

**Government of Odisha**  
**General Administration and Public Grievance Department**

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No. 5925 /Gen., Bhubaneswar dated the 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021.  
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From:

Sri Ganesh Chandra Patra , OAS(SS),  
Special Secretary to Govt.

To

All Department s of Govt./  
All HoDs./  
All RDCs/ Collectors

**Sub.:- Clarification on submission of Annual Property Statement.**

As per the decision of the Government, communicated in GA & PG Department Resolution No. 4920/Gen. dated 12.2.2021, annual property returns as on 1<sup>st</sup> January of each year shall be submitted by each employee/ officer by 31<sup>st</sup> January of the year. Prior to issue of the Resolution dated 12.2.2021, Govt. servants were required to submit their property statements for the period from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> March by 31<sup>st</sup> July of that year as per provisions prescribed under sub rule-4 of Rule-21 of the Odisha Govt. Servants' Conduct Rules, 1959. Besides, decision has been communicated to the effect that, up to date filing of property return will be a pre requisite for promotion.

After issue of the afore stated Resolution, doubts have been raised in different quarters as to whether this Resolution shall be implemented prospectively from the year, 2021 or it shall be made effective from the 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2020 since the property statement from the said date is yet to be furnished by the Govt. servants. Moreover, references are being made regarding the method to be followed for non consideration of promotion of Govt. servants in absence of submission of property returns.

It is clarified that, the decision communicated in the GA & PG Department Resolution No.4920/Gen. dated 12.2.2021 is to be followed for filing of property returns which is currently due for submission. The property returns pertaining to the period from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2020 to 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020 which is required to be submitted as on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2021 shall now be submitted on or before 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2021. Subsequent

Annual Property Returns starting from 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2021 shall be submitted on or before 31<sup>st</sup> January of the subsequent year.

Failure to submit property returns shall be taken into account under the report to be furnished to the DPC on "other documents having a bearing on the conduct of the Govt. servants during the last five years" for consideration of promotion.

Yours faithfully,

*G. Patil*  
23.2.2021

Special Secretary to Government

Memo No. 5926 / Gen., dated 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021.

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*G. Patil*  
23.2.2021

Special Secretary to Government

Memo No. 5927 / Gen., dated 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021.

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*G. Patil*  
23.2.2021

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