INDIA'S POPULATION CHALLENGE

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Demographers expect India's population to soon surpass that of China by 2028 making it the world's most populous country. High fertility, reduced mortality, education and migration are the major factors that contribute to India's steady population growth. In post-independence era, population growth has posed additional challenges in India's effort to eradicate poverty, achieve greater equality, combat hunger and malnutrition and strengthen the coverage and quality of health and education systems to ensure that no one is left behind. Several solutions to decrease the rate of population increase have been tried by successive governments; some successful, some unsuccessful. Although the rate of population increase has come down, the outcome has not been satisfactory. The effects of population increase are evident in the increasing poverty, unemployment, air and water pollution, shortage of food, health resources, and educational resources.

Factors Leading to Over Population

Early and universal marriage, preference for male child, joint family system, early puberty, poverty, impact of religion, female illiteracy, inadequate information and access to effective contraception are some of the major factors that contribute to high birth rate in India.

High Birth Rate: The Crude Birth Rate (CBR) of India in 1971 was 36.9 and Crude Death Rate (CDR) was just 14.9. Similarly in 1991 CBR was 29.8 and CDR was 9.8. In 2011 CBR was 21.6 and CDR was 7.1. Thus, the death rate in India was far below than birth rate in succeeding decades of independence that become one of the principal reasons for over population.

Poverty: Poverty is a curse as well as a consequence of over population. In an over-populated economy, income and resources are poorly distributed among the people. It is often seen that power and resources are concentrated in the hands of a few. According to an annual study released in 2019 by Oxfam, an international group focusing data related to poverty across the world, India's top 10 percent of the population holds 77.4 percent of total national wealth, whereas, the bottom 60 percent of Indias own merely 4.8 percent of national wealth.

Illiteracy: Many female illiteracy is also one of main causes of over population. Education, early marriages and birth rate are inter-related. Higher level of education makes individuals qualitative and they prefer later marriages, fewer children and dignified life. Therefore, education affects the birth rate and population growth. The consent and empowerment of females to the extent that they can refuse to produce more children is extremely essential. In societies wherein women receive qualitative education and are more empowered, it has been observed that

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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES IN REGIONAL RURAL BANKS

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In July 1966, ground breaking changes were made to India's financial sector with the nationalisation of 14 big banks. The second phase of nationalisation of banks took place in 1980 when six more banks were brought under government control. The step was felt necessary as banks were offering their services to a very small segment of people, their branches being limited mostly to metropolitan and urban centres. Banks catered only to the rich, big businessmen and industrialists. As there was no concept of rural banking, the poor farmers and village locals were exploited by big businessmen and money lenders who offered loans at exorbitant interest rates.

Nationalization of banks was done mainly to expand bank branch network to unrepresented areas and make banks accessible by common people. However, despite the expansion of branches to rural and semi-urban areas, many steps were deemed necessary to involve banks in the socio-economic development of the country. Hence, a number of schemes were introduced and implemented through nationalised banks.

Though a very large number of bank branches were opened after nationalisation at rural and semi-urban centres, somehow the extended network was not found entirely sufficient to serve the rural populace. It was felt that more bank branches were needed in rural areas to manage the savings of rural people, help farmers in agriculture and promote rural entrepreneurship. With this idea, Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) Act was introduced in the Parliament in the year 1979.

Initially, RRBs were meant to have low-cost structure. The compensation and benefits for RRB employees were lower than the employees in nationalised banks. However, as of now, the pay scales are largely similar in both nationalised banks and RRBs. A number of restructuring and realignments have happened in rural bank's space. Now, there are 56 RRBs in the country spread from Haryana to remote corners of Arunachal Pradesh.

To meet their manpower needs, RRBs make fresh recruitments on regular basis. The recruitment process is normally an annual exercise which covers sourcing of people for all RRBs in a single process. The recruitment exercise is conducted by the Institute of Banking Personnel Selection (IBPS). For past many years IBPS advertises vacancies for all RRBs in one go. The process is controlled but candidates have to apply for RRBs in a particular state. The selection process is similar to the one followed for recruitment to PSSBs.

Clerical positions in RRBs have a different nomenclature. It is known as Office Assistant (Multipurpose). The positions belong to group B. Graduates in all disciplines can apply for the position. They also need to have proficiency in local language (language spoken in the state) as stipulated by the concerned RRB. All the eligible candidates would be first required to appear in a preliminary examination consisting of objective type...
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there is sharp decline in the birth rate because women prefer their careers over child-rearing.

Preference for Male Child: In most Indian families, sons are considered the bread earners. This age-old thought puts considerable pressure on the parents to produce children until a male child is born. The more the better!

Early Marriages: Child marriage is illegal in India but early marriage is still prevalent in some parts of the country. Early childbearing has significant implications. Women married before 18 are likely to have more children, impairing their own health and welfare as well as that of their families. More children in a household reduce the ability to pay for food, education and healthcare. At a national level, child marriage contributes to population growth by increasing fertility.

Illegal migration: Last but not the least: we cannot ignore the fact that illegal migration is continuously taking place from Bangladesh, Nepal leading to increased population density.

Effects of Over Population

More people need more resources to survive. So, whenever there is an incessant rise in the population, uneven relationship is established between resources and demography. In such a case, per capita share of resources becomes low and uneven. Natural resources are finite and irremovable. Increase in the population puts pressure on the resources and they start to deplete rapidly. In India, all the resources such as water, forests, oil and minerals are being over-exploited and they are depleting with a great speed, as a consequence, future generations are likely to suffer. Moreover, creating means of livelihood for such a huge population is a serious challenge. According to a report of Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy (CMIE) in 2018, there were around 31 million unemployed people in the country seeking jobs. Thus, this workforce which could be an asset for the economy is turning into a liability. Thus, population explosion is defeating the basic notion of sustainable development which aims to fulfill the needs of the present generation without affecting the capabilities of the future generations to meet their needs. Dense population is a burden on the existing infrastructure. The problems such as traffic jams, congestion, inadequate housing, increasing slums and lack of hospitals, schools, colleges have become the part of daily life. Moreover, huge-sized population affect the efficiency and effectiveness of the administration and corruption becomes norm in the society. India has been ranked 73th out of the 100 countries in the Corruption Perceptions Index 2018 by Transparency International.

As population increases, humans start to destroy forests for housing, industry and to fulfill other needs and greed. Consequently, flora and fauna are hunted or uprooted from their homeland bringing their very existence in danger. A number of wildlife species like Cheetah, Sunderban dwarf minoceros have become extinct in India. Many others such as Great Indian Bustard, Goral, Gangams Shikar have been declared critically endangered and several such as Indian Rhinoceros, Barasingha, Gaur have been listed vulnerable by International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN).

Production of various goods in factories is also increasing to fulfill the demands of the ever growing population. As a result, India is suffering from numerous problems like air pollution, water pollution, soil pollution, noise pollution and death of land or marine animals due to toxins.

Measures Taken to Control Population

After independence, India felt the need for population control and as a consequence, family planning was included in First Five Plan (1951-56) and Second Five Year Plan (1956-61). In 1950s, clinical approach was adopted by the central government wherein family planning clinics were constructed across the country. Later, ‘Extension Approach’ was adopted in 1960s (Third Five Year plan 1961-66) under which sterilization technique for both men and women was proposed and couples were given advice on different types of family planning methods. In 1970s, ‘Selective Approach’ was adopted in Fourth Five Year Plan (1969-74) under which couples of age group 25-30 were encouraged to undergo sterilisation and all kinds of birth control methods were tapped. After that, during Fifth Five Year Plan (1974-79) First Population Policy was adopted in 1976 through which several measures were taken and most prominent of them were the increase in the marriageable age of girls from 14 to 18 and of boys from 18 to 21 and raising the financial support to people undergoing sterilisation. But this population policy had several loopholes, so it was revised during Janta Government and replaced by another population policy. Under new policy, sterilization was made voluntary, population education was made course of study and use of media was ensured for spreading awareness of family planning in rural areas. Later, in the Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Five Year Plans, attempts were made to control population by long-term demographic goals. During 1990s, India adopted ‘target-free approaches’ and emphasized on more localized area plans instead of broad national plans. The year 2000 proved notable from the perspective of Population control because new National Population Policy was adopted this year. This population policy consists of some important provisions such as stabilization of population till 2045, fulfilment of the unmet need of contraceptives, achievement of Total Fertility Rate to the replacement level by 2010. At present, there is a popular demand to adopt new aggressive population policy and that should be implemented equally to all people.

