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Government of India
Ministry of Rural Development
Department of Land Resources

G-Wing, NBO Building,
Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi

Dated: 26th September, 2023

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject : Seeking comments / views /suggestions from stakeholders on draft proposal for amendment in the Recruitment Rules (RRs) for the post of Assistant Commissioner in Department of Land Resources-reg

The undersigned is directed to say that as per DoPT's O.M. No AB-14017/61/2008-Estt (RR) dated 13.10.2015, the proposal for framing/amendment of Recruitment Rules (RRs) are to be uploaded on the website of respective Ministries/Departments for 30 days for inviting comments from the stakeholders.

2. Therefore, the draft revised Recruitment Rules (RRs) alongwith extant RR's to the post of **Assistant Commissioner** are uploaded on the Department of Land Resources website for information of stakeholders. All stakeholders are requested to go through the draft Recruitment Rules and furnish their comments, if any, to the undersigned within a period of one month i.e. from the date of its uploading in the website. In case, no comments received till the last date, the Department will proceed further for taking necessary action for amendment of aforementioned draft Recruitment Rules (RRs).

Encls: As above.

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To,

All concerned stakeholders

Copy to:

1. NIC, Senior Technical Director, Department of Land Resources-with the request to upload the same on DoLR's website.

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NOTIFICATION

G.S.R. _____. In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution, the President hereby makes the following rules regulating the method of recruitment to the post of **Assistant Commissioner** in the Ministry of Rural Development (Department of Land Resources), namely:-

S. No	Provisions in the existing rules	Revised provision proposed
1.	Short Title and commencement:- (1) These rules may be called the Department of Land Resources Assistant Commissioner Recruitment Rules, 2005. (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.	Short Title and commencement:- (1) These rules may be called the Department of Land Resources Assistant Commissioner Recruitment Rules, 2023. (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
2.	Number of Posts, its classification and scale of pay :- The number of said post, its classification and the scale of pay attached thereto shall be as specified in columns (2) to (4) of the Schedule annexed to these Rules.	Number of Posts, its classification and scale of pay :- The number of said post, its classification and the scale of pay attached thereto shall be as specified in columns (2) to (4) of the Schedule annexed to these Rules.
3.	Method of Recruitment, age limit, qualifications etc :- The method of recruitment, age limit, qualifications and other matters relating to the said Post shall be as specified in columns (5) to (14) of the Schedule aforesaid.	Method of Recruitment, age limit, qualifications etc :- The method of recruitment, age limit, qualifications and other matters relating to the said Post shall be as specified in columns (5) to (14) of the Schedule aforesaid.

<p>4. <u>Disqualifications:-</u> No person, -</p> <p>(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 persons, shall be eligible for appointment to the said post:</p> <p>Provided that the Central Government may, if satisfied that such marriage is permissible under the personal law applicable to such person and other party to the marriage and there are other grounds for so doing, exempt any person from the operation of this rule.</p>	<p>Disqualifications:- No person, -</p> <p>(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 persons, shall be eligible for appointment to the said post:</p> <p>Provided that the Central Government may, if satisfied that such marriage is permissible under the personal law applicable to such person and other party to the marriage and there are other grounds for so doing, exempt any person from the operation of this rule.</p>
<p>5. <u>Power to Relax:-</u></p> <p>Where the Central Government is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient so to do, it may, by Order for reasons to be recorded in writing, and in consultation with the Union Public Service Commission, relax any of the provisions of these rules with respect to any class or category of persons.</p>	<p><u>Power to Relax:-</u></p> <p>Where the Central Government is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient so to do, it may, by Order for reasons to be recorded in writing, and in consultation with the Union Public Service Commission, relax any of the provisions of these rules with respect to any class or category of persons.</p>
<p>6. <u>Saving:-</u></p> <p>Nothing in these rules shall affect reservations and other concessions required to be provided for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and other categories of persons in accordance with the orders issued by the Central Government from time to time in this regard.</p>	<p><u>Saving:-</u></p> <p>Nothing in these rules shall affect reservations and other concessions required to be provided for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and other categories of persons in accordance with the orders issued by the Central Government from time to time in this regard.</p>

