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Subject : **Purchase of newspapers, periodicals, magazines.**

One of the generally recognised canons of financial propriety is that the funds allotted to appending units are expended only in the public interest and upon objected for which the money was provided. It is in the responsibility of every Government officer to ensure that no unnecessary expenditure is incurred.

2. It has, however, come to notice that some of the departments/offices are contributing to a number of newspapers, periodicals, magazines, etc., at public expenses, most of which have no relevance to the functioning of the departments / offices and, therefore, cannot be said as serving any public interest. This is no doubt a very unhappy position.

3. The heads of departments/offices are, therefore, requested to review the position obtaining in their departments/offices and to take immediate steps to discontinue forthwith all periodicals and magazines which do not serve any public interest. It should suffice if head of the department contributes to only one newspaper of all India circulation if considered necessary, and only such periodicals which are directly related to the functioning of his department. This is necessary to observe almost economy in every field of administration.

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