

Copy of letter No. 10711-GII-59/24455, dated the 30th November, 1959, from the Chief Secretary to Government, Punjab, Chandigarh, to all Heads Departments, etc., etc.

*Subject :—Grant of special casual leave to sportsmen.*

I am directed to address you on the subject noted above and to say that according to the instructions contained in Punjab Government circular letter No. 684-GII-58/13153, dated the 14th/20th February 1958, special casual leave not exceeding 30 days in one calendar year can be granted to Government Servants who are sportsmen and take part in sporting events, tournaments and matches of national or international importance held either in India or abroad. The question of extending this concession to employees who participate in inter-district matches and in preliminary tests for selection to Punjab teams for inter-State, i.e., All India Sports events has been engaging the attention of Government for some time past. After careful consideration, it has been decided that in principle there should be no objection to giving the special casual leave to such employees, but each case should be dealt with on its merits by the authorities competent to grant leave, keeping in view the type of tournament etc.