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To

Controlling Authorities (under PSAR Act, 2005)
of all the States/Union Territories.

Sub: Verification of antecedents of Directors, Partners, Proprietors of private security agencies - reg.

Madam/Sir,

The private security services in States/ Union Territories are regulated under the Private Security Agencies (Regulation) Act, 2005 [PSAR Act]. The States/Union Territories have also framed Rules under PSAR Act.

2. Recently, it has been brought to the notice of this Ministry that there are directors/ partners/ proprietors who have been operating private security agency in multiple States/UTs and the Controlling Authorities are verifying their antecedents by police every time ,whenever licenses of their private security agencies are being issued/ renewed in any State/UT. This frequent exercise of antecedents' verification causes inconvenience.

3. In this context, attention of the Controlling Authorities is invited to the sub-rule (5) of rule 3 of the central model rules, 2020 which stated, *"Wherever any applicant's antecedents have been verified in any other State earlier and licence is granted, it shall not be necessary for the Controlling Authority to verify the antecedents afresh provided that the licence for which antecedents are verified is under period of validity."* Sub-rule (5) of rule 3 of the central model rules, 2020 stipulated that *"The Controlling Authority shall utilise electronic databases of crime and criminals like the Crime and Criminal Tracking Networks and Systems (CCTNS), Interoperable Criminal Justice System (ICJS) for the purpose of verification of antecedents of the applicant."*

4. The Controlling Authorities are, therefore, advised to avoid repetition of antecedents verification of licensees by adhering to the above provisions of antecedents' verification for issue/renewal of PSARA licenses.

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