

No.6/4/2022-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 6th May, 2022

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Zone of consideration for inclusion in Select List of Section Officers' Grade of CSS for the years 2018 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 2018 in the Section Officers' Grade of CSS, 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 2006 to 2009 and promotee ASO of CSL 2010 upto CSL No.573 , who were in service as on 01.07.2018 and who have completed 8 years of approved service as on 01.07.2018 as well as other prescribed eligibility conditions as stated in following paras.
For SC category	All unabsorbed and eligible ASOs of previous zones and all remaining ASOs (both DR and promotee) belonging to the ASO CSL 2006 to 2009 and promotee ASO of CSL 2010 upto CSL No.901 who were in service as on 01.07.2018 and who have completed 8 years of approved service as on 01.07.2018 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 2006-2010 have been issued vide this Department's OMs as mentioned below and are also available on DoPT web-site -

- (i) **ASO CSL 2006-2008** - OM No. 7/11/2012-CS.I (A) (Vol.1) dated 12.10.2018;
- (ii) **ASO CSL 2009** - No. 7/16/2018-CS.I(A) dated 26.10.2018;
- (iii) **ASO CSL 2010** - No. 7/04/2016-CS.I(A)(Pt.) dated 09.09.2021;

2.1 The ASOs upto CSL No.2006/27, 2008/761 and 2006/433 had already been covered in the zone of consideration for SO SL 2017 (SQ) under Gen, SC and ST categories respectively issued on 26.11.2018.

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 2018 relate to the period from 01.07.2018 to 30.06.2019. The size of the Select List 2018 (SQ) shall be as under:

SL YEAR	TOTAL	Gen	SC	ST
2018	440	404	36	0

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4. One of the conditions as per CSS Rules, 2009 and regulations issued thereunder 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 14 officers, have exhausted all the available three/two nominations, as the case may be and are not eligible for further nomination. They are, therefore, to be excluded from consideration:

Sl.No.	Name of the officer	DOB	Cadre Unit
1	Balbir Singh	22.02.61	Expenditure
2	K.K. Saha	02.07.60	Legal Affairs
3	Renu Devgan	02.10.59	Defence
4	Tapan K Goswami	19.11.60	Housing&UA
5	Dipankar Chakraborty	06.12.59	Telecom
6	K. Subramanian	04.04.64	I&B
7	R.K. Mamgain	01.05.64	DOPT
8	Anita Ashok	24.06..66	Expenditure
9	S.R.Sharma	30.04.64	Expenditure
10	Raj Kumar	15.07.67	RT&H
11	Om Prakash	07.09.61	Commerce
12	Prakash C Anthwal	22.09.62	Expenditure
13	Urmila Bhardwaj	18.10.64	MHA
14	Tejinder S Sodhi	23.07.64	DPIIT

4.1 If these officers have anything to represent against their exclusion from the zone, they 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. Extended zone of consideration in respect of 49 officers for inclusion in the Select List 2018 has been included in para 1 above, in lieu of those 49 officers who are in the zone of consideration but retiring on superannuation/retired voluntarily etc. within the same Select List Year 2018, in terms of this Department's O.M. No.22011/18/87-Estt(D) dated 09.04.1996 as per the details given below:

TOTAL	GEN	SC	ST
49	46	03	0

6. Any discrepancy with regard to details of officers falling in the zone as available in the ASO CSL for 2006 to 2010 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 11.05.2022.**

7. In case any official covered in the zone has left CSS prior to 01.07.2018 (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.

8. 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 on or after 1.7.2018);
- (ii) the officials covered in previous zones (upto Select List 2017) in whose cases DPC recommendations have been kept in sealed cover on earlier occasions as per DPC guidelines and those who have refused

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promotion/were not meeting the eligibility conditions earlier, subject to fulfillment of debarment conditions/lien conditions.

8.1 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) 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.

9. The following three 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	Deepa Dey	Telecom
2	Meena Khurana	Housing & UA
3	Sunita Bajpai	Youth Affairs

9.1. **The DPC in respect of these officers shall, therefore, be conducted by the respective cadre unit only after they complete the Level B Training successfully.**

10. 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

11. Ministries/Departments, where the officials approved for inclusion in the zone for SOSL-2018 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. **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.**

11.1 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.

12. The zone of consideration for SO SL 2018 against Seniority Quota has been issued in terms of OM dated 12.04.2022 and would be subject to the

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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

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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)

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Annexure-I to OM No.6/4/2022-CS.I (S) dated 6th May, 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 2018 in pursuance of DoPT OM No.6/4/2022-CS.I(S) dated 6th May, 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 training status B	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. 01.07.2018 etc.