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**Implementation of Official Language Policy**

Your attention is drawn to Public Administration Circular 01/2014 dated 21.01.2014 on the above matter.

02. It has been decided at the meeting of the Cabinet of Ministers held on 28.05.2019 to make the service period applicable for the alternative qualification, if the provisions in Sub Para. I (c) of Para. 03 of the said circular have been satisfied after 01.07.2007.

03. Accordingly, Sub Para. I (c) of Para. 03 is revised in the following manner.

  “Active service for a period of one year or more after 01.07.2007 at a public institution in a Divisional Secretary’s Division where the majority of the population use the official language other the language in which the officer entered the public service, as indicated at Annex 02 which should only be used in relation to the circumstance stated in this Circular is an alternative qualification to passing the oral test.”

04. The other conditions and provisions indicated in Public Administration Circular 01/2014 and all the circulars issued as revisions to the same shall remain unchanged.

Sgd/ J.J. Rathnasiri
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