

No. 20/35/2022-3S(1)
Government of Haryana
Chief secretary's Office
Department of Personnel

Dated Chandigarh, the 5th May, 2022.

To

1. All the IAS Officers in Haryana State.
2. All the IPS Officers in Haryana State.
3. All the IFS Officers in Haryana State.

Subject: - Direction/instructions to Officers regarding the release of borrowing to states of India under article 293.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to invite reference to the subject mentioned above and desired to send herewith a copy of D.O. No. 40(2)/PF-S/2022-23, dated 21.04.2022 received from Dr. T.V. Somanathan, IAS, Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, New Delhi for information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,


(Suresh Kumar)

Under Secretary Administration,
for Chief Secretary to Govt. Haryana.

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A copy is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:-

1. The Additional Chief Secretary to Govt. Haryana, Home Department.
2. The Additional Chief Secretary to Govt. Haryana, Forests and Wildlife Department.


(Suresh Kumar)

Under Secretary Administration,
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Dear Chief Secretary,

As you are aware the Government of India gives permission for borrowings of State Governments under Article 293 of the Constitution and releases funds under various Centrally Sponsored Schemes and under recommendations of the Finance Commission. In carrying out these functions, it relies on information supplied by the State Governments and certified by their officers.

2. It has come to light that, of late, there are some instances where the factual information provided to the Government of India is wrong in material respects even though certified by competent officers of the State Governments, in a manner indicating either falsification or gross negligence. As an illustration, in one case, wrong information led to heavy over-borrowing by a State during the tenure of one Government which led to deduction of such amount during the tenure of a subsequent Government, causing difficulties.

3. You will appreciate that as per the All India Services Conduct Rules, particularly Rules 3(2B), 3(3) and other similar Rules, Civil Servants are responsible to tender proper and factual advice and are required to sign certificates and provide information in a truthful and correct manner.

4. It has been decided that if falsification of financial information or provision of wrong information in a grossly negligent manner is detected, this Ministry will take the following steps:-

- (i) In respect of All India Service Officers, the facts and names of officers involved will be communicated to the Department of Personnel & Training, Government of India to be taken into consideration, as deemed appropriate by them in matters relating to empanelment, Central deputation, inter-cadre deputation,

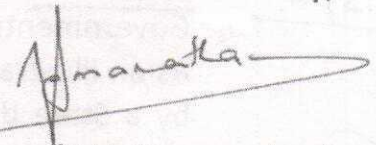
deputation for foreign training at Government cost or foreign assignments, permission to take-up assignments under Rule 6(2)(ii), etc. For this purpose, the officers signing the wrong information and those putting up such wrong information will be taken into account.

- (ii) The matter may also be taken up with the State Government to initiate disciplinary proceedings in appropriate cases.
- (iii) In respect of officers of the Central Services on deputation to State Governments, the matter will be brought to the notice of their Central Cadre Controlling Authorities for such action as deemed appropriate by them, including possible recall from State deputation and/or disciplinary proceedings.
- (iv) Errors which are *bona fide*/not material/minor will not attract such action.

5. It is requested that the contents above may kindly be brought to the notice of all All India Service Officers of your State Cadre and to those Central Services officers who may be working on deputation to the State.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,



(T.V. Somanathan)

Chief Secretaries of All States/Union Territories