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Ref. No. 80/SSC-2017

Date: 27.10.2023

To,

The Comptroller & Auditor General of India,

9, Deen Dayal Upadhyay Marg,

New Delhi - 110124.

Subject:

One time relaxation in qualifying service for the promotion to the post of D.A.O - II

for DA of CGLE - 2017 batch - Regarding.

Ref. No.:

21/04/2023-CS.I (P) dated 13.09.2023 of DOPT, Govt. of India.

Respected Sir,

I am directed to solicit your kind discretion for a 'one time relaxation of 1 (one) year in eligible service period to DAs of CGLE-2017 batch for promotion to the post of DAO - II' as they are adversely affected due to administrative delays in process of examinations to appointment and delayed joining to service due to country wide lockdown for Covid-19 pandemic which were beyond the control of the incumbents.

DOPT has relaxed 1(one) year service requirements for Dept. Exam to DR ASO who were recruited through CGLE-2017 on the ground of administrative delays vide Order No. 21/04/2023-CS.I (P) dated 13.09.2023.

Around 600 (Six Hundred) fresh DAs were allocated to States through CGLE-2017 who are affected for administrative delays.

Facts are depicted here below in gist for your perusal.

- a. Tier-I, Tier-II & Tier-III exams were conducted in Aug-2017, Feb-2018 & July-2018 respectively. SSC declared the result of Tier-III on 9th May-2019 and document verifications were completed by July-Aug-2019 and declared the final result on 15th Nov-2019.
- b. After State preference options, final allocation was published in March-2020.
- c. The first Nation-wide lockdown was announced on 24th March'2020 in the wake of COVID 19 Pandemic and accordingly joining to service got delayed to june-july-2020.

Thus, Administrative delays in completion of examination and subsequent delays in joining to service due to Covid-19 pandemic have deferred eligibility for promotion to the post of DAO, Gr - II on 01.01.2026 for the DAs of CGLE - 2017 batch.

Hence, a onetime relaxation in qualifying service of 1 (one) year may be extended to all the DAs of CGLE- 2017 batch due to Administrative delays as per spirit of the stated OM to enable them for promotion to DAO-II w.e.f 01.01.2025 subject to fulfilment of other criteria for promotion.

Thanking You.

With best Regards **Sincerely Yours**

Encl: As above.

Secretary General,

No. 21/04/2023-CS.I(P)

Government of India

Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions

Department of Personnel & Training

Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi

Dated the 13th September, 2023

ORDER

Administrative delays in conducting of the Tier-II examination of SSC CGL, 2017 and subsequent delay in declaration of its results affected the service conditions of the DR ASOs of CSS of 2017 batch in view of the conditions on counting of approved service stipulated in Rule 2(c) of CSS Rules, 2009 and the condition of minimum requirement of APARs for appearing in the Section Officer Limited Departmental Competitive Examination (LDCE) stipulated in Rule 4 of CSS Section Officers' (LDCE), Regulations, 2010.

- 2. As per the above rules & regulations, approved service of the DR ASOs of 2017 reckons w.e.f 1st July, 2019 instead of 1.7.2018 and they could earn only 3 APARs upto 01.07.2023 instead of possible 4-5 APARs in normal circumstances.
- 3. As the above administrative delay was affecting the service conditions of the DR ASOs of CGLE 2017 adversely, the matter has been considered under Rule 23 (Power to Relax) of the CSS Rules, 2009 in consultation with UPSC.
- 4. Based on the decision of the competent authority and concurrence of UPSC, the approved service of the DR ASO of CGLE 2017 shall be reckoned from 1.7.2018 and they will be eligible for appearing in the SO LDCE 2023 with minimum 3 APARs in relaxation of the existing conditions of the Rule 2(c) of CSS Rules, 2009 and Rule 4 of CSS Section Officers' (LDCE), Regulations, 2010 as a one time measure.

(L. Raghavendran)

Under Secretary to Government of India

To

All concerned officers and cadre units of CSS.

Copy to:

The Union Service Public Commission, Dholpur House, Shahjahan Road, New Delhi - 110069 w.r.t. their letter No. 9/4/2023-E.I(B) dated 12th September, 2023.

