OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: SENIORITY – Consolidated orders on...

The undersigned is directed to say that instructions have been issued by this Department from time to time laying down the principles for determining seniority of persons appointed to services and posts under the Central Government. For facility of reference, the contents of the important orders on the subject have been consolidated as a compilation “Instructions and Guidelines on Seniority”. The number and date of the original O.M.’s has been referred in the relevant instructions* for easy reference to the context. The consolidated instructions include revised instructions on the following:

i. Seniority of persons appointed on direct recruitment from the reserved panel at a later date, specifically when the officers from the subsequent selection panel have already joined.

ii. Inter-se seniority of two panels of direct recruits, where more than one selection panel are received from UPSC/SSC through letter of same date.

iii. Fixation of seniority of a person who has been transferred to a lower post under FR 15-A.

iv. Seniority in case of appointment on compassionate grounds

2. Also, certain areas within the existing instructions, which require frequent clarifications, as is evident from the references received from various Ministries/Departments, have also been incorporated under the head "clarification", for reference. This may be brought to the notice of all concerned for information, guidance and necessary action.

3. The consolidated instructions along with Annexure containing O.M.’s referred will be issued separately in the form of handbook.

4. Hindi version will follow.

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