Office Memorandum

Subject: Clarification on regularization of absence during COVID-19 epidemic lockdown period-reg.

This has reference to above cited subject relating to O.M. issued by Department of Personnel & Training (DoPT) vide F.No.14029/5/2019-Istt.(I)(Pt.) dated 28.07.2020 (copy enclosed), regarding clarification on regularization of absence during COVID-19 epidemic lockdown period.

2. Accordingly, in view of above, following instructions are hereby issued for strict compliance regarding clarifications on regularization of period of absence during the period of lockdown:

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<td>(i)</td>
<td>Government Servants who were on official tour and were unable to return to their Headquarters (HQs) due to non-availability of Public Transport.</td>
<td>Deemed to have joined duty on the date of expiry of official tour, if intimation in any form, indicating difficulty in joining duty due to non-availability of public transport/flights, has been given by the Government servant to the office.</td>
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<td>(ii)</td>
<td>Government servants who were on leave prior to issue of lockdown orders with effect from 25.03.2020 and the leave ended during lockdown period.</td>
<td>Deemed to have joined duty from the date of expiry of leave, if intimation in any form, indicating difficulty in joining duty due to non-availability of public transport/flights has been given by the Government servant to the office. In case of leave on medical grounds, this is subject to production of medical/fitness certificate.</td>
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<td>(iii)</td>
<td>Government servants who left HQ on the week-end prior to lockdown, i.e. 20.03.2020 (Friday), but could not return to HQ on 23.03.2020(Monday) due to non-availability of transport.</td>
<td>Deemed to have joined on 23.03.2020, if intimation, in any form indicating difficulty in joining duty due to non-availability of public transport/flights has been given by the Government servant to the office.</td>
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Government servants who were on leave prior to issue of orders on lockdown with effect from 25.03.2020 and the leave expired during the lockdown period, but who wish to curtail the leave before expiry and join duty.

Curtailment of sanctioned leave may not be agree to, unless allowed by the leave sanctioning authority only in rare cases based on official exigency. From the date of following the date of expiry of leave during the period of lockdown, the employee may be deemed to have joined duty.

3. The issues with the approval of competent authority.

Encl : as above.

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