

O.M. 12021/01/2004-O.L. (Impl.-2), dated 31.12.2004

Subject:—Implementing the decision of the Govt. on the recommendations made by the Committee of Parliament on Official Language in the sixth part of its Report—regarding

The undersigned is directed to say on the above mentioned subject that the Committee of Parliament on Official Language, constituted under section 4(1) of the Official Languages Act, 1963, made, *inter alia*, the following recommendation in the sixth part of its Report:

Recommendation No. 11.5.5: In some offices, instructions issued under section 3(3) of the Official Language Act, 1963 are still not being complied with. To ensure its compliance suitably, steps should be taken and on its violation administrative responsibility should be fixed.

Order: This recommendation of the Committee has been accepted. The orders already exist that the compliance of section 3(3) of the Official Languages Act may be ensured and those showing negligence in this regard may be advised in writing to avoid this attitude in future. Fresh orders to this effect may be issued by the Department of Official Language.

All Ministries/Departments of Government of India were requested to ensure the compliance of section 3(3) of Official Languages Act, 1963 *vide* this Dept's O.M. No. 12024/10/90-OL/B2, dated 26-06-1990 & O.M. 12024/2/92-OL/B-2, dated 6.4.92. But the Committee of Parliament on Official Language observed that some of offices are still not complying with the instructions mentioned in the said O.M. The violation of orders is a matter of great concern.

All Ministries/Departments of Government of India are once again requested that compliance of section 3(3) of the Official Languages Act, 1963 under which some of the documents must be issued in bilingual form simultaneously may be ensured. Officers showing negligence in this regard may be advised in writing to avoid this attitude in future.

It is also requested that the contents mentioned this O.M. may be brought to the notice of all attached/subordinate offices undertaking etc. under intimation to this Department.