THE SCHEDULE

1	Name of the Post	Name of the Post
	Assistant Commissioner	Assistant Commissioner
2.	Number of Posts	Number of Posts
	Two* (2005)	Three* (2023)
	*subject to variation dependent on workload	*subject to variation dependent on workload
3.	Classification	Classification
	General Central Service Group 'A' Gazetted (Non-Ministerial)	General Central Service Group 'A' Gazetted (Non-Ministerial)
4.	Scale of Pay	Scale of Pay
	Rs. 10000-325-15200	Pay matrix Level-11 (Rs 67700-208700) as per 7th CPC
5.	Whether selection post or non-selection post:	Whether selection post or non-selection post:
	Selection	Selection
6.	Age limit for direct recruits	Age limit for direct recruits
	Not applicable	Not applicable
7.	Whether benefit of added years of service admissible under Rules 30 of the Central Civil Service (Pension) Rules, 1972	Whether benefit of added years of service admissible under Rules 30 of the Central Civil Service (Pension) Rules, 1972
	Not applicable	Not applicable
8.	Educational and other qualification required for direct recruits	Educational and other qualification required for direct recruits
	Not applicable	Not applicable
9.	Whether age and educational qualifications prescribed for direct recruits will apply in the case of promotees	Whether age and educational qualifications prescribed for direct recruits will apply in the case of promotees
	Not applicable	Not applicable
10.	Period of probation, if any	Period of probation, if any
	2 years for promotees	Two years for promotees
11.	Method of recruitment Whether by direct recruitment or by promotion or by deputation / absorption and percentage of the posts to be filled by various methods	Method of recruitment Whether by direct recruitment or by promotion or by deputation/ absorption and percentage of the posts to be filled by various methods
	50% by promotion failing which by deputation including short-term contract 50% by deputation including short-term contract	Promotion failing which by Deputation including short-term contract

12. In case of recruitment by promotion/ deputation/ absorption, grades from which promotion/ deputation/ absorption to be made	In case of recruitment by promotion/ deputation/ absorption, grades from which promotion/ deputation/ absorption to be made
<p>Promotion Technical Officer in the pay scale of Rs 6500-10500 with Eight years regular service in the grade.</p> <p>Note: Where juniors who have completed their qualifying/eligibility service are being considered for promotion, their seniors would also be considered provided they are not short of the requisite qualifying/eligibility service by more than half of such qualifying / eligibility service or two years, whichever is less, and have successfully completed their probation period for promotion to the next higher grade alongwith their juniors who have already completed such qualifying/eligibility service</p> <p>Deputation (including Short term Contract) Officers under the Central /State/Union Territories / Public Sector Undertaking/Semi-Government /Autonomous or Statutory Organisation</p> <p>a. (i) holding analogous posts on regular basis; or</p> <p>ii. with five years' service in the grade rendered after</p>	<p>Promotion Technical Officer in the Level 7 of the pay matrix with Eight (8) years' regular service in the grade, failing which Technical Officer in the Level 7 of the pay matrix with <u>combined regular service of Twelve (12) years in the grade of Technical Officer in level 7 and Research Investigator in the level 6 of the pay matrix, out of which minimum three years regular service as Technical Officer in level 7.</u></p> <p>Note: Where juniors who have completed their qualifying/eligibility service are being considered for promotion, their seniors would also be considered provided they are not short of the requisite qualifying/eligibility service by more than half of such qualifying / eligibility service or two years, whichever is less, and have successfully completed their probation period for promotion to the next higher grade alongwith their juniors who have already completed such qualifying/eligibility service</p> <p>Deputation (including Short term Contract) Officers under the Central /State/Union Territories / Public Sector Undertaking/Semi-Government /Autonomous or Statutory Organisation</p> <p>b. (i) holding analogous posts on regular basis; or</p> <p>(ii) with three years' service in the grade rendered after appointment thereto on a regular basis in the scale of Pay Level-10 (Rs 56100-177500) as per 7th CPC, or Equivalent in the parent cadre/Department; or</p> <p>(iii) with five years' service in the grade rendered after appointment thereto on a regular basis in the scale of Pay Level-8 (Rs 47600-151100) as per 7th CPC, or Equivalent in the parent cadre/Department; or</p>

appointment thereto on a regular basis in the scale of pay of Rs 8000-13500, or Equivalent in the parent cadre/Department; or

