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Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure

New Delhi, the March 26, 1998.
Chaitra 5, 1920 (Saka).

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Central Civil Services (Revised Pay) Rules, 1997—
Fixation of pay of Government servants who opt for
the revised scale of pay from a date subsequent
to 1.1.1996.

In terms of the provisions contained in Rule 9 of the
Central Civil Services (Revised Pay) Rules, 1997, where a
Government servant continues to draw his pay in the existing scale
of pay and is brought over to the revised scale from a date later
than the 1st day of January, 1996, his pay from the later date in
the revised scale is to be fixed under the Fundamental Rules and
not under Rule 7 of the said Rules.

2. On further consideration and in exercise of the power
available under Rule 13 of the Central Civil Services (Revised Pay)
Rules, 1997, the President is pleased to decide that the pay of
Government Servants who opt to switch over to the revised scale of
pay from the date of their next increment falling after 1.1.1996
but not later than 31.12.1996 in respect of the post held by them
on 1.1.1996 shall be fixed in accordance with the provisions of
Rule 7 of the Central Civil Services (Revised Pay) Rules, 1997.

3. The option in the format appended as the Second Schedule to
the Central Civil Services (Revised Pay) Rules, 1997 may be
exercised within 3 months from the date of issue of this O.M. The
option once exercised shall be final. The option now provided
under these orders can be exercised afresh even by those Government
servants who have already exercised their option prior to the issue
of these orders to switch over to the revised scales. However, the
pay of Government servants who opt to switch over to the revised scales—

(a) from date of increment falling subsequent to 31.12.1996 or

(b) from any date after 1.1.1996, for reasons other than their
date of increment falling during 1996,
shall be fixed under Rule 9 of the Central Civil Services (Revised

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4. Ministry of Home Affairs etc. are requested to bring the contents of these orders to the notice of all concerned expeditiously so as to obviate any necessity for extending the prescribed time limit for exercising an option under these orders.

5. In so far as persons serving in the Indian Audit and Accounts Department are concerned, these orders issue after consultation with the Comptroller and Auditor General of India.

6. Hindi version is enclosed.

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