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Notification

Ladakh, the 04th of July, 2025.

S.O. 83_ In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, read with the Govt. of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi Notification No. S.O 5088 dated 1st November 2022 and in supersession of all earlier notifications on the subject matter, the Lieutenant Governor (Administrator) of Union territory of Ladakh hereby makes the following rules regulating the method of recruitment to the post of **Range Officer Grade-I** in the Ladakh Forest Ecology & Environment Department, namely: :-

1. Short title and commencement: -

- i. These rules may be called the Ladakh Administration **Range Officer Grade-I** in the Ladakh Forest Ecology & Environment Department Recruitment Rules, 2025.
- ii. These rules shall come into force from the date of their publication in the official Gazette.

2. Number of Posts, classification and Level in the Pay Matrix: -

The number of said posts, its classification and Level in the Pay Matrix attached thereto shall be as specified in column (2) to (4) of the Schedule annexed hereto.

3. Method of recruitment, age limit, other qualifications: -

The method of recruitment to the said post, age limit, qualifications and other matters relating to said posts shall be as specified in column (5) to (13) of the Schedule annexed hereto.

4. Provision for Resident Criteria for appointment by direct recruitment: -

The eligibility for appointment will be subject to residency requirements prescribed in any Act, Rule, Regulation or Order in force in the Union territory of Ladakh.

5. Disqualification: -

No person,

- a. who has entered into or contracted a marriage with a person having a spouse living;

OR

- b. who, having a spouse living, has entered into or contracted a marriage with any person(s) shall be eligible for appointment to the said post.

Provided that the Lieutenant Governor (Administrator) of Ladakh may, if satisfied that such marriage is permissible under the personal law, applicable to such person(s) and the other party to the marriage or there are other grounds for so doing, exempt any person from the operation of these rules.

6. Power to relax: -

Where the Lieutenant Governor (Administrator) is of the opinion that, it is necessary or expedient to do so, he may, by order for reasons to be recorded in writing and in consultation with UPSC, relax any of the provisions of these rules with respect to any class or category of persons.

7. Savings: -

Nothing in these rules shall affect reservations, relaxation in age limit, and other concessions required to be provided for the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, and other special categories in accordance with the Rules, Instructions or Orders issued by the Administration of Union territory of Ladakh.

By order and in the name of the Lieutenant Governor, UT of Ladakh.

Sd/-
Sanjeev Khirwar, IAS
Principal Secretary
Forest, Ecology, and Environment Department

Copy to the: -

1. Secretary, Union Public Service Commission.
2. Joint Secretary (Jammu, Kashmir & Ladakh), Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.

Copy also to the: -

1. All Administrative Secretaries.
2. Secretary to Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor.
3. Administrative Secretary, General Administration Department.
4. Chief Conservator of Forests.
5. Deputy Commissioners/CEOs, LAHDC, Leh/Kargil.
6. All Heads of the Departments.
7. Joint Director, Information.
8. Technical Director, NIC, Leh.
9. Superintendent, Archives, Archaeology & Museums.
10. Pvt. Secretary to the Chief Secretary, UT Ladakh for information of the Chief Secretary, UT of Ladakh.
11. Pvt. Secretaries to Chairman/Chief Executive Councilor, LAHDCs, Leh/Kargil for information of the Hon'ble CECs.
12. Order/Stock file.



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13 Point Schedule - Annexure I

**RECRUITMENT RULES FOR THE POST OF RANGE OFFICER GRADE-I IN LADAKH FOREST
ECOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT**

1.	Name of the Post	Range Officer Grade-I
2.	Number of Post	10* (Ten) 2025 *Subject to variation dependent on workload
3.	Classification	General Central Service Non-Ministerial Gazetted Group, B
4.	Level of Pay Matrix	Level-6E (35900-113500)
5.	Whether Selection Post or Non-Selection Post.	Selection Post
6.	Age limit for Direct Recruits.	Not exceeding 30 Years (relaxable for govt servants upto 5yrs in accordance with instructions or orders issue by central govt.) 6(a)Crucial description: The crucial date for determining the age-limit shall be as advertised by the UPSC
7.	Educational and other qualifications required for direct recruits.	Essential Qualification: 1) Essential Qualification: Bachelor's degree in Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Science or Botany or Chemistry or Geology or Mathematics or Physics or Statistics or Zoology or Agriculture or Forestry or Environmental Science or Natural Resource Management or Bachelor's degree in Engineering from a recognized University/Institute. 2) Essential physical standards: (i) Height: Male: Minimum -152cms Female: Minimum -145 cms. (ii) Chest Girth (cm): Normal---Expansion Male 84--- 5 Female 79--- 5

