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Government of India
Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions
Department of Personnel & Training

North Block, New Delhi
Dated the 7th May, 2004

To

Chief Secretaries of All the State Governments

Subject:- All India Services(House Building Advance) Rules, 1978 – grant of House Building Advance(HBA) to members of All India Services on deputation to Centre

Sir,

I am directed to say that under the All India Services(HBA) Rules, 1978, a member of an All India Service is eligible to the grant of HBA either under the Central Government rules or under the State Government rules, as opted by him. Prior to issuance of the aforesaid rule the issue of grant of HBA to the members of the All India Services was considered by the Central Government and a decision was taken in this regard which was conveyed to the State Governments in its letter No. 55/57-AIS(III) dated 11th November, 1957 (copy enclosed). At that time it was decided that officers of the All India Services who are on permanent deputation to the Centre, i.e. such of those who will be absorbed in the Central Administrative pool, should be given loans by the Central Government themselves, as those officers would continue to serve at the Centre till retirement. It was also decided to give assistance to the All India Services Officers who would have been on deputation for a continuous period of 5 years. In regard to other All India Services officers who were on deputation to the Centre or were serving under the State Government, the State Government concerned may grant the loans for house building purposes.

2. The aforesaid decision was reviewed by the Central Government on the basis of suggestion made by the Controller General of Accounts, Ministry of Finance and it was decided that in the case of All India Services officers working under the Central Government, the application for HBA should be processed and advance sanctioned by the Government of the State on whose cadre the officer was borne. This decision was issued in this Department's letter No. 14018/3/80-AIS(II) dated 26th November, 1980, a copy of which is enclosed.

3. As decided above members of the All India Services have been granted HBA from the State Government concerned and the Central Government has been giving assistance to the State Government in the form of reimbursement of their expenditure. However for the last so many years the amount of expenditure met by the State Government in grant of HBA to the members of the All India Services has been increasing but the Central assistance has not been increased to the tune. Resultantly we are not making reimbursement of cent percent expenditure met by the State Governments due to non-availability of adequate budget provision for the purpose. Of late, it has been felt that due to financial hardships in most of the State Governments, the members of the All India Services have been denied HBA from the State Government.

4. Representations from the individual All India Services officers have been received in this Department which have been considered in consultation with the Ministry of Finance(Department of Expenditure). It has been decided that the members of the All India Services who are serving at the Centre on Central deputation may be granted HBA from the Central Ministries/Departments in which they are working in accordance with the existing rules and the interest rates with the stipulation that the balance of the HBA in respect of such officers, on their repatriation to the parent State Cadre shall, as a one time transaction, be debited to the concerned State Government and credited to the Central Government. As regard grant of HBA to the members of the All India Services who are working with the State Government concerned, the State Government concerned will grant HBA to them as per existing practice.

Yours faithfully,

(Sangeeta Singh)
Director(Services)

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1. All Ministries/Departments of the Government of India
2. The Accountants General of all the State Governments
3. Ministry of Home Affairs, JS(Police), North Block, New Delhi.
4. Ministry of Environment and Forests, JS(IFS), Paryavaran Bhavan, CGO Complex, New Delhi.
5. Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure w.r.t. their u.o.No. 112/1/2004-I.C dated 22.3.2004.

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Director(Services)