

Government of West Bengal
Finance Department
Audit Branch

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MEMORANDUM

The West Bengal Public Service Commission (Exemption from Consultation) Regulations, 2008 (hereinafter referred to as the said regulations) has been published under this Department Notification 9103-F dt. 3rd December, 2008. These regulations have been made in supersession of the West Bengal Public Service Commission (Exemption from Consultation) Regulations, 1955, as amended. It follows that henceforth, all direct recruitments to posts and services in the state Government establishments, excepting the cases covered by regulation 3 of the said regulations shall be made through the Public Service Commission, West Bengal. In other words, the existing system of granting exemption from consultation with the Commission in the matter of recruitment by selection for the posts, appointing authority of which is sub-ordinate to the Governor, will cease to be operative.

2. Framing of /amending recruitment rules for posts/services:

In the above perspective, the Governor has been pleased to direct that all administrative departments may take up framing and amending rules for recruitment to different posts and services (except those common to all departments) under their administrative control, with the Public Service Commission, West Bengal and finalise the matter in consultation with the Commission and with due observance of the formalities according to the provisions of the Rules of Business. Finance Department need not be consulted in such cases unless there happens to be any difference of opinion between the Commission and the Administrative Depts. concerned, Finance Department will undertake framing/amending of recruitment rules for different categories of posts common to all departments viz. Clerks/L.D. Assistants, Typists, Record supplier, Muharrires, Drivers, Group-D posts etc., in consultation with the Public Service Commission, West Bengal.

3. Revision of the WBS (Raising of Age limit) Rules, 1981:

According to the WBS (Raising of Age limit) Rules, 1981, as amended for direct, recruitment to posts/ services in respect of General category candidate is 32 years, where recruitment is made through the Public Service Commission, West Bengal and 37 years where such recruitments are not made through the Commission. In the context of all posts of Services being under the purview of the Commission, the Governor is pleased to decide that the upper age limit for direct recruitment to all Group C and Group D posts shall be 37 years so long as the WBS (Raising of Age limit) Rules, 1981 will remain valid.

Necessary amendments in the said rule will be made in due course.

4. Cases covered by regulation 3 of the said regulation:

Under regulation 3 of the said regulations, in the matter of making appointments in Group C and Group D posts for the purpose of offering employment assistance on compassionate ground in certain cases, consultation with the Commission has been exempted. Governor has been pleased also to decide that for making appointments to Group C and Group D posts from other categories of candidates covered by the Labour Department Notification No. 301 Emp/1M-10/ 2000 dt. 21.1.2000 will also come under the purview of the regulation. Existing procedure for making such appointments shall continue to be followed. Absorption of Attendants engaged in the offices MICs or MOSs may also be covered by this regulation subject to fulfilment of existing norms.

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