

Controller General of Defence Accounts

Ulan Batar Road, Palam, Delhi Cantt-110010

No. AN/XI/11060/HK/ST/2011

Dated: 18.09.2017

To

All PCsDA/PCsA(Fys/CsDA)

Subject: Verification of caste status of Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and Other Backward Class candidates at the time of Promotion.

Please refer to this HQrs office confidential circulars bearing No. AN/II/2151/PC-1089(N) dated 24.10.2011 and AN/XI/11060/HK/ST/2011 dated 09.11.2011 vide which, while referring DOP&T O.Ms. bearing Nos. 36011/2/2010-Estt.(Res). Dated 10.08.2010, 42011/22/2006-Estt. (Res) dated 29.03.2007 and 11012/7/91-Estt(A) dated 19.05.1993, certain directions had been issued relating to promotion of officers/staff belonging to Halba Koshti/Halbi Koshti/Koshti caste relating to the State of Maharashtra.

2. Recently, this HQrs office has received grievances wherein it has been alleged that the provisions of DOP&T O.M. bearing No.36011/3/2005-Estt. (Res.) dated 09.09.2005 are not being followed in this department and non-SC/ST candidates are getting benefits of reservation and various concessions in the matter of promotion.

3. In this regard attention is invited to DOP&T O.M. bearing No.36011/3/2005-Estt. (Res.) dated 09.09.2005 and O.M. No. 36011/16/80-Estt. (SCT) dated 27.02.1981 which provides that the appointing authorities should verify the caste status of a Scheduled Caste/Tribe candidate at the time of initial appointment and promotion against a vacancy reserved for Scheduled Castes/Tribes. The O.M. clarifies that a candidate who entered into service as an SC/ST candidate may discontinue to be so if the caste/community to which he belongs is descheduled subsequently. A Scheduled Caste candidate also loses his status of Scheduled Caste if he embraces a religion other than Hinduism, Sikhism or Buddhism. Though such officers who lose the status of SC or ST after entering into service are required to inform the Government about it, many of them do not do so. In the absence of necessary vigil, there are possibilities of non-SC/ST candidates getting

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benefit of reservation and various concessions in the matter of promotion. Therefore, verification of caste status at every important upturn of employee's career is necessary so that the benefit of reservation and other schemes of concessions, etc. meant for SCs/STs go only to the rightful claimants and not those who become non-entitled to these.

4. In this regard a special care is required to be taken so that no individual continues to get the benefits available to the Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes even after losing the status of SC/ST. The instructions referred to in DOP&T O.M. bearing No.36011/3/2005-Estt. (Res.) dated 09.09.2005 should be scrupulously followed so that it may not be possible for any non-SC/ST/OBC individual to get benefit of promotion or concessions on the basis of a false claim of belonging to these categories .

5. To obviate the violation of above provisions, the undersigned has been directed to request all the controllers to ensure that the provisions of DOP&T O.M. bearing No.36011/3/2005-Estt. (Res.) dated 09.09.2005 have scrupulously been followed before forwarding the cases for promotion of officers/staff to this HQrs office. A certificate to the effect that **"The provisions of DOP&T O.M. bearing No.36011/3/2005-Estt. (Res.) dated 09.09.2005 have scrupulously been followed before forwarding the case for promotion"** may be annexed with every case forwarded to this HQrs office for promotion.

6. This may be noted for strict compliance.


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