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Government of India
Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation
(SSS Division)

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Sansad Marg, New Delhi,

Dated: 05.04.2021.

Office Memorandum

Subject: Amendment in Recruitment rules of Subordinate Statistical Service (SSS)- Reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to the subject mentioned above and it is informed that a proposal for amendment in Recruitment Rules of Subordinate Statistical Service (SSS) dated 31.05.2013 is under active consideration of this Ministry.

02. In view of above, it has been decided to place the draft amendment in RRs of SSS dated 31.05.2013 (Annexure- I) on the official website of this Ministry. Accordingly, all stake holders of Subordinate Statistical Service (SSS) are requested to furnish their comments within 30 days from the date of its publication on the website of this Ministry, if required.

03. This issues with the approval of Director General (C&A) of MoSPI.

Enclose: As above.

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To

1. All participating Ministries of SSS.
2. General Secretary, AIASO and SSOA of SSS.
3. Computer Center of MoSPI with the request to place the above OM in the Miscellaneous link of SSS.

**[TO BE PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE OF INDIA, EXTRAORDINARY, PART – II, SECTION 3,
SUB-SECTION (I)
[MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION]**

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, dated 2021

G.S.R.... (E) – In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution and in supersession of the Subordinate Statistical Service Rules, 2013 except as respects things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the President hereby makes the following rules, namely: –

1. Short title and commencement:-

- (1) These Rules may be called the Subordinate Statistical Service Rules, 2021.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Definitions:-

In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires –

- (a) “Approved Service” in relation to any grade means;
In respect of an officer recruited to the post of Statistical Officer [erstwhile, Junior Statistical Officer (JSO)], period or periods of regular service rendered in that grade, including period or periods of absence during which he would have held a post on regular basis in that grade but for his being on leave or otherwise not being available to hold such post, from the first day of July of the year, following the year in which the examination for direct recruitment was held;
“Provided that where there is a delay of more than ninety days in joining on appointment, in any case, such delay should not be due to any fault on the part of the officer,
- (b) “MACP” means the Modified Assured Career Progression Scheme for the Central Government Civilian Employees;
- (c) “Commission” means the Union Public Service Commission;
- (d) “Controlling Authority” means the Controlling Authority referred to in rule 5;
- (e) “Departmental Promotion Committee” means a Committee specified in Schedule IV for considering the cases of promotion or confirmation in any grade of Group B post of the Service;
- (f) “Duty Post” means any post, whether permanent or temporary, included in Schedule-I
- (g) “Government” means the Central Government;
- (h) “Grade” means any of the Grades of the Service specified in Schedule I

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- (i) “**Schedule**” means a schedule annexed to these Rules;
- (j) “**Scheduled Castes**” and “**Schedule Tribes**” shall have same meaning respectively assigned to them in clauses (24) and (25) of article 366 of the Constitution;
- (k) “**Service**” Subordinate Statistical Service (Group B) constituted under Rule 4;
- (l) “**Cadre**” means the group of posts in the Level 6 and 7 of Subordinate Statistical Service (SSS) in any of the Ministry or offices specified in the Column (2) of the Schedule V.
- (m) “**Cadre-unit**” means the participating Ministries or departments as specified in the Column (2) of the Schedule V.
- (n) “**Cadre Officer**” in relation to any level means a member of the Subordinate Statistical Service (SSS).
- (o) “**Prescribed**” means prescribed by the rules made by the Central Government under these rules.
- (p) “**Select List**” in relation to the Senior Statistical Officer (SSO) and Statistical Officer (SO) means the Select list prepared in accordance with the regulations made under rule 7 of these Rules.

3. **Scope:-** Number of posts that will be placed in different levels of Subordinate Statistical Service (SSS) [Group B] is specified in Schedule I.

4. **Subordinate Statistical Service:**

There shall be a Service known as Subordinate Statistical Service (SSS) consisting of Group “B” statistical function posts constituted vide G.S.R. 98(E) &99(E), dated 12th February, 2002 consisting of persons appointed to the Service.

5. **Controlling Authority:**

The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, Government of India shall be the Controlling Authority.

