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To All Secretaries of Ministries. Chief Secretaries of Provincial Councils and Heads of Departments.

## Re-instating Public Officers who either Retired or Resigned from Service to Contest the Provincial Councils Elections - 1999

The Government has decided that if an officer who either retired or reigned from service to contest the Provincial Councils Elections - 1999 submits and appeal before 31st December 1999 to the relevant appointing authority for re-instatement substantiating the following matters, he should be re-instated after considering such appeal, provided the relevant vacancy exists.

- (a) He is not entitled to exercise political rights in terms of subsection 1:1 of Chapter XXXII of the Establishments Code.
- (b) He is a person who either retired or resigned from service to contest the Provincial Council Elections 1999 and who failed to be elected as a Member of the Provincial Council when he contested owing to his not obtaining the sufficient number of preferential votes.
- (c) He is a person who is below the optional age of retirement.
- O2. The period from the date of such an officer's retirement or resignation from service upto the date of his re-instatement should be set off against his earned leave available in terms of Chapter XII sub-section 17:2 of the Establishments Code. Any additional period beyond the said period should be treated as no-pay leave.
- 03. In cases where a re-instatement is in respect of a retired officer, steps should be taken to recover any pension or a pension gratuity drawn by him and the relevant authorities should be informed immediately to stop future payments of his pension.

This Circular is applicable only to the Provincial Councils Elections held in 1999.

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