

**Ministry of Home Affairs O.M. No.1/6/67 Estt.(C),
dated the 20th September, 1967 to all Ministries/Departments, etc.**

**Subject:—Dereservation of vacancies reserved for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes—
Recommendation of the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes
regarding.**

As the ministry of Finance etc. are aware, whenever a vacancy reserved for Scheduled Castes or Scheduled Tribes, which is included in the roster for permanent appointments and temporary appointments likely to become permanent or continue indefinitely, prescribed in this Ministry's Office Memorandum No. 31/10/63-SCT (I), dated 27-3-1963 is required to be dereserved, a reference has to be made to this Ministry and its prior approval obtained for dereservation. Reserved vacancies included in the roster for purely temporary appointments, which have no chance whatever of becoming permanent or continuing indefinitely can however, be treated as dereserved by the Ministry themselves after ensuring that the steps prescribed in para 16 of the Brochure issued with this Ministry's Office Memorandum No. 1/2/61-SCT (I), dated 27-4-62 have been duly taken to secure suitable Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes candidates and such candidates will be still not available. In his Report for the year 1964-65, the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes has made the following recommendations with reference to the above orders:—

Recommendation No. 159

“The Ministry of Home Affairs should reconsider their decision of not asking the appointing authorities to endorse to this organisation a copy of their reference made to the Ministry of Home Affairs for dereservation of post and should accept the recommendation in this regard which had been made with a view to helping in achievement of the objective of securing adequate representation of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes as contemplated in the Constitution, besides, such information is required for the Annual Report of the Commissioner. It is, therefore, for consideration whether the Ministry of Home Affairs should decline to make available the information which the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes requires for the proper discharge of his duties under Article 338 of the Constitution.”

The above recommendation has been considered in this Ministry and it has been decided to accept it. Accordingly, the Ministry of Finance etc. are requested that with effect from the date of issue of this Office Memorandum, when a reference is made to this Ministry for dereservation of reserved vacancy/vacancies included in the roster for permanent appointments and temporary appointments likely to become permanent or continue indefinitely, a copy of such reference should be simultaneously endorsed to the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, R. K. Puram, New Delhi-22, and the fact that a copy has been so endorsed should be mentioned in the reference to this Ministry. All references for dereservation of reserved vacancies should therefore be made in a self-contained U. O. note or an O.M. which could explain the facts of the case to the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. The decision taken by this Ministry in such references can be ascertained by the Commissioner in due course from the Ministry/Department concerned.

2. When vacancies reserved for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes included in the roster for purely temporary appointments which have no chance whatever of becoming permanent or continuing indefinitely are dereserved by the Ministries themselves in accordance with the orders in this Ministry's Office Memorandum dated 27-3-1963, the Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes should be informed about the dereservation made giving all details and reasons necessitating dereservation.

3. Ministry of Finance etc. may kindly bring the above decision to the notice of all appointing authorities under them.