F.No.11013/9/2014-Estt.A-III Government of India Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions Department of Personnel & Training

North Block, New Delhi Dated the 3 January, 2022.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:

Preventive measures to contain the spread of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-

19) - Attendance of Central Government officials regarding.

Reference: MHA Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated the 27th December, 2021.

In view of the initial signs of surge in cases of COVID-19, the matter regulating attendance of Central Government employees has been reviewed and it has been decided as under, with immediate effect till 31st January, 2022 :-

- (i) Physical attendance of Government servants below the level of Under Secretary shall be restricted to 50% of the actual strength and the remaining 50% shall work from home. A roster may be prepared accordingly by all the Departments concerned.
- (ii) All officers of the level of Under Secretary & above are to attend office on regular basis.
- (iii) Persons with Disabilities and Pregnant women employees shall be exempted from attending office but are required to work from home.
- (iv) The officers / staff shall follow staggered timings, to avoid over-crowding in offices, as indicted below:
 - (a) 9.00 A.M. to 5.30. P.M.
 - (b) 10.00 A.M. to 6.30 P.M.
- (v) All officers/ staff residing in the containment zone shall be exempted from coming to offices till the containment zone is denotifed.

- (vi) Those officers/ staff who are not attending office and working from home shall be available on telephone and other electronic means of communication at all times.
- (vii) Meeting, as far as possible, shall be conducted on video-conferencing and personal meetings with visitors, unless absolutely necessary in public interest, are to be avoided.
- (viii) All Officers/Staff have to ensure strict compliance with covid-appropriate behavior viz. frequent washing of hands/ sanitization, wearing a mask/ face cover, observing social distancing at all times.
- (ix) Proper cleaning and frequent sanitization of workplace, particularly of the frequently touched surfaces may be ensured. HoDs may also ensure noncrowding in corridors, canteens etc.
- 2. All Ministries/ Departments / Offices as well as the Central Government employees are directed to ensure strict compliance of instructions on COVID-appropriate behavior issued by MHA, MoH&FW and DoP&T from time to time.

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To

- 1. All the Ministries/Departments, Government of India
- 2. PMO / Cabinet Secretariat.
- PS to Hon'ble MoS(PP).
- 4. PSO to Secretary (Personnel).
- 5. Sr. Tech. Director, NIC, DoP&T for uploading on website.