6. **En-cadrement and Absorption:**

The equivalent or identical statistical function post shall be eligible for en-cadrement in Subordinate Statistical Service at Level 6 and 7 subject to condition that all the live feeder and promotional posts shall also be offered for encadrement; and thereafter the concerned officers shall be eligible for absorption on the recommendation of Selection Committee.

The Controlling Authority shall constitute a Selection Committee under the Chairmanship of SAG level officer, In-charge of Administration, MoSPI with at least two other members of not below the rank of Deputy Secretary to determine the suitability of the candidates for absorption to the post of Senior Statistical Officer (SSO) and Statistical Officers (SO) of Service.

7. **Future maintenance of Service:**

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- (1) The vacancies in any of the levels (Senior Statistical Officer (SSO) and Statistical Officer (SO)) mentioned to in **Schedule-I and Schedule V** shall be filled in the manner as provided in these rules.
- (2) The method of recruitment, the field of selection for promotion or absorption, including the minimum qualifying service required in the lower level or lower levels, as the case may be, for promotion or absorption to the posts in respective levels of the Service shall be as specified in **Schedule-II** amended to these rules.
- (3) The direct recruitment to the Service shall be made on the basis of open Competitive Examination to be held by the Staff Selection Commission on the basis of educational and other qualifications and experience and age limit as specified in **Schedule-III** amended to these rules.
- (4) The promotions to Senior Statistical Officer (SSO) and Statistical Officer (SO) of the Service shall be on the basis of selection on the recommendations of the Departmental Promotion Committee as specified in **Schedule-IV** annexed to these rules.

Where juniors who have completed their qualifying or eligibility service are being considered for promotion, their seniors would also be considered provided they are not short of the requisite qualifying or eligibility service by more than half of such qualifying or eligibility service or two years, whichever is less, and have successfully completed their probation period, for promotion to the next higher grade along with their juniors who have already completed such qualifying or eligibility service.

8. Filling of duty posts by Deputation (including short-term contract):

- (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules, where the Controlling Authority is of the opinion that considering the number of vacant posts, it is necessary or expedient so to do, it may for reasons to be recorded in writing and in consultation with the Commission, fill up vacant duty posts in any grade by deputation (including short-term contract) from amongst officers working in the Central Government or the State Governments or Union Territories, Public Sector Undertakings (PSU) or recognized research institutions or universities, statutory or autonomous bodies or semi-government organisations holding analogous posts and having the requisite qualifications as specified in **Schedule – III**.
- (2) The period of deputation shall be regulated as per extant instructions of DoPT.

9. Seniority:

The seniority of the members recruited to the Service shall be determined in accordance with the general instructions issued by the Government in this regard from time to time.

10. Probation or Training:

- (1) Every candidate appointed to the post of Statistical Officer of the Service either by direct recruitment or by promotion to shall be on probation for a period of two years;

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Provided that the Controlling Authority may extend the period of probation in accordance with the instructions issued by the Government from time to time:

Provided further that any decision for extension of a probation period shall be taken within eight weeks, after the expiry of initial period of probation and communicated in writing to the concerned candidate together with reasons for so doing within the said period.

- (2) During the period of probation or any extension thereof, the candidate may be required by the Government to undergo such courses of training and to pass such examinations or tests (including examination of Hindi Language) as the Government may deem fit, as condition for satisfactory completion of probation
- (3) On expiry of the period of probation or any extension thereof, the candidate shall, if considered fit for permanent appointment, be confirmed in their appointment.
- (4) If, on expiration of the period of probation referred to in sub-rule (1) or any extension thereof, as the case may be, the Controlling Authority is of the opinion that a candidate is not fit for permanent appointment, or if any time during such period of probation or extension, it is satisfied that he will not be fit for permanent appointment on the expiration of such period of probation or extension, it may discharge or revert him to his substantive post or pass such other orders as it thinks fit.

11. Appointment to the Service

All appointments to the Service shall be made by the Cadre Controlling Authority.

12. Date of Appointment:

The date of appointment of a person to the Service or the post on a regular basis shall -

- (a) in the case of a direct recruit to Statistical Officer (SO) or post be deemed to be the date of his actual joining the level or post, as the case may be; and
- (b) in the case of officers promoted to Senior Statistical Officer (SSO) and Statistical Officer (SO) or the post, be the date on which he was included in the Select List for promotion to that Level or post as the case may be.

13. Deputation:

Any officer of the Service may be required by the Controlling Authority to serve in any post on deputation for a specified period as decided by it. However, period of deputation shall be regulated as per the guidelines issued by DoPT on this aspect from time to time.

14. Saving

Nothing in these rules shall affect reservations, relaxation of age-limit and other concessions required to be provided for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Classes, Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) and other special categories of persons in accordance with the orders issued by the Government from time to time in this regard.

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15. Other conditions of Service

The conditions of service of the members of the service in respect of matters not expressly provided for in these rule's, shall, *mutatis mutandis* and subject to any order issued by the Government in respect of the Service, be the same as those applicable to officers of the Central Civil Services in general.

16. Disqualification

No person, (a) who has entered into or contracted a marriage with a person having a spouse living; or (b) who, having a spouse living, has entered into or contracted a marriage with any person,

shall be eligible for appointment to the Service:

Provided that the Government may, if it is satisfied that such marriage is permissible under the personal law applicable to such person and the other party to the marriage and there are other grounds for so doing, exempt any such person from the operation of this rule.

17. Liability for Service in any part of India:

Officers appointed to the Service shall be liable to served anywhere in India.

18. Power to relax:

Where the Government is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient so to do, it may, by order and for reasons to be recorded in writing, and in consultation with the Commission, relax any of the provisions of these rules with respect to any class or category of persons.

19. Interpretation:

If any question as to the interpretation of these rules arises, the Controlling Authority shall decide the same.

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Schedule I
[See, sub-rule (i) of Rule 7]

Levels of Group "B" posts included in the Subordinate Statistical Service

Sl. No.	Grade	Classification	Level (As per 7th CPC)	Number of post.
1	Senior Statistical Officer	Central Civil Service, Group B Gazetted, Non- Ministerial ,	7	1881
2	Statistical Officer [Erstwhile Junior Statistical Officer]	Central Civil Service, Group B, Non-Gazetted, Non-Ministerial	6	2197

Note:

- (i) All the officers holding or promoted to the post of Senior Statistical Officer (SSO) under Subordinate Statistical Service (Group B – Gazetted) Rules, 2013 on regular basis in the pre-revised GP of Rs. 4600, [Rs.9300-34800 (PB-2)], the date from which the revised pay Matrix based on the 7th CPC recommendation has been extended and holding such posts on regular basis as on 1st January 2016 shall be deemed to have been placed in the revised Pay Matrix Level -7.
- (ii) All the officers appointed under Subordinate Statistical Service (Group B) Rules, 2013 as Junior Statistical Officer (JSO) on regular basis in the pre-revised GP of Rs. 4200 and holding such posts on regular basis as on 1st January 2016, the date from which the revised pay structure based on the 7th CPC recommendation has been extended, shall be deemed to have been placed in the revised Pay Matrix Level -6 and re-designated as Statistical Officer.
- (iii) All the officers, who were appointed / promoted to the post of SSO of SSS on regular basis in the pre-revised GP of Rs. 4600 after 1st January 2016, the date from which the revised pay structure based on the 7th CPC recommendation has been extended, under Subordinate Statistical Service (Group B) Rules, 2013 but were occupying the posts of JSO of SSS as on 01.01.2016 shall be appointed as SSO of Service in the revised Pay Level – 7, w.e.f date of joining as SSO.
- (iv) Those candidates who could not be absorbed in SSS in accordance with Subordinate Statistical Service (Group B & C) Rules 2002 and Subordinate Statistical Service (Group B) Rules, 2013 may be considered for absorption in the appropriate post, depending upon the availability of vacancies, in accordance with Rule 6.

