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Government of India
Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions
(Department of Personnel & Training)

North Block, New Delhi,
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:-Discontinuation of interviews for various junior level posts in the Government of India- recommendation of Committee of Secretaries (CoS).

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Departments D.O. letter of even No. dated 4.09.2015 whereby it was requested that an exercise for identifying lower level posts in your Ministry/Department for which interviews could be dispensed with should be undertaken.

2. In this connection it is informed that the Committee of Secretaries (CoS) in its meeting held on 14.09.2015, while considering a note on the subject mentioned above has made the following recommendations:-

(i) Interview will be dispensed with for all Group 'C' and Group 'D' which are now reclassified as Group 'C' posts. Interview should also be discontinued for non-gazetted posts of Group 'B' category.

(ii) The process of doing away with interview for these posts will be completed by 31.12.2015.

(iii) Specific and isolated Group 'B' non-gazetted posts for which any particular department considers interview absolutely essential, clearance of Department of Personnel & Training would need to be obtained. *It is clarified that since the skill test and physical test are different from interview such tests may continue*

(iv) In those cases pertaining to non-gazetted Group 'B' posts and Group 'C' & 'D' posts, where Recruitment Rules specify the process of selection which includes conduct of interview, the Ministries/ authorities concerned will take necessary steps to carry out the requisite amendment to the Recruitment Rules immediately.

(v) For advertisements already done for selection with interview as a component, the posts could either be re-advertised, or if urgency or any other reason requires so, the ongoing process may be completed.

3. It was also suggested that a periodic review of the progress made in the implementation of 'No Interview Requirement for junior level posts by the authorities/ Secretaries concerned. DOPT will monitor the overall progress and bring up status report by the first fortnight of January, 2016.

4. In view of the above recommendations and as requested earlier you may please inform this Department about the decision/progress made in this regard in your Ministry/Department. The status report may kindly be furnished by 16.10.2015.


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All the Ministries/Departments, Government of India