Suggestions

An effective policy for birth control is the need of the hour but coercive policies like China’s one child policy will not find takers in a democratic setup like India. Moreover, China’s one child policy has had many negative impacts like accelerated population ageing, the skewed sex ratio, and the decline in the working-age population. This is the reason that China is revising its one child policy. Hence, we should look at Bangladesh, Indonesia and Indian state of Kerala or Karnataka which have successfully reduced birth rate through education and other measures.

The fertility rate in India was 2.2 in 2017 that was just near to replacement level of 2.1. But there is an uneven fertility rate in various parts of the country for example it is still high in the states such as Bihar (3.2), Uttar Pradesh (3.0), Madhya Pradesh (2.7). Rajasthan (2.5) and Chhattisgarh (2.4) but it is low in the states such as Andhra Pradesh (1.6), Madhya Pradesh (1.7) and Kerala (1.7) and Maharashtra (1.7). Therefore, a targeted approach must be adopted at district level to decrease fertility in those states where fertility rate is still above the replacement level. Unwanted pregnancies and lack of easy access to contraception are also prominent causes of population growth. According to an estimate, the unmet need for contraception is 13%, which contributes 20% of projected population growth in the country. This means that over 30 million married women of reproductive age have no access to contraception (NHHS-4). Therefore, it must be the prime responsibility of the authorities to ensure availability, accessibility and affordability of contraception. It is an established norm now that improving literacy and economic conditions lowers the birth rate. Therefore, the government must endeavour to increase the literacy rate in the country. Moreover, female education must be greatly emphasized. Mahatma Gandhi rightly quoted “If you educate a woman, you educate the entire family.”

An inclusive approach must be adopted at all levels - individual, family, society and government. At the individual level people should take the decision of marriage when they find themselves economically, socially and mentally sound. At the family level, parents need to consider whether they are capable enough to give their child a better future? All societal groups must strike out outdated customs such as “son-mata preference”, girl is PARAYA DHAN (girl belongs to her husband), more boys more power etc. At government level, mass awareness campaigns must be undertaken involving NGOs. Government may consider initiatives for limiting birth rate such as incentives for small families in jobs, loans and other public services, raising the legally marriageable age for both boys and girls, promoting sterilization especially male sterilization and encouraging gap between children. Mass media such as TV, Radio, newspaper and social media must be used proactively by authorities to foster awareness about the negative impacts of population explosion and positive results of having smaller families.

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questions. The paper will have two segments of reasoning and numerical ability with 40 questions each to be attempted in 45 minutes. Based on their performance in this preliminary examination, limited number of candidates will get the opportunity to participate in the main examination which has segments of reasoning, computer knowledge, general awareness, numerical ability, Hindi & English language. Among Hindi & English language, candidate has to choose one only in the main examination, 200 questions in all are to be answered in a time span of 200 minutes (3 hours 20 minutes). In both preliminary and main examination each question carries one mark and a quarter (1/4) is deducted for every wrong answer.

A merit list of successful candidates is prepared on the basis of marks in the main examination. Subject to available vacancies, allotments are made for different RRBs which issue appointment offers to the selected candidates. Since last few years, for clerical positions, interviews don't constitute a part of selection process.

Entry level officers' positions in RRBs come as Scale-I officer. A simple graduation is the eligibility criteria set for scale-I officers. However preference is given to graduates in accountancy, law, management, agriculture, horticulture, forestry, pisciculture, agricultural marketing and cooperation, information technology, veterinary science, animal husbandry, agricultural engineering or economics. Proficiency in local language is also required. The selection process consists of three stages -preliminary examination, main examination and interview. Preliminary examination comprises reasoning and quantitative aptitude whereas the main examination tests candidates in computer knowledge, reasoning, general awareness, quantitative aptitude and either Hindi and English language.

Aspirants can opt for the preliminary as well as main examinations in a language of their choice including English, Hindi and the state's official language. To illustrate, for an applicant who has chosen Assam, the question paper shall be in Assamese, English and Hindi.

RRBs also make direct recruitment of officers in scale-II (generalist and specialist) and scale-III. For scale-II generalist, one should be a graduate in any subject with 50% marks with two years work experience as an officer in a bank or financial institution. Degree holders in the subjects as mentioned for scale-I or in finance or banking are preferred. For specialist scale-II officers, the candidates based on their qualifications, may apply for the position of Agricultural officer / Information Technology officer/Law officer/ Marketing officer/ Chartered accountant. For example a law graduate has the option to apply for the post of law officer. For scale-III officer in RRBs, 5 years work experience in a bank or financial institution is required. If you’re an eligible graduate you may apply both for scale-I officer and office assistant.

There will be one single examination for scale-II and III officer positions and the test comprise a section each on financial awareness and quantitative aptitude with data interpretation replacing general awareness. Specialist officers' test will have an additional section of professional knowledge from specialised area.

All the above tests are conducted online. The test pattern is similar to that followed for selecting executive or management trainees in public sector undertakings and various other organizations. The most crucial part for office assistant and scale-officer is to qualify in the preliminary examination so that they are able to appear in main examination. It is important to know the nature of questions in each segment and then plan your preparation.

Reasoning: Reasoning section checks your application of logic in a given situation. You have to draw conclusions by studying the given statement/data etc., keeping away your personal biases. Reasoning has many forms -logical, analytical etc. Another way to classify is putting this into inductive, deductive and causal reasoning. Questions here may relate to seating arrangements, blood relationship, sense of direction, correlation, sequencing of letters, alphabet number series etc.

Computer knowledge: The section on computer knowledge may comprise of anything related to computer hardware, software and security etc. You need to know about the different components of a computer and their roles. Simple facts about MS-Office, Word, Excel etc. may be asked. Questions may also relate to various keys and key combinations, computing principles, computer languages, networking, types of cybercrimes (phishing etc.), core banking platforms, computer viruses, internet, cyber security and other related topics. For specialist computer officers, the paper would test wider knowledge in the matter.

General awareness: General awareness is a familiar area for all competitive examinations. The challenge here is to define the syllabus considering the vastness of this area. First and foremost, keep a track of major national and global happenings of past one year. Knowledge about sports, sports events and sports persons, currencies of different nations, parks and sanctuaries of national/global fame, historical events and monuments, banking related developments, United Nations and its agencies, various government schemes, scientific discoveries will help.

Language tests: Since there is a choice to be made between two languages, candidates should think and decide which of these will fetch them more marks. We may write, read and speak both the languages, but answering questions requires more efforts and this section shouldn't be taken for granted. Those having studied in Hindi medium or Hindi as their mother tongue may find it easier to choose Hindi. Students from non-Hindi background need to decide carefully as in many cases their knowledge of Hindi is better than that of English.

Hindi language: This section is most likely to have questions on comprehension of a passage, synonyms, antonyms, filling sentences with right words, idioms and phrases, arranging sentence parts to make meaningful sentences, one word for many words, finding incorrectly spelled words, identifying wrong part in sentences etc.

English language: Pattern for at least few questions is common in both Hindi and English language sections. This particular section will consist of reading comprehension, fill in the blanks, correct arrangement of sentences of a paragraph, vocabulary-finding closest meaning of words, error spotting in sentences etc.

Financial awareness: The questions here would be related to the world of banking and finance. Your preparation for this section should cover recent happenings and announcements related to the above, monetary policy, economic survey, budget announcements, role of Reserve Bank of India and other regulators (Securities and Exchange Board of India, Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority etc.) issues before banks (non-performing assets, mergers between banks), BASEL regulations etc.

Quantitative aptitude: Quantity means numbers and in this section, candidates will require to find the desired answer on the basis of numbers given in the question. Learning and refreshing the concepts of approximation, simple and compound interest, percentages, averages, area, radius and perimeter, ratio and proportion etc. will be useful. Questions may relate to problems on ages, boats and streams, profit/loss, mixture, time and work, filling of tank, number series, mensuration etc.

