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Government of Haryana **General Administration Department** General Services-I Branch No. 62/ 09 /2010-6GSI

Dated Chandigarh, the 28th April, 2010

To

1. All the Financial Commissioners and Principal Secretaries/ Commissioners and Secretaries to Government of Haryana.

2. All the Heads of Departments and Divisional Commissioners, Ambala, Hisar, Rohtak and Gurgaon Divisions.

3. The Registrar, Punjab and Haryana High Court, Chandigarh.

4. All the Deputy Commissioners and Sub Divisional Officers (Civil) in Haryana State.

5. All the Managing Directors of Boards/Corporations/ Public Undertaking of the State.

All the Registrars of the Universities of the State.

Subject: -Regarding replacement of affidavit by self-declaration.

Sir/Madam.

I am directed to invite your attention on the subject noted above and to say that a number of offices in the Government departments obtain affidavits from the general public alongwith applications for various works/services. The practice to ask for affidavits has been increasing over a period and the departments are asking for submission of affidavits as a matter of routine. The public has to undergo a very cumbersome and tortuous procedure for preparation of affidavits. Besides the harassment, the public has to spend considerable money for preparation of affidavits. This has also been resulting in unnecessary piling up of records in the offices.

- Government has decided that no Government department or organization 2 would henceforth require the applicants to file affidavits for delivery of services except in those cases where affidavit is required by law or under the statutory rules. In place of affidavit, a selfdeclaration would be accepted.
- The application forms may be drafted so as to contain undertaking/declaration by the applicant that the facts stated in the application are correct to the best of his/her knowledge belief and that nothing has been concealed therein. In case of any concealment or misrepresentation, legal action would be taken against the culprits. Such action can be taken under Section 182, Section 415 read with Section 417 and section 420, of Indian Penal Code as the case may be.
- You are also requested to ensure that these instructions shall be effective from 4 01.06.2010.

These instructions may please be brought to the notice of all concerned for strict compliance and send the compliance report by 30.05.2010.

Yours faithfully,

Under Secretary General Administration, for Chief Secretary to Government of Haryana

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