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National Financial Reporting Authority

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Kasturba Gandhi Marg, New Delhi

NF-12042/2/2023-ESTT-NFRA

Dated: 22.12.2023

CIRCULAR

Notice for Inviting Applications for Engagement of Retired Sr. Principal Private Secretary (Sr.PPS) / Principal Private Secretary (PPS) / Private Secretary (PS) from Central Government as Consultants in NFRA

National Financial Reporting Authority (NFRA) is a statutory body set up under Section 132 of Companies Act, 2013. NFRA has been established to protect the public interest and the interests of investors, creditors and others associated with the companies or bodies corporate by establishing high quality standards of accounting and auditing and exercising effective oversight of accounting functions performed by the companies and bodies corporate and auditing functions performed by auditors. Further details can be known from the website nfra.gov.in.

2. NFRA invites applications from interested and eligible retired Sr. Principal Private Secretary (Sr.PPS- Level 12)/ Principal Private Secretary (PPS - Level 11) of / Private Secretary (PS Level 8) from Central Government Central for engagement as Consultants on contract basis in its headquarters at New Delhi, on the terms and conditions stated in Department of Expenditure OM No. 3-25/2020-E.IIIA dated 9.12.2020 (copy enclosed as **Annexure III**). The officers retired from these grades with higher pay level due to MACP/ NFSG are also eligible to apply. Details of Eligibility, No. of positions, etc. are enclosed as **Annexure I**. Format for application is enclosed as **Annexure II**.

3. Interested and eligible retired officers may submit scanned copy of their filled-up applications along with self-attested copy of supporting documents via email on the email id manager-admin@nfra.gov.in latest by **22.01.2024**. A hard copy of the application may be sent in an envelope superscribing the 'Application for Engagement of Retired Sr.PPS/ PPS/PS as Consultant' to the Secretary NFRA, 7th Floor, Hindustan Times House, 18-20, Kasturba Gandhi Marg, New Delhi – 110001. In case of any change in this notice, the same will be displayed on NFRA website nfra.gov.in. As such the interested persons are required to regularly visit NFRA website.

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Deputy General Manager

Encl: As above.

Copy to:

1. Under Secretary, DoPT with request to kindly arrange to upload this Circular on the relevant **Notifications** section of DOPT website.
2. Assistant Manager (IT), NFRA with request to upload this Circular on website of NFRA and arrange for website of MCA and for social media accounts/handles of NFRA.

DETAILS OF REQUIREMENTS

1. Eligibility –

- (i) Applicant should have retired as Sr. Principal Private Secretary (Sr.PPS)/ Principal Private Secretary (PPS) / Private Secretary (PS) / on regular basis from Central Government.
- (ii) His/her age should not be more than 62 years as on the closing date of receipt of applications.
- (iii) His/her date of superannuation should not be earlier than 2 years as on the last date of application.
- (iv) He/she should be an Indian Citizen.

2. No. of positions – Presently six (06). However, NFRA will maintain a pool of selected applicants and may engage them as and when there is a requirement.

3. Experience Requirements–

- (i) The applicant should be well acquainted with the functioning of Central Government Departments/Ministries and aware of various rules/regulations of Central Government.
- (ii) He/she must be capable of taking dictation in shorthand and its transcription, assisting senior officers in official works.
- (iii) He/she should possess working knowledge of computer applications & e-office required in day-to-day functioning of office and should have proficiency in typing in English.

4. Scope of Work –

- (i) Assisting Senior officers in drafting and issue of all correspondences as per direction.
- (ii) Managing appointments/engagements of Senior officers
- (iii) Attending to the telephone calls and receiving visitors,
- (iv) Maintaining the papers required to be retained by the officer, destroying by shredding/burning the stenographic record of the confidential and secret letters.
- (v) Any other work assigned by the Senior officer.

5. Terms and conditions

- i) Terms and conditions stated in Annexure III.
- ii) The Consultant will have to follow the normal working hours as prescribed. (i.e. 09:30 AM to 06:00 PM). However, in exigencies of work they may be required to sit late and / or called on Saturday /Sunday and other Gazetted Holidays. No extra allowance will be paid for the same.
- iii) The Consultant may be attached with officers of any level, and he / she will have to work independently without any assistance.
- iv) The service of consultant can be terminated at any time without assigning any reason whatsoever. However, if the consultant is not willing to work for whatsoever reasons may be, he/she will have to give a minimum one month's notice to the office. The decision of the NFRA shall be the final in all respects.
- v) Taxes will be deducted from the remuneration / payments made as applicable from time to time.

