प्रसार भारती PRASAR BHARATI भारत का लोक सेवा प्रसारक INDIA'S PUBLIC SERVICE BROADCASTER आकाशवाणी महानिदेशालय DIRECTORATE GENERAL : ALL INDIA RADIO आकाशवाणी भवन : नई दिल्ली AKASHVANI BHAWAN : NEW DELHI

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ORDER

Subject : Eligibility of Assistant Engineers (AE) for promotion to JTS Grade of IB(E)S – regarding.

Kind reference is invited to DG:AIR OM No. 14/52/2017-S.IV(B) dated 16/04/2018 vide which representations of following categories of Assistant Engineers were disposed of intimating that all such AEs are ineligible for consideration for promotion to JTS Grade of IB(E)S:

- (a) Assistant Engineers having M.Sc. (Physics with Electronics) acquired through Distance mode education,
- (b) Assistant Engineers appearing at the test being conducted by AICTE in the month of May-June as per Supreme Court verdict dated 03.11.2017 and 22.01.2018,
- (c) Assistant Engineers having Diploma only due to modification of IB(E)S R/R in 2008, and
- (d) Assistant Engineers having Diploma and ten or more years of service.

2. In this regard, various representations have been received from AEs belonging to above said category mentioned at point 1(b) for inclusion in eligibility list for promotion to JTS Grade based on the following Supreme Court judgments & clarification issued by All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE):.

(i) The Hon'ble Supreme Court judgment dated 3/11/2017 in Civil Appeal Nos. 17869-17870/2017 (Orissa Lift Irrigation Corpn Ltd. V/s Rabi Sankar Patro & ors.)

(ii) The Hon'ble Supreme Court judgment dated 13/08/2019 in Contempt Petition(C) Nos.408-409 of 2019 in Civil Appeal Nps.17869-17870 of 2017

(iii) AICTE clarification dated 9/6/2020

3. All such representations have been examined in consultation with Legal Cell, Prasar Bharati Secretariat. Accordingly, the Competent Authority has accorded approval to consider all such AEs who have acquired Degree in Engineering through Distance Mode from four Deemed Universities namely (i) JRN Rajasthan Vidyapeeth, Udaipur, Rajasthan (ii) Institute of Advanced Studies in Education (IASE), Sardarshahar, Rajasthan (iii) Allahabad Agricultural Institute, Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh (iv) Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation (VMRF), Tamilnadu, during



the academic session 2001-2005 and passed the validation exam conducted by AICTE/UGC as per the Hon'ble Supreme Court judgment dated 03/11/2017 and 22/01/2018, for inclusion in the eligibility list for promotion to JTS Grade of IB(E)S in future DPC along with eligible AEs as per extant Rules.

4. The aforesaid OM dated 16/4/2018 stand modified to above mentioned extent.

5. Besides, a set of representations have been received from such AEs who have acquired their B.Tech. Degree through distance mode from Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University (JNTU), Hyderabad for inclusion in the Eligibility List of promotion to JTS Grade of IB(ES) based on following judgments:

(i) The Hon'ble Supreme Court judgment dated 10/4/2018 in the matter of Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University Vs. The Chairman and Managing Director, Transmission Corporation of Telangana Ltd. and others in Civil Appeal Nos. 3697-3698 of 2018.

(ii) The Hon'ble CAT, Hyderabad order dated 26/4/2019 in OA No. 353/2018 and Order dated 5/1/2021 in OA No. 789/2020.

6. All such representations have been examined in consultation with Legal Cell, Prasar Bharati Secretariat. Accordingly, the Competent Authority has accorded approval to consider all such AEs who have acquired Degree in Engineering from Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University (JNTU), Hyderabad, through Distance Mode, up to the academic year 2009-2010, for inclusion in the eligibility list for promotion to JTS Grade of IB(E)S as per the extant rules.

7. In view of the foregoing, all representations received till date for inclusion in the eligibility list for promotion to JTS of IB(E)S are disposed off accordingly.

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