

No.6/6/2022-CS.I(S)
Government of India
Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions
Department of Personnel & Training

2nd Floor, Lok Nayak Bhavan, Khan Market,
New Delhi-110003, dated the 15th May, 2022

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Zone of consideration for inclusion in Select List of Section Officers' Grade of CSS for the years 2019 against Seniority Quota (SQ) – regarding.

The undersigned is directed to convey the approval of the competent authority for issue of zone of consideration for inclusion in the Select List (Seniority Quota) of 2019 in the Section Officers' Grade of CSS, inter-alia on the basis of the judgment dated 28.01.2022 of Hon'ble Supreme Court in Civil Appeal No.629 of 2022 and this Department's OM No.36012/16/2019-Estt.(Res) dated 12.04.2022 as follows –

UR	All the unabsorbed and eligible ASOs of previous zones as well as all the remaining eligible ASOs (both DR and promotee) belonging to the ASO CSL 2010 upto CSL No.327 , who were in service as on 01.07.2019 and who have completed 8 years of approved service as on 01.07.2019 as well as other prescribed eligibility conditions as stated in following paras.
SC	All the unabsorbed and eligible ASOs of previous zones as well as all the remaining eligible ASOs (both DR and promotee) belonging to the ASO CSL 2010 upto CSL No.515 , who were in service as on 01.07.2019 and who have completed 8 years of approved service as on 01.07.2019 as well as other prescribed eligibility conditions as stated in following paras.
ST	All the unabsorbed and eligible ASOs of previous zones as well as all the remaining eligible ASOs (both DR and promotee) belonging to the ASO CSL 2010 as well as the promotee ASOs of CSL 2011 , who were in service as on 01.07.2019 and who have completed 8 years of approved service as on 01.07.2019 as well as other prescribed eligibility conditions as stated in following paras.

2. The Common Seniority List (CSL) for Assistant Section Officers of CSS (ASOs) for 2010 & 2011 have been issued vide this Department's OMs as mentioned below and are also available on DoPT web-site –

- i) **ASO CSL 2010** – No. 7/04/2016-CS.I(A)(Pt.) dated 09.09.2021;
- ii) **ASO CSL 2011**-No.7/9/2017-CS.I(A) dated 28.10.2021.

2.1 Previously, zone for SO SL 2018, issued vide OM dated 06.05.2022 had covered the DR & Promotee ASOs upto ASO CSL 2009 and promotee ASOs upto the ASO CSL No.2010/573 under Gen/ST category. Similarly, DR & Promotee ASOs upto ASO CSL 2009 and the promotee ASOs upto CSL No.2010/901 had been covered under SC category in SL 2018. **It may further be noted that the unabsorbed ASOs of previous zones, only upto the last CSL number covered in the present zone for SO SL 2019 (SQ), as mentioned in para 1 above are to be considered for 2019.**

3. The zone has been prepared in terms of CSS Rules, 2009 read with CSS (preparation of Select Lists for the Section Officers' and Assistants' Grades) Regulations, 2013. The vacancies against which the officers have been included in the zone of consideration for Select List 2019 relate to the period from 01.07.2019 to 30.06.2020. The size of the Select List 2019 (SQ) shall be as follows:

SL YEAR	TOTAL	Gen	SC	ST
2019	268	195	36	37


wtd/-

4. One of the conditions as per CSS Rules, 2009 and regulations issued there-under for inclusion in the Select List for a particular year is that the officer should have undergone and successfully completed such mandatory training programmes as may be prescribed by the Government. Successful completion of level 'B' Training is necessary for promotion to the grade of Section Officer. The following officer, has exhausted all the available three/two nominations, as the case may be and is not eligible for further nomination. He is, therefore, to be excluded from consideration:

S.No	Name of the officer	DOB	Cadre Unit
1	Anirban Lahiri	11.04.1986	DoP&T

4.1 If the officer has anything to represent against his exclusion from consideration, he may do so, through proper channel, within 15 days from the date of issue of this OM. Any representation received after the due date will not be considered.

5. Any discrepancy with regard to details of officers falling in the zone as available in the ASO CSLs for 2010 & 2011 w.r.t. their seniority, date of birth, place of posting etc., may be intimated to this Department for rectification at the earliest, **latest by 20.05.2022.**

6. In case any official covered in the zone has left CSS prior to 01.07.2019 (i.e. the crucial date for promotion) for any reason viz. voluntary retirement, resignation, death etc, the DPC in respect of them should not be held and the same should also be intimated to CS.I Division.

