No.4/3/2019-JCA Government of India Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions Department of Personnel & Training Establishment (JCA) Section

> North Block, New Delhi - 110 001 Dated:/6January, 2020

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Non - functioning of Departmental Councils

The undersigned is directed to say that instructions have been issued by this Department from time to time for making effective use of JCM Scheme by the Ministries/Departments to discuss the demands of the employees. Departmental Council set up under JCM Scheme is an appropriate forum for redressal of the grievances of the employees. However, it has come to our notice that the Meetings of the Departmental Councils in various Ministries / Departments except a few, are not being held regularly.

- The Staff Side, National Council (JCM) has been raising this issue in the Meetings of the National Council (JCM) and Standing Committee of the National Council (JCM). As per JCM Scheme "the meetings of the Departmental Council shall be held as often as necessary, and not less than once in four months'. However, the Staff Side has pointed out that in some of the Ministries / Departments the meetings of the Departmental Councils have not been held even once in the last 4-5 years.
- In view of the above, it is requested that the Joint Consultative Machinery needs to be galvanized and for this purpose Departmental Council may be constituted in those Ministries/Departments where they have not been constituted and where they already existence, the meeting of the Departmental Council may be held more frequently to resolve Staff Side grievances.
- It is also requested that information on the functioning of Departmental Council in the Ministry/Department during the last five years may kindly be provided in the enclosed format at the earliest.

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INFORMATION ON FUNCTIONING OF DEPARTMENTAL COUNCILS

MINISTRY / DEPARTMENT					
Whether Departmental Council	Yes/ No				
has been constituted?					
If Departmental Council has					
not been constituted, indicate					
the reasons for the same					
If Departmental Council is in	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
existence how many meetings					
have been held during the last					
five years and the current year					
If no Departmental Council					
meeting has been held in any					
of the above mentioned year,					
the reasons therefor					