OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Grant of Study Leave to Central Govt. employees for prosecuting studies leading to Ph.D - announcement

The undersigned is directed to say that as per Sub-rule (2) of Rule 54 of CCS (Leave) Rules, 1972, Central Govt. employees can be granted Study Leave along with other kind(s) of leave, but in no case shall the grant of this leave in combination with leave other than Extra Ordinary Leave, involve a total absence of more than 28 months from regular duties of the Govt. servants. The question of increasing this limit of 28 months was under consideration in the context of demand for grant of study leave upto 3 years against the present ceiling of 2 years especially because studies leading to award of "Ph.D" degree involve a time duration of 3 years. The matter was considered in all its aspects and in consultation with the Ministry of Finance it has been decided to increase the limit of study Leave combined with other kinds of leave with leave salary excluding Extra Ordinary Leave, from 28 months to 36 months to Central Govt. employees undergoing course of study leading to the award of Ph.D degree, provided the study as well as the University/ Institution are approved by the controlling authority and subject to fulfilment of various conditions regarding grant of Study Leave.

2. This order will take effect from 1st September, 1990.

3. Formal amendment to the relevant provision of the rules incorporating the above amendment is being issued separately.

4. In so far as persons serving in the Indian Audit and Accounts Departments are concerned, this issue after consultation with the Comptroller & Auditor General of India.

5. Hindi version of this O.M. is enclosed.

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