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Ministry of Home Affairs/Grih Mantralaya Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms rtment of Personner and Administration (Karmik Aur Prashansik Sudhar Vibhag)

New Delhi-1, the

## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: - Crucial date for determining age limits etc. for competitive examinations held by the UPSC/SSC.

As the Ministry of Defence etc. are aware, in terms of this Department's O.M.No.2/66/71-Estt(D) dated 10-9-1975, the crucial date for determining the age limits for appointment to posts filled otherwise than through competitive examinations is the closing date for receipt of applications from candidates in India (other than Andaman and Nicobar Island) and Lakshadweep). In respect of posts, the appointments to which are made through the Employment Exchanges, the crucial date for determining the age limit will in each case be the last date upto which the Employment Exchanges are asked to submit the names.

- 2. The question as to the crucial date that should be prescribed for competitive examinations held for recruitment by the UPSC/SSC etc. has been carefully considered in consultation with the UPSC and it has been decided that the crucial date should be:
- (i) 1st day of January of the year in which the examination is held if the examination is held in the first half of the year; and
- (ii)1st day of August of the year in which the examination is held, if the examination is held in the later half of the year.
- All Ministries are requested to take action to amend the relevant Recruitment Rules or regulations, in consultation with the UPSC wherever necessary.

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Deputy Secretary to the Government of India

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- 1. All Ministries/Departments including Cabinet Sectt. P.M.'s Office , C.V.C., C & A.G.
- 2. All Attached offices of Ministry of Home Affairs and Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms.