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Whereas certain draft rules "Framing the Gujarat Panchayats (Powers of District Development Officers and Taluka Development Officers to Grant Leave) Rules, 1995" were published as required by sub-section (1) of Section 274 read with sub-clause (iii) of clause (a) of sub-section (2) of Sections 137 and 162 of the Gujarat Panchayats Act, 1993 (Guj. 18 of 1993) at pages 18 and 19 of Gujarat Government Gazette, Part I-A dated the 27th July, 1994 under the Government Notification Panchayats and Rural Housing Department No. KP/189 of 1994/PRN/1094/1188/J, dated the 27th July, 1994 inviting objections and suggestions from all persons likely to be affected thereby till the 25th August, 1994; And, whereas no objections and suggestions were received with respect to the said draft rules by the Government; Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 274 read with sub-clause (iii) of clause (a) of sub-section (2) of Sections 137 and 162 of the Gujarat Panchayats Act, 1993 (Guj. 18 of 1993) the Government of Gujarat hereby makes the following rules, namely:

**1. Short title :-**

These rules may be called the Gujarat Panchayats (Powers of District Development Officers and Taluka Development Officers to Grant Leave) Rules, 1995.

**2. Definitions :-**

In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) "the Act" means the Gujarat Panchayats Act, 1993;

(b) "Section" means a section of the Act.

**3. Grant of leave by District Development Officers :-**

(1) A District Development Officer may undersub-clause (iii) of clause (a) of sub-section (2) of Section 162 grant leave of absence for a period not exceeding four months to any officer holding office under the District Panchayat.

(2) The District Development Officer may be also grant leave of absence for a period not exceeding four months to a Taluka Development Officer and Project Officer-Cum-Taluka Development Officer posted under a Taluka Panchayat situated within the area of the jurisdiction of the District Panchayats.

**4. Grant of leave by the Taluka Development Officer :-**

A Taluka Development Officer may under sub-clause (iii) of clause (a) of sub-section (2) of Section 137, grant leave of absence for a period not exceeding two months to any officer holding office under the Taluka Panchayats.