## GOVERNMENT OF KERALA Finance Department

## **CIRCULAR**

No. 22/PRC-A1/90/Fin.

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram 3<sup>rd</sup>, April, 1990

Sub:- Time bound grade promotions to unqualified hands – Clarification-issued.

Ref:- Circular No. 70/PRC.A1/89/Fin. dated 16<sup>th</sup> October, 1989.

In the Circular cited, Government have clarified that employees who were eligible for permanent exemption from acquisition of test qualifications on completion of 50 years who were given only the lower scales of higher grade will be given the higher grades with reference to their normal promotion posts with effect from the date on which they acquire test qualifications or the date on which they had completed 50 years of age whichever is earlier.

2. Though it was specifically mentioned that this is a clarification to give effect to the exemptions admissible under General Rule 13B, doubts have been raised from various quarters as to whether this extension of scale of pay of the promotion post will be available to officers who had completed 50 years but had not acquired basic qualifications or test for which there is no exemption under Rule 13B of the Kerala State and Subordinate Service Rules, 1958. In order to avoid confusion and misinterpretation of Circular dated 16-10-1989, Government are pleased to clarify as follows:-

While allowing higher grade on completion of the specified period of service the scales available for promotion shall be given only to those who are either fully qualified to hold the higher post or those who are eligible for permanent exemption from the acquisition of the test qualifications prescribed for promotion to that scale of pay by virtue of General Rule 13B owing to their attaining the age prescribed therein. Persons who have attained the said age but who are not eligible for permanent exemption by the application of Rule 13B shall be entitled only to the next higher scale to that of their pay scale in the standard scales of pay.

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