Data interpretation: This part will check how you make sense of data, study the pattern and draw conclusions. Data may come in the form of a bar graph, pie chart or a table. Based on the given statistics, the candidate will be required to find out averages, expected sales etc., for a particular period. Solving this section is relatively easy as you have to apply simply calculations for adding, subtracting, finding average etc. You should not worry about length of the questions. Just focus on those parts which matter for finding the solution.

Professional knowledge: In this section, questions from the specialised area like law, information technology as the case may be, will be asked. You need to go through important theories, concepts, and principles related to the subject. Go through definitions and recent developments. Your textbooks may be used as reference guides.

Where the same subject is common in more than one examination, the paper pattern may differ. You may be faced with different pattern of questions in different examinations. Also difficulty level will vary between preliminary and main examination, tests for office assistants and officers, and also between tests for officers in different scales.

Practica on the computer is very important for you. Many candidates will be attending computer based test for the first time. It will be helpful if one makes herself familiar with the way such test is attempted. For registered applicants, IBPS website has a menu for mock test. The instruction booklet you will be provided with your admit card, has sample questions to help you in advanced stages of your preparation. If you search the internet, you may be surprised to find freely available examination material such as reading materials, sample questions, questions from earlier examinations, mock tests, etc. Printed guides and practice books are also available. You should first go through solved examples and then practice on your own. Intense practice with speed will make you better prepared and more confident to take the examination. It is not necessary that a candidate will be strong in all areas, so it is highly crucial to identify the weak area(s) and put more efforts to convert such weakness into strength.

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Annexure "B"

Defence Research and Development Establishment (DRDE)
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Website: www.drdo.gov.in
Walk-in-Interview for the Award of Junior Research Fellowships (JRF) & Research Associates (RA)

Defence Research and Development Establishment (DRDE), Gwalior is a premier Institute of Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO). Invites applications from young and meritorious Indian Nationals who desire to pursue research related as Junior Research Fellow (JRF) and Research Associate (RA). Selection will be made on the basis of Walk-in-interview to be held at DRDE, Gwalior. 1. DRDO Junior Research Fellowship (JRF):

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**Number of vacancies may be change as per organizational requirement.**

A. Stipend (Monthly): Junior Research Fellows (JRF): Rs. 31000/- with HRA & medical facilities admissible as per DRDO & National Agency’s research fellowship rules. Research Associates (RA): Rs. 47000/- with HRA & medical facilities admissible as per DRDO & National Agency’s research fellowship rules.

B. Cut-off Date: Age and Educational qualification will be calculated as on date of interview. Age limit is 5 years for SC/ST, 3 years for OBC candidates and for other categories as per Central Govt. Rules.

C. Essential Educational Qualification: First Division in Post Graduate degree M.Sc in relevant subject discipline and having qualified National Eligibility Test (NET) / CSIR-UGC NET & GATE / MHRD (GATE) / DIST/BST (GATE) ICMR any approved National Agency or GATE. Only those candidates who have been awarded degree/provisional certificate are eligible to apply.

Common Guidelines:

- **JRF**: Tenure: Maximum Five Years. Candidate will work initially for first two years as JRF and will subsequently be upgraded as SRF for the remaining three years. Subject to satisfactory performance.
- **RA**: Tenure: Maximum Two Years.

**REPORTING TIME IS 09:30 hrs on the date of interview, at Main Gate Reception, DRDE, Jhansi Road, Gwalior-474 002. Latecomers will not be allowed at any cost.**

Written Test may be conducted for JRFs from 1100hrs-1200hrs. (Depending on the number of candidates appearing on the date of Interview) and only qualified candidates will be intimated on the same day.

Application form can be downloaded from the website www.drdo.gov.in and should be brought duly filled along with complete bio-data on the date of interview. Candidates willing to participate may send application form by email at admin@drdo.drdo.in.

While appearing for interview, the candidate are required to submit complete bio-data with recent passport photograph affixed on top right corner of the first page of one set of self attested copies of all degree/academic qualification certificates/ mark sheets/experience certificates etc.

The selected candidate(s) may be allowed to register for Ph.D. with any recognized University/Institution during the tenure of fellowship.

Candidate will mention the Position, Post Code & Subject for which he/she wishes to apply.

Candidates will be essentially required to produce original certificates / testimonials w.r.t qualifications, experience age & GATE certificate for verification at the time of interview.

Candidate presently employed in Government Department/PSUs/Autonomous Bodies will be required to produce NOC from employer at the time of interview. Decision of Director DRDE, Gwalior will be final in case of any discrepancy.

How to reach the venue of interview:

DRDE is located at least 21 KM from Gwalior Railway Station on Old Jhansi Road Gwalior and Land Mark is Joshi Lane Market 1.5 Kms from old PCI Gudalur. 

Please Note: Electronics items like smart phones/mobile phones/Pen drives/laptop/CD-ROM & any type of Electronic gadgets are not allowed to carry inside DRDE Gwalior Campus.

Incomplete applications will be rejected during the screening for eligibility.

All candidates will be verified at the time of interview. If selected, Offer of award of Fellowship/Associatehip does not confer on the candidates, any right for absorption in DRDO. No T/A/DA will be paid for attending interview or for joining, if selected.

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| Sub: Nominations for filling up three posts of Assistant Director (Law) in the DVP National Police Academy Hyderabad by deputation including short term contract. | Sub: Nominations for filling up one post of Assistant Director (Law) in the DVP National Police Academy Hyderabad by deputation including short term contract. |
| Nominations are invited for three posts of Assistant Director (Law), General Central Service Group-A, Gazetted, Non-Ministerial, in this Academy by deputation including short term contract. | Nominations are invited for one post of Assistant Director (Law), General Central Service Group-A, Gazetted, Non-Ministerial, in this Academy by deputation including short term contract. |

3. This is issued with the approval of the Director.

(S. Ajitha Begum)
Assistant Director(Estt)

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S. Ajitha Begum
Assistant Director(Estt)

NOTICE

Dr. Ambedkar International Centre
Department of Social Justice & Empowerment
Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment
Government of India

Applications are invited for the following:

1. Various posts at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India on Deputation / Short Term Contract basis.

2. Requirements and competencies refer to the website of Dr. Ambedkar International Centre at https://ambedkarcouncil.gov.in/under the heading "More-subheading-Vacancies".

Applications in the prescribed format and through proper channel may be forwarded to Director, Dr. Ambedkar International Centre, Rashtrapati Bhavan, New Delhi-110004, latest by 31.08.2020.

(Saumitra Sahay)
Under Secretary to the Government of India

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Cabinet Secretariat
National Authority Chemical Weapons Convention
1st Floor, Chankya Bhawan, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi-21

Subject: Filling up the posts of Joint Director and Technical Officer in the NACWC, Cabinet Secretariat on deputation (ISTC) basis - advertisement to be published in the Employment News and two leading English Newspapers - regarding.

The National Authority Chemical Weapons Convention (NACWC), an office under the Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India, is a nodal agency for implementation of the provisions, of Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC) and CWC Act, 2000 and accordingly acts as the focal point for liaison with the Organization for Prevention of Chemical Weapons (OPCW). The Hague, Netherlands with respect to all matters relating to the CWC.

1. This CWC requires to fill up the existing anticipated vacancies in the NACWC by the officers qualified in the field of Chemistry/Chemical Engineering/Technology etc. by deputation including short term contract in according to the relevant Recruitment Rules.

Sl. No. Name and post of the category Scale of pay No. of vacancy
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(i) Joint Director (General Central Services, Group ‘A’, Gazetted, Non-Ministerial) Pay Band-4 (Rs. 15600-39100), Grade Pay Rs. 7600- (pre-revised) 01
(ii) Technical Officer (General Central Services, Group ‘B’, Gazetted, Non-Ministerial) Pay Band-2 (Rs. 9300-34500), Grade Pay Rs. 4600- (pre-revised) 01

3. The details of posts i.e. scale of pay and allowances admissible, duties and responsibilities, field of selection, place of posting, qualifications and experience required for the posts are given at ANNEXURE-I and ANNEXURE-II respectively. The period, tenure and other terms of deputation will be governed by the Recruitment Rules of the respective posts and other standard terms and conditions of deputation including short-term contract as prescribed by Government of India from time to time.