Schedule II

[See Rule 7(2)]

The method of recruitment, field of selection for promotion or absorption and the minimum qualifying service in the lower levels or levels for promotion or absorption to Group "B" duty posts of Subordinate Statistical Service (SSS), as Specified in Schedule I.

Sl. No.	Name of Post	Method of Recruitment	Field of Selection and minimum qualifying service for promotion
(01)	(02)	(03)	(04)
01	Senior Statistical Officer	100 % by Promotion.	Statistical Officers with five years of regular service in Level-6.
02	Statistical officer	90% by direct recruitment. 10% by promotion on Selection basis or by absorption failing which by direct recruitment;	The educational qualifications and age limit as specified in Schedule III annexed to these rules (i) For promotion: Officials in Level -5 of the pay matrix with six years of regular service in the grade or officials in Level -4 of the pay matrix with ten years of regular service in different Ministries/Departments recognized by the Controlling Authority as feeder grade posts considering statistical functions, shall be eligible for promotion to Statistical officer. (ii) For absorption: Officials in Level -6 of the pay matrix with three years of regular service in the grade in different Ministries/ Departments recognized by the Controlling Authority as feeder grade posts considering statistical functions, shall be eligible for absorption in the post of Statistical officer.

Note: For the purpose of computing minimum qualifying service for promotion, the service rendered on a regular basis by an officer prior to 1st January 2016, the date from which the revised pay structure based on the seventh central pay commission recommendations has been extended, shall be deemed to be the service rendered in the corresponding grade pay or pay scale extended based on the recommendations of the pay commission.

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Schedule III

[See Rule 7(3)]

Minimum educational and other qualifications and age limit for direct recruits to Statistical Officer duty posts in Subordinate Statistical Service

Age Limit:

Not exceeding 30 years

Provided that the upper age limit may be relaxed in respect of such categories as may be notified by the Government from time to time to the extent and subject to the conditions notified in respect of each category.

(Relaxable for Government servants up to 5 years in accordance with the instructions or orders issued by the Central Government in this regard from time to time)

Note: The crucial date for determining the age limit shall be the closing date for receipt of the application from candidates in India and not the closing date for those in Assam, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Manipur, Nagaland, Tripura, Sikkim, Laddakh division of 1 and K State, Lahol and Spiti District, Pangi sub-division of Chamba district of Himachal Pradesh, Andaman and Nicobar Islands or Lakshadweep.

Educational qualification:

Essential Qualifications:

“A candidate for direct recruitment to the post of Statistical Officer of the Service must have obtained a:-

Bachelor Or Equivalent Degree from a recognised University, with Statistics / Operations Research / Mathematics / Economics / Computer Science as subject OR paper.

Desirable qualification: Candidates possessing Post Graduate Degree in Statistics / Operations Research / Mathematics / Economics / Computer Science.

From a University established or incorporated by a Central Act or State Act in India or such institutions declared as deemed to be Universities under Section 3 of the University Grant Commission Act, 1956 or a foreign University approved by the Central Government From time to time.

Note:

(1) *Qualifications are relaxable at the discretion of the Staff Selection Commission (SSC) in the case of candidates otherwise well qualified.*

(2) *A candidate who has appeared or intends to appear at such qualifying examination, the passing of which would render him eligible to appear at the examination may apply for admission to the examination and such a candidate may be admitted to the examination, as otherwise eligible, but the admission would be deemed to be provisional and subject to cancellation if he does not produce the*

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proof of having passed the examination as soon as possible and in any case not later than two months after the commencement of the examination.

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Schedule IV

[See Rules 2(e) and 7(4)]

Departmental Promotion Committees for considering the cases of promotion and Confirmation Committee for confirmation of service in Subordinate Statistical Service

A. For considering promotion

The Committee consists of:-

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| 1 | Additional Director General (ADG), rank officer
(to be nominated by Secretary) | -Chairman |
| 2 | Deputy Director General (DDG) from NSO, FOD, MoSPI
(to be nominated by Secretary) | -Member |
| 3 | Director / Joint Director / Deputy Secretary, SSS Division | -Member |

