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**Subject: Proposed Visit of Secretary (DIPP) to Taipei**

Dear Mr. Misra,

This is with reference to your email message dated December 4, 2009 confirming the visit of Secretary (DIPP) to Taipei from December 14-15, 2009.

In this connection, I am directed to say that while we are delighted to know of this visit and would be happy to assist in making all necessary logistical and other arrangements for a fruitful visit, we would request you to urgently furnish us the following information:

- > **Confirmed List of Delegation Members** (with full company profiles and areas of interest in case of business visitors)
- > **Detailed Arrival/ Departure schedule**
- > **Food Preferences of the Delegation**

Since the time available before this visit is extremely limited, we are going ahead and tentatively blocking 1 Suite for Secretary (DIPP) and 9 other standard rooms in Taipei. Confirmed bookings would be made after receipt of final list of delegation. I would like to point out that since this is a busy season in Taipei, rooms can only be kept for 24 hours and if not confirmed by then, they would get cancelled.

Please do note that owing to the special nature of this office, while we would be happy to make all arrangements for the delegation including logistics, there is no provision in ITA for meeting expenditure related to the visit of delegations and raising debits to departments/ institutions in India subsequently. As such, adequate funds for the estimated expenditure would have to be brought by the delegation for settling all payments, including accomodation and transportation.

**Estimated expenditure** for the visit is given below:

**Accommodation:**

1 Suite x 3 Nights = US\$ 620/-

9 Standard Rooms x 3 Nights: 3925/-

**Transportation:**

1 Car (Airport Pick-up &amp; Drop, 2 days within City plus trip to Hsinchu) = 650/-

1 Coaster (as above) = 1200/-

**Entertainment Allowance** for Secretary (DIPP): As appropriate**Miscellaneous Expenditure** for Official Telephone calls etc: 10% of Room rate**Gifts:**

1 Minister level; 2 Vice Minister level; 3 JS level and 10 pool gifts may be brought. Marble Inlay work, Silver Minakari and Sandalwood Carvings are appreciated here.

The normal travel route to Taipei is via Bangkok. In case any other route is being booked, East Asia division in MEA may please be consulted.

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In addition, standard guidelines for visit of officials to Taipei are available with East Asia division of MEA and may kindly be obtained from there. Please do note that **all officials have to travel to Taipei only on normal (blue) passports** and necessary visas (on blue passports) would have to be obtained from TECC, New Delhi.

In terms of the proposed itinerary and topics of discussions annexed with your email message, Director General, ITA Mr. Rawat had met Secretary (DIPP) in New Delhi last Friday and briefed him on the issues likely to be raised by the Taiwanese side. In his meeting with Secretary (DIPP), DG, ITA had also suggested that DIPP may wish to convene an inter-ministerial meeting before departure. He also suggested that a meeting may also be arranged with the East Asia division in MEA to discuss our responses to the various issues proposed to be raised by the Taiwanese side. **ITA's detailed background note with suggested responses to the various issues is already available with EAD.**

You would, I am sure, appreciate that the Taiwanese side looks at this visit with great importance and expectations. As such, in case we are able to optically show some forward movement on at least a couple of issues: ATA Carnet and Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement, it would be of great help and be well appreciated here [Note: DG, ITA had briefed Secretary (DIPP) on possible course of action].

Regarding the investment seminar proposed by you, as suggested by DG, ITA to Secretary (DIPP), it would be useful if representatives from state governments like Gujarat and Andhra Pradesh could accompany this delegation. The State representatives should carry with them some 'ready-to-cook' investment projects in addition to other publicity material which could be showcased during the seminar.

In addition, Secretary (DIPP) and other members of the delegation are expected to face extensive questions with regard to our visa regime, as was explained by DG, ITA. It is recommended that we come prepared to answer these queries in a way that restores investor confidence and mitigates their apprehensions.

As regards the company visits proposed by TECC, while they look alright, we would be able to revert to you with more details only after consulting local hosts.

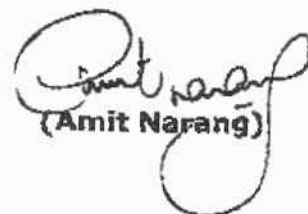
You would understand that due to the severe paucity of time, some elements of the program may be confirmed only closer to the date.

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I look forward to hearing from you urgently.

With my best wishes,

*with regards,*

  
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