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Government of India Ministry of Communications Department of Posts (GDS Section)

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- 1. All Chief Postmasters General / Postmasters General
- 2. Chief General Manager, BD Directorate / Parcel Directorate / PLI Directorate
- Director, RAKNPA / GM, CEPT / Directors of All PTCs 3.
- Addl. Director General, Army Postal Service, R.K.Puram, New Delhi 4.
- 5. All General Managers (Finance) /Directors Postal Accounts / DDAP

Subject:- Reservation for Economically Weaker Sections (EWSs) in Direct Recruitment of Gramin Dak Sevaks.

As per Directorate letter no. 19-11/97-ED & TRG Dated 27.11.1997, instructions were issued to all Circles for reservation for SC/ST/OBC in engagement of Gramin Dak Sevaks(GDS).

- Recently, DOPT OM no. 36039/1/2019-Estt(Res) dated 31st January 2019 has been circulated vide Directorate Memo No. 3-1/2019-SCT dated 08.02.2019 regarding reservation for EWSs in making direct recruitment to posts of regular establishment of the Central Government. On the basis of these guidelines, it has been decided that, the persons belonging to EWSs who are not covered under the scheme of reservation for SCs, STs and OBCs shall get 10% reservation in direct recruitment in all categories of GDS posts in Department of Posts.
- Persons who are not covered under the scheme of reservation for SCs, STs 3. and OBCs and whose family has gross annual income below Rs.8.00 lakh (Rupees eight lakh only) are to be identified as EWSs for benefit of reservation. shall also include income from all sources i.e. salary, agriculture, business, profession, etc. for the financial year prior to the year of application.

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- 4. Also persons whose family owns or possesses any of the following assets shall be excluded from being identified as EWS, irrespective of the family income:
 - i. 5 acres of agricultural land and above;
 - ii. Residential flat of 1000 sq.ft. and above;
 - iii. Residential plot of 100 sq.yards and above in notified municipalities;
 - iv. Residential plot of 200 sq.yards and above in areas other than the notified municipalities.
- 4.1 The property held by a "Family "in different locations or different places/cities would be clubbed while applying the land or property holding test to determine EWS status.
- 4.2 The term "Family "means for this purpose will include the person who seeks benefit of reservation, his/her parents and siblings below the age of 18 years as also his/her spouse and children below the age of 18 years.

5. INCOME AND ASSET CERTIFICTE ISSUING AUTHORITY AND VERIFICATION OF CERTIFICATE

- 5.1 The benefit of reservation under EWS can be availed upon production of an Income and Asset Certificate issued by a Competent Authority. The Income and Asset Certificate issued by any one of the following authorities in the prescribed format as given in Annexure-I shall only be accepted as proof of candidate's claim as belonging to EWS:-
- (i) District Magistrate/Additional District Magistrate /Collector/ Deputy Commissioner/Additional Deputy Commissioner/ 1st Class Stipendiary Magistrate / Sub-Divisional Magistrate/ Taluka Magistrate / Executive Magistrate / Extra Assistant Commissioner.
- (ii) Chief Presidency Magistrate /Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate / Presidency Magistrate
- (iii) Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar and
- (iv) Sub-Divisional Officer of the area where the candidate and/ or his family normally resides.
- 5.2 The officer who issues the certificate would do the same after carefully verifying all relevant documents following due process as prescribed by the respective State/UT.