## No. Z.16023/52/2014-CHS-V Government of India Ministry of Health & Family Welfare [CHS Division]

Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi Dated June, 2015

To
Dr. Satendra Singh,
A5-303, Olive County,
Sector-5, Vasundhara,

Ghaziabad – 201 012

Subject: Application of Dr. Satendra Singh under RTI Act, 2005 -reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your application under RTI Act, 2005 dated 27.04.2015 on the subject mentioned above received by the undersigned CPIO on 26/5/2015 and to say that it has been decided that physically Handicapped candidates with Locomotor disability of lower limbs between 40 % to 70 % are eligible for recruitment to specialist posts in CHS. The concerned sections have been requested that the recruitment process against Teaching, Non-Teaching and Public Health specialities may be taken up with UPSC accordingly. Extracts of the above decision are enclosed herewith for information.

2. The appellate authority is Shri B. Bandopadhyay, Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Room No. 309-D, Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi, if necessary; you may prefer an appeal to the appellate authority within 30 days of the date of receipt of the letter.

Yours faithfully

Encl: as above

(Lalit Kumar)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India & CPIO

Phone: 2306-2550

Copy to:-

RTI Cell, w.r.t File no. A.60011/FTS 108744/2015-RTI Cell dt 27/04/2015.

## No.A-12025/09/2010- CHS-III (Pt.) CHS-V Government of India Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (CHS Division)

Room No.403, D-Wing, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi Dated the 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2015

## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Recruitment in Teaching, Non-teaching and Public Health sub-cadre of CHS- suitability of PH candidates-reg.

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith the copy of extracts on the subject cited above; wherein it has been decided that physically Handicapped candidates with Locomotor disability of lower limbs between 40% to 70% may be considered eligible for recruitment to specialist posts in CHS.

It is, therefore, requested that the requisitions in future for recruitment against Teaching, Non-teaching and Public Health may be sent to UPSC accordingly.

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Encl: As Above.

To

FTS-63758/15

Under Secretary (MLS), MoHFW, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.

The matter on this file relates to recruitment of persons with disabilities in Specialist Sub-cadres of Teaching, Non-Teaching and Public Health in CHS.

- Briefly, the Central Health Services (CHS) is comprised of 4 subcadres viz. General Duty Medical Officer (GDMO), Teaching, Non-Teaching and Public Health. As of now 3% reservation is available for differently abled persons in GDMO sub-cadre only. There is no reservation available for PH candidates in Teaching, Non-Teaching and Public Health in CHS. Moreover, the posts in these sub-cadres, which can be manned by the persons with disabilities were also not identified and, therefore, while sending requisitions to UPSC for recruitment in Specialist sub-cadres of Teaching, Non-Teaching and Public Health in CHS, it is indicated in the requisitions for all specialities that "the post of ......being requisitioned has not been identified as being suitable to be manned by persons with disabilities. However, after the issue was raised by one Dr. Satendra Singh, a candidate for the post of Assistant Professor (Physiology), the matter was taken up with the Dte. GHS for their advice on the issue of suitability of PH candidate for the post of Assistant Professor in Physiology and for indicating type of disability which may qualify for holding such post. In response, the Dte. GHS constituted a Committee of Experts under the Chairmanship of Dr. S.Y. Kothari, then Spl. DGHS (ME). The said Committee after deliberations on the issue recommended that candidates having locomotor disability of lower limbs between 40% to 70% may be considered eligible for the post of Assistant Professor in Physiology. The RRs for the speciality of Physiology is presently under amendment. Once the RR is amended, the requisition will be sent to UPSC in the speciality of Physiology accordingly making the PH candidate eligible for recruitment.
- A similar exercise was required to be carried out in respect of the remaining specialities. Accordingly, vide note at p. 52/n ante, the DGHS was requested to constitute a committee of experts for ascertaining suitability of persons with disabilities for specialist posts in CHS in remaining specialities. In response, the Committee constituted by the DGHS have after deliberating on the issue at length was of the opinion that as on date Medical Council of India is extending advantage of reservation under 3% reservation for Physically disabled category to disabled candidates with only Locomotor disability (40-70% disability of lower limbs only) while granting admission to Undergraduate and Postgraduate courses. There is no provision for reservation for other category of handicapped candidates like Visually Handicapped, Hearing Handicapped or Mentally Handicapped. Also MCI does not further differentiate among the Loctomotor disabled candidates while allocating seats in various specialities at Postgraduate level. Therefore, as on date, disabilities allowed by the Medical Council of India while admitting the candidates to various UG/PG courses may be allowed w.r.t persons with disability to qualify for being appointed as Specialists in CHS, without any restriction of speciality (p58/n).
- 4. In view of the para-3 above, candidates having locomotor disability of lower limbs between 40% to 70% may be considered eligible for recruitment to the specialist posts in CHS. The requisitions to UPSC for specialists posts of Teaching, Non-Teaching and Public Health may be placed accordingly in future.
- 5. In so far as the issue regarding reservation to PH candidates in Teaching, Non-Teaching and Public Health sub-cadre is concerned, it may also be mentioned that a reference has been sent to the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment by this Ministry seeking special dispensation from reservation for Physically Handicapped persons in the specialist sub-cadres of CHS (p.79/c). The final reply from that Ministry is still awaited despite several reminders. The issue reg. providing reservation to PH candidates or otherwise may be taken up