4. Applications of the interested officers who are working on regular basis and have completed two years tenure in the prescribed posts (Annexure-III) to the Recruitment & Head of Office, National Authority Chemical Weapons Convention (NACWC), Cabinet Secretariat, 1st Floor, Chankya Bhawan, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi - 21 within sixty days of publication of the advertisement in Employment News. All applications must be forwarded to the NACWC through proper channel. Advance copies of the applications will not be entertained.

5. While forwarding the application by the Controlling Authority, it may be mentioned that in case the applicant fulfills the prescribed eligibility criteria and in case of any equivalent qualification, grade, scale, experience etc. a certificate of eligibility with the approval of the Competent Authority should be furnished. In addition, the following documents may be sent to this office along with the application.

(i) A certificate to the effect that the concerned forwarding/parent department/Ministry have “No Objection” to the appointment of the applicant to the post.

(ii) Complete ACRs/ APARs dossier attested copies of the ACRs/ APARs of the applicant for the past 5 years. In case the ACRs APARs for a particular year are not available, then the ACRs APARs for the preceding years should be sent with justification.

(iii) A certificate about the Integrity of the officer recommended for appointment on deputation (ISTC).

(iv) Vigilance Clearance in respect of the applicant including status of vigilance cases pending or contemplated should be intimated under the signature of an officer of appropriate status.

(v) A statement indicating minor/major penalty imposed during the last 10 years.

(vi) The nature of duties may require extensive travel both domestic and abroad. Applications from the officers fulfilling all conditions will be considered for empanelment by an appropriate Assessment Committee based on relevant available records, aptitude, knowledge of the subject etc. The candidates, who apply for the post mentioned in para-2 above, will not be allowed to withdraw their candidature subsequently.

(vii) Applications not fulfilling the requisite criteria and/or not accompanied by the relevant documents are liable to be summarily rejected and no communication will be entertained in this regard. The complete details regarding eligibility, field of selection and other terms and conditions are also available in the NACWC website www.nacwc.nic.in. The NACWC reserves the right to cancel, modify or withdraw this notice without assigning any reasons. Changes in the contents of this notice including extension of last date of receiving applications will be notified only at the NACWC website as mentioned above.

(S. R. Meena)
Under Secretary and Head of Office
Phone: +91-11-24755523

Annexure-I

Name and scale of the post: Joint Director, General Central Services Group ‘A’, Gazetted, Non-Ministerial, Scale of Pay Rs. 12000-35700/15600-39100, Grade Pay Rs. 7600- (pre-revised), Allowances like DA, HRA, CCA etc. will be admissible. The incumbent is a subject matter expert in the field of CWC.

Duties and responsibilities (only indicative): (i) To function as the Escort Officer for purposes of international inspections and enforcement officer under the CWC Act, as required under the Conventions; (ii) Implementation of the declaration regime for chemical units under CWC Act; (iii) Technical inputs on all policy matters relating to the Convention;

(v) Providing CWC related training to concerned officers and staff of the Central Government;

(vi) Maintaining of data base of declarable units under CWC Act;

(vii) Coordination of all technical issues relating to the Convention;

(viii) Any other duty assigned by the Competent Authority.

Method of recruitment: Field of selection, qualifications and experience:

Deputation (including short-term contract):

- Officers under the Central Government falling within officers of the public sector undertakings or State or Union Territories or recognized research institutes or autonomous bodies or statutory organizations;

- Holding analogous post on regular basis in the parent cadre or Department;

- With three years service in the grade mentioned after appointment thence on regular basis in the scale of Pay Rs. 15600-39100/19000-42500 or equivalent in the parent cadre or Department;

- With five years service in the grade mentioned after appointment thence on regular basis in the scale of Pay Rs. 19000-42500/25700-58000 or equivalent in the parent cadre or Department;

- Possessing the following educational qualification and experience:

**ESSENTIAL:**

1. Master’s Degree in Chemistry or Industrial Chemistry or Degree in Chemical Technology or Chemical Engineering from a recognized University or Institute or equivalent.

2. Ten years’ experience in a managerial technical position in a technical or research organization or industrial concern engaged in the field of organic chemicals and organic chemical industry.

3. Period of deputation (including short-term contract) including period of deputation (including short-term contract) in another ex-cadre post held immediately preceding this appointment in the same or some other organization or Department of the Central Government shall ordinarily not exceed four years. The maximum age limit, for appointment by deputation including short-term contract shall not be exceeding 65 years as on the closing date of the receipt of applications.

Annexure-II

Name and scale of the post: Technical Officer, General Central Services Group ‘B’, Gazetted, Non-Ministerial, Pay Band-2 (Rs. 9300-34500) plus Grade Pay Rs. 4600- (pre-revised), Allowances like DA, HRA, Transport Allowance etc. will be admissible as per rules and orders of the Central Government.

Duties and responsibilities in general (only indicative):

1. To function as Escort Officer for purposes of international inspections and enforcement officer under the CWC Act.

2. To collect and prepare various statutory declarations to the OPCW as required under the Convention.

3. Implementation of the declaration regime for chemical units under CWC Act.

4. Technical inputs on all policy matters relating to the Convention.

5. Providing CWC related training to concerned officers and staff of the Central/State Government.


7. Preparation of various reports, statistics and data required to fulfill obligations under the Convention.

8. Any other duty assigned by the Competent Authority.

Field of Selection, qualifications and experience: Deputation (including short-term contract):

- Officers under the Central Government falling within officers of the public sector undertakings or State or Union Territories or recognized research institutions or autonomous bodies or statutory organizations.

- Holding analogous post on regular basis in the parent cadre or Department;

- With three years service in the grade mentioned after appointment thence on regular basis in the scale of Pay Rs. 6500-9000 or equivalent in the parent cadre or Department;

- Possessing the following educational qualifications and experience:

**ESSENTIAL:**

1. Master’s Degree in Chemistry or Industrial Chemistry or Degree in Chemical Technology or Chemical Engineering from a recognized University or Institute or equivalent.

2. Ten years’ experience in a managerial technical position in a technical or research organization or industrial concern engaged in the field of organic chemicals and organic chemical industry.

3. Period of deputation (including short-term contract) including period of deputation (including short-term contract) in another ex-cadre post held immediately preceding this appointment in the same or some other organization or Department of the Central Government shall ordinarily not exceed four years. The maximum age limit, for appointment by deputation including short-term contract shall not be exceeding 65 years as on the closing date of the receipt of applications.

Annexure-III

BIO-DATA PROFORMA

1. Name and Address in Block letters:
2. Date of birth (in Christian era):
3. (a) List of awards/ fellowships/ recognition/ grants received in the Central/State Government/ University/ Institute:
4. Parent Office Rules:
5. Educational Qualifications:
6. Post for which application is being submitted:
7. Other Educational and other qualifications required for the post are satisfied:
8. (If any qualifications have been treated as equivalent to the one prescribed in the rules, state the authority for the same):
ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ADMINISTRATION
PORT BLAIR-744101
Advertisement for the Selection of Guest Faculties
Dated : 25-06-2020
Application in the prescribed format are invited from Indian Nationals for Teaching Position as Guest Faculties for the academic year 2020-21 purely on "as and when required basis" in different departments of the three colleges namely Andaman College (ANCOL), Jawaharlal Nehru College (JNRC) and Veer Narmad College (VNC) under the A & N Administration, Port Blair.
(St) Scheduled Advertisement including College wise Requirements, Remuneration, Essential Eligibility for the Selection, General Information, How to Apply and Application Format are given in the official Website of the college http://jnnrc.in and also in the official Website of the Administration: http://www.anca-man.gov.in. Interested candidates may download the Application Form and other information. The filed in application forms complete in all respects along with enclosures must reach either by courier or by speed Post to the Principal, JNR Mahavidyalaya, Port Blair-744104, A & N Islands within 30 days from the date of publication of this advertisement.

Principal, JNRC, Port Blair

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Ministry of Home Affairs
Govt. of India
• Project Management Unit, NCRMP invites applications from eligible persons for one post each of Financial Specialist, Engineering Specialist, Social Management Specialist, Environmental Specialist and Project Coordinator on contractual basis.
• Last date of receipt of application for above posts extended up to 63rd August 2020.

