## F.No.22/15/2018-CS.I(APAR) Government of India Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions Department of Personnel & Training

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, A-Wing, Lok Nayak Bhawan New Delhi, dated; the 38 May, 2019.

## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Introduction of 'SPARROW' for all the cadre of CSS, CSSS & CSCS- extension of timelines for completion of APAR online on 'SPARROW' portal for the year 2018-19.

The undersigned is directed to refer to the subject mentioned above and to say that a large number of officers including those belonging to CSS, CSSS and CSCS cadres have been deputed for election duty in the General Election to the Lok Sabha, 2019. Keeping in view the practical difficulties in recording of APAR online as per the target dates as prescribed in this Department's O.M. No.21011/1/2005-Estt.(A)(Pt.II) dated 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2009, through SPARROW portal, this Department has relaxed the prescribed timelines by extending the dates for online generation upto the stage of completion of the entire process of recording APARs on SPARROW portal for all Group 'A', 'B', and 'C' officers/officials for the year 2018-19 as a onetime measure vide O.M. No.21011/02/2015-Estt(A-II)-Part II dated 18.04.2019. (Copy enclosed).

A doubt has been expressed by some quarters as to whether the Estt. 2. Division O.M. dated 18.04.2019 as mentioned above will also be applicable in respect of officers/officials belonging to CSS/CSSS/CSCS cadres. It is clarified that timelines extended vide O.M. dated 18.04.2019 will equally be applicable to officers/officials belonging to CSS/CSSS/CSCS for completing activities on SPARROW.

> (Chandra Shekhar) Under Secretary to the Govt. of India Tel: 011-24624046

To

All Ministry/ Department (CSS, CSSS & CSCS).

Copy to:-

- 1. Deputy Secretary CS.II (Attn: Shri A.K. Saha), DoP&T, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi for information and necessary action in respect of CSSS and CSCS.
- 2. Under Secretary, Estt. (A.II/B.II), (Attn: Jayashree Chellamani), North Block, New Delhi for information.
- 3. SPARROW Team through SPARROW help-desk, DoP&T, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi to keep open the SPARROW window as per extended timelines.