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(Department of Personnel & Training).

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To

The Chief Secretaries
of All States and Union Territories.

Subject: Procedure for applying in foreign
Universities for higher studies by the
Members of the All India Service -
application for financial assistance.

Sir,

I am directed to say that at present if a member of the All India Service proposes to apply to foreign University for higher studies, he is required to take prior permission of the concerned State Govt./Ministry under which he is serving. In case he wishes to apply for financial assistance, prior permission of the Govt. of India is required to be obtained before approaching the Institution/University for the same.

2. The present procedure has been reviewed in the light of the Govt.'s policy to encourage higher studies in specialised areas by officers in order to gain greater knowledge and exposure to the international environment and also to special areas of learning. In view of the fact that the present system is far too stringent and causes difficulties and delays in the processing of applications because by which officers might miss the opportunity of getting admission etc. The procedure has been simplified as under:-

- (i) A member of the service applying for higher studies to a reputed foreign university/training institution would not be required to take prior permission of the Govt. but would be required to keep Govt. informed of his intention to apply to such Universities and also indicate the subjects of study he proposes to pursue.
- (ii) In case the member of the service is applying for financial assistance to the concerned University which is of a standard nature and is available on open merit based criteria, namely University Fellowships, Teaching Assistantship Research Assistantship or Tuition waiver Govt. may only be kept informed.

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(iii) In case the member of the service proposes to receive financial assistance from any other foreign source which is not of the type mentioned in (ii) above, prior permission of the Govt. would have to be taken.

(iv) The question of taking leave or study Leave is a separate issue and would have to be dealt with after the officer obtains admission and applies for the leave.

2. The Govt. may, however, at any time dis-allow the officer from pursuing his application for admission or financial assistance in cases where Govt. is of the view that a member of the service has utilised his official influence to obtain the same or if the Govt. feels that such course of action is not in the interest of the Government.

Yours faithfully,



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JOINT SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.