7. The cadre unit authorities are requested to take immediate action for conducting DPC as per Regulation 5 of CSS (preparation of Select Lists for the Section Officers' and Assistants' Grades) Regulations, 2013 in respect of -

- (i) all the officials included in the zone (including persons retired/expired on or after 1.7.2019);
- (ii) the officials covered in previous zones (upto Select List 2018) in whose cases DPC recommendations have been kept in sealed cover on earlier occasions as per DPC guidelines, who were found 'unfit' and those who had refused promotion/were not meeting the eligibility conditions earlier, subject to fulfillment of debarment conditions/lien conditions.

7.1 The DPCs in respect of the above mentioned officers may be conducted subject to:

- i) the official concerned being clear from vigilance angle in terms of this Department's O.M. No.22034/4/2012-Estt.(D) dated 02.11.2012 and other relevant instructions on the subject;
- ii) ensuring that the official meets the minimum qualifying service after deduction of any non-qualifying service, if applicable, such as **period spent outside the cadre in another Department on lien** after submitting technical resignation etc in terms of para 2.6 of this Department's OM No.28020/1/2010-Estt.(C) dated 17.08.2016 and other extant instruction is referred. Further, Ministries are also requested to kindly note and ensure that this condition is also satisfied in respect of the officers falling in the zone for SO SL 2018 recently issued vide Om dated 06.05.2022.
- iii) the official having successfully completed Level 'B' Training or exempted (age 58+) in terms of Cadre Training Policy 2016. The training status of the officer may be got verified from service records. Further officers may be granted benefit of exemption in terms of CTP only if they have not exhausted the maximum nominations (3 prior to 04.07.16 and 2 w.e.f. 04.07.2016) for Level B Training.

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8. The following officers covered in the zone have not yet completed the Level B Training successfully but have not exhausted the maximum nominations allowed under CTP for CSS Officers:-

Sl. No.	Name of the officer	Cadre Unit
1	Reetika Sarkar	WCD
2	Ashish Kumar Thakur	Expenditure

8.1. **The DPC in respect of these officers and any officer who is similarly placed shall, therefore, be conducted by the respective cadre unit only after they complete the Level B Training successfully.**

9. The composition of DPC as per regulation 5 of CSS (preparation of Select Lists for the Section Officers' and Assistants' Grades) Regulations, 2013 shall be as under:

- i) Joint Secretary level officer –Chairperson
- ii) Three Directors or DS level officers-Members
- iii) Under Secretary-Member

10. Ministries/Departments, where the officials approved for inclusion in the zone for SOSL-2019 are posted, are requested to conduct the DPCs immediately and forward the DPC recommendations in the format attached as **Annexure-I within 10 working days** from the date of issue of this OM along with vigilance clearance and status of Level B training of the officers, who have been declared fit along with a copy of the minutes of DPC duly approved by the Competent Authority. **The information may kindly be sent to Shri M.P. Harinarayanan, Section Officer (harinarayan.mp14@nic.in). On the basis of the DPC recommendations received from the cadre units, the promotion order will be issued centrally by this Department and Ministries/Department may notify appointment of the promoted officers only after issue of promotion orders by DOPT.**

10.1 If any officer included in the zone is working in any cadre other than the one indicated against his/her name in the ASO CSL, the cadre unit, where he/she is presently posted may conduct DPC in respect of him/her, without referring the matter to this Department.

11. The zone of consideration for SO SL 2019 against Seniority Quota has been issued in terms of OM dated 12.04.2022 and would be subject to the orders/outcome of the following court cases and also any other order by any Competent Court in any of the connected matters, apart from these:

- (i) Civil Appeal No.629/2022 in Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and connected matters (Jarnail Singh batch of cases).
- (ii) Matters relating to seniority, promotion etc in SO/ASO grade, if any, filed in any competent court till date


15/5/22

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Encl: As above

To

1. Cadre authorities of CSS (DS/Director (Admn.))
2. General Secretary, CSS Section Officers' Association, Mezzanine Floor, Sanchar Bhavan, New Delhi.
3. US (CS.I-A)

Annexure-I to OM No.6/6/2022-CS.I(S) dated 15thMay, 2022

Cadre Unit: _____

List containing the names of officers included in the zone, who have been found fit/not found fit for inclusion in the Grade of Section Officer against Select List year 2019 in pursuance of DoPTOM No.6/6/2022-CS.I(S) dated 15thMay, 2022

S.No.	ASO SL Year	ASO CSL.No in the zone of consideration	Name of the officer	Date of Birth	Whether found fit by the DPC or placed in sealed cover	Whether clear from vigilance angle	Level B training status	If unfit, ineligible or the DPC not held, the reasons* thereof

*VRS w.e.f..../Died on.../yet to qualify the mandatory training/left the cadre before the crucial date i.e. 01.07.2019 etc.