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Government of India सांख्यिकी और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation अधीनस्थ सांख्यिकीय सेवा प्रभाग Subordinate Statistical Service Division

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## Office Memorandum

Sub.:- Coverage under Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules, in place of National Pension System, of those Central Government employees who were recruited against the posts/vacancies advertised/notified for recruitment, on or before 22.12.2003-reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to Department of Pension and Pensioners' Welfare O.M. No. 57/05/2021-P&PW(B) dated 03-03-2023, inter alia, clarifying thereby that in all cases where the Central Govt. civil employee has been appointed against a post or vacancy which was advertised/notified for recruitment/appointment, prior to the date of notification for National Pension System, i.e., 22-12-2003 and is covered under the National Pension System on joining service on or after 01-01-2004, may be given a one-time option to be covered under the CCS(Pension) Rules, 1972(now 2021).

- 2. In the light of above decision of DP&PW, representations are being received from officers of Subordinate Statistical Service (SSS) who were appointed on the basis of the results of 'Statistical Investigator Gr-IV Exam, 2005' conducted by the Staff Selection Commission that they may be allowed to avail a one-time option to be covered under the CCS(Pension) Rules, 1972(now 2021). Their representations appear to be based on the assumption that 472 vacancies filled up through Statistical Investigator Gr-IV Exam, 2005 pertain to the years 2002 & 2003 and are prior to the date of notification of National Pension System (NPS), i.e., 22.12.2003.
- 3. In this regard, it is clarified that SSS was restructured and operationalized w.e.f 01.04.2004, and the aforesaid vacancies arose as a result of restructuring of various statistical function posts and same were notified to the SSC on 22.09.2004 for recruitment through 'Statistical Investigator Gr-IV Exam', that is, the vacancies were notified after 22-12-2003. Hence, the assumption that vacancies filled up through 'Statistical Investigator Gr-IV Exam, 2005' pertain to years 2002 & 2003 is not correct.

4. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

(Mahalingaraya) Deputy Director (SSS)

To

All participating Ministries/Departments of SSS.

## Copy to:-

- (i) Smt. Shalini Sharma, SSO, Labour Bureau, Chandigarh with respect to her representation dated 31.08.2023.
- (ii) Smt. Shampa Mukherjee (Kundu), SSO, All India Institute of Hygiene & Public Health, Kolkata with respect to her representation dated 31.08.2023.
- (iii) Web Unit, DIID to upload the above OM on official website of Ministry.