The Government Administration Council Issues a Notice on Matters to Be Observed in Sending Unemployed Workers Back to the Countryside for Production

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The notice pointed out that, based on reports from local Relief Committees for Unemployed Workers, there are two problematic practices in the current efforts to send unemployed workers back to the countryside for productive work, which have failed to resolve the issue:

- Workers are being sent from cities to rural areas without prior coordination with local governments. In some areas where land reform has already been implemented, these unemployed workers are left with no means of livelihood upon returning, leading to situations where they come back to the city after being sent away.
- 2. Workers are being sent from one city to another, but because many have been away from their hometowns for a long time with their families, and since they no longer have homes or means of production in their place of origin, they face the same issue of having no way to support themselves after returning.

Such disorganized efforts to send workers back not only fail to solve the problem but also place a heavy burden on local governments and negatively affect the morale of unemployed workers.

Therefore, from now on, before sending unemployed workers back to their hometowns, local governments must first be contacted and informed. Returns should be conducted on a voluntary basis, ensuring that the workers will be able to engage in production upon their return.

For those unemployed workers who have been away with their families for a long time and no longer have a home or production means in their original place of residence, resettlement should be handled locally to avoid repeated relocation and unnecessary depletion of relief funds.

All departments are requested to inform their subordinates and ensure compliance with the above two points.

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