For details visit at www.nrcmp.gov.in & www.ndma.gov.in

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Sl. No. Qualifications/ Experience required Qualifications/ Experience possessed by the officer
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12. 13. 14. 15. 16.

11. Additional details about present employment. Please state whether working under:-
(a) Central Government
(b) State Government
(c) Public Sector Undertakings of Central Government
(d) Public Sector Undertakings of State Government/UTs
(e) University
(f) Corporation
(g) Autonomous body under Central Government
(h) Autonomous body under State Governments/ Union Territory

12. Are you in the Revised Scale of Pay? If you are substantively in a post in this scale of pay or its equivalent, give the date from which pre-revised scale applies.

13. Total duration of employment/month

14. Additional Information, if any, which you would like to mention in support of your suitability for the post. Enclose separate sheet, if the space is insufficient

15. Whether belongs to SC/ST/OBC

16. Remarks, if any.

Signature of the candidate

Address:
Tel:
Mobile:
E-mail ID:

Countersigned

Employer:
day 5/16/11/0001/2021
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Government of India
Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology
MeitY
Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI)
4th Floor, Bangla Sahib Road, Behind Kail Mandir
Golu Market, New Delhi - 110001

Filling up the posts of Deputy Director (Technology) on deputation in UIDAI, Technology Centre at Bengaluru.

Application is invited for the post of Deputy Director (Technology) in the Pay Level matrix-11 (pre-revised Pay Band Rs. 67,700-2,06,700-700-76,300) on deputation basis at UIDAI, Technology Centre at Bengaluru.

In this regard, this is hereby informed that last date for submission of applications through proper channel is extended up to 15.07.2020.

Those who have applied against circular dated 20.04.2020, 26.05.2020 and 11.06.2020 through proper channel need not apply afresh. However, new applicants and applicants who have submitted only advance copy of the application may submit their applications complete in all respect through proper channel within the extended dates. Since this vacancy is to be filled up on deputation basis, private candidates are not eligible.

Assistant Secretary (HR)

Now Aadhaar Enrollment & Update Facilities can also be availed at Aadhaar Seva Kendra (ASK). To locate one near you, visit UIDAIGOVERN or Call 1947
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Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited
Green Hills, Tel Bhavan, Dehradun

Advt. No. 3/2020 (RJP)

Mahanagar ONGC looking for General Manager (Logistics) - Aviation at ES level

Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC), a "Mahanagar" Public Sector Enterprise, is the largest Crude Oil and Natural Gas Company in India, constituting around 75% to Indian domestic production.

We are looking for experienced Executive to join the organization as General Manager (Logistics) - Aviation to handle Offshore Helicopter Operations of ONGC at ES level in the Pay Scale of Rs. 1,20,000-2,80,000/- per the following:

Particular Details

Nos. of Post 01 (Unreserved)
Qualification & Experience
- Should possess current Air Transport Pilot License (H) or Commercial Helicopter Pilot License (H) on twin-engine helicopter with Instrument Rating.
- Having at least 10,000 hours of total flying experience, including offshore flying, on twin engine, out of which 5,000 hours as Pilot in Command.
- Should have minimum 10 years managerial experience/Operations in charge in aviation industry.
Age Limit
- Maximum 50 years (As on 31.07.2020)

(ONGC departmental candidates will be allowed relaxation in age as per existing rules)

We provide best in class exposure to our employees in terms of Technology, Pay & Allowances, Career Growth and Professional Development Opportunities.


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Tata Memorial Centre
(An Autonomous Body under the Department of Atomic Energy, Govt. of India)

Dr. Bhubaneswar Borooh Chanyt Institute, Guwahati, Assam.

Advt.No. TMC/GUWAHATI/AD-39/2020

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

1. ASSISTANT PROFESSOR “B” (EPIDEMIOLOGY & BIOSTATISTICS) : (01-UR)
   - Level: Level-12
   - Pay Matrix: Rs. 87800-
   - Age: Upper Age limit as on 24.07.2020: 45 yrs.
   - Qualification & Experience: Ph.D. in (Epidemiology / Public Health / Statistics / Health Sciences / Life Sciences/Biotechnology) OR Postgraduate M.D. plus MPH from a recognized University with 3 years experience in Epidemiology / Population Research / Research experience in Cancer Epidemiology or Cancer Prevention or Cancer Registry is desirable.

2. MEDICAL PHYSICIST “C” : (01-UR)
   - Level: Level-10
   - Pay Matrix: Rs. 76,600-
   - Age: Upper Age limit as on 24.07.2020: 35 yrs.
   - Qualification & Experience: M.Sc. (Physics) and Diploma in Radiological Physics OR Equivalent APHE approved qualifications. Experience with advanced computerized treatment planning systems and other state-of-the-art technology will be essential.

3. SCIENTIFIC OFFICER “C” (COMPUTER PROGRAMMER) : (01-UR)
   - Level: Level-10
   - Pay Matrix: Rs. 76,600-
   - Age: Upper Age limit as on 24.07.2020: 35 yrs.
   - Qualification & Experience: B.E / B.Tech (Computer Science / Information Technology) or Equivalent or MCA degree with minimum aggregate 50% marks from Govt. recognized university. Candidate should have minimum 3 years of hands on programming experience in client server environment using visual basic .NET technology as a member tool & DB2 RDBMS OR at least 1 - year as R4000 server or MS - SQL DBA/DBIS on windows server as back end. Candidate must also have good practical knowledge in SQL Crystal report. Working knowledge of Web Technology / Web Development tools, skills in ASP/VB Script is desirable. Preference would be given to candidates having prior relevant experience in design & development maintenance of Hospital Information System.

4. SCIENTIFIC OFFICER “C” (IT CO-ORDINATOR) : (01-UR)
   - Level: Level-10
   - Pay Matrix: Rs. 76,600-
   - Age: Upper Age limit as on 24.07.2020: 35 yrs.
   - Qualification & Experience: B.E / B.Tech in Computer Science / Information Technology or equivalent with minimum aggregate 55% marks from Govt. recognized university. Should have minimum 3 years of hands on work experience in configuration/troubleshooting / maintaining, managing PCs servers, various network equipments like L2 and L3 switches, routers, desktop (windows) OS, Windows, maintaining basic connectivity, etc. Candidate must have practical working knowledge of IBM LaserJet, AS/400, DB2, system operation, administration backup procedures, etc. Candidates having prior relevant experience of working in Healthcare Industry for Implementation of various software modules will be preferred.

5. SCIENTIFIC OFFICER “B” (BIO-MEDICAL) : (01-UR)
   - Level: Level-8
   - Pay Matrix: Rs. 47600-
   - Age: Upper Age limit as on 24.07.2020: 35 yrs.
   - Qualification & Experience: B.E. / B. Tech (Biomedical) with 7 years of experience out of which 3 years in hospital setup. Candidate will have to supervise, coordinate & manage biochemical maintenance activities.

6. SCIENTIFIC OFFICER “B” (TRIAL CO-ORDINATOR) : (01-UR, 01-BC, 01-SC)
   - Level: Level-8
   - Pay Matrix: Rs. 47600-
   - Age: Upper Age limit as on 24.07.2020: 35 yrs.
   - Qualification & Experience: Master Degree in Public Health / Master of Public Health / Master of Science in Biostatistics / Master of Public Health Science.

7. SCIENTIFIC OFFICER “B” (LIBRARY SCIENCE) : (01-UR)
   - Level: Level-8
   - Pay Matrix: Rs. 47600-
   - Age: Upper Age limit as on 24.07.2020: 35 yrs.
   - Qualification & Experience: M.Sc. in Library Science / Library Science / Information Science.

8. SCIENTIFIC ASSISTANT “B” (PHYSIOTHERAPY) : (01-BC)
   - Level: Level-6
   - Pay Matrix: Rs. 35,400-
   - Age: Upper Age limit as on 24.07.2020: 30 yrs.
   - Qualification & Experience: B.Sc. (Physiotherapy) / Bachelor of Physiotherapy (BPT) with 50% marks from recognized university with minimum one year experience experience. Preference will be given to candidates who have experience in treating oncology patients.

