NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 4 of the Odisha Official Language Act, 1954 (Odisha Act 14 of 1954), the State Government do hereby make the following rules, namely:

1. Short title and commencement. — (1) These rules may be called the Odisha Official Language Rules, 2016.
   (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Odisha Gazette.

2. Definition. — (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,
   (a) 'Act' means the Odisha Official Language Act, 1954 (Odisha Act 14 of 1954);
   (b) 'Committee' means the Committee which is constituted under rule 4,
   (c) 'Notification' means the Notification published in the Odisha Gazette;
   and
   (d) 'State Government' means Government of Odisha.

3. Constitution of the Committee and its powers. — (1) There shall be a Committee constituted by the State Government consisting of the following members, namely:-
   a. Chief Secretary — Chairperson;
   b. Special Secretary, G.A. Department — ex-officio Member Convenor;
   c. Secretary, Culture Department — ex-officio Member;
   d. Secretary, I & PR Department — ex-officio Member;
   e. Secretary, S & M. E. Department — ex-officio Member; and
   f. Secretary, H.E. Department — ex-officio Member

4. Advertisement.
(2) The Committee shall review within a period of six months from the date of issue of the Notification under sub-section (2) of section 2 of the Act, whether the direction contained in the Notification have been effectively implemented.

(ii) The Committee shall have the power to monitor the implementation of the direction contained in the Notification.

4. **Functions of the Committee.** - The functions of the Committee shall be as follows namely:

   (a) to hold the meeting of the Committee at least twice in a year.
   (b) to prepare the report regarding effective implementation within a period of two months from the date of holding the meeting and to submit the same to the Government within a period of one month after its preparation.

5. **Manner of review and monitoring.** - The Head of the Organization in respect of which the direction contained in the Notification issued under sub-section (2) of section 2 of the Act has been made or the Nodal Officer authorized by him may be invited by the Committee when the meeting is held where the Head of the Organization or the Nodal Officer, as the case may be, shall furnish a report to the Committee about implementation of the direction given under the said Notification.

6. **Official Language Division.** - There shall be an Official Language Division under the administrative control of General Administration Department which shall supervise the functions of the Committee for effective implementation and monitoring of the directions, contained in the Notification issued under sub-section (2) of section 2 of the Act.

7. **Interpretation.** - If any question arises relating to the interpretation of any of the provisions of these rules, it shall be referred to the Government in General Administration Department for a decision.

By order of the Governor

Special Secretary to Government
Memo No. 17602 / Gen., dated 12/8/2016

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