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Dated 8th September, 2021

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The Directors/ Project Directors of ICAR Research Institutes/ Project Directorates/ National Research Centres/ Bureax/ATARIs

Subject: Promotion of Drivers in ICAR opted for Old TSR - reg.

Sir/Madam,

There was general notion, contrary to the rules, in the Institutes that Drivers who have opted old TSR can go only up to T-I-3 of category-I. Therefore, all Drivers who have opted old TSR were denied further promotions beyond T-I-3.

The Council made it clear vide letter No.18-18/98-Estt.IV dated 17.3.1999 & letter No. 14(3)/94-Estt.IV dated 1.2.1995 that for removal of category bar between Category-I and Category-II, employees should possess qualification for entry to Category-II by direct recruitment. Since for Drivers, as per service rules circulated vide F.No.4-22/75-R(A)/Per.III dated 31.12.1976, minimum prescribed qualification for entry in category-II has been 'Good General Education' and an appropriate driving license along with 3 years experience in an organisation of repute which has subsequently been clarified by Council vide letter No.18-18/98-Estt.IV dated 17.3.1999 that, 8th class may be treated as minimum level/standard of Good General Education for the purpose of placement from category I to category II.

Now, to do away with any ambiguity, it is made clear that as per Rule Positions, Drivers who have opted Old TSR and are 8th class pass, are entitled for removal of category bar from category-I to Category-II, and their promotions may be regulated accordingly, since Drivers who opted old TSR shall be governed by the rules of Old TