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To,

All Chief Registrar of births and Deaths

Subject: Linking of Birth and Death Certificates with other services.

Sir,

You are aware that registration of births and deaths is mandatory under the provisions of Registration of Births and Deaths (RBD) Act, 1969, despite mandatory registration for the last four decades, the level of registration of births and deaths at national level is only 81 % and 67% respectively. In the light of the target of National Population Commission to achieve 100% registration of births and deaths, it is desired to improve the registration system and increase the level of registration of birth and death by linking submission of birth and death certificate for availing the benefits under various schemes.

2. You may be aware that during 2009 National Conference, detailed discussion was held on linking of Birth and Death Certificates with other services wherein it was decided to enlist those services, where proof of age and proof of identity could primarily be required through birth and death certificates. The possible services for linkage of birth and death certificates was also chalked out, accordingly the following main services are emerged for birth and death registration:

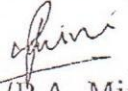
- (i) **Birth Registration** : Entry of new born baby in ration card; immunization,; issue of passport; maternity benefits scheme; entry into school; caste/domicile certificate; insurance policy; declaration as major for any legal purposes; enrolment in Electoral Rolls; driving licence; enrolment in employment exchange; appointment in Government, public health services and health insurance scheme sector and private sector; marriage registration etc.

- (ii) **Death Registration:** legal heir ship for transfer of property to legal heirs; claims in respect of insurance, bank and other deposits, family pension; transfer of gas connection, telephone connection, electricity/water meters; removal of name of deceased from the Electoral Rolls, old age pension beneficiaries' etc.

3. In this connection, it is also to inform you that recently a committee setup on strengthening the civil registration system comprising the members from NRHM, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare and ORGI also recommended for linking of birth and death certificates for availing the benefits under various schemes. One such move recommended by the Committee could be production of birth certificates at the time of admission in the school. However, this should be done with adequate safety mechanism such as three months' time for furnishing of birth certificate in order to avoid clashes between the interests of different schemes of various departments. Similar provisions can also be made in respect of other schemes, particularly those relating to reproductive women and children.

4. In view of the above, you are requested to coordinate with the concerned departments and make efforts to link various services with registration and production of birth and death certificates. This office may also be apprised about the action taken in this regard.

Yours faithfully


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Dy. Registrar General (CRS)