To,
The Chief Secretaries of States / UTs

Subject: Counting of the limitation period for the diverse purposes under various All India Service Rules, IAS/IPS/IFoS Rules and Regulations and the instructions issued thereunder - reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to OM of even number dated 31st March, 2020 whereby, considering the unprecedented situation of lockdown w.e.f. 24th March, 2020, the period of lockdown was decided to be excluded from the time-limits prescribed in various Rules/instructions.

2. Ministry of Home Affairs vide its Order dated 30th May, 2020 has issued instructions inter alia for phase-wise reopening of activities outside the containment zone. In view of this, it has now been decided that the exclusion of lockdown period w.e.f. 24th March, 2020 shall cease to have further effect with the issue of this O.M.

3. Therefore, after exclusion of lockdown period, action as per time-lines provided under various Rules/instructions may be completed within the period, as explained in paras 2 & 3 of O.M. dated 31st March, 2020 referred above.

4. This issues with the approval of competent authority.

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1. All the Ministries / Department of Government of India
2. The Ministry of Home Affairs, being cadre controlling authority for IPS, North Block, New Delhi.
3. The Ministry of Environment, Forest & CC, being cadre controlling authority for IFoS, Lodhi Road, Jor Bagh, New Delhi.
4. NIC, DOPT – for uploading on the website of DOPT.
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