		<p>(iii) Physical Test:</p> <p>Male: 25 kms walk in Four (04) hours. Female: 16 kms walk in Four (04) hours.</p> <p>(iv) Health Certificate:</p> <p>Medical examination of the candidate by a Medical Board shall be arranged. The Medical Board shall issue a health certificate and also certify that the candidate is FIT to undertake strenuous outdoor work in the Department of Forest Ecology and Environment Ladakh.</p> <p>Experience: NA</p> <p>Desirable Qualification: NA</p> <p>Experience: NA</p> <p>Qualification Standard Note:</p> <p>Qualifications are relaxable at the discretion of the U.P.S.C., for reasons to be recorded in writing, in the case of candidates otherwise well qualified.</p>						
8.	Whether age and educational qualifications prescribed for the direct recruits will apply in the case of promotees.	<p>AGE: No</p> <p>Educational Qualification: No</p>						
9.	Period of probation, if any	<p>02</p> <p>Remark: 2 Years for DR.</p> <p>Note: There shall be a mandatory induction training of eighteen (18) months for successful completion of probation as prescribed by the competent authority</p>						
10.	Method of Recruitment, whether by Direct Recruitment or by promotion or by deputation/absorption and percentage of the vacancies to be filled by various methods.	<table><tr><th>Method</th><th>Percentage</th></tr><tr><td>Direct Recruitment</td><td>50</td></tr><tr><td>Promotion failing which by Deputation (Including Short Term Contract)</td><td>50</td></tr></table>	Method	Percentage	Direct Recruitment	50	Promotion failing which by Deputation (Including Short Term Contract)	50
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11.	In case of recruitment by promotion/deputation/absorption grades from which promotion /deputation /absorption, to be made.	<p><u>Promotion</u></p> <p>From Range Officer Grade-II in Level 6B in the pay Matrix with three (03) years of regular service in the grade rendered after appointment thereto on a regular basis.</p>						

		<p><u>Deputation/Including short-term contract (ISTC)</u></p> <p>Officers under the Central Government / State Government /Union Territories/ Autonomous / Statutory organization / Public Sector Undertakings / University / Recognized Research Institution: -</p> <p>a) i) Holding analogous posts on regular basis in the parent cadre/department; or</p> <p>ii) With (06) six years of regular service in the Level-5 in the pay matrix or equivalent in the parent cadre/departments;</p> <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <p>b) Possessing the educational qualification as prescribed for direct recruitment under column (7).</p> <p>Standard Note:</p> <p>The period of deputation including the period of deputation in another ex-cadre post held immediately preceding this appointment in the same or some other organization / department of the Central Government shall ordinarily not exceed three years. The Maximum age limit for appointment by deputation shall be Not exceeding 56 years as on the last date of receipt of applications.</p>
12.	If a D.P.C exists, what is its composition?	<p><u>Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC): -</u></p> <p>1.Administrative Secretary, Forest Ecology and Environment Chairman</p> <p>2. Administrative Secretary, GAD Member</p> <p>3.Principal Chief Conservator of Forest/ Chief Wildlife Warden/ Chief Conservator of Forest. Member</p> <p>4.Deputy Conservator of Forest/ Regional Wildlife Warden Member</p> <p><u>Departmental Confirmation Committee</u></p> <p>1.Administrative Secretary, Forest Ecology and Environment Chairman</p> <p>2. Administrative Secretary, GAD Member</p> <p>3.Principal Chief Conservator of Forest/ Chief Wildlife Warden/ Chief Conservator of Forest. Member</p> <p>4.Deputy Conservator of Forest/ Regional Wildlife Warden Member</p>

13.	Circumstances in which Union Public Service Commission is to be consulted in making recruitment.	Consultation with Union Public Service Commission is necessary for direct recruitment.
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