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To
Additional Chief Secretary /Principal Secretary / Secretary
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Sub: Recruitment of Government personnel for regional and field offices through the Public Service Commission.

Sir/Madam

I may inform you that the Cabinet, in its meeting held on September 25, 2008 has decided to make direct recruitment of personnel against all categories of posts in Government establishments at regional and field levels through the Public Service Commission. The Commission had earlier intimated its consent to take up this responsibility.

Pursuant to the aforesaid decision steps are being taken to amend the relevant Rules & Regulations in consultation with the PSC. I have been directed to inform you that it will be the responsibility of the Public Service Commission to conduct the recruitment process henceforth for all those posts/vacancies for which the Departments have not initiated specific steps in terms of calling up of names from the Employment Exchanges or advertising the vacancies in the newspapers as on September 25, 2008.

The upper age limit for recruitment for all such erstwhile non-PSC Gr. B, C and D posts shall continue to be 37 years with usual extension of the age limit for SC/ST etc.

These erstwhile non-PSC posts will continue to be governed by the provisions of economy circular in terms of which approval of the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet is required to fill up any such post, which has remained vacant for more than one year.

The provision of 30% reservation for the "Exempted Categories" for erstwhile non-PSC posts shall also remain in force as well as the provision for absorption of Attendants of the Ministers.

It has been decided in consultation with the PSC that the Commission shall hold a special Clerkship Examination this year for recruitment of LDAs/L. D. Clerks & similar categories of clerical personnel for filling up of vacancies of regional and field offices, which were cleared by the ACC but for which the recruitment process was not initiated as on September 25, 2008. For this purpose you are requested to send to the Finance Department by October 31, 2008 a comprehensive position of such vacancies of LDC posts for all regional and field offices under the administrative control of your Department. This should show office-wise and category wise (i.e. SC/ST/OBC etc.) vacancies, cleared by ACC, setting apart 30% exempted category vacancies. This may please be treated as most urgent.

You are also requested to please send to us by October 31, 2008 copies of all Recruitment Rules for various categories of non-PSC posts attached to regional and field offices under your Department for examination by the PSC. This should come in a lot from your office.

Yours faithfully

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