Subject: Regarding abolition of affidavits and allowing self-certification of certificates.

Dear Administrative Secretary,

This is with reference to the instructions issued by General Administration Department vide letter No. 62/09/2010-6GS1, dated 26.3.2014 and 22.8.2016 vide which it was decided that no Government department or organization would henceforth require the applicant to file affidavit for delivery of services except in those cases where affidavit is required by law or under the statutory rules. In other cases, a self-declaration would be accepted.

1. It was further decided that the applicant would not be required to attach attested copies of documents/certificates like Mark Sheet, Date of Birth Certificate etc. while applying for job or for admission purpose in various organizations/educational institutions. The self-attested documents/certificates would be accepted from the applicant. The original documents/certificates would require to be produced at the final stage.

3. The State Government has been receiving complaints that these instructions are not being followed by the ground level officials. Staff continues to demand Affidavits and copies of certificates attested by the Gazetted Officers.

4. They are, therefore, advised to ensure that these instructions are complied with in letter and spirit and also to give wide publicity to these provisions in the Districts. Divisional Commissioners are further requested that all the Deputy Commissioners may be asked to obtain monthly confirmation during the meetings of District Grievances Committees, that all Departments/field officers are complying with these instructions.

Yours sincerely,

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