

# CHAPTER VI

## STATISTICAL SERVICES

### I. Indian Statistical Service

6.1 The Indian Statistical Service (ISS) was constituted on 1.11.1961, by encadring the statistical function post in various Ministries and operated from 15.2.1964. The strength of the ISS at initial constitution stood at 185. As on 5.1.2006, strength has gone up to 799. The strength of ISS cadre in different grades, at the time of initial constitution and at present is given in **Table-6.1**.

**Table-6.1**

#### Number of ISS posts in 1961 and 2006

Grade	Number of ISS posts		
	As on 1.11.1961	As on 1.12.2002	As on 5.1.2006
Higher Administrative Grade (HAG)	---	6	12
Senior Administrative Grade (SAG)	---	19	81
Junior Administrative Grade (JAG)	15	136	219#
Senior Time Scale (STS)	54	213	207
Junior Time Scale (JTS)	116	316	280**
<b>Total</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>690</b>	<b>799</b>

# Includes 156 posts (30% senior duty posts) operated in NFSG scale of Rs.14300-400- 18300.

\*\* Inclusive of 50 leave, deputation and training reserve.

6.2 The Department of Personnel and Training functioned as the Cadre Controlling Authority of ISS up to October 1984 and thereafter, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation has been the Cadre Controlling Authority. The Ministry is concerned with all matters pertaining to recruitment, promotion, training, career planning and manpower planning for the service. Day-to-day administrative matters of ISS officers are looked after by the concerned Ministries/Departments in which the officers are posted.

6.3 The ISS rules initially provided for the appointment in JTS of the service to the extent of 75 percent by direct recruitment and 25 percent by promotion from recognized feeder posts. The amended rules provide for 60 percent of the posts in JTS to be filled up by direct recruitment and 40 percent by promotion from Subordinate Statistical Service cadre. There were also provisions earlier for providing lateral entries (i.e. Direct recruitment) in Grade III, and in erstwhile Grades II and Grade I. However, presently there is no direct recruitment at any level except in JTS of the service. All the vacancies in other grades are required to be filled up only by promotion.

6.4 The first examination for direct recruitment to JTS of the service was held in 1967 and the first batch of the service was appointed in 1968. Till date, 27 batches of Direct Recruits have joined the service.

6.5 From April 2005 to January 2006, this Ministry has issued promotion order in respect of 8 STS level officers to the Grade of JAG, 54 JTS level officers to STS Grade. 78 JAG level officers have been given NFSG scale, 8 NFSG officers have been promoted to SAG and one SAG officer has been promoted to HAG-II.

6.6 2<sup>nd</sup> Cadre Review of ISS has been finalized with the approval of the Cabinet and revised cadre structure of ISS was issued on 5.1.2006. The revised structure is given in **Table-6.2**.

**Table- 6.2**

**ISS Cadre restructured as on 5.1.2006**

Grade and Pay Scale	Strength		
	MOSPI	Other Central Departments	Total
Higher Administrative Grade-I (Rs.22400-600-26000)	2	0	2
Higher Administrative Grade-II (Rs.22400-525-24500)	8	2	10
Senior Administrative Grade (SAG) (Rs.18400-500-22400)	55	26	81
Junior Administrative Grade – JAG (Rs.12000-375-16500)	130	89	219
Senior Time Scale – STS (Rs.10000-325-15200)	87	120	207
Junior Time Scale – JTS (Rs.8000-275-13500)	87	143	230
Total	369	380	749
Leave/Training Reserve			50
<b>Grand Total</b>			799

- Cadre Review of ISS has been completed with the approval of the Cabinet. There is substantial increase at SAG level which may result in 1981 batch of ISS being covered for promotion to SAG.
- During the last two years, this Ministry has issued number of promotion orders at different levels as indicated in **Table- 6.3**.

**Table-6.3**

**ISS Officers Promoted**

Year	HAG-I	HAG-II	SAG	NFSG	STS	JTS
2004-05	-	2	6	27	75*	34**
2005-06	-	1	8	78	54	-

\* 1 post encadred.

