## **TRAVEL POLICY**

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### 1. Purpose

To regulate travel of employees on official work / business and also to ensure travel of employees is effectively managed.

## 2. Scope

All Sahayog employees - confirmed and on probation.

### 3. Features

- 3.1 Prior authorization from **immediate reporting manager** is necessary for the travel to be considered official in nature.
- 3.2 Travel Desk (if any) at Head Office and or Regional Office is authorized to handle consolidated travel operations viz. ticketing, guest relations, hotel bookings and cab bookings (as per the eligibility), in case if employee is travel to Head Office and on case to case basis. Travel to other locations, employee can request to Travel Desk or individual can handle travel booking as per the eligibility.
- 3.3 Reimbursement of expenses with respect to tickets, hotel bookings etc. are not allowed in situations where such facilities have been booked by the Travel Desk or admin team at HO / RO.
- 3.4 All domestic Air travel (as per the eligibility) shall be economy class for employees preapproved for travel by air. Air travel should compulsorily be on lowest fare. Any deviation to this need to be approved by the Head HR in consultation with CEO.

## 3.5 Mode of Travel - Outstation

Table no. 1

Level	Distance	Mode of Travel	Class
CMT Member		Air	
GM	> 500 KMs	Air	Economy Class
DGM ZBH AZBH	< 500 KMs	Train / Bus / Taxi	AC – II tier AC – III tier AC – Bus
SRM	> 1000 KMs	Train	AC – II tier AC – III tier
RM ARM AZM	< 1000 KMs	Train / Bus	AC – II tier AC – III tier AC – Bus
	< 100 KMs	Bus / Taxi	AC - Bus
Area Manager Dist. Head Managers (Support function) BM/Branch Incharge SM	< 1000 KMs	Train / Bus	AC – II tier AC – III tier AC – Bus
	> 1000 KMs	Train	AC - III tier
Asst. Manager, Executive, Sr. Executive	400 - 1000 KMs	Train	AC - III tier
(Support Function)	< 400 KMs	Train	Sleeper
(Support Function)	< 400 KIVIS	Bus	AC - Bus
ABM, TL		Train	Sleeper
ADIVI, IL		Bus	Non - AC
BO, BDO, BDE, RO, RE, FO		Train	Sleeper
50, 550, 55E, NO, NE, TO		Bus	Non - AC

<sup>\*</sup> The mentioned mode of Travel is at higher side, however employee can choose any mode lower to this.

<sup>\*</sup> SRM, RM, ARM & AZM can travel by Air with an exceptional approval from HOD in consultation with CEO.

## 3.6 Mode of Local Travel

3.6.1 Employees traveling on official work within the city are entitled to reimbursement of expenses incurred on local conveyance according to their entitlement as per **Table 2**. This must be accorded approval by the respective reporting manager.

Table no. 2 – Local Conveyance

Level	Mode of Travel	Remarks	
CMT Member	Car / Cab		
GM			
DGM	Car / Taxi / Cab		
ZBH AZBH			
SRM		Employee using personal / rental car - expenses	
RM		will be reimburse @ 10 / Km Max cap is 1000	
ARM	Any Public Transport /	km SRM – RM & SM max cap 1500 kms	
AZM	Taxi / Cab / Car		
DM/DH	Tuki / Cub / Cui		
Area Manager			
SM			
Manager – Support	Auto / Public Transport/		
function	Bike	Cab / Taxi in exceptional cases and on prior	
Support Function -		approval, Bike @ 4 Rs Max cap is 1000 km /	
Executive	Auto / Public Transport/	month	
Sr. Executive	Bike		
Asst. Manager			
ABM, BM, TL	Auto / Public Transport/	BM / Branch Incharge – Cab / Taxi in	
ADIVI, DIVI, IL	Bike	exceptional cases on prior approval, Bike @ 4 Rs Max cap is 1000 km / month	
BO, BDO, BDE, RO, RE, FO	Auto / Public Transport/ Bike	Bike @ 4 Rs Max cap is 1000 km / month	

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## 3.7 Lodging and Boarding entitlements:

# **3.7.1 Lodging:**

- 3.7.1.1 Employees are eligible to stay in hotels subject to the following limits on the tariff. The tariffs are exclusive of taxes.
- 3.7.1.2 Employees travelling together are advised to avail lodging on a twin sharing basis.

