

O.M. No-14012/6/87-OL (C), dated 21.5.1987

Subject:— Optional use of Hindi as alternative medium of examination for recruitment of subordinate services and non-technical posts.

Instructions were issued vide this Department O.M. No. I/14012/34/75-OL(C) dated the 6th January, 1976, that the optional use of Hindi may be allowed as alternative medium in examinations conducted on regional or local basis for direct recruitment to services and posts in the subordinate offices of the Government of India located in Hindi speaking States. A copy of this O.M. is enclosed for ready reference.

2. The instructions date the 6th January, 1976, mentioned above refer specifically only to the Offices of Central Government located in Hindi speaking States. These do not specifically refer to the undertakings, banks etc. owned or controlled by the Central Government, although the instructions issued by the Department of official Language generally, apply to these undertakings, banks, etc. in the same manner as they apply to the Offices of the Central Government. Some undertakings, banks, etc. have already started implementing these instructions.

3. I have been directed to clarify that the instructions dated 6th January, 1976, referred to above also apply to the offices of the Public Undertakings, Banks, etc. owned or controlled by Central Government located in Hindi-speaking States.

4. The Ministry of Finance, etc. are requested to bring this clarification to the notice of the public undertakings, banks, etc. under their control for necessary action.