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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF MINES

No. 8/1/2010-MI

New Delhi, the 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2010

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**Subject: QPR meeting for the quarter ending 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2009- GSI meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2010 – regd.**

The undersigned is directed to refer to your letter no. /1/1-2/Diss & PP/46F/2010 dated 09.03.2010 regarding action taken by GSI with reference to para 5 (Free data policy) of the minutes of the above mentioned QPR meeting.

2. As GSI is aware, the matter regarding publication and access of Reports/Maps/Data available with GSI had been under consideration of the Government and guidelines for dissemination/pricing policy of published/unpublished report/map data products of GSI were issued vide letter dated 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2009.

3. It has rightly been mentioned in above said letter that as per policy dated 5.6.09, GSI reports under demand by MECL are categorized as 'limited circulation reports' and its hard copy was to be made available for sale under the existing pricing policy.

4. The matter was, however, reconsidered in the QPR meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2010 and it has been decided that GSI will give hard copy of all the non-restricted and non-sponsored data at the reprographic reproduction costs/stationary costs in case it is not a printed document. All these reports will be made available free of cost in the GSI portal as and when uploaded to be disseminated.

5. The policy issued on 5.6.2009 thus stands revised to this extent on 'limited circulation reports' with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2010.

6. This issues with the approval of competent authority.

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31/3/2010  
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Director General of GSI  
Dir. No. 10542  
Dated 9/4/2010

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