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Government of India/Bharat Sarkar
Ministry of Home Affairs/Grih Mantralaya
Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms
(Karmik Aur Prashasnik Sudhar Vibhag)

New Delhi, the 1 Sept, 1978

OFFICE MEMORANDUM


Subject:- Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964
Use of public servants and public facilities
for purpose of holding rallies etc.

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Rules,
1964
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aforesaid
sub-rule 2,
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The undersigned is directed to say that instances have come to the notice of the Government in which public servants and public utility facilities were used for arranging crowds for rallies and for arranging transport for bringing those crowds, involving violations of laws and rules in regard to the use of such transport. In this connection, attention is invited to rule 5(1) of the CCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964 which provides that no Government servant shall be a member of, or be otherwise associated with any political party or 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. It is also clarified in this Department O.M. No. 25/4/73-Estt(A) dated 17.2.73 (copy enclosed) that it is advisable for a Government employee not to attend even public meetings or demonstrations organised by a political party or having political aspects. It will not suffice to say that such arrangements were made on the orders of superior officers, as the explanation below sub-rule (2) shall be construed as empowering a Government employee to evade his own responsibilities. It hardly needs to be emphasised that Government servants should not only maintain political neutrality but should also appear to do so. Taking active part in holding rallies in support of any political party by arranging for crowds and arranging transport for bringing those crowds would, therefore, clearly attract the provisions of the aforesaid rule of the conduct rules. Government employees should, therefore, desist from engaging in such activities which may be construed as participation in the activities of a political party.

Ministry of Finance etc. are requested to bring contents of this Office Memorandum to the notice of all Government servants serving under their control.

3. Hindi version will follow.


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