No. PER (AP)-C-E(3)-3/2020-Part-I Government of Himachal Pradesh Department of Personnel (AP-III)

From

The Chief Secretary to the Government of Himachal Pradesh

To

All the Administrative Secretaries to the Government of Himachal Pradesh

Dated: Shimla-171002, the 28th April, 2023

Subject: - Regarding sending copies of petitions through e-mail.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the subject cited above and to say that the Ld. Advocate General, Himachal Pradesh vide letter No. 1-14/2018-6619 dated 13.03.2023, has intimated that in order to transform the office of Advocate General to paperless office, the practice of receiving copies of petitions through e-mail from the counsels of the petitioners has been started. The copy of petition along-with all annexures will be supplied henceforth, only to the concerned Administrative Secretary/Head of Department through e-mail and no hardcopy will be forwarded. It will be the responsibility of the office of the concerned Administrative Secretary/Head of Department to further forward the petition to the concerned subordinate offices under their establishment, who are party to the proceedings, so that the replies/compliance can be filed in time before the Hon'ble High Court.

2. The para 20.6 of the Himachal Pradesh Official Manual, 2011 lays down the detailed policy/guidelines with respect to use of e-mails for day to day official communication and reducing the use of papers in the offices. Pursuant to these guidelines, all the official correspondence via e-mail needs to be done using the official email address. All official communications exchanged through e-mail shall be deemed as official correspondence. Use of private domain names/e-mail ID's is prohibited for this purpose.

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- 3. Further, attention is also invited to para(s) 5 & 6 of the Standard Operating with court cases. circulated vide this Procedure/instructions for dealing 18.03.2023. whereby department's of number dated letter even it has been stated that in case of filing reply(ies), the respondent department(s) shall submit reply(ies) for vetting through e-mails and ask the officer well conversant with the facts of the case(es) to remain in touch with the vetting officer in the O/o Ld. Advocate General, Himachal Pradesh.
- 4. In view of above, it is requested to adhere to the above mentioned instructions/guidelines in letter & spirit. These instructions can be seen at www.himachal.nic.in/personnel.

Yours faithfully,

(Balbir Singh)
Deputy Secretary (Personnel) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh
Phone No. 0177-2880851

Endrs: No. as above Dated Shimla-171002, the 38th April, 2023

A copy is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:-

- 1. The Ld. Advocate General, State of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-01 w.r.t the letter referred to above.
- 2. The Secretary to the Governor, Himachal Pradesh Shimla-02.
- 3. All the Heads of the Departments in Himachal Pradesh.
- 4.All the Divisional Commissioners in Himachal Pradesh
- 5.All the Deputy Commissioners in Himachal Pradesh.
- 6. The Registrar, H.P. High Court, Shimla-1.
- · 7. The Secretary, HP Public Service Commission, Shimla-02.
 - 8. All the Chairpersons/Managing Directors / Registrars / Secretaries of various Corporation/ Boards/Universities etc. in Himachal Pradesh

Deputy Secretary (Personnel) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh