O.M. No. II/20015/9/2000 O.L. (P-2), dated 30.3.2000

Subject:— Submission of correct figures regarding implementation of Official Language Policy in Hindi Advisoy Committee meetings.

Review of the figures given in the progress report on the implementation of the Official Language Policy is one of the various items for discussion in the Hindi Advisory Committee meetings of the Ministries/Departments. Recently, the figures submitted regarding the use of Hindi in a Ministry and its Attached/Subordinate Offices/Undertakings etc. were found to be incorrect by the members during discussion at the Hindi Advisory Committee meeting of the ministry concerned. When asked by the Chairperson to explain the position, the officers concerned admitted that the figures were incorrect and had not been correctly submitted. The members expressed their displeasure on the incident. Since the meetings of the Committee are held after long intervals, submission of incorrect figures not only amounts to wastage of financial expenses and valuable time on holding these meetings, but also reflects gross negligence towards Official Language Hindi.

2. All Ministries/Departments furnish information regarding use of Official Language Hindi through quarterly progress reports etc. The responsibility for certifying these figures rests with the head of the office. Therefore, before signing such reports, the heads of offices should ensure the veracity of the figures furnished, so that correct figures are submitted to the Hindi Advisory Committees and useful discussions are held at the meetings.