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Secretaries to Ministries Chief Secretaries of Provincial Councils Heads of Departments and Heads of Public Corporations and Statutory Boards

Granting permanent status to employees recruited to Government Institutions, Corporations and Statutory Boards on Temporary, Casual, Substitute Contract and Relief Basis

Your attention is drawn to the Public Administration Circular No. 21/2006 dated 06/12/2006. The Government has decided to amend as given below the first paragraph and sub sections ii and iv of the above circular..

(A) 1st Paragraph -

To amend the date on which the Government has decided to grant permanent status mentioned as 01.11.2006 in the first paragraph of the Public Administration Circular No.21/2006 dated 06/12/2006, as 01/07/2007.

(B) Sub Section II -

To amend the date on which the satisfactory and continuous service of 180 days (working days) should be completed in a permanent post presently vacant and belonging to the approved cadre as,"as at 30/06/2007".

(C) Sub -Section IV -

To amend as "In the case of an appointment made on the above basis after the issue of Management Services Circulars No.16 and 16(1) dated 01/10/2002 and 24/10/2002 a formal approval of the Department of Management Services should have been obtained and the approval should have been obtained from other authorities if any, from whom such approval should be obtained".

02. The provisions of Public Administration Circular No. 21/2006(I) dated 17/07/2007 and Public Administration Circular No. 21/2006(II) dated 19/11/2007 will continue to be implemented without any changes.

03. Further it is emphasized that all Ministries and Departments should in future adhere to the provisions given in the relevant service minutes and schemes of recruitment in making appointments to permanent posts in the Public Service.