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Dated: 25-03-2015,

To

All Chief Registrar of Births & Deaths and

Sub: Irregularities and corrupt practices in registration of birth and death and issuance of certificates thereof.

Sir,

As you are aware that registration of births and deaths are being done under the provisions of Registration of Births and Deaths (RBD) Act, 1969 and the corresponding Rules & order made thereunder. As per the provisions of Section 7 and 21 of the RBD Act, every birth (including still birth) and death are required to be registered by the concern registering authority which was occurred in his jurisdiction. Further, under the provision of Section 12 of the said Act, Registrar is required to issue the relevant extract /certificate from the birth /death registers to the informant as soon as registration is complete.

2. You may be agreed that despite the mandatory provisions of registration and issuance of extract / certificate under the Act, it has been observed that public is facing problem in registering an event of birth and death and obtaining the desired birth/ death certificate. This office has received several complaints/ representations in respect of corrupt practices being followed in many states in the system of registration of births and deaths. It has also been noticed that for getting birth or death certificates, bribes are paid to the registration functionaries. The complaints regarding these corrupt practices have been reached up to the Prime Minister's Office and PMO has taken it very seriously.

3. In order to streamline the successful and citizen friendly civil registration system, you are requested to take concrete efforts and make suitable steps to



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prevent the bribery under the existing system of registration of births and deaths and in issuance of extract/ certificates. So that general public will not suffer in obtaining birth / death certificate within the stipulated time limit.

The State Governments are required to take the following essential steps:

- i. To take strict disciplinary action against the person involved in any corrupt practice in the work of registration of birth and death and issuance of certificate to the public. The option of legal proceedings should also be considered.
- ii. A transparent system on registration of birth and death should be placed, wherein time limit should be prescribed for registration (including delayed registration) and issuance of birth/ death certificates.
- iii. A transfer policy has to be evolved particularly for those who are involved in public dealing in respect of registration of birth and death work. Any such person should not be allowed on a same seat for more than 3 years.
- iv. The penalties as prescribed under Section 23 (2) of the RBD Act should be imposed on any Registrar or Sub- Registrar who neglects or refuses, without any reasonable cause to register any birth or death occurring in his/ her jurisdiction or not to submit any prescribed monthly return.

4. You are requested to take necessary steps in this regard on priority basis. This office may be appraised about the action taken in the matter, a copy of the direction issued in this regard to the registration authorities may be sent to this office.

Yours faithfully,

(P.A. Mini)

Deputy Registrar General (CRS)

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