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## II. Subordinate Statistical Service

6.7 Based on the recommendations of the Fifth Central Pay Commission (CPC) and in consultation with the Department of Personal & Training(DOP&T), Department of Expenditure and various Ministries/Departments, Subordinate Statistical Service (SSS) was constituted by including Group B & C Statistical function posts, located in 40 Ministries/Departments/Organizations, which are isolated and presently scattered in different Ministries/Departments/Organizations under Government of India with a view to improving the career prospects of the incumbents holding such posts. On the recommendation of Selection Committee appointments were made for absorption in SSS for around 3200 departmental candidates and the Service has been operationalised with effect from 01.04.2004. The sanctioned strength and number of incumbents in position in SSS Cadre in different grades are given below in **Table-6.4**.

**Table-6.4**

**Position of Grade wise posts and incumbents in Subordinate Statistical Service  
(As on 31.12.2005)**

Sl. No.	Name of the Post	Sanctioned Strength (2003)	Number of incumbents in position
1.	Statistical Investigator Grade-I (non-functional)	467	336
2.	Statistical Investigator Grade-II (functional)	1091 *	1182
3.	Statistical Investigator Grade-II (including SI Grade-I non-functional)	1558	1518
4.	Statistical Investigator Grade-III (non-functional)	701	616
5.	Statistical Investigator Grade-IV (functional)	1635 **	1149
6.	Statistical Investigator Grade-IV (including SI Grade-III non-functional)	2336	1765
7.	Grade Total (Sl.3 and 6)	3894	3283

\* *The cadre strength of Statistical Investigator Grade-II(functional grade) is 1558, out of which 30% posts i.e. **467 shall be operating in the Grade-I**, with the pay scale of Rs. 7450- 11500 on non-functional basis.*

\*\* *The cadre strength of Statistical Investigator Grade-IV(functional grade) is 2336, out of which 30% posts i.e. **701 shall be operating in the Grade-III**, with the pay scale of Rs. 5500- 9000 on non-functional basis.*

6.8 The Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation has the responsibility of cadre management of the SSS. This involves manpower planning, recruitment, promotion, transfer, training etc. for the Service. Day-to-day administrative matters of SSS personals are looked after by the concerned Ministries/Departments/Organisations in which the personals are posted. The following performance highlights are worth mentioning :

- The first examination for direct recruitment of 472 vacancies of Statistical Investigator Grade IV was conducted on 31.7.2005 by the SSC. SSC has conveyed that the recruited candidates are likely to be made available by February, 2006.
- Promotion orders have been issued in respect of 100 incumbents holding the feeder posts recognized by the Cadre Controlling Authority for promotion to Statistical Investigator Grade IV.
- Promotion orders have been issued in respect of 65 Statistical Investigator Grade III to Statistical Investigator Grade II against the vacancies of 2004-05.
- 40 vacancies of Statistical Investigator Grade II, arisen after 1.4.2004, have been reported to UPSC against the vacancies of 2004-05 and 2005-06.
- The Division has conducted the meetings of Screening Committee for the clearance of ACP cases due up to 31.12.2004. The information of the ACP cases due up to 31.3.2006 is being collected. All the clear-cut cases of ACP received from participating Ministries/Departments/Organisations that are due up to 31.12.2004 have been finalized. The finalization of remaining ACP cases due is pending with the Cadre due to CAT judgment(vide CAT judgment order dated 27.6.2005 in OA No. 2770/2003).
- Induction Training Programme(ITP) for SSS personnel was formulated in consultation with the Training Division, CSO. The batch-wise training programme for SSS personnel has been commenced in six Zonal Training Centres of NSSO(FOD) viz., Guwahati, Jaipur, Lucknow, Bangalore, Nagpur and Kolkata for 2005-06.
- The Division has brought out the first edition of the Civil List 2005 giving basic particulars of the officials of SSS. The contents of the Civil List have been duly updated by incorporating promotions, transfers and postings of officials, upto November, 2004. This is the first attempt in bringing out the Civil List comprising such a large number of officials. The work relating to Civil List 2006 is in progress and will be issued in March, 2006.