

F.No.17026/02/2023-IFS-IIभारत सरकार / **Government of India**

पर्यावरण, वन और जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय

Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

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Dated the 21st December, 2023.

To,

The Special Chief Secretary,
Environment, Forests, Science and Technology Department,
Government of Andhra Pradesh, Velagapudi, Guntur.

Subject: Extension in service of Shri Y. Madhusudhana Redd, IFS (RR:1990), PCCF and HoFF, Government of Andhra Pradesh: - regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Government of Andhra Pradesh's letter No. 1966359/SC.C/A2/2023 dated 25.11.2023 and Order no. G.O.Rt.No. 2322 dated 30.11.2023 on the subject mentioned above and to say that vide letter No. 1966359/SC.C/A2/2023 dated 25.11.2023, the State Government requested the Ministry to grant extension in service of Sri Y. Madhusudhana Reddy, IFS (RR: 1990) as Principal Chief Conservator of Forests - HOFF for a period of three (3) months from 1st December – 2023, under the proviso of Rule 16 (1) of the All India Services (Death cum Retirement Benefits) Rules, 1958.

2. Subsequently, vide order no. G.O.Rt.No. 2322 dated 30.11.2023, the State Government has extended service of Shri Y. Madhusudhana Reddy, IFS (RR:1990) for a period of '03' months w.e.f. 01.12.2023, **in anticipation** of the order of the Government of India.

3. 2nd proviso under Rule 16 (1) of the AIS (Death cum Retirement Benefits) Rules, 1958 inter alia states as:

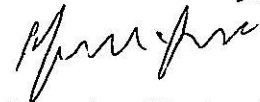
“ *Provided further that a member of the Service dealing with budget work or working as a full-time member of a Committee which is to be wound up within a short period may*

be given extension of service for a period not exceeding three months in public interest, with the prior approval of the Central Government."

4. Order no. G.O.Rt.No. 2322 dated 30.11.2023 of the State Government of Andhra Pradesh is in violation of Rule 16 (1) of the AIS (Death cum Retirement Benefits) Rules, 1958.

5 . In view of the above, the request to grant extension in service of Shri Y. Madhusudhana Reddy, IFS(RR: 1990) as Principal Chief Conservator of Forests - HOFF for a period of three (3) months from 1st December - 2023 cannot be agreed to. The State Government is advised to refrain from issuing such orders, which is arbitrary and in contravention of the Statutory Rules/ Regulations/ Law/ Guidelines.

Yours faithfully,



(Mahendra Yadav)

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1. The Chief Secretary, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Velagapudi, Guntur.
2. The Secretary, Department of Personnel and Training, North Block, New Delhi.