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the matter of —

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Madam/Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Record of Proceedings dated 22 October 2025, vide which the Complainants in the above mentioned cases were asked for a brief representation by 24 October 2025. Based on the oral and the written submissions of the parties, this Court was required to share an exhaustive questionnaire with the Respondent, who were allowed a further time of 15 days to submit their version on affidavit along with evidence to this Court.

2. Accordingly, the Respondents are advised to furnish their comments on/ response to the following within 15 days of receipt of this communication:

- (a) To explain the inordinate delay in implementation of section 34 of the Act, the DoPT instructions, and the details of action taken so far, including fixing accountability of responsible officers and initiating any departmental proceedings against them.
- (b) To allay the apprehensions that own merit candidates are being counted against reserved vacancies for PwBDs,
- (c) To support its claims about the suitability of only LD as the suitable category for the post of Meteorologist,
- (d) To illustrate the bona fide of their decision for seeking a reassessment of disability instead of verification/re-verification of the authenticity of the disability certificate as permitted under the DEPwD Notification dated 04.01.2021 (Note 8 of the Gist of Recommendations of the Expert Committee) and the DoPT OM dated 17.05.2022 (Para 2.3),
- (e) To show cause as to why a relaxation in qualifying service cannot

be allowed to PwBDs who are short of a few months of qualifying service as part of reasonable accommodation, particularly when reserved vacancies and such candidates are both available.

- (f) The rationale for considering only 5 PwBD candidates in 2022.
- (g) Provide a certified copy of the reservation roster for promotions in all groups from 30.06.2016 till 30.06.2025, showing PwBD earmarked points and mode of promotion (own merit/reservation).
- (h) Clarify why only 7 PwBD promoted out of 900 despite eligibility and backlog availability.
- (i) Reasons for not promoting PwBD candidates since 2016 when roster registers, seniority lists, and DPCs were prepared multiple times and yet seats kept vacant or miscounted.
- (j) The rationale for the shift in Anticipated Vacancies (2024) and justification for reducing the vacancies from 188 to 154 vacancies.
- (k) Reason for keeping 09 PwBD vacancies (2023) vacant claiming "no eligible candidates" despite the policy of extended ZOC.

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