

Ministry of Public Administration,
Provincial Councils & Home Affairs,
Independence Square,
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To: All Secretaries to Ministries,
Chief Secretaries to Provincial
Councils and Heads of Departments.

Release of Public Officers as an interim measure from
Ministries/Departments to Provincial Councils.

This is further to Public Administration Circular No.10/89 of 09.02.89.

02. The temporary release of an officer to a Provincial Council is subject to the following:-

- (a) The officer released should presently be engaged at least partly in functions relating to a subject devolved on a Provincial Council.
- (b) The temporary release is for a period of one year.
- (c) The officer concerned should consent to the temporary release and the Provincial Council should request for his temporary services. (specimen letter is annexed).
- (d) The terms and conditions of service of the officer temporarily released to a Provincial Council will remain unchanged.
- (e) During the period of temporary release the officer may also be required to carry out any functions assigned to him by Government.
- (f) The officer will not receive any additional remuneration during the period of temporary release.
- (g) At the time of release the Provincial Public Service Commission will issue to the officer a letter of temporary appointment to function in the Provincial Council. (specimen letter is annexed).

03. The Chief Secretary of the Provincial Council would by now have worked out the minimum staff that he would require in each category to commence the functioning of his Provincial Council. He will be submitting a statement of the staff required to the GA of the district. The GA will then take steps to secure the release of the officers to the Provincial Council on the conditions set out in paragraph 2 above, in consultation with the relevant Head of Department.

04. Until the Government gives a grant to a Provincial Council for the payment of salaries, the officer will continue to draw his salary and allowances from the same source as at present.
05. You are requested to take necessary action in terms of the procedures laid down above for the temporary release of your officers in the districts.
06. The specimen letter of release annexed to Public Administration Circular No.10/89 of 9th February 1989, is substituted by the specimen letter annexed to this Circular.
07. This arrangement is not applicable to any officer serving in the Police Department.

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