

**O.M.No.12024/25/96.O.L. (Imp-2), dated 1996**

**Subject:**— Provision of telephone facility for the member secretaries of Town Official Language Implementation Committees.

The Town Official Language Implementation Committees are constituted to encourage and promote the progressive use of Hindi in the offices, undertakings and banks of central government throughout the country. At present 165 such committees are functioning in different cities over the country.

These committees are headed by one of the senior most officer of central government in the town while the member secretaries of committees are often senior Hindi officers/Hindi officers and the officers concerned with the official language. It has been brought to the notice of the Department of Official Language, Ministry of Home Affairs that the member secretaries are often deprived of the telephone facilities. There is a tremendous increase in the work load of a Hindi Officer acting as Member-Secretary, because he had to be in constant touch with the different offices situated in the town, Regional Implementation Offices of the Department of Official Language and the Department of Official Language (Headquarter) New Delhi, regarding the organizing of meetings of committees. Therefore, it is imperative that they should be provided direct dialing facility and if feasible, telephone facility should be provided at their residences also. In this connection, the reference of office memorandum No.19/10/84-O.L.dated 21.11.1994, is brought to the notice of the Ministries/Departments in which a request was made to provide telephone facility to senior Hindi officers/Hindi officers. It is again requested that the Ministries/Departments should send a kind thought on providing the telephone facility to the member-secretaries/senior Hindi officers/Hindi officers of the Town Official Language Implementation Committees. It is also requested that the directives of this office memorandum may be brought to the notice of the all Attached/Subordinate offices/Undertakings/Banks etc.