OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Eleventh Five Year (2007-2012) – Setting up of a Steering Committee on the ‘Empowerment of SCs, OBCs and Minorities’.

In the context of the formulation of the Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-2012), it has been decided to set up a Steering Committee on the ‘Empowerment of SCs, OBCs and Minorities’ with the following composition:

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**Member-Secretary**
The Terms of Reference of the Steering Committee will be as follows:

i) to review the existing approaches, strategies, priorities and the on-going policies and programmes for empowering SCs, OBCs and Minorities in the Tenth Five Year Plan; and explore alternative strategies, priorities, policies and programmes to accelerate the empowering process.

ii) To assess the effectiveness of implementation of 'Special Component Plan' (SCP) for SCs and suggest specific measures and mechanisms to ensure 'SC population – proportionate' funds are flown and utilised from other development sectors both at the Central and State levels and effective integration of Special Central Assistance (SCA) to SCP.

iii) To assess the impact of the on-going economic reforms and progressive/liberalization of economy on the socio-economic conditions of SCs, OBCs and the Minorities, especially focusing their economy and suggest effective strategies to cope up with the situation.

iv) To review the effectiveness of the existing legislation relating to SCs, OBCs & Minorities and their enforcement and suggest corrective measures, where necessary;

v) To review the effectiveness of the existing Institutional Arrangements for implementation of policies and programme relating to welfare, protection and development of SCs, OBCs and the Minorities and suggest improvements, if necessary;

vi) To assess the role of NGOs and the status of devolution of powers and resources to Panchayti Raj and Local Self-Government Bodies as per the 73rd and 74th Constitutional Amendments and suggest specific measures for their effective involvement in the planning process;

vii) To ensure and enhance the empowerment of the SCs, OBCs and the Minorities as envisaged in NCMP (National Common Minimum Programme) while considering the above MTAs (Mid-Term Appraisal) Major recommendations may also be kept in view; and

viii) To suggest an approach and necessary strategies, priorities, policies and programmes along with physical and financial targets in pursuing the commitment of Empowering the Socially Disadvantaged Groups (SCs, OBCs and Minorities) during the Tenth Five Year Plan;

3. The Chairman of the Steering Committee, if necessary, may constitute Sub-Groups on any specific area/problem and also co-opt additional Members.

5. The expenditure on TA/DA in connection with the meetings of the Steering Committee will be borne by the parent Department/Ministry Organization to which the officers belong. Non-official members will be entitled to TA/DA as admissible to Grade-I Officers of the Government of India and this will be paid by the Planning Commission.

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Chairman and all the Members of the Steering Committee

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3. PS to Secretary
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