Copy of letter No. 73950/B/2002-1 dated 22.08.2003 from Deputy Secretary to Government, Personnel and Administrative Reforms, (B) Department, Chennai-9 and addressed to all Heads of Departments.

Sub: Public Services - Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service - Steno-Typists (Grade-III) - Appointment as Assistant by transfer fixing of Seniority - Clarifications - Issued.

Ref: (1) G.O. Ms. No. 34, P. & A.R. (B) Dept. dt. 21.02.2001.

(2) From District Collector, Namakkal D.O. Lr. No. W2/15619/2002 dt. 27.04.02.

I am directed to invite attention to the references cited and to furnish the following reply for the clarifications sought for in the letter 2nd cited.

Clarification required	Reply for clarification required
(i) Fixing of Seniority for Steno Typist Grade III appointed by TNPSC., by Direct Recruitment prior to 01.08.92 (i.e. Date of issue of ban order) Whether considering the date of joining as Steno Typist Grade III in the combined Seniority list of Junior Assistants based on their acquiring Test qualification, their seniority can be fixed by placing their names in the appropriate place in the cadre of Assistant.	Prior to 01.08.92, the combined seniority list of the TNPSC, may be maintained and appointment of eligible Steno Typist Grade-III as Assistant by transfer and Seniority of such persons may be fixed as per rule 35 (a) of General Rules for the Tamil Nadu State and Subordinate Service Rules.
(ii) Fixing of Seniority of Steno Typist Grade III appointed by Department/District Transfer after 01.08.92. Whether date of joining as Steno Typist Grade III in the respective Panchayat Development Unit on Department/ District transfer may be considered as crucial date and their names may be placed in the appropriate place in Assistant cadre?	The rule 35 (aa) of the General Rules for the Tamil Nadu State & Subordinate Service Rules may be followed in fixing their seniority.
(iii) Fixing of seniority of Steno Typist Grade III appointed by TNPSC through direct recruitment after 01.08.92. Whether date of joining as Assistant (after appointment by transfer) may be considered as crucial date and their names may be placed in the appropriate place in the Assistant cadre	The rule 35 (aa) of the General Rules for the Tamil Nadu State & Subordinate Service Rules may be followed in fixing their seniority.