- iii. with eight years In the grade rendered after appointment thereto on a regular basis in the scale of pay of Rs 6500-10500 or Equivalent in the parent cadre / Department; and

(b) possessing the following educational qualifications and experience:

I . Master's Degree from a recognised University or equivalent in one of the following subjects:

- a. Agriculture
- b. Forestry
- c. Horticulture

OR

Bachelor's Degree in Agricultural Engineering from a Recognised University or equivalent; and

II . Five years' experience in supervisory capacity of formulation and processing including collection/compilation / analysis of data in respect of Agricultural/Forestry/Wasteland Development / Watershed Development / Rural Development Programmes.

(The Department Officers in the feeder category who are in the direct line or promotion will not be eligible for consideration for appointment on deputation/contract. Similarly, deputationists shall not be eligible

(iv) with Six years' service in the grade rendered after appointment thereto on a regular basis in the scale of Pay Level-7 (Rs 44900-142400) as per 7th CPC, or Equivalent in the parent cadre/Department; or

(v) with eight years In the grade rendered after appointment thereto on a regular basis in the scale of Pay Level-6 (Rs 35400-112400) as per 7th CPC or Equivalent in the parent cadre / Department; and

(b) possessing the following educational qualifications and experience:

Master's Degree from a recognised University or equivalent in one of the following subjects:

- d. Agriculture
- e. Forestry
- f. Horticulture

OR

Bachelor's Degree in Agricultural Engineering from a Recognised University or equivalent; and

II . Five years' experience in supervisory capacity of formulation and processing including collection/compilation / analysis of data in respect of Agricultural/Forestry/Wasteland Development / Watershed Development / Rural Development Programmes.

(The Department Officers in the feeder category who are in the direct line or promotion will not be eligible for consideration for appointment on deputation/contract. Similarly, deputationists shall not be eligible for consideration for appointment by promotion)

<p>for consideration for appointment by promotion)</p> <p>(The period of deputation (including short term contract) 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 four years. The Maximum age limit for appointment by deputation (including short term contract) shall be 'Not exceeding 56 years' as on the closing date of receipt of application.)</p>	<p>(The period of deputation (including short term contract) 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 four years. The Maximum age limit for appointment by deputation (including short term contract) shall be 'Not exceeding 56 years' as on the closing date of receipt of application</p>
<p>13. If a Departmental Promotion Committee exists, what is its composition</p>	<p>If a Departmental Promotion Committee exists, what is its composition</p>
<p>Group 'A' Departmental Promotion Committee:</p> <p>i) Chairman/Member of Union Public Service Commission – Chairman</p> <p>ii) Joint Secretary (Wastelands Development) Department of Land Resources- Member</p> <p>iii) Scientist (Technology Extension) Department of Land Resources – Member</p> <p>iv) Dy. Inspector General (Forest) Department of Land Resources - Member</p>	<p>Group 'A' Departmental Promotion Committee:</p> <p>i) Chairman/Member of Union Public Service Commission – Chairman</p> <p>ii) Joint Secretary (Watershed Management Division) Department of Land Resources- Member</p> <p>iii) Sr. Addl. Commissioner (Watershed Management Division) Department of Land Resources – Member</p> <p>iv) Dy. Inspector General (Forest) Department of Land Resources - Member</p>
<p>14. Circumstances in which Union Public service Commission is to be consulted in making recruitment</p>	<p>Circumstances in which Union Public service Commission is to be consulted in making recruitment</p>
<p>Consultation with Union Public Service Commission is necessary for appointment to the post on each occasion and for amending/relaxing any provision of these Rules.</p>	<p>Consultation with Union Public Service Commission is necessary for appointment to the post on each occasion and for amending/relaxing any provision of these Rules.</p>