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6. General Conditions of Engagement:

- i) The selected Consultant will be governed by the Official Secrets Act, 1923, as amended from time-to-time and will not disclose to any unauthorized persons (s) any information/ data that may come to his/her notice during the period of his/her engagement as 'Consultant' in this office. All such documents will be the property of the Authority.
- ii) He/ She will not utilize or publish or part with, to a third party, any part of the data or statistics or proceedings or information collected for the purpose of his/her assignments or during the course of assignment for this office without the express written consent of the competent authority.
- iii) He/ She must act, at all times, in the interest of NFRA and render any service with professional integrity.
- iv) He/ She will maintain highest standards of integrity, transparency, competitiveness, economy and efficiency while working as Consultant in this office.
- v) The Consultant so appointed shall in no case represent or give opinion or advice to others in any matter which is adverse to the interest of this office nor will he/she indulge in any activity outside the terms of the contractual assignment.
- vi) The candidate will be required to sign a non-disclosure undertaking and will be required to sign an agreement of confidentiality with the Authority.

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Annexure – II**Application form for Consultant in NFRA**

Passport size
recent Coloured
Photograph of
applicant

Application is for Engagement of Consultant from**Retired Sr.PPS/ PPS/ PS (please tick)**

| Sl. No. | Particulars | Details to be filled by the Applicant |
|---------|---|---------------------------------------|
| 1. | Name of Applicant in full (in block letters) | |
| 2. | Father's/ Husband's Name | |
| 3. | Nationality | |
| 4. | Sex (Male/ Female) | |
| 5. | Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY) | |
| 6. | Age as on the closing date of receipt of application (i.e. 22.01.2024) | ____ years ____ months ____ days |
| 7. | Contact Details : Present Address Email: Mobile No. : Land Line No.: | |
| 8. | Permanent Address | |
| 9. | Date of Superannuation: Please attach the copy of Pension Order | |
| 10. | Post held & Pay level (as per 7 th CPC) at the time of retirement | Post: Pay level: From: To: |
| 11. | Last Pay drawn & Basic Pension (as per 7 th CPC) (Copies of LPC & PPO should be attached) | |

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| 12. | Educational qualification Attach supporting document | |
| 13. | Language of typing, please specify. (English/ Hindi / Both) | |

14. Chronology of Service in Central government in the last ten years before superannuation

| S. No. | Period | Designation Place of posting, Name of the officer worked with | Gist of work done |
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Note- Please page number the entire set of application and attach index of the documents attached.

15. Please submit References of two senior officers under whom the applicant has worked in different assignments:

Particulars to be mentioned in the References to be submitted: Name, Designation, Ministry/Department e-mail Id, Contact number of the Officer with whom the applicant has worked with.

16. Whether any minor penalty/ major penalty was imposed during last 10 years of Govt. Service and if so, the details thereof:

17. ACR Grading year wise during last 05 years prior to retirement:

| Year | ACR Grading |
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18. I hereby certify / undertake the following :-

- I have gone through, understood and meet the eligibility criteria.
- The information furnished above is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
- I understand and agree that in the event of any information being found false OR incorrect/incomplete OR ineligibility being detected at any time before OR after selection/

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interview, my candidature is liable to be rejected and I shall be bound by the decision of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs / NFRA.

- (iv) I have understood the terms and conditions for engagement as Consultant in NFRA and that I unequivocally and unconditionally accept all these terms & conditions.

Signature of Applicant with date

Place:

Date:

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F. No. 3-25/2020-E.IIIA
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Expenditure

Dated the 9th December, 2020

Office Memorandum

Subject: Regulation of Remuneration in case of Contract Appointment of Retired Central Government Employees.

The undersigned is directed to say that Ministries/Departments appoint retired Central Government employees on contract basis, including as Consultants on contract basis. However, at present there are no uniform guidelines for regulation of remuneration in such cases.

2. The existing instructions of Department of Personnel and Training, as contained in their Central Civil Services (Fixation of Pay of Re-employed Pensioners) Orders, 1986, as amended from time to time, provide for regulation of pay in case of re-employment. However, the instructions of Department of Personnel & Training as contained in their OM No. 26012/6/2002- Estt (A) dated 9.12.2002 provides that re-employment beyond the age of superannuation of 60 years shall not be permissible. Also, as per their OM No. 3(3)/2016-Estt (Pay II) dated 1.5.2017, the pay plus gross pension on re-employment is not to exceed Rs.2,25,000/-, i.e. Pay Level 17 as applicable to an officer of the level of Secretary to the Government of India.

