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To

All HoDs (as per mailing list)

**Subject: Circulation of Unverified / Forged Electronic Information through Social Media and Informal Channels - reg.**

Sir/ Madam,

It has come to the notice that certain unverified and misleading information, including purported official communications, is being circulated through informal channels and social media platforms by some officials.

2. In this regard, it is stated that any information, circular, order, or instruction shall be treated as authentic only when issued through official channels of communication or duly verified from the competent authority concerned. Employees are strictly advised not to create, circulate, forward, or rely upon any such unverified information through messaging applications, email groups, or social media platforms.

3. The Competent Authority has taken a serious view of such activities as circulation of forged or misleading electronic documents may lead to unnecessary confusion among staff and may also attract legal and disciplinary consequences.

4. Officials are hereby reminded that creation or circulation of forged electronic records or misleading information may attract provisions of the Information Technology Act, 2000. Further, such acts shall also be treated as misconduct under the provisions of the Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

5. Circulation of fabricated or misleading electronic communications purporting to be official documents will be viewed as serious misconduct, and strict disciplinary action under applicable service rules, in addition to legal action under relevant provisions of law, may be initiated against the individuals involved.

6. All Heads of Departments are requested to bring the contents of this circular to the notice of all officials under their control and ensure strict compliance.

Yours faithfully,

25/3/26

(Sumeet Kumar)

Asst. Comptroller and Auditor General