9. SCIENTIFIC ASSISTANT “B” (SPEECH THERAPY) : (01-UR)
   - Level: Level-6
   - Pay Matrix: Rs. 35,400-
   - Age: Upper Age limit as on 24.07.2020: 30 yrs.
   - Qualification & Experience: B.Sc (Audiology & Speech Therapy) with 50% marks from recognized university with minimum one year experience. Preference will be given to candidates who have experience in cancer rehabilitation hospital set up.

10. SCIENTIFIC ASSISTANT “C” (NUCLEAR MEDICINE) : (01-UR)
    - Level: Level-7
    - Pay Matrix: Rs. 44,300-
    - Age: Upper Age limit as on 24.07.2020: 35 yrs.
    - Qualification & Experience: B.Sc. Physics/ Chemistry/ Biology/ Nuclear Medicine or equivalent with DRT/DVRT. Candidates should have passed 200/300 level(Nuclear Medicine) certification conducted by IAEA/ANDR. Minimum 01 year experience post qualification is required in the relevant field.

11. PHARMACIST “B” : (01-ST)
    - Level: Level-5
    - Pay Matrix: Rs. 29,200-
    - Age: Upper Age limit as on 24.07.2020: 30 yrs.
    - Qualification & Experience: B.Pharm with minimum 1 year experience OR B. Pharm with minimum 3 years working experience in Dispensary/ Pharmacy of the Hospital having minimum 200 beds. Registration with State Pharmacy Council with duly registered Number is mandatory. Experience of working on computerized system desirable. Candidate should be prepared to work in shift duties, including night shift.

12. ASSISTANT DIETICIAN : (01-ST)
    - Level: Level-5
    - Pay Matrix: Rs. 29,200-
    - Age: Upper Age limit as on 24.07.2020: 30 yrs.
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<td>13. ASSISTANT MEDICAL SOCIAL WORKER (01-OBC, 01-SC)</td>
<td>Level 6</td>
<td>Rs. 35400/- Level 6, Cell 1 + Allowances applicable</td>
<td>24.07.2020</td>
<td>30 yrs.</td>
<td>Post Graduate Degree in Social Sciences (MSW) from a recognized University with minimum one year experience (after MSW) preferably in the field of Medical Social Work.</td>
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<td>14. SCIENTIFIC ASSISTANT B (OCUPATIONAL THERAPY) (01-UR)</td>
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<td>Rs. 35400/- Level 6, Cell 1 + Allowances applicable</td>
<td>24.07.2020</td>
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<td>Bachelor in Occupational Therapy with 50% marks from recognized university with minimum one year experience.</td>
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<td>15. HOUSEKEEPER (01-EWS)</td>
<td>Level 6</td>
<td>Rs. 35400/- Level 6, Cell 1 + Allowances applicable</td>
<td>24.07.2020</td>
<td>30 yrs.</td>
<td>B.Sc. in Hotel Management with 50% marks from recognized university with minimum one year experience in relevant field.</td>
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<td>16. CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST (01-UR)</td>
<td>Level 6</td>
<td>Rs. 35400/- Level 6, Cell 1 + Allowances applicable</td>
<td>24.07.2020</td>
<td>30 yrs.</td>
<td>M.A. (Clinical Psychology) or equivalent from a recognized University. Minimum 3 years experience in psychometric testing and interpretation, including neuropsychological tests and counseling and therapy. Experience in working with adults and children with cancer and/or chronic physical illnesses and well-being and ability to work in a multi-disciplinary mental health team dedicated to cancer patients are desirable.</td>
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<td>Rs. 35400/- Level 6, Cell 1 + Allowances applicable</td>
<td>24.07.2020</td>
<td>30 yrs.</td>
<td>B.Sc. (Physics) with minimum 50% marks and Post Graduate Diploma in Radiotherpay Technology from recognized institute/university approved by AERB with minimum 01 year experience in modern Radiotherpay Technology OR B.Sc (Radiotherpay Technology) - 3 years course from a recognized institute/university approved by AERB with 3 years experience in modern Radiotherpay Technology.</td>
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<td>18. TECHNICIAN A (CU) (01-UR, 01-OBC, 01-SC)</td>
<td>Level 2</td>
<td>Rs. 19900/- Level 2, Cell 1 + Allowances applicable</td>
<td>24.07.2020</td>
<td>30 yrs.</td>
<td>12th Std. in Science and Diploma of one year/6 months in ICU/OT/Electronics from a recognized institution with 1 year experience in relevant field.</td>
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<td>24.07.2020</td>
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<td>Level 2</td>
<td>Rs. 19900/- Level 2, Cell 1 + Allowances applicable</td>
<td>24.07.2020</td>
<td>27 yrs.</td>
<td>12th Std. in Science and Diploma of one year/6 months in Medical Laboratory Technology from a recognized institution with 1 year experience in a Microbiology Laboratory of a large hospital.</td>
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<td>24.07.2020</td>
<td>27 yrs.</td>
<td>12th Std. in Science and Diploma of one year/6 months in Medical Laboratory Technology from a recognized institution with 1 year experience in a FDA licensed Blood Bank.</td>
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<td>Level 2</td>
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<td>24.07.2020</td>
<td>27 yrs.</td>
<td>12th Std. in Science and Diploma of one year/6 months in Endoscopy Techniques from a recognized institution with 1 year experience in Gastroenterology Department of a large hospital.</td>
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<td>23. TECHNICIAN A (LABORATORY) (01-OBC, 01-ST)</td>
<td>Level 2</td>
<td>Rs. 19900/- Level 2, Cell 1 + Allowances applicable</td>
<td>24.07.2020</td>
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<td>12th Std. in Science and Diploma of one year/6 months in Medical Laboratory Technology from a recognized institution with 1 year experience in a Laboratory of a large hospital.</td>
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<td>24. TECHNICIAN A (C.S.S.D.) (01-UR, 01-SC)</td>
<td>Level 2</td>
<td>Rs. 19900/- Level 2, Cell 1 + Allowances applicable</td>
<td>24.07.2020</td>
<td>27 yrs.</td>
<td>12th Std. in Science and Diploma of one year/6 months in C.S.S.D from a recognized institution with 1 year experience in C.S.S.D. of a large hospital.</td>
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<td>25. TECHNICIAN A (MOULD ROOM) (01-UR)</td>
<td>Level 2</td>
<td>Rs. 19900/- Level 2, Cell 1 + Allowances applicable</td>
<td>24.07.2020</td>
<td>27 yrs.</td>
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<td>24.07.2020</td>
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<td>General Nursing &amp; Midwifery plus Diploma in Oncology Nursing with 2 years clinical experience in a 50. bedded hospital OR Basic or Post Basic B.Sc. (Nursing) with 2 years clinical experience in minimum 50 bedded hospital. Candidates should be eligible to register with Indian Nursing Council/State Nursing Council. Candidates who have done Diploma in Nursing Oncology and served the entire bond period will be given relaxation in age by 5 years. Hepatitis Vaccination should be completed. Working Pattern will be 6 days a week, General Nursing &amp; Midwifery &amp; Basic or Post Basic B.Sc. (Nursing) should be recognized by Indian Nursing Council/State Nursing Council.</td>
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| 28. SECURITY CUM FIRE OFFICER (02-UR) | Level 2 | Rs. 35400/- Level 2, Cell 1 + Allowances applicable | 24.07.2020 | 30 yrs. | Graduation from recognized university with NCC 'C' certificate and Sub Officer Course conducted by National Fire Service College, Nagpur. The candidate should have minimum 3 years security experience in a large organization in a
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| 1     | **Group Manager - Finance & Accounts**  
   - The candidate should be commerce graduate with CA/ICWA/ICMA.  
   - He/She should have minimum 15 years of post qualification work experience in Accounting/Finalization of Accounts/Audit/ Taxation/Fund Management/ Costing & Budgeting, etc.  
   - Working knowledge in Computerized Environment is essential. | 50,000/- to 90,000/- | 50 yrs | 01 |
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   - The candidate should be a Graduate in Engineering/ B. Com/ B. Sc Post Graduate Diploma in Management Services shall be an added advantage.  
   - He/She should have minimum 15 years of experience in the management services streams.  
   - The candidate should be responsible for purchase of various items as per the provisions of GFR/GEM/Tendering in CPP Portal etc.  
   - Candidate should have the knowledge of Govt. purchase system, import procedures, LG, opening, Govt. Internal Audit, etc. | 50,000/- to 90,000/- | 50 yrs | 01 |
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   - Graduate or ITI with certification in AutoCAD Area of Expertise:  
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**NOTE**

1. Preference will be given to candidates having meritorious academic qualifications and relevant experience.

2. Retired persons (from government/PSSU/Autonomous Bodies) up to 52 years of age and having qualification of B Com / M Com can also apply for the post.

