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Government of India  
Ministry of Home Affairs  
(IS Division)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM


**Sub: Hosting of Government related websites on private servers.**

The undersigned is directed to state that this Ministry has issued guidelines from time to time requesting various Ministries/Departments not to host their websites in the servers of private companies or in servers not located in India. The Ministries/Departments were also requested to host their websites on NIC or ERNET or in any other server owned by the Government of India or the State Government.

2. The above issue has been examined in the light of guidelines issued by the CERT-In of the Department of Information Technology which are available on their website [www.cert-in.org.in/knowledgebase/guidelines/CISF-20024.04.pdf](http://www.cert-in.org.in/knowledgebase/guidelines/CISF-20024.04.pdf).

3. It has now been decided that the various Ministries/Departments may host their servers with a third party organization provided the hosting servers are located in India and the guidelines issued by the CERT-In are strictly followed. It is, however, clarified that CERT-In guidelines do not permit "Third Party hosting" in the servers located outside India.

4. Subordinate Offices and Public Sector Undertakings under the various Ministries/Departments may also be advised on the above lines.

  
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