Subject: Admissibility of Festival Advance to Non-Gazetted State Government Employees.

In Finance Department Office Memorandum No.CS-IV-65/08, 43631/F, dated 24.09.2008 and No.CS-IV-05/06-39192/F dated 14.9.2006, the admissibility and eligibility criteria for availing the Festival Advance were fixed. Consequent upon implementation of O.R.S.P. Rules, 2008 and revision of the basic pay of the State Government employees, the revision of monthly pay limit for availing Festival Advance was under consideration of Government.

2. The Government after careful consideration, have been pleased to make a revision of the pay limit including the Grade Pay as provided under the O.R.S.P. Rules, 2008 for availing of Festival Advance by the State Government Employees as indicated below:

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<th>Sl. No.</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Present monthly pay limit</th>
<th>Enhance Pay limit with Grade Pay</th>
<th>Remarks</th>
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<td>1.</td>
<td>Maximum pay limit of the (Non-Gazetted) State Govt. employees eligible for availing Festival Advance</td>
<td>Rs.10,000/- p.m. (Pay + DP)</td>
<td>Enhancement of Pay limit up to Rs.10,000/- including Grade Pay</td>
<td>Employees drawing Pay, including Grade Pay, not exceeding Rs.10,000/- p.m. shall be eligible for Festival Advance.</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>Amount Admissible for Festival Advance</td>
<td>Rs.5000/-</td>
<td>Rs.5000/-</td>
<td>No change.</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>Number of monthly instalments for recovery</td>
<td>10 equal consecutive monthly instalments</td>
<td>10 equal consecutive monthly instalments</td>
<td>No Change.</td>
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3. All other conditions and stipulations laid down in Finance Deptt. O.M. No. 31981/F, Dt. 4.10.58 and O.M. No. CS-IV-19/98-37293/f Dt. 29.8.98 remain unaltered.

4. This shall come into force with immediate effect.

Special Secretary to Govt.

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