

NEW DELHI-2, the 11th October, 1952.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM.

Subject:- Bharat Sevak Samaj: Permission to Central
Government servants to join -

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Ministries are aware that the Bharat Sevak Samaj is a nation-wide, non-official and non-political organisation recently started at the instance of the Planning Commission with the object of enabling individual citizens to contribute in the form of an organised co-operative effort to the implementation of the National Development Plan.

2. The Government of India are of the opinion that, in view of the non-political and non-sectarian character of the Samaj and the nature of work in which it will be engaged, Government servants should, if they so wish, be encouraged to join the organization and to participate in its activities provided this can be done without detriment to the proper discharge of the normal official duties. Ministries of Finance etc. are therefore requested to observe the following instructions in this matter:-

- (1) Government servants wishing to join the Bharat Sevak Samaj should obtain prior permission from the appropriate Head of the Office or Department concerned.
- (2) Permission should be freely granted, provided the Head of the Office or Department satisfies himself in each case that participation in the Samaj's activities will not interfere with the due discharge by the Government servant concerned of his official duties. If actual experience in any individual case or class of cases shows that this condition cannot be satisfied, the permission already granted may be revoked.
- (3) It should be made clear to all Government servants concerned that permission to participate in the activities of the Bharat Sevak Samaj will not absolve them from the due observance at all times of all the rules and instructions relating to the conduct and behaviour of Government servants etc.

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