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**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Finance**  
**Department of Expenditure**

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New Delhi, dated the 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2003

**OFFICE MEMEORANDUM**

Subject: Revival/ filling up of vacancies under 'deemed abolished' category - delegation of power - regarding.

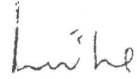
As the Financial Advisers are aware, if a post is held in abeyance or remains unfilled for one year or more, it is deemed as abolished. Revival of such a post requires approval of this Department.

2. It has since been decided to delegate the power to the Ministries/ Departments to consider and decide, in consultation with their Internal Finance Division, revival of such a post up to Deputy Secretary/ Director level subject to fulfillment of the following conditions:-

- (i) There exists functional justification;
- (ii) Matching savings are available from out of 'live posts' i.e. filled up posts or posts vacant for less than one year;
- (iii) It is not a direct recruitment vacancy (falling under DOPT OM dated 16.5.2001 on Optimization of direct recruitment to Civilian posts);
- (iv) It has not been abolished/ recommended for abolition in compliance to any specific Govt. instruction, eg. 10% economy cut or ERC Report, IWSU/ SIU study etc.

3. The Financial Advisers are requested to bring the above instructions to the notice of the concerned administrative divisions in their Ministries/ Departments. They are free to refer any matter where there is a difference of opinion with the administrative Ministry to the Department of Expenditure for a final decision/resolution. They are also requested to send to this Department [(Joint Secretary (Per))] a quarterly report containing the following information:-

- (a) Details of post(s) revived - designation, scale of pay, number of posts, date of vacancy and mode of recruitment
- (b) Functional Justification in brief;
- (c) Details of matching savings provided - designation. Scale of pay and the number; and whether filled up posts or vacant and if so, the date of occurrence of vacancy;
- (d) Confirmation to the effect that the conditions prescribed for revival have been strictly followed.

  
**(Anuradha Mitra)**  
**Director (Pay)**

To

**Financial Advisers,**  
**All Ministries/ Departments.**  
**(as per standard list)**