3. Retired persons (preferably from government/PSSU/Autonomous Bodies) up to 62 years of age fulfilling the advertised criteria can also apply for the post.

4. Age Relaxation is applicable as per Government of India Rules to candidates belonging to 'SC', ST, OBC categories.

5.坎vassv in any form and/or bringing influence political or otherwise will be treated as a disqualification for the post.

6. Interim queries will not be entertained.

7. Council reserves the right to raise minimum standards and/ or relax age, experience, in deserving cases. Number of Post may increase or decrease according to the need of the council.

8. Interested candidates may apply on the above address by sending their application (along with recent passport size photograph) to the Director General within 15 days of publication of this advertisement in Employment News on plain paper giving all details related to name, age, qualification, experience, postal address (contact number) etc along with self-attested copies of all marks sheets / degrees and experience certificates. Application received through email and fax will not be considered.

9. For detailed information, please visit our website http://www.minesindia.com. All corrigenda, amendments, clarification etc to this advertisement will be posted on the website only.

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Government of India

Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices  
Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare

Filling up one post of Private Secretary in Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices on deputation basis.

Applications are invited from eligible and suitable officers fulfilling one post of Private Secretary in Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (An attached office under the Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers Welfare) in the Level-7 (Rs. 44900-114590) of Pay Matrix on deputation basis. Details of the post and eligibility conditions are available on Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CAPC) website: https://cncarcnct.net.in (Link-Vacancies).

2. Applications of only such officials/candidates will be considered as are routed through proper channel and are accompanied by (i) bio data (in duplicate) as per proforma (Annexure-II), (ii) Photocopies of APARs for the last five years attested (signed & stamped) on each page by an officer not below the rank of Under Secretary to the Government of India level, and (iii) Certificate from the employer that particulars furnished by the officer are correct and he/she fulfils eligibility criteria mentioned in the vacancy Circulars/Advertisement, and certificates regarding Vigilance Clearance, Integrity and Major/Minor Penalty, at the end of the bio-data Cumulative Advertisement (Annexure-I), Bio-data format & IC, VC, MMP etc. (Annexure-II) are available on Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CAPC) website: https://cncarcnct.net.in (Link-Vacancies).

3. It is, therefore, requested that applications of willing and eligible officers and who can be spared immediately in the event of selection may be sent to Shri Sudhir Kumar Tevate, Administrative Officer, Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CAPC), Room No. 217, F-Wing, Shaheen Bagh, New Delhi-110001 within a period of 60 days from the date of publication of this advertisement in Employment News.

4. Advance copies of applications or those received after the prescribed closing date of 03/02/2021 will not be accepted by supporting certificates/documents in support of Qualification and Experience claimed by the candidates would not be processed for determining the eligibility of the candidates for the selection and shall be liable to be rejected.

5. The candidates who apply for the post will not be allowed to withdraw their candidate subsequent. The pay of the officials selected for appointment on deputation basis will be regulated in terms of DOPC’s OM No. 8/5/2006-Estt. (Pay II) dated 17.06.2010, as amended from time to time.

(Sudhir Kumar Tevate)

Administrative Officer

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Advertisement for filling up one post of Private Secretary, General Central Service Group-B Gazetted Ministerial, two posts of Assistant General Central Service Group-B, Non-Gazetted Ministerial and one post of Upper Division Clerk, General Central Service Group-C Non-Gazetted Ministerial by deputation including short time control in the Regional Office (North Central Zone), Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Dehradun (Uttarakhand).

One post of Private Secretary, General Central Service Group-B Gazetted Ministerial in Level-7 of Pay Matrix (Rs. 49000-124400), two posts of Assistant General Central Service Group-B, Non-Gazetted Ministerial in Level 8 of Pay Matrix (Rs. 35400-112400) and one post of Upper Division Clerk, General Central Service Group-C Non-Gazetted Ministerial in Level 4 (Rs. 25600-81100) are required to be filled up by deputation including short time control in the Regional Office (West Central Zone), Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Dehradun (Uttarakhand).

The details of the Eligibility and educational qualification for the posts to be filled up on deputation basis and the proforma for application can be seen at Annexure-I and Annexure-II of the vacancy circular in the website of the MoEF&CC, Govt. of India www.moefcc.gov.in. The maximum age limit for appointment of deputation shall not exceed 58 (Fifty eight) years as on the closing date prescribed for receipt of application. The last date for receipt of application is 60 days from the date of advertisement in Employment News Paper.

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supervisory category. Qualifications may be relaxed in case of ex-serviceman who has rendered minimum 15 years of service and must be Havaldar or equivalent in Armed Forces Or police but he shall possess valid driving license for two wheeler.

Last date for online application is 24.07.2020upto 05:30 p.m.(Indian Standard Time) receiving hard copy of online applications within 7 days from last date of Online application i.e. 07.08.2020 at Dr.Bhunaperswar Borooah Cancer Institute, Goalpara, Assam-781016.

It is mandatory to submit online application. Candidates must submit documentary evidence in support of the details furnished in the Online Application Form. Submitting wrong date of birth, qualifications, experience, caste, disability certificate etc., falling which such applications will be treated as incomplete.

General Conditions:
1. Any experience will be reckoned as on the last date of online application.
2. Reservation of posts under various categories shall be as per Govt. Rules.
3. Age Relaxation:
   a) Upper age is relaxable for persons belonging to Reserved Categories such as SC/ST/OBC/PWD/Ex-serviceman & Other categories as per the instructions of Govt. of India as under:
      - 05 Years: SC/ST
      - 03 Years: OBC
      - 10 Years: PWD (additional 5 years in case of SC/ST & 3 years in case of OBC)
   b) Age relaxation maximum by 5 years for Units of TMCD candidates, candidates with additional qualifications and higher experience and candidates working in TMCD on temporary basis / under project / on contract basis.
4. Application Fee:
   a) Candidate shall pay the application fee of Rs. 330/-online using Debit Card / Credit Card
   b) SC/ST/Female Candidates / Persons with Disabilities / Ex-servicemen (1st time applying for civil post after serving any rank) are exempted from paying application fees.
5. The application fee paid will not be refunded under any circumstances.
6. Candidates may be offered a higher or lower grade than what is advertised based on their working experience, research track record and overall accomplishment at the time of interview and recommendation of the Selection Committee.
7. Benefits:
   a) Allowances: in addition to pay other allowances including DA, HRA, TA etc shall be admissible as per the prevailing rates of TMCD
   b) Training & Development: All officers will be eligible for institutional financial support for active participation in National and International Medical Meetings, Workshops and courses valid driving license for two wheeler.
   c) Medical Facility: Will be admissible as per the prevailing rates of TMCD.
   d) Accommodation: Residential accommodation will be provided subject to availability.
8. Retirement Benefits: All are eligible for retirement benefits and pension under the New Pension Scheme.
9. Candidates appointed will be rotated in any Units of TMCD (Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai, ACTREC Mumbai, Horni Bhawani Cancer Hospital, Borivali, Horne Bhawani Cancer Hospital & Research Centre, Munsingpur, Horni Bhawani Cancer Hospital & Research Centre, Vizag, Maharashtra P., Medan Mohan Malkey Cancer Centre, BHU, Varanasi) on the needs of the Units concerned as and when required.
10. The TMCD also may exercise the option to offer appointments on “Contract Basis” for a fixed term on a consolidated remuneration.
11. Candidate shall submit a recent passport size photograph, attested copies of following certificates as a proof of date of birth, qualification, experience, age relaxation for reserved category & Persons with Disability along with the copy of online application form on or before the last date of receiving the application to the Dr. Bhunaperswar Borooah Cancer Institute, Gopinath Nagar, Guwahati, Assam-781016, it is mandatory to submit a copy of Online application along with copies of relevant certificates, otherwise the candidate will be treated as cancelled.
   a) Date of Birth: Birth Certificate/School leaving certificate / S.S.C passing certificate.
   b) Educational Qualification: Mark sheet & Passing Certificate of final examination.
   c) Experience Certificates: Past Experience certificate indicating the date of joining and relieving.
   d) Current Employment: Appointment letter / Pay Slip, Identity Card
   f) For Economically Weaker Section (EWS): valid income certificate in the format of Government of India, is mandatory.
12. Through Proper Channel: Persons working under Central / State Government / Autonomous Body / Semi Government Organisations and other Public Sector Undertakings must submit their application through the head of the organization.
13. Separate application should be submitted for each post.
14. Referenees: Three Reference letters should be attached with the application for the purpose of the selection committees. (For Ex. No 1 to 7)
15. Tata Memorial Centre also reserves the rights to determine the minimum eligibility standard and benchmark mark and no of candidates called for written examination / interview / Skill test taking into account various factors like no. of vacancies, percentage of marks in Graduates / Post Graduate Degrees etc. Tata Memorial Centre also reserves the right to fix minimum eligibility standard / cut-off marks / Group / Stream / Discipline / Category-wise etc. whereas finalizing such candidates to be called for Written test / Interview / Skill test as well as shortlisting the candidates for final selection after Written test / Interview / Skill test. The decision of the Director, Tata Memorial Centre in this regard shall be final and binding and no correspondence in this regard will be entertained with the candidates.
16. Tata Memorial Centre reserves the right to restrict the number of candidates called for the Written Examination / Interview / Skill test to a reasonable limit, on the basis of qualifications and experience of the applicants. Those fulfilling the prescribed qualifications will not entitle an applicant to be called for Written test / interview / Skill test.
17. Interviews are fixed at any stage of recruitment that the candidate does not fulfill the eligibility criteria or, the candidate has furnished any incorrect / false / incomplete information or has suppressed any material fact (s), his / her candidature will be cancelled. If any shortcoming is detected, even after appointment, the services of the candidate are liable to be terminated forthwith. Therefore, before applying for any post, the candidate should ensure that he / she fulfills all the eligibility criteria under the norms mentioned in the advertisement.
18. No Postgraduate Application will be considered. Tata Memorial Centre does not take any responsibility for non receipt of application through Online / By post for whatsoever the reason.
19. Lateness and incomplete applications will be rejected. Carrying any form will disqualify the candidate.
20. Legal jurisdiction for any dispute will be at Guwahati.