after receipt of reply from MoSJ&E. For now, the proposal in para-4 above is submitted for consideration and approval pl. The Dte. GHS while forwarding the recommendation of the Committee has not routed the file through DGHS and, therefore, the file may be shown enroute to DGHS also.

Reference the notes from pre-pages.

- The UPSC sought for Types Specialities in which persons with disabilities may be accommodated. The issue was referred to DGHS for their comments which, in turn, constituted a Committee. The Committee observed that as on date the Medical Council of India is extending advantage of reservation under three per cent reservation for physically disabled category to persons with locomotor disability -disability of lower limbs (40-70%) only, while granting admissions to Undergraduate and Postgraduate courses." Thus, there is no provision for reservation for other categories of disability like Visually Handicapped, Hearing Handicapped and Mentally Handicapped.
- It is, however, observed that the recommendations of the Committee have not been shown to DGHS. Therefore, the file may be routed through DGHS before sending comments to UPSC as per observations of Committee mentioned in para 2 above.

Submitted for kind consideration and for onward transmission to

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Note from p. 59/n onwards may kindly be perused. The matter relates to idenfying specialities in CHS which can be manned by the differently abled persons.

- The matter was referred to Dte. GHS with a request to constitute a committee of experts for ascertaining suitability of persons with disabilities for specialist posts in CHS. In response, the Dte. GHS has now intimated that the Committee observed that as on date the Medical Council of India is extending extending advantage of reservation under 3% reservation for Physically disabled category to disabled candidates with only Locomotor disability (40-70% disability of lower limbs only) while granting admission to Undergraduate and Postgraduate courses. There is no provision for reservation for other category of handicapped candidates like Visually Handicapped, Hearing Handicapped or Mentally Handicapped. Also MCI does not further differentiate among the Loctomotor disabled candidates while allocating seats in various specialities at Postgraduate level. Therefore, as on date, disabilities allowed by the Medical Council of India while admitting the candidates to various UG/PG courses may be allowed w.r.t persons with disability to qualify for being appointed as Specialists in CHS, without any restriction of speciality. The recommendation of the Committee has also the approval of the DGHS (p.60/n ante).
- 3. We may accept the recommendation of the Committee. The requisitions to UPSC for specialists' posts of Teaching, Non-Teaching and Public Health may be placed accordingly in future. Submitted for consideration and approval pl.

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2. The UPSC sought for Types of Specialities in which persons with disabilities may be accommodated. The issue was referred to DGHS for their comments which, in turn, constituted a Committee. The Committee observed that "as on date the Medical Council of India is extending advantage of reservation under three per cent reservation for physically disabled category to persons with locomotor disability -disability of lower limbs (40-70%) only, while granting admissions to Undergraduate and Postgraduate courses". Thus, there is no provision for reservation for other categories of disability like Visually Handicapped, Hearing Handicapped and Mentally Handicapped.

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- The recommendation of the Committee has the approval of DGHS. The approval of Secretary (Health) may be solicited to accept the recommendation of the Committee. Henceforth, the requisitions to UPSC for recruitment against specialist posts in Teaching, Non-Teaching and Public Health sub-cadres may be sent accordingly.
- Submitted for kind consideration and approval of Secretary (Health).

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