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**Implementation of the Official Language Policy**

Your attention is drawn to para 02 of the Public Administration Circular 01/2014 dated 21.01.2014 and the Public Administration Circular 01/2014(I) dated 29.09.2014 issued on the above subject.

02. Since the relevant officers did not have an adequate opportunity to acquire the required level of proficiency in the other official language in terms of the new provisions introduced by the above circular within the period of concession provided in the said Circulars, it was decided at the meeting of the Cabinet of Ministers held on 16.12.2015 to grant a period of concession up to 31.12.2018 to all officers recruited to Public/ Provincial Public Service up to 30.06.2012. Accordingly, it is hereby informed to make relevant officers aware of the aforesaid period of concession.

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