

Copy of Circular letter No. 278-3 GSI-66/3062, dated the 16th February, 1966 from the Chief Secretary to Government, Punjab, to all Heads of Departments, etc., etc.

Subject:—Government Servants Conduct Rules, 1955 Clarification of Rule 10 regarding movable and immovable property.

I am directed to invite a reference to rule 10 of the Punjab Government Servant (Conduct) Rules, 1955, regarding control over movable and immovable property held or acquired by a Government employee and to state that a question has arisen whether a Government employee is required to make a declaration of movable and immovable property held or acquired by him or by any member of his family, as a member of a Joint Hindu Family. The matter has been considered by Government in consultation with the Legal Remembrancer and it is observed that as a member of the Joint Hindu Family, a Government employee has some interest in the ancestral property and therefore, under rule 10 of the Government Servants (Conduct) Rules, he is bound to send information regarding his interest and the interest of the members of his family in such property. It is immaterial that the extent of his interest cannot be ascertained until the partition actually takes place.

2. It is accordingly to be brought to the notice of all Government employees that they should in future also indicate in the annual property return, details of the movable or immovable property held or acquired by them as members of the Joint Hindu Family.