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Government of India  
Ministry of Home Affairs  
IS-II Division: Arms Section  
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To

All the Secretary (Home) of  
State Governments/ UT Administrations

Subject: Direction to the applicants to apply afresh in context with their pending applications for PB/ NPB arms licences, transfer on heirloom basis/all India validity etc. of arms licences under the Arms Rules 2016.

Sir/ Madam,

As you are aware, the Arms Rules, 2016 have been notified vide G.S.R. 701 (E) on 15.07.2016 and available on the website of M/o Home Affairs, Government of India (www.mha.nic.in). These rules inter-alia contain provisions relating to PB/NPB arms licences, transfer of arms licences on heirloom basis, extension of area of arms licence to all India etc. Some changes have been made in these provisions e.g. a new fees structure relating to various services, fresh licence, renewal etc. has been prescribed and various forms redesigned/ reformatted besides delegation of powers to the State Governments/ UT Administrations. Hence, all the pending proposals have to be put up in accordance with the new Arms Rules and their provisions.

2. You are therefore, requested to direct the Arms Licensing Authority concerned of your State/ UT to inform the applicants to apply afresh with regard to their pending arms related applications in accordance with new Arms Rules, 2016.

Yours sincerely,

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