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From

The Chief Secretary to Government, Haryana

To

1. All the Administrative Secretaries to Government Haryana.
2. All the Heads of Departments, Commissioner, Ambala, Hisar, Gurgaon and Rohtak Divisions.

Dated Chandigarh, the 15th September, 2016.

Subject;- Providing complete paper book of the case including petition with complete Annexures alongwith letters issued to the office of Advocate General, Haryana for defence of case(s) on behalf of the State.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to invite your attention on the subject noted above and to say that it has been brought to the notice of the State Government that after the notice is issued by the Hon'ble Punjab & Haryana High Court to Government Departments, the department concerned usually sends a letter containing 4-5 lines to the office of AG, Haryana, one or two days prior to the date fixed, almost with the following contents:

"The case mentioned above as subject is/was last fixed for hearing on in the Hon'ble High Court for the State of Punjab and Haryana at Chandigarh.

You are requested to defend this case on behalf of State at public expenses. Further information and relevant documents may be obtained from department concerned."

Due to such practice on the part of authorities, the Law Officers are not in a position to get the copy of such petition. In the absence of copies of petitions, it is not even known by the Law Officers as to what is the dispute and what relief has been sought or granted in the case. Resultantly, the Law Officers are not in a position to properly assist the Hon'ble Courts and Hon'ble Benches feel annoyed for such lapses on the part of different departments and sometimes adverse orders are passed by the Courts.

2. The State Government has considered the matter and it has been decided that while communicating instructions to the office of Advocate General, Haryana to defend the case at public expenses, complete paper book of the case including photocopy of writ petition with complete Annexures and letters issued to the Advocate General, Haryana for defence of case(s) on behalf of the State may be supplied to the office of Advocate General for effective representation and to avoid inconvenience to the Hon'ble Courts. If, the complete paper book is not available with them, the department concerned may be directed to provide the same to the office of Advocate General, Haryana.

3. These instructions may be brought to the notice of all concerned for strict compliance. Any violation will be viewed seriously.

Yours faithfully,



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