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DP&T O.M. No. 14017/17/85-Estt.(RR) dated 2-9-1985.

Subject :—Introduction of an revised *Saving Clause* in the principal Notification to the Recruitment Rules—Recommendation of the High Level Committee on problems of Ex-servicemen regarding modification of Recruitment Rules for incorporation of age and educational relaxations.

The undersigned is directed to say that a High Level Committee constituted by the Government to go into the problems of Ex-servicemen had recommended, *inter alia*, that in order to highlight that certain relaxations are available to ex-servicemen while making recruitment to the civil posts, the recruitment rules should suitable be amended. Under the existing instructions, ex-servicemen are entitled to the benefit of certain relaxations in age and educational qualifications in accordance with various orders of the Government. The admissibility of age and other concessions to, *inter alia*, ex-servicemen is covered under the "Saving Clause" included in the covering Notification to the recruitment rules : the words "and other special categories of persons" appearing in this clause take care of such categories of persons. However, in view of this recommendation made by the High Level Committee and also keeping in view the fact that ex-servicemen form a big chunk of the "special categories" in mind, it has been decided, in consultation with the Union Public Service Commission and the Ministry of Law, to revise the "Saving Clause" as follows :—

"Nothing in these rules shall affect reservations, relaxation of age-limit and other concessions required to be provided for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, Ex-servicemen and other special categories of persons, in accordance with the orders issued by the Central Government from time to time in this regard."

2. All the Ministries/Departments are requested to revise the Saving Clause appearing in the Notification to the Recruitment Rules for all categories of posts on the above lines.