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Unit-in-Charge
Indian COVID-19 vaccines are in the global race to end the coronavirus pandemic. ICIMR has partnered with Bharat Biotech International Limited to develop COVAXIN, whereas Zydoz Cavid is working on ZyCoV-D Vaccine.

Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) had written to 12 Medical Institutes in the country to start the first phase of Human Clinical Trials by registering volunteers. Maximum numbers of these institutes have begun the subject enrolment process. With the beginning of enrolment of volunteers, the two Indian vaccine candidates will now be tested on 1,125 healthy volunteers in the two phases of trials. The vaccines will be evaluated for its safety, reactogenicity, tolerability and immunogenicity. Volunteers will be administered both intramuscular shots. The proposed age groups for the trials are 18-65 years for Phase I and 12-65 years for Phase II. Across the world, more than 140 candidate vaccines are under various stages of Indian manufacturers account for 60 percent of vaccine supplies made to UNICEF.

The Health Ministry has said that India has effectively dealt with the Covid-19 pandemic and the country has the lowest case load and deaths in terms of its population in comparison to other nations. It said there is no community transmission in the country, India has 538 cases per million in comparison to the global average of 1497. In terms of death rate, India has 15 deaths per million compared to the global average of 69.3. The Health Ministry said, recovered cases are progressively rising and the total recoveries reached 1.75 times the active cases. People between the age group from 46 to above 75 constitute 26 percent of the population and most of the deaths have been registered in this age group. Most of the 39 percent deaths have been registered in the age group of 65 to 74 which is eight percent of the total population. The Health Ministry said, a total of 4, 76, 378 people affected with coronavirus have recovered in the country so far. ICMR is continuously scaling up its testing facilities for Covid-19 by giving approval to government and private laboratories. As of now, total 1,132 laboratories across India have been given approval to conduct the test for Covid-19 including 906 government laboratories and 327 private laboratories’ chains.

The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has clarified that topics mentioned in certain media reports as dropped from the syllabus are neither being covered by the rationalized syllabus or are in the Alternative Academic Calendar of NCERT. In a press statement, the CBSE has informed that the Alternative academic calendar of NCERT is already in force for all the affiliated schools of the board. It said, the rationalization of syllabus of up to 30 per cent has been undertaken for nearly 190 subjects. The Board further highlighted that the cut down in syllabus from class 9th to 12th for the academic session 2020-21 is a one-time measure. The Board maintained that the objective of the current rationalization is to reduce the exam stress of students due to the prevailing health emergency situation and to prevent learning gaps. CBSE has clarified that no question will be asked from the truncated syllabus in the Board Exams of 2020-21. CBSE informed that the schools have also been directed to follow the Alternative Academic Calendar prepared by NCERT for the current academic year.

ECONOMY

Infosys chairman Nandan Nilekani has said that India stands to benefit from the current global situation as more countries look for alternatives to China. He said, the covid-19 crisis will create new opportunities for the Indian IT services industry as clients look at consolidation and reduce the number of suppliers. Mr. Nilekani was speaking at the company’s internal platform, InfoTV. He said companies will see a balance between working off office and working from home model two to three months at a stretch. Mr. Nilekani said, there will be a new equilibrium, which has an impact on mobility, traffic, the way cities are designed.

INTERNATIONAL

The World Health Organization has acknowledged that evidence is emerging about the airborne spread of the Novel Coronavirus. Maria Van Kerkhove, technical lead on the COVID-19 pandemic at the WHO, told a news briefing that there was a discussion about the possibility of airborne transmission and aerosol transmission as one of the modes of transmission of COVID-19. She said the WHO would publish a scientific brief summarising the state of knowledge on modes of transmission of the virus in the coming days. The health agency had previously said the virus that causes the COVID-15 respiratory disease spreads primarily through small droplets expelled from the nose and mouth of an infected person that quickly sink to the ground. But a group of scientists in 32 countries outlined evidence that shows floating virus particles that can infect people who breathe them in. They had urged the global body to its guidance on how the respiratory disease passes between people.

US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo has said America is looking at banning Chinese social media apps, including TikTok. He told a TV channel that Trump Administration is certain looking at banning these apps as they shared information with the Chinese government. US administrations have raised national security concerns over TikTok’s handling of user data. They were worried about Chinese laws requiring domestic companies to support and cooperate with intelligence work controlled by the Chinese Communist Party. Mr. Pompeo’s remarks also come amid increasing US-China tensions over the handling of the coronavirus outbreak, China’s actions in Hong Kong and a nearly two-year trade war.

India and the US have reaffirmed their commitment to work towards ensuring a free, open, inclusive, peaceful and prosperous Indo-Pacific. They also agreed on the need to deepen cooperation in the United Nations, especially during India’s membership of the United Nations Security Council, Foreign Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla and the US Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs David Hale exchanged views on a number of regional and global issues of shared interests during the virtual foreign office consultations between the two countries. They reviewed the entire gambit of engagements under the Indo-US Comprehensive Global Strategic Partnership, including political, economic, commercial, regional and international cooperation. In the backdrop of the COVID-19 pandemic, they agreed to further strengthen the bilateral health partnership, including on pharmacueticals and vaccine development. They agreed to remain in touch and move forward on the strategic agenda through a range of mechanisms like the 22 ministerial that India will host later this year.

SPORTS/MISCELLANEOUS

Cricketer Sachin Tendulkar recently inaugurated a Plasma Therapy Unit for treating COVID-19 patients at the Seven Hills Hospital in suburban Andheri. He urged those who have recovered from the deadly infection to help save lives by donating blood plasma. The unit is an initiative of the Bharathiannur Municipal Corporation (BMC). It will offer convalescent plasma therapy to COVID-19 patients using donated blood plasma from those who have recovered. The ace batsman said researchers around the globe are working to find an effective vaccine and treatment. In this, plasma therapy has emerged as an option to treat critically ill patients.