**Table 3 - Lodging Limits** 

	Category of Cities		
Level	A Class City	B Class City	C Class City
CMT Member			
GM DGM	At an Actual		
ZBH AZBH	4000	3500	3000
SRM RM ARM AZM	3700	3000	2500
Area Manager DH Manager of Support function SM	3000	2500	2000
Support Function - Executive Sr. Executive Asst. Manager	2000	1800	1500
ABM, BM, TL	1500	1200	1000
BO, BDO, BDE, RO, RE, FO	1200	1000	800

# 3.7.2 Boarding:

- 3.7.2.1 Employees are eligible for the following allowances to cover expenses incurred on food when on official travel. Boarding allowance is to be claimed during travel/stay based on the destination city.
- 3.7.2.2 Boarding/Daily Allowance (DA) shall be admissible to employees to cover expenses incurred on food when on official travel when the employee travels out of his/her base office (assigned location) to another office located in another village/town/city which is outside the Municipal limits of the base office.

- 3.7.2.3 Employee is not eligible to claim Boarding / DA of the base office.
- 3.7.2.4 During the official travel / visit, if food is arraigned by the company then employee is not entitled to claim Boarding Allowances / DA.
- 3.7.2.5 Employees can claim full day's DA only if they work for more than 8 hours in a day. If less than 8 hours will be eligible to claim half day's DA. Hours will be calculated from start point (destination city / home) and will be closed when employee returned to home.
- 3.7.2.4 Employees can claim boarding allowance during official travel/stay depending upon their destination city.

**Table 4: Boarding Limits** 

	Category of Cities		
Level	A Class City	B Class City	C Class City
CMT Member			
GM DGM	At an Actual		
ZBH AZBH	700	650	600
SRM RM ARM AZM	650	650	600
Area Manager DH Manager of Support function SM	650	650	600
Support Function – Executive Sr. Executive Asst. Manager	450	400	400
ABM, BM, TL	400	350	350
BO, BDO, BDE, RO, RE, FO	350	300	250

<sup>\*</sup> Employee claiming Boarding Allowances / DA, need not require to attach any food bills.

# 3.8 Halting:

- 3.8.1 Halting allowance is paid to those employees who do not wish to stay in a hotel and intend to make their own arrangements.
- 3.8.2 Halting allowance is permissible in the absence of lodging and boarding as per the limits given in the table below.

**Table 5: Halting Limits** 

Level	Category of Cities		
Level	A Class City	B Class City	C Class City
CMT Member	Not Applicable		
GM DGM			
ZBH AZBH	700	650	600
SRM RM ARM AZM	600	550	500
Area Manager DH Manager of Support function SM	500	450	400
Support Function - Executive, Sr. Executive, Asst. Manager	350	300	250
ABM, BM, TL	250	225	200
BO, BDO, BDE, RO, RE, FO	250	200	150

<sup>\*</sup> Employee claiming Halting Allowances need not require to attach any bills.

Category of Cities		
A class cities	All Metro Cities - Mumbai, Delhi, Chennai, Kolkata, Pune & Hyderabad	
B class cities	lass cities Nagpur, Amravati, Aurangabad, Nashik, Kolhapur, Solapur & Gondia being HO	
C class cities	All Cities other than A & B class	

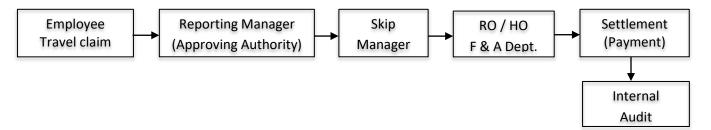
### 3.9 Travel Advance:

- 3.9.1 Employees up to the level of executive alone are eligible to avail travel advance as an exception for traveling other than base office. The approving authority i.e the concerned reporting manager has to approve such advance in writing. Other than executive level, can take advance in exception cases with prior approval from HOD and CFO.
- 3.10.2 Travel advance should be applied for at least two working days prior to the date of travel.

### 3.10 Settlement of Travel Advance

- 3.11.1 All employees are required to submit a Travel Expense Statement and a tour report to the Reporting Manager for approval within 5 days of his/her return from the tour. Reimbursements which the employees are eligible for will have to be approved by the Reporting Manager. Reimbursements should be supplemented with original bills wherever required.
- 3.11.2 No second advance will be given unless the first advance taken is settled.

## **3.11 Flow Diagram for the settlement of Travel Claims:**



\* Approval Matrix in details is mentioned in TA process (attached with this mail)

### 3.12 Deviation Matrix

3.13.1 Any deviation to the Travel Policy has to be approved by the Head – HR in consultation with CEO. The deviations shall be approved over **e-mails only**, and the same is required to be attached with the hard copies while claiming the travel expenses.