No.Z-11025/11/2015-O/o SO(ES) Ministry of External Affairs OE&PGE Division

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Subject: Intimation of publishing of advertisement and interview permissions.

In view of increasing number of Indian emigrants travelling to newer destinations for employment, competent authority, in partial modification of this Ministry's O.M.s of even number dated 12/01/2016, 31/03/2016, 06/05/2016 and 03/06/2016 (copies enclosed herewith) on the subject, has directed all concerned to note the following in addition to directions issued vide above mentioned O.M.s for strict compliance & implementation with effect from 26/12/2023:

- 1. Advance permission is required as before for conducting interviews for recruitment of ECR category passport holders to ECR countries.
- 2. Advance intimation has henceforth been made mandatory for publishing of advertisement / conducting of interviews for recruitment of both ECR and ECNR category passport holders to ECNR countries and also for recruitment of ECNR category passport holders to ECR countries. Full text of advertisements to be published in print or any other online media must be shared along with this advance intimation to the concerned PoE.
- 3. Such advance intimation can be provided either by email or by sending hard copies to the concerned POE Office at least 3 days prior to the date of publishing of advertisement / conduct of the interview. The advance intimation must include name and address of the Foreign Employer (FE), details about date and location of the interview, fee to be charged from migrant workers with complete break-up and number of vacancies for each i.e. for ECR as well as for ECNR category.
- 4. The RAs can seek online permission for conducting the interview for ECR category workers (w.r.t. Sr. No.1 above) through the eMigrate portal at least 3 days prior to the date of the interview. For ECNR category workers, such advance intimation can be done using the eMigrate portal by counting them under 'Skilled Category' workers.
- 5. Clause 2 of the OM dated 31st March 2016 appearing on the existing auto generated interview permission will accordingly to be amended to read as follows:
- "Obtaining of interview permissions from concerned PoE office for recruitment of ECR category workers to ECR countries is mandatory. Advance intimation of publishing of advertisement / conduct of interview along with details of the FE to concerned PoE is also