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No plans to reduce age of superannuation of Central government employees

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NEW DELHI: Sources in the government on Tuesday refuted misinformation circulating on the social media about a proposal to reduce the age of superannuation of Central government employees with effect from April 1, 2020, saying that these were rumours and without any basis.

“Rumours circulating in the social media about DoPT having given clearance to a proposal for reducing the age of superannuation of Central government employees with effect from April 1, 2020 are unfounded and baseless. It has been clarified that there is no such proposal,” a government official said on Tuesday.

A senior government functionary said that the rumours had mysteriously surfaced on social media, even though there was no thinking whatsoever within the government on these lines. “Not a single paper has been moved or a word uttered in this regard. The existing CCS (Pension) Rules provide for review of service of a Central government employee after 30 years of service or at 50/55 years, followed by compulsory retirement of under-performing or “deadwood” officers. There is no need for any further change,” he stated.

Social media messages being circulated over the past few days had claimed that the government was planning to retire Central government officials after completion of 33 years of service or at 60 years, whichever was earlier.