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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Withdrawal of guidelines issued by the Ministry of Tourism, Govt. of India vide communication no. 7-TT.II (07)/2000-GD-Vol.II dated: 22nd September 2011 pertaining to the selection and grant of guide license to 'Regional Level Tourist Guides (RLG) - 2011'.

The undersigned is directed to refer the matter regarding guidelines issued by the Ministry of Tourism, Govt. of India vide communication no. 7-TT.II (07)/2000-GD-Vol.II dated: 22nd September 2011 pertaining to the selection and grant of guide license to 'Regional Level Tourist Guides (RLG) - 2011' whereby a detailed procedure was laid down by the Ministry of Tourism, Govt. of India for the induction of Regional Level Guides and issuance of Regional Level Guide licenses.

2. The matter has been reconsidered and reviewed at various forums, and it has now been decided that guidelines issued by the Ministry vide communication no. 7-TT.II (07)/2000-GD-Vol.I dated: 22nd September 2011 pertaining to the selection and grant of guide license to 'Regional Level Tourist Guides (RLG) - 2011' stands withdrawn with the following provisions:

- a. Henceforth, Ministry of Tourism, Govt. of India will not induct any fresh Regional Level Guides or Issue fresh Regional Level Guide Licenses.
- b. The existing valid Regional Level Guide License issued by the Ministry of Tourism, Govt. of India will be valid up till 31st March, 2021 only.
- c. The existing valid Regional Level Guide License holders will have to undergo the IITF Refresher Course before 31st March, 2021 in order to get IITF Advanced Category (Heritage) certificate, which would enable them to continue guiding at ASI Protected Monuments and Heritage Sites.

This issues with the approval of competent authority.


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To all Regional Level Guides Associations