File No. 11024 /26 / 2015 - SSS Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation Subordinate Statistical Service (SSS)

Sardar Patel Bhawan, Sansad Marg, New Delhi – 110001 Dated: 26th October 2016

Office Memorandum

Sub: Clarification in respect of Field Allowance to Senior Statistical Officers - regarding.

The undersigned is directed to refer to NSSO (FOD) letter No: Q-12011 / 06 / 2012 / SE / FA- E- II dated 9th June 2016 vide which following clarifications have been sought:

- (i) Whether the Senior Statistical Officers (SSOs), who are Gazetted Officers are also entitled to be given Field Allowance or not?
- (ii) The arrears of Field Allowance will be paid only if the allowance is claimed by the ASO when it is due, and in case Compensatory leave is availed by an ASO for working on Saturday / Sunday or Holiday, no further benefit in terms of field allowance may be paid. It is felt that the same condition is applicable to all the cases.
- **02.** The above issues have been examined in consultation with DOPT and clarified as follows:
 - (i) Senior Statistical Officers [Group- B, Gazetted] are entitled to claim Field Allowance as per the ceiling prescribed and subject to the conditions stipulated vide this Ministry OM No. A- 26011 / 03 / 2011 Adm. III dated 21.05.2014. However, they are not entitled for compensatory leave in lieu of duty performed on Saturday / Sunday / Holidays.
 - (ii) Junior Statistical Officers (Group-B, Non-Gazetted) are entitled to claim Field Allowance as per ceiling prescribed and subject to conditions stipulated vide this Ministry OM No. A-26011 / 03 / 2011 Admin- III dated 21.05.2014. Besides, the JSOs who have rendered less than or up to 15 years of service or drawing pay less than Rs.2200/- notionally as per 4th CPC, are also entitled for compensatory leave in lieu of duty performed on Saturday / Sunday / Holidays, again subject to the condition that they remained on field duty at a stretch for seven days.
- **03.** This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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- Department of Personnel & Training (Kind Attention Sh. Navneet Mishra, Under Secretary, Estt. (Allowance) Section) JNU New Delhi w.r.t. their ID No. A-27016 / 02 / 2016 Estt. (AL) dated 04.10.2016 for information.
- (ii) Under Secretary (Admin- III), of MOS&PI with reference to their OM No. A-26011 / 03 / 2011 Admin- III dated 21.05.2014 for information.
- (iii) AS&FA w.r.t. their Dy. No. 1173/ AS & FA dated 24.10.2016.
- MOSPI Website with the request to place the above OM on the official web site of the Ministry under the miscellaneous link.