

**Government of India (Bharat Sarkar)**  
**Ministry of Railways (Rail Mantralaya)**  
**(Railway Board)**

No.2001/Tele/MW/7/C

New Delhi dated 6.05.2004.

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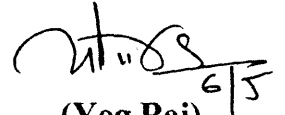
**Sub: Codal Life of Telecom. and IT Equipments**

The matter of laying down expected Standard Life of various Telecom and IT office equipment was under consideration of Board for quite some time. It has been decided that expected Standard Life of these equipment would be as under:

<u>S.No.</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Life-Span</u>
<b>Telecom Equipment</b>		
1.	Walkie-Talkie Sets	7 years
2.	Mobile /Cellular Phones	7 years
3.	Fax Machines	10 years
<b>IT Equipment</b>		
1.	Service PCs, thin clients, terminals	5 years
2.	Laptop computers and handheld devices	5 years
3.	Heavy duty printers	5 years
4.	Office printers	3 years
5.	Intensively used terminals, keyboards and other interface devices	3 years
6.	Power supply equipment (UPS systems)	5 years
7.	Network active devices (switches, routers, modems)	5 years
8.	Network passive devices	10 years
9.	Large power supply equipment	10 years

2. The expected standard life of these assets as set out above is intended to serve as a broad guideline and decision about replacement of the assets shall continue to be governed by the twin criteria of age-cum-condition.
3. The formula for recovery in case of loss is enclosed at Annexure – I and would apply prospectively.
4. This issues with concurrence of Finance & C&IS Directorates of Ministry of Railways.

**DA/- As above**

  
(Yog Raj)  
Director/Tele

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**For Financial Commissioner/Railways.**

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**FORMULA FOR RECOVERY IN CASE OF LOSS OF EQUIPMENT**

- 1) The stipulated standard life shall also be used for purposes of calculating the recoverable amount in case of loss/theft of equipment issued to officers for use outside office premises. The recovery should either be at the depreciated cost or the replacement cost of same/similar but not inferior item, whichever is lower.
- 2) For working out the depreciated cost residual value at the end of economic life of the asset may be taken as 25% and the remaining value be depreciated on straight line method, keeping in view the standard life of the asset.
- 3) It would be obligatory for the officer to lodge an FIR for the loss/theft of the item.

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