Copy of letter No. 12912-4GS-61/41813, dated the 20th November, 1961, from the Chief Secretary to Government, Punjab to All Heads of Deptt. etc. etc.

Subject :--Procedure to be followed for selection of officers/officials for promotion to higher selection posts-Greater emphasis on merit than on seniority.

In continuation of Punjab Government letter No. 11911-GII-59/1136, dated the 21st January, 1960, on the subject noted above, I am directed to inform you that the question of raising the standard of qualifying test for purposes of promotion of elerks in 'A' class offices to the posts of Assistants has been considered by Government and it has been decided that whereas the Subordinate Services Selection Board will continue to conduct a single qualifying test for all offices, the pass percentage of marks in the case of 'A' class office will be 40% in each subject and 60% in the aggregate and in respect of 'B' and 'C' class offices it will remain as at present, namely 33% in individual subjects including the Character Roll assessment and 50% in the aggregate.

2. These instructions may please be brought to the notice of all concerned for information and necessary action.

3. The receipt of this letter may please be acknowledged.