

PRESS NOTE

Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) such as CRPF, BSF etc. recruit all over the country. The level of recruitment has been stepped up in the last two years and is likely to continue at this level for a few more years. In 2009, CAPFs recruited 1109 constables in Jammu & Kashmir. In 2010, 2309 constables were recruited in that State.

There are extant orders issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India providing for relaxation in height and chest in the case of certain States/regions as well as certain communities. So far as Jammu & Kashmir is concerned, the eligibility conditions have been relaxed for the Kashmir region and Leh and Ladakh regions.

Government desires to recruit more persons to the CAPFs from Jammu & Kashmir. Hence, there is a case for relaxing the eligibility conditions for all sections of the people in Jammu & Kashmir including the Jammu region. Henceforth the said relaxation will be available to all the Permanent Residents of Jammu & Kashmir.

Accordingly, it is proposed to amend the extant orders and extend the benefit of relaxed eligibility conditions to all candidates from Jammu & Kashmir. A copy of the amendment is attached.

As a result of the proposed amendment all sections of the people in the entire State of Jammu & Kashmir will be benefited. Jammu & Kashmir will be on par with States like Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura so far as relaxed eligibility conditions are concerned.

Since certain orders pertaining to the issue of certificates in the Jammu region were issued by the Government of Jammu & Kashmir on 25.3.2011 and 7.4.2011, this proposal to amend the extant orders of MHA is being put in the public domain (www.mha.gov.in). This proposal is also being communicated to the Government of Jammu & Kashmir and after obtaining the views of the State Government final orders will be issued shortly.

Government of India hopes that the relaxation of eligibility conditions for all candidates in the entire State of Jammu & Kashmir will be welcomed by all sections of the people of that State.

MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
PERS-II

Subject :- Amendment in the scheme for recruitment of Constables in ~~CPFs~~ CAPFs and Assam Rifles.

Reference this Ministry's UOs of even number dated 11.1.2011, 9.2.2011 and 4.4.2011, on the subject cited above.

2. The matter relating to relaxation in physical standards of Height and Chest admissible to men belonging to Hill areas and Tribal people has been examined in this Ministry and it has been decided to incorporate the following amendments in the scheme of recruitment of Constables issued vide this Ministry's UO No. ~~I-45023/16/2003 Pers II dated 18.1.2005~~ of even number dated 11.1.2011:-

Relaxation

There will be relaxation in age for SC/ST/OBC, Ex Servicemen and other categories of persons in accordance with the Government orders on the subject.

Relaxation will be permissible in height and chest to the candidates as follows-

Height Minimum height of candidates falling in the categories of Garhwalis, Kumaonis, Gorkhas, Dogras, Marathas and candidates belonging to the States of Sikkim, Nagaland, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Tripura, Mizoram, Meghalaya, Assam, Himachal Pradesh, ~~Kashmir and Leh & Ladakh regions of J&K~~ **State of Jammu and Kashmir** will be 165 cms for male and 155 cms for females. The minimum height for all candidates belonging to Scheduled Tribes will be 162.5 cms for males and 150 for females.

Chest The minimum chest of male candidates falling in the categories of Garhwalis, Kumaonis, Gorkhas, Dogras, Marathas and candidates belonging to the States of Sikkim, Nagaland, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Tripura, Mizoram, Meghalaya, Assam, Himachal Pradesh, ~~Kashmir and Leh & Ladakh regions of J&K~~ **State of Jammu and Kashmir** will be 78 cms (minimum 5 cms expansion). The minimum chest for all male candidates belonging to Scheduled Tribes will be 76 cms (minimum 5 cms expansion).

3. ~~A copy of amended scheme for recruitment of Constables in CPFs is enclosed.~~
3. ~~CPFs~~ CAPFs are requested to note for information and compliance.

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