The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved the following Joint Secretary level appointments in the Pay Band of ₹37,400-67,000/- (PB-4) with Grade Pay of ₹10,000/-:

1. Shri Dinesh Kumar, IAS (RJ:1996) as Joint Secretary, Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare from the date of assumption of the charge of the post for a period of five years or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Shri Sanjeev Chopra, IAS (WB:1985);

2. Shri Venkata Rama Sastry Pidaparthi, IPS (UP:1989) as Joint Secretary, Department of Consumer Affairs from the date of assumption of the charge of the post for a period of overall seven year central deputation upto 19.03.2019 or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Shri Manoj Kumar Parida, IAS (UT:1986);

3. Shri Rajiv Bansal, IAS (NL:1988) as Joint Secretary, Department of Electronics & Information Technology from the date of assumption of the charge of the post for a period of five years or until further orders, whichever is earlier, against a newly created post;

4. Shri Amit Yadav, IAS (UT:1991) as Joint Secretary, Department of Telecommunications from the date of assumption of the charge of the post for a period of five years or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Shri V. Umashankar, IAS (HY:1993);

5. Shri B Anand, IAS (TN:1987) as Joint Secretary, Ministry of Urban Development from the date of assumption of the charge of the post for a period of five years or until further orders, whichever is earlier, by temporary upgradation of a newly created post of DS/Director to JS level for two years in the Ministry of Urban Development;

6. Shri Shripal, IFS (KL:1986) as Principal Commissioner (JS level), DDA under Ministry of Urban Development from the date of assumption of the charge of the post for a period of five years or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Shri Dayanand Kataria, IAS (TN:1989);

7. Ms. Sonia Sethi, IAS (MH:1994) as Joint Secretary, Ministry of Culture from the date of assumption of the charge of the post for a period of five years or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Ms. Arvind M Singh, IIS (1984);

8. Shri Praveen Vashista, IPS (BH:1991) as Joint Secretary, Ministry of Mines from the date of assumption of the charge of the post for a period of five years or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Shri Naresh Kumar, IAS (UT:1987);

9. Ms. Leena Nandan, IAS (UP:1987) as Joint Secretary, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways from the date of assumption of the charge of the post for a period of five years or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Shri Alkesh Kumar Sharma, IAS (KL:1990);

10. Shri Praveen Garg, IAS (MP:1988), Joint Secretary, Department of Justice as Joint Secretary, Department of Economic Affairs on lateral shift basis from the date of assumption of the charge of the post for a period of overall five year central deputation upto 18.07.2018 or until further orders, whichever is earlier, vice Shri Manoj Joshi, IAS (KL:1989);

11. Shri Anil Kumar Singh, IAS(UT:1995), Joint Secretary, Ministry of Power as Joint Secretary, Department of Justice on lateral shift basis from the date of assumption of the charge of the
post for a period of overall five year central deputation upto 07.03.2016 or until further orders, whichever is earlier, against a newly created post.

(12) **Shri Rajinder Kumar Kashyap, IPoS (1989)** as Joint Secretary, Department of Justice from the date of assumption of the charge of the post for a period of five years or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Shri Praveen Garg, IAS (MP:1988);

(13) **Ms. Rachna Shah, IAS (KL:1991)** as Joint Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat from the date of assumption of the charge of the post for a period of five years or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Ms. Deepti Umashankar, IAS (HY:1993) consequent on completion of her tenure on 26.12.2015;

(14) **Shri K Gopal, IAS (TN:1992)**, presently on compulsory wait in the Department of Personnel & Training, as Development Commissioner (Handicrafts) (JS level), Ministry of Textiles *on lateral shift basis* from the date of assumption of the charge of the post for a period of overall five year central deputation upto 27.02.2018 or until further orders, whichever is earlier, *vice* Ms. Pushpa Subrahmanyam, IAS (TG:1985);

2. The Competent Authority has approved the proposal for cancellation of appointment of **Shri U.K.S. Chauhan, IAS(KL:86)**, Joint Secretary, Department of Food & Public Distribution as Joint Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs and that of **Ms. Rachna Shah, IAS (KL:1991)** as Joint Secretary, Department of Food & Public Distribution *vice* Shri U.K.S. Chauhan, IAS(KL:86),

To

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