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Government of Himachal Pradesh  
Department of Personnel (AP-III)  

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Dated: Shimla-171002, the 21ST November, 2015

From

Additional Chief Secretary (Personnel) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.

To

1. All Administrative Secretaries to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.
2. All Divisional Commissioners in Himachal Pradesh.
3. All Heads of Departments in Himachal Pradesh.
4. All Deputy Commissioners in Himachal Pradesh.

Subject: Probation of a Government servant appointed to the service under the State Government – instructions thereto.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the subject cited above. A person is appointed on probation in order to assess his suitability for absorption in the service to which he has been appointed and probation should not be treated as a mere formality. Presently, the period of probation for direct recruitment as well as promotion in the services of the State is prescribed two years. The matter regarding re-defining of period of probation in the case of promotion from one grade to another but within the same Class of post was under consideration of the Government for some time past.

2. It has now been decided that in the case of promotion from one Class to another e.g. Class-II to Class-I, the period of probation shall be two years or the period of probation prescribed for the direct recruitment to the post, if any, and in case of promotion from one grade to another but within the same Class of post e.g. from Class-III to Class-III, no probation shall be prescribed. There will be no probation in the case of appointment on contract basis, tenure basis, re-employment after superannuation and absorption.
3. It is, therefore, requested that the following provisions may be inserted suitably in the respective Recruitment & Promotion Rules:

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<td>(a) Two years subject to such further extension for a period not exceeding on year as may be ordered by the competent authority in special circumstances and reasons to be recorded in writing.</td>
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4. These instructions may also be brought to the notice of all concerned for strict compliance.

Yours faithfully,

(Prem Singh Thakur)
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