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OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT GENERAL (AUDIT
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No.Au/Admn V/Covid -19/2021-22

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Circular No. 36

Sub: Modified clarification regarding absence during COVID- 19 - reg.

It has been observed that there is non-uniformity in treating the period of absence for officials who have tested positive for Covid and also in treating the period of absence in cases of quarantine period of officials who came in primary contact with Covid positive person.

In this regard, the following instructions as per the Hqrs office Circular No. 22 –Staff Entt. II/2021 dated 06.07.2021 should be followed strictly.

Sl.No	Situation	Treatment of period of absence
1	When the Government Servant comes into direct contact with a COVID – positive person(Low Risk primary contact with a person working in office who had tested positive for Covid)	He shall be treated as on duty/ Work from Home for a period of seven days. If asymptomatic, the official may join duty after the above period. If found symptomatic the official may test for Covid and if found positive shall follow rule at Sl. No.3.If found negative he may report for duty.
2	When a dependent family member of Government servant is COVID-positive or parents, whether dependent or not, living with him are COVID positive (High Risk primary contact).	Shall be granted Special Casual Leave (SCL) of 15 days on production of COVID-positive report of dependent family member/parents. In case of hospitalization of family member Government servant may be granted leave of any kind due and admissible beyond 15 days of Special Casual leave till their discharge from hospital.
3	When the Government servant himself is COVID Positive and is in home isolation/quarantine.	Shall be granted CML for 20 days by the Group Officer concerned, if due and admissible, without Medical certificate, on mere production of his COVID Positive report. If CML is not available, he shall be granted SCL for 15 days followed by EL or HPL of 5 days and, in case of EL/HPL is also not available EOL without insisting on production of Medical Certificate, and the period shall also be counted for qualifying service The officials shall produce Covid -19 Negative certificate at the time of joining for duty.

(Vide orders dated 28.10.2021 of PAG)

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