3. Aforementioned instructions of Department of Personnel & Training on pay fixation in case of re-employment apply only to persons appointed on re-employment. These are not applicable to persons employed on contract basis except where the contract provides otherwise. Accordingly, in cases of appointment of retired Central Government employees on contract basis after the age of superannuation at 60 years, the instructions on pay fixation on re-employment will not directly apply.

4. Department of Personnel & Training has also informed that they are in the process of drafting a Note for Committee of Secretaries (CoS) regarding guidelines for engagement of retired Government servants as Consultant in Government Ministries and Department. In view of this, till Department of Personnel and Training finalizes their guidelines, there is a need to regulate remuneration in such cases of contract appointment of retired Central Government employees on a uniform basis. The matter has, therefore, been considered and it has been decided that regulation of remuneration in case of appointment of retired Central Government employees on contract basis, including as consultants, shall be regulated as provided hereinafter.



5. At the outset, such appointments shall not be made as a matter of practice and must be kept at a bare minimum. Such appointments may be made only in the justified exigencies of the official work where public interest is served by appointment of the retired employee. While making such appointments, adequate functional necessity with clear grounds must be placed before the appointing authority.

6. Remuneration

6.1 A fixed monthly amount shall be admissible, arrived at by deducting the basic pension from the pay drawn at the time of retirement. The amount of remuneration so fixed shall remain unchanged for the term of the contract. There will be no annual increment / percentage increase during the contract period.

Example

An employee retired in the Pay Level 13 and the pay at the time of retirement was Rs. 1,55,900. Thus, the basic pension will be Rs. 77,950. If the employee is appointed on contract basis, including as Consultant, the remuneration shall be fixed at Rs.77,950 (1,55,900-77,950).

6.2 The basic pension to be deducted from the last pay drawn shall be the pension as fixed at the time of retirement and as such, if the employee has availed of the commuted value of pension, the commuted portion of pension shall also be included in the portion of pension to be deducted. Thus, in the above example, if 40% of pension was commuted, the commuted portion shall be Rs. 31,180 (40% of 77,950) and the pension actually drawn shall be Rs. 46,770. However, the amount of pension to be deducted from the last salary shall be Rs 77,950.

6.3 No Increment and Dearness Allowance shall be allowed during the term of the contract.

7. Allowances

7.1 House Rent Allowances

No HRA shall be admissible.

7.2 Transport Allowance

An appropriate and fixed amount as Transport Allowance for the purpose of commuting between the residence and the place of work shall be allowed not exceeding the rate applicable to the appointee at the time of retirement. The amount so fixed shall remain unchanged during the term of appointment. However, retired employees engaged as consultants may be allowed TA/DA on official tour, if any, as per their entitlement at the time of retirement.

7.3 **Leave of absence**

Paid leave of absence may be allowed at the rate of 1.5 days for each completed month of service. Accumulation of leave beyond a calendar year may not be allowed.

8. **Term of Appointment**

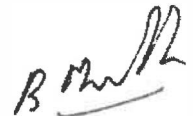
8.1 The term of appointment shall ordinarily be for an initial period not exceeding one year which is extendable by another one year. Beyond two years after the age of superannuation where adequate justification exists, the term may be extended based on a review of the task and the performance of the contract appointee, provided it shall not be extended beyond 5 years after superannuation.

8.2 The consultant shall sign an agreement of confidentiality with the Government of India containing a clause on Ethics and Integrity.

9. **Exemptions**

The terms of appointment provided for in these orders shall not apply to cases and to the extent where the Appointments Committee of Cabinet has allowed special terms OR where special provisions have been allowed with the approval of the Department of Personnel & Training OR Department of Expenditure.

10. These orders shall apply to appointments made in the Central Government and shall be effective from the date of issue of the orders, until further orders or until instructions are issued by DoPT regulating remuneration of retired Government employees on their engagement as consultants. The past cases shall not be reopened in the light of these orders until the normal term of those past cases. Any relaxation of the above will be required to be referred to Department of Expenditure.



(B.K.Manthan)
Deputy Secretary

To,

All the Ministries and Departments of the Government of India as per the standard list.