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POLITICAL AND SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

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✓ All Departments of Government
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Deptt. / Home. (P.R.) Deptt. / All Heads of
Deptt. / All District Offices / Secretary to
Governor / Public Service Commission / Orissa
Legislative Assembly / Registrar, High Court.

Bhubaneswar, the 31st January, 1964.

Subject :- Procedure for verification of character
and antecedents (Indian Nationals) who
have lived or living abroad, including
refugees, for appointment to posts under
Government.

Some doubts appear to have been felt in regard to the correct procedure to be followed in verifying the character and antecedents of candidates (Indian Nationals) who have lived abroad including West Pakistan some years preceding their appointment to posts and services under Government. The following instructions are therefore laid down for the information and guidance of all concerned.

If the person concerned has lived in India as well as abroad during the five years preceding his appointment, the Departments concerned shall follow the normal procedure of verification of character and antecedents from the authorities concerned in India for the period of his stay in India. In regard to the period of stay abroad including West Pakistan enquiries, shall however be addressed to the Intelligence Branch, Ministry of Home Affairs, who should be furnished with full particulars of the person concerned including the leave address in India and his address abroad in the attestation form enclosed herewith.

The next question is whether in case of persons who were permanent in the employ of a State Government in Pakistan, especially those who were holding gazetted posts, it should not be necessary to make a reference to the Police of the place in which they have taken up their residence in India. It is considered that generally speaking such verification should not, as a rule, be dispensed with except in cases in which there has been no break in service. Where the persons concerned have been out of employment for some time i.e. for more than the time taken in migration from Pakistan to India, the usual procedure of verification through the local police and by a reference to the Intelligence Bureau should be followed. In a majority of cases of displaced Government servants the character and antecedents have presumably been verified already. In regard to cases not already disposed of, the Departments may exercise their discretion and decide on the merits of each case whether the character and antecedents of a permanent displaced Government servant should be verified through the Police. ~~As with the considerations~~

Consequent on the above procedure, a question may arise regarding the procedure to be followed in the case of candidates who have stayed in East Pakistan prior to the date of enquiry or who have migrated from East Pakistan to India. It has been decided that the following procedure should be adopted for the verification of character and antecedents of the candidates for appointment to the State Government Service.

(i) Candidates who have resided even for a short period on their arrival in India on migration from East Pakistan, in a district in West Bengal.

The District Magistrate of the District in West Bengal should be addressed, for verification of character and antecedents in respect of the period spent in East Pakistan.

(ii) Candidates who are residents in India, but who left for East Pakistan for stay there for a certain period, from a district in West Bengal.

The District Magistrate of the District in West Bengal should be addressed in respect of the candidate's stay in East Pakistan.

(iii) Candidates who, on migration from East Pakistan to India, did not stay anywhere in West Bengal.

Verification references should be made direct to the Government of West Bengal, Home Department, Political Branch, Calcutta, who will forward a report after making necessary enquiries, in respect of the candidate's stay in West Pakistan.

(iv) Candidates who are residents in India but who proceeded to East Pakistan for stay therefor a certain period, from a place other than West Bengal.

Verification references should be made direct to the Government of West Bengal, Home Department, Political Branch, Calcutta, who will forward a report, after making necessary enquiries, in East Pakistan.

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