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GOVERNMENT OF ORISSA
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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Bhubaneswar, Dated the 6th July 1960

The undersigned is directed to say that it has been considered necessary to issue a specific clarification as to whether holidays can be both prefixed and affixed to leave, in view of some doubts that seem to have arisen on this point.

2. Rule 139 of the Orissa Service Code, Volume I, specifically provides that officers of the Vacation Department cannot both prefix and suffix vacation to leave. As far as the other officers, Rule 138(a) and Rule 138(b) deal respectively with the prefixing and suffixing of holidays to leave (There has been some doubt as to what the term "affix" means. While the dictionary meaning of the term is "to add" the word seems to have been used in its restrictive connection "to add at the end" in the Orissa Service Code).

There is no specific limitation on both prefixing and suffixing of holidays to leave or leave to holidays. It is obvious from the meaning of rule 137 (e) and (f) that both suffixing and prefixing holidays to leave would be permissible if the conditions prescribed in rule 138(a) and 138(b) of Orissa Service Code Volume I are satisfied. But while both prefixing and suffixing of holidays to leave are permissible, holiday can not intervene between two spells of leave and the entire period of absence in such circumstances shall be treated as leave.

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