## OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT GENERAL (AUDIT), HARYANA, CHANDIGARH

No. Admn-II/Au/2012-13/65

Dated: - 14.06.2012

## OFFICE ORDER

Subject:- Communication of Official and unauthorised information on social electronic media.

HQ's Office vide its letter No. 169/3-PPG/2012 Dated 22.05.2012 has given the following directions.

- 1. Some Government servants have been posting comments, views and opinions etc. on social media like 'Facebook', 'Twitter' etc. on matters dealt with by them in the course of discharge of their official duties or are divulging official information coming to their knowledge by virtue of their official appointments. Such comments, views, opinion etc. are fraught with danger of creating embarrassing situation and legal complications for the Department if persons having vested interest attempt to project the comments, views etc. of a particular Government servant as views of the Department.
- 2. On such electronic media sites any one can post his views and every body is free to see and read those views. Therefore, posting of information, comments, views etc. is like publishing in the press.
- 3. The competent authority has, therefore, taken a serious view of the matter. Accordingly, the usage of social network platforms like 'Facebook', 'Twitter', etc. during office hours in strictly prohibited and officers/officials are advised not to post on line comments pertaining to official matters in public domain. Non adherence of these instructions would be viewed seriously entailing departmental action as per conduct rules.

Sd/-

Deputy Accountant General (Admn.)

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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

- 1. All Group Officers/Branch officers
- 2. Secretary of P.A.G
- 3. All Sections
- 4. Notice board
- 5. Dealing official for uploading on official Web Site.

Audit Officer (Admn.)