

**Title:** Request the Hon'ble Prime Minister to stop the advertisement for the forthcoming Civil Services Examination, 1999 and need to give age relaxation to the Civil Service Examination candidates.

SHRI M. SELVARASU (NAGAPPATTINAM): Mr. Chairman, Sir, I would request the hon. Prime Minister to kindly stop the advertisement for the forthcoming Civil Services Examination, 1999. I understand that this advertisement is to be published on 12th December, 1998. As per the recommendations of the Fifth Central Pay Commission, the Government has increased the retirement age from 58 to 60 years and they have given this benefit to all the Civil Services. But this benefit of increasing the age limit has not been given to the candidates who appeared in the Civil Services Examination last year. Due to this, the candidates could not get the age relaxation of two years and they are getting age relaxation of only one year. The deserving candidates want age relaxation for one more year. They want that age limit should be increased from 30 to 31 years for 'OC', from 33 to 34 years for 'OBC' and from 35 to 36 years for the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes. They also want that relaxation of one more attempt should be given for all the categories. This is a very important matter and I would request the hon. Prime Minister to kindly stop the advertisement which is going to be issued and give age relaxation to the Civil Service Examination candidates.