B. For considering confirmation the Committee consists of:-

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| 1 | Deputy Director General (DDG) from NSO, MoSPI
(to be nominated by Secretary) | -Chairman |
| 2 | Director level officer from NSO, FOD, MoSPI
(to be nominated by Secretary) | -Member |
| 3 | Director / Joint Director / Deputy Secretary, SSS Division | -Member |

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Schedule – V
[See Rules 7 (1)]

LIST OF MINISTRIES / DEPARTMENTS / ORGANISATIONS WHERE SENIOR STATISTICAL OFFICER AND STATISTICAL OFFICER POSTS EXIST (ENCADRED IN SSS)			
Sl. No.	Name of the Ministry / Department / Organization	Senior Statistical Officer	Statistical Officer
1	Ministry of Agriculture		
	Dept. of Agriculture & Cooperation	10	8
	Commission for Agrl. Costs & Prices	4	2
	Dte. Of Marketing Inspection	4	5
	Dte. Of Plant Protection & Storage	1	0
	Dte. Of Economics & Statistics	12	26
2	Ministry of Chemical & Fertilizers		
	Dept. of Chemicals & Petrochemicals	2	3
	Department of Fertilizers.	1	1
3	Ministry of Civil Aviation		
	Director Gen. of Civil aviation	2	2
4	Ministry of Commerce & Industry		
	Director Gen. of Supply & Disposal	0	0
	Dir. Gen. of Foreign Trade	2	0
	Department of Industrial Policy & promotion	0	2
	O/o the Economic Adviser, D/o Industrial Policy & Promotion, M/o Commerce & Industry.	2	2
5	Ministry of Communication & IT		
	Department of Posts	0	0
6	Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution		
	Dept. of Food & Public Distribution	2	1
	Dept. of Consumer Affairs	4	6
	Dept. of Vanaspati, Veg. Oils & Fats	0	2

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7	Ministry of Culture		
	Anthropological Survey of India	6	8
8	Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region	2	3
9	Ministry of Finance		
	National Savings Institute	0	1
	Dept. of Expenditure	5	0
10	Ministry of Health & Family Welfare		
	Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS).	31	48
	Central Leprocy Training Institute (CLTI).	0	2
	Central Bureau of Health Institute (CBHI).	0	18
	National Tuberculosis Institute (NTI)	0	5
	Central Research Institute (CRI)	0	2
	All India Institute of Hygiene and Public Health (AIHH&PH)	4	0
	Department of AYUSH	2	0
National Centre for Communicable Diseases (NCDC)	2	8	
11	Ministry of Heavy Industry and Public Enterprises		
	Bureau of Public Enterprises	3	0
12	Ministry of Home Affairs		
	National Crime Record Bureau	0	1
	Bureau of Police Research & Development	2	0
13	Ministry of Human Resource Development		
	Dept of Higher & Secondary Education	10	5
14	Ministry of Information & Broadcasting		
	Registrar of News Papers of India	1	2
15	Ministry of Labour and Employment	0	3
	Labour Bureau	8	0
	Dir. Gen of Mine Safety	6	9
	D.G.of Employment & Training	12	18
	D. G. of Factory Advise and Labour Institute	1	1
16	Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises		
	Dev. Comm. Of Small Industry Service Institute	38	1
17	Ministry of Mines		
	Indian Bureau of Mines	15	32
18	Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas	1	1

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19	Ministry of Planning		
	Planning Commission	2	3
	Programme Evaluation Organisation	2	2
20	Ministry of Road Transport and Highways	3	3
21	Ministry of Rural Development	11	11
22	Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation (Proper)	20	30
	NSSO(FOD)	1459	1748
	Central Statistics Organisation	45	71
	Coordination & Publication Division	2	1
	Data Information & Innovations Divisions (DIID)	2	8
	Data Quality Assurance Division (DQAD)	111	55
23	Ministry of Water Resources	0	1
	Central Water Commission	11	14
24	Ministry of Power		
	Central Electricity Authority of India	2	0
25	Ministry of Urban Development		
	National Buildings Organisation	4	0
26	M/o Development of North Eastern Region	2	3
	Total *	1881	2197

*Subject to variation depending upon the work load.

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