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.
- 3. The Registrar, Punjab and Haryana High Court, Chandigarh
- 4. All the Deputy Commissioners of the State of Haryana.
- 5. The Managing Directors/Chief Administrators of all the Boards/Corporations in Haryana State.
- 6. The Registrars of all the Universities in the State of Haryana.

Dated Chandigarh, the 28th February, 2017.

Subject:

Allocation of Business and disposal of works at various levels of the Government-Implementation of Court Orders and filing joint reply

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to invite your attention towards Government letter of even number dated 07.07.2014 on the subject noted above vide which the instructions were issued that in cases where the petitions are filed against the State and Chief Secretary has been impleaded as respondent, but no relief has been claimed by the petitioner(s) from the Chief Secretary and issues involved in the writ petitions are not at all required to be decided at the level of Chief Secretary, the contesting department shall file joint reply even on behalf of State of Haryana or in case of any difficulty in filing joint reply, the contesting department shall make submissions in its reply before the Hon'ble Court for deleting the name of respondent i.e. State of Haryana through Chief Secretary being performa party.

- 2. It has been observed by the Government that the said instructions are not being complied with in letter & spirit and large number of cases are pending in the Hon'ble High Court against the State wherein the name of Chief Secretary is still continued as performa party. No efforts have been made by the departments to get the name of Chief Secretary deleted from the list of respondents. Moreover, the departments have also failed to file reply on behalf of Chief Secretary in various writ petitions. Consequently, directions & notices are being issued to Chief Secretary, Haryana, even though the issue involved in writ petition is not at all required to be decided at the level of Chief Secretary.
- 3. Departments are advised to ensure compliance of these instructions in letter and spirit. These instructions may please be brought to the notice of all concerned for strictly compliance, failing which a serious view will be taken.

Under Secretary General Administration, for Chief Secretary to Government Haryana