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Government of India  
Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pension  
Department of Personnel & Training

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New Delhi, dated the 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2013

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject:** Recognition of certificates/qualifications awarded by Board of Higher Secondary Education, Delhi etc. for purpose of employment in the Central Govt.-Regarding.

This is regarding references received from various Ministries/Departments seeking clarifications with regard to acceptance/recognition of various certificates/educational qualifications granted by different institutes, for the purposes of employment in Central Government. Since the subject matter pertains to the Ministry of Human Resource Development, these references have been forwarded to them from time to time, by this Department, for furnishing requisite clarifications in the matter. Hitherto, this Department has been issuing general instructions/circulars on these aspects on the basis of recommendations received from the Ministry of Human Resources Development.

2. Few references received from various Ministries/ Departments on the above issue have been forwarded to the Ministry of Human Resources Development in the recent past, clarifications on which are still awaited. A list of such references is enclosed for ready reference.

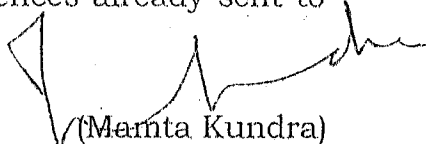
3. Notwithstanding above, it may be appreciated that as per work allocated to Department of Higher Education under Government of India (Allocation of Business) Rules 1961, the following item of work falls within the purview of Department of Higher Education:-

***“30: Recognition of professional technical qualification for purposes of recruitment to posts under Government of India”***

It may also be pointed out that a High Level Committee was existent in the Department of Higher Education for deciding on various educational qualifications for such purposes. It is further noted that this High Level Committee has since been replaced by the AICTE. On the other hand, it would be pertinent to mention that the Department of Personnel & Training do not have any substantive role in the matter as this Department do not have the requisite expertise to judge the suitability for grant of equivalence in terms of curriculum, the competence of faculty and other related parameters, etc.

4. In the above background, it would be just and fair if such references are dealt with directly in the Department of Higher Education/ Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Human Resource Development, instead of through DOP&T, and clarifications thereon, if any, are issued from the respective Departments in the Ministry of HRD from now on. If needed, Ministry of HRD may also take up the issue of amending the Government of India (Allocation of Business Rules) 1961, with the Cabinet Secretariat, in case the present Allocation of Business Rules do not cover the instant issue sufficiently.

5. The referring Departments are being requested to approach the Ministry of HRD directly with regard to their references already sent to the latter.

  
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