

No. 15014/3(S)/80-Estt.(B)
Department of Personnel and Adm. Reforms
(Ministry of Home Affairs)

New Delhi,
Dated the 28 October, 1980.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Association of Government servants with the activities of Rashtriya Swayam Sewak Sangh/Jamaat-e-Islami.

The undersigned is directed to invite the attention of the Ministry of Finance, etc. to the provisions of sub-rule (1) of the Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 under which "no Government servant shall be a member of, or be otherwise associated with, any political party or any organisation which takes part in politics nor shall he take part in, subscribe in aid of, or assist in any other manner, any political movement or activity". Attention of the various Ministries is also drawn to this Ministry's O.M. No. 3/10(S)/66-Estt.(B) dated the 3rd November, 1966 wherein it was clarified that the Government have always held the activities of both the Rashtriya Swayam Sewak Sangh and the Jamaat-e-Islami to be of such a nature that participation in them by Government servants would attract the provisions of sub-rule (1) of the Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 and that, any Government servant, who is a member of or is otherwise associated with the aforesaid organisations or with their activities, is liable to disciplinary action.

2. In the context of the current situation in the country, the need to ensure secular out-look on the part of Government servants is all the more important. The need to eradicate communal feelings and communal bias cannot be over-emphasised.

3. No notice should be taken by Government and its officers, local bodies, State-aided institutions of petitions or representations on communal basis, and no patronage whatsoever should be extended to any communal organisation.

4. Ministry of Finance etc. are, therefore, requested to specially bring once again to the notice of all Government employees, working in or under them, the above-quoted provisions in para 1 on the subject. It is emphasised that any disregard of these instructions should be considered

as a serious act of indiscipline and suitable action initiated against the erring employees.

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