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Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and
Pensions
(Department of Personnel & Training)
North Block, New Delhi.

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To
The Chief Secretaries of
State Governments and UTs.

Subject:- IAS/IPS/IFS (Pay) Rules-Appointment to the Senior
Time Scale, Junior Administrative Grade and Selection
Grade - manner of computation for eligibility
for appointment.

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Sir,
Reference is invited to this Department's letters
No. 11030/22/87-AIS(II), dated 31.3.1987, 6.7.1987 and No.
11030/22/91-AIS(II), dated 16.3.1993.

2. There have been representations from members of the
Indian Administrative Service that under the Rules a member of
the Service is entitled to be promoted to the Senior Time Scale,
Junior Administrative Grade and the Selection Grade as on the
1st of January of the relevant year. The Central Government in
the aforesaid letters have specified that 1st of July of the
relevant year shall be reckoned for the purpose of calculating
the requisite number of years of Service under the Rules in
respect of promotion to the Senior Time Scale and Selection
Grades and 1st of January of the relevant year for promotion to
the Junior Administrative Grade (non-functional).

3. The rule position under the IAS(Pay) Rules, 1954 is that
the period of qualifying service of four years, nine years and
thirteen years of service prescribed for appointment to the
Senior Time Scale, Junior Administrative Grade and Selection
Grade are to be calculated from the Year of Allotment. Promotions
in the Indian Administrative Service to the respective grades
are done by the State Governments with regard to the provisions
of the rules, regulations and guidelines of the Central Government.
Therefore, under the rules, the State Governments are competent
to promote a member of the Service to the Senior Time Scale and
Selection Grade as on the 1st January of the relevant year
subject to the availability of vacancies in the respective
grades. As regards promotion to the Junior Administrative Grade,
the grade being non-functional, promotion to that grade may be
made as on the 1st of January of the relevant year.

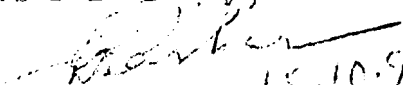
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4. Considering the rule position in the matter as detailed in the para above, the communication of the Government of India in earlier letters suggesting 1st of July of the relevant year to be the relevant date for according promotions in the senior time scale and selection grade is only advisory in nature and does not in any manner restrict the power of the State Governments to effect promotions to these grades in or after the 1st of January of the relevant year with regard to and subject to the availability of vacancies in these grades in accordance with the rules, regulations and guidelines of the Central Government. However, the past cases where selection grades have already been allowed may not be reopened in view of this order.

5. The above will apply, mutatis-mutandis, to the members of Indian Police Service and Indian Forest Service also.

6. Hindi version will follow.

Yours faithfully,



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