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NOTIFICATION

No.H. 12017/55/99-LJD/85, the 18th March, 1999. The following Central Act is hereby republished for general information.

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THE LEADERS AND CHIEF WHIPS OF RECOGNISED PARTIES AND GROUPS IN PARLIAMENT (FACILITIES) ACT, 1998

AN ACT

to provide for facilities to Leaders and Chief Whips of recognised parties and groups in Parliament.

BE it enacted by Parliament in the Forty-ninth Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Leaders and Chief Whips of Recognised Parties and Groups in Parliament (Facilities) Act, 1998. Short title and commencement.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

Definitions. 2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—

(a) “recognised group” means,—

(i) in relation to the Council of States, every group of parties recognised for the purposes of this Act by the Chairman under the rules regulating the procedure of that House;

(ii) in relation to the House of the People, every group of parties recognised for the purposes of this Act by the Speaker under the rules regulating the procedure of that House;

(b) “recognised party” means,—

(i) in relation to the Council of States, every party which is recognised for the purposes of this Act by the Chairman under the rules regulating the procedure of that House;

(ii) in relation to the House of the People, every party which is recognised for the purposes of this Act by the Speaker under the rules regulating the procedure of that House.

Facilities to the Leaders and Chief Whips of recognised groups and parties.

3. Subject to any rules made in this behalf by the Central Government, each leader (other than the Leader of the Opposition as defined in section 2 of the Salary and Allowances of Leaders of Opposition in Parliament Act, 1977) and each Chief Whip of a recognised group and a recognised party shall be entitled to telephone and secretarial facilities.

33 of 1977.

Power to make rules.

4. (1) The Central Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, make rules for carrying out the provisions of this Act.

(2) Every rule made under sub-section (1) shall be laid, as soon as may be after it is made, before each House of Parliament, while it is in session, for a total period of thirty days, which may be comprised in one session or in two or more successive sessions, and if, before the expiry of the session immediately following the session or the successive sessions aforesaid, both Houses agree in making any modification in the rule or both Houses agree that the rule should not be made, the rule shall thereafter have effect only in such modified form or be of no effect, as the case may be; so, however, that any such modification or annulment shall be without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done under that rule.

Amendment 5. In the Parliament (Prevention of Disqualification) Act, 1959, in section 3,—
of section 3
of Act 10
of 1959.

(i) after clause (ab), the following clause shall be inserted, namely:—

“(ac) the office of each leader of a recognised party and a recognised group in either House of Parliament;”;

(ii) after Explanation 2, the following Explanation shall be inserted, namely:—

‘Explanation 3.—In clause (ac), the expressions “recognised party” and “recognised group” shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Leaders and Chief Whips of Recognised Parties and Groups in Parliament (Facilities) Act, 1998.’.