annexure-II**, **III & IV**. There is no requirement to seek relaxation forthese sectors.
- Those seeking relaxation on ground of Non-Availability of Seats (NAS) must enclose NAS Certificate issued by authorized travel agents M/s BalmerLawrie& Co., Ashok Travels& Tours and IRCTC (to the extent IRCTC is authorized as per DoP&T OM No. 31011/6/2002-Estt.(A) dated 2.12.2009) /a copy of the sector specific snapshot of Air India website i.e. www.airindia.in.

- 7. The Non-availability of seats certificate to be provided should be as per the journey to be performed e.g. for the journey from Dibrugarh to Delhi, the non-availability of seat certificate should be for Dibrugarh-Kolkata and Kolkata-Delhi route separately and not for Dibrugarh-Delhi route.
- 8. Those seeking post facto approval on ground of **Non availability of seats certificate** must enclose the documentary evidence as mentioned above and a copy of ticket purchased for the journey by private airline.
- **9.** As per Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure OM No. 19024/1/2009-E.IV dated 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2009 for sectors which are not connected directly by any of the airlines, an employee must travel by Air India upto the nearest hub. Relaxation will be granted for the remaining segment.
- 10. Relaxation to travel by airlines other than Air India while availing LTC will be granted only in exceptional circumstances. Non availability of AI flight/seats on a particular day/time would not be considered as a valid ground for seeking relaxation.
- 11. Availability of lower fare is no criteria for seeking relaxation.
- **12.** Those seeking relaxation on the ground of attending meeting at a particular time, must attach meeting notice and approved tour programme.
- 13. For foreign travel cases, where full or partial grants are received, journey has to be performed on Air India upto the place upto which Air India is available and seek relaxation for the remaining sector. On international routes where Air India has code-share partner, the same must be utilised.
- **14.** For invitees from abroad travelling on Government of India funding, efforts should be made to book them on Air India and Air India code share flights to the extent possible.
- **15.** Cases involving fixed amount of reimbursement like sea passage fare rail-fare etc. for officials non-entitled to travel by air, need not be referred to Ministry of Civil Aviation.
- **16.** Non-receipt of approval by the stipulated date does not entitle one to claim relaxation as a matter of right.

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# PROFORMA FOR SEEKING RELAXATION FOR TRAVEL BY OTHER AIRLINES

1. Name with designation :

2. E-mail address :

3. Mobile/telephone/fax no. :

4. Ministry/ Department along with address :

5. Whether on duty or for LTC purpose :

6. Details of family members in case of LTC :

7. Complete sector for which travel is intended Including the sector(s) for which relaxation is Required

| Sector*  | Date | From | То | Flight No.   |
|----------|------|------|----|--------------|
|          |      |      |    | Dep.<br>Arr. |
|          |      |      |    | Arr.         |
| Sector 1 |      |      |    |              |
| Sector 2 |      |      |    |              |
| Sector 3 |      |      |    |              |

<sup>\*</sup> Sector(s) for which relaxation is required may be indicated by (#) mark.

8. Detailed reason(s) for not utilising Air India services:

9. Attach Non -Availability of Seat Certificate in case relaxation is required due to non-availability of seat(s) in the Air India flight(s)

Signature

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(Name & Designation)

### **Annexure-II**

| Sl. No. | Sectors                              |  |
|---------|--------------------------------------|--|
| 01      | Ahmedabad – Pune- Ahmedabad          |  |
| 02      | Ahmedabad- Jaipur- Ahmedabad         |  |
| 03      | Ahmedabad- Indore- Ahmedabad         |  |
| 04      | Bangalore-Coimbatore- Bangalore      |  |
| 05      | Bangalore- Vishakhapatnam –Bangalore |  |
| 06      | Chennai-Coimbatore- Chennai          |  |
| 07      | Chennai-Tuticorin-Chennai            |  |
| 08      | Chandigarh- Srinagar-Chandigarh      |  |
| 09      | Guwahati - Dibrugarh- Guwahati       |  |
| 10      | Guwahati –Bagdogra- Guwahati         |  |
| 11      | Hyderabad-Bhubaneswar- Hyderabad     |  |
| 12      | Hyderabad- Bhopal- Hyderabad         |  |
| 13      | Hyderabad-Cochin- Hyderabad          |  |
| 14      | Hyderabad-Coimbatore- Hyderabad      |  |
| 15      | Hyderabad-Nagpur- Hyderabad          |  |
| 16      | Hyderabad- Rajamundry- Hyderabad     |  |
| 17      | Hyderabad- Raipur- Hyderabad         |  |
| 18      | Hubli- Bangalore- Hubli              |  |
| 19      | Jaipur-Jammu- Jaipur                 |  |
| 20      | Jaipur-Hyderabad-Jaipur              |  |
| 21      | Kolkata- Raipur- Kolkata             |  |
| 22      | Kolkata-Visakhapatnam-Kolkata        |  |
| 23      | Lucknow- Patna- Lucknow              |  |
| 24      | Lucknow-Kolkata-Lucknow              |  |
| 25      | Mumbai- Bhuj- Mumbai                 |  |
| 26      | Mumbai-Diu- Mumbai                   |  |
| 27      | Mumbai-Nanded- Mumbai                |  |
| 28      | Mumbai-Porbandar- Mumbai             |  |
| 29      | Mumbai- Jabalpur- Mumbai             |  |
| 30      | Mumbai-Pune- Mumbai                  |  |
| 31      | Mumbai – Vadodara- Mumbai            |  |
| 32      | Nagpur-Kolkata- Nagpur               |  |
| 33      | Nagpur-Hyderabad- Nagpur             |  |
| 34      | Nagpur-Pune- Nagpur                  |  |
| 35      | Nagpur-Bangalore- Nagpur             |  |
| 36      | Nagpur-Indore- Nagpur                |  |
| 37      | Varanasi-Kolkata-Varanasi            |  |

### Annexure -III

| S.No. | Sectors                         |
|-------|---------------------------------|
| 1     | Agartala-Guwahati-Agartala      |
| 2     | Amritsar-Srinagar-Amritsar      |
| 3     | Bhopal-Raipur-Bhopal            |
| 4     | Bangalore-Tuticorin-Bangalore   |
| 5     | Bangalore-Raipur-Bangalore      |
| 6     | Bangalore-Pondicherry-Bangalore |
| 7     | Bangalore-Belgaum-Bangalore     |
| 8     | Chennai-Kozhikode-Chennai       |
| 9     | Chennai-Rajamundry-Chennai      |
| 10    | Chennai-Tiruchirapali-Chennai   |
| 11    | Chennai-Vishakhapatnam-Chennai  |
| 12    | Delhi-Gorakhpur-Delhi           |
| 13    | Guwahati-Aizawl-Guwahati        |
| 14    | Hyderabad-Indore-Hyderabad      |
| 15    | Hyderabad-Pondicherry-Hyderabad |
| 16    | Indore-Nagpur-Indore            |
| 17    | Indore-Bangalore-Indore         |
| 18    | Jorhat-Guwahati-Jorhat          |
| 19    | Jorhat-Kolkata-Jorhat           |
| 20    | Mumbai-Hubli-Mumbai             |
| 21    | Mumbai-Surat-Mumbai             |
| 22    | Mumbai-Belgaum-Mumbai           |
| 23    | Mumbai-Bhavnagar-Mumbai         |
| 24    | Patna-Ranchi-Patna              |
| 25    | Varanasi-Kolkata-Varanasi       |
| 26    | Varanasi-Lucknow-Varanasi       |

### Annexure –IV

| S.No. | Sectors                                |
|-------|--|
| 1     | Bhopal-Jabalpur-Bhopal                 |
| 2     | Bhubaneswar-Kolkata-Bhubaneswar        |
| 3     | Bhubaneswar-Visakhapatnam-Bhubaneswar  |
| 4     | Calicut-Bangalore-Calicut              |
| 5     | Chennai-Belgaum-Chennai                |
| 6     | Chennai-Bhubaneswar-Chennai            |
| 7     | Chennai-Pune-Chennai                   |
| 8     | Guwahati-Jaipur-Guwahati               |
| 9     | Guwahati-Silchar-Guwahati              |
| 10    | Kolkata-Patna-Kolkata                  |
| 11    | Kolkata-Ranchi-Kolkata                 |
| 12    | Pune-Indore-Pune                       |
| 13    | Pune-Kochi-Pune                        |
| 14    | Mumbai-Hubli-Mumbai                    |
| 15    | Visakhapatnam-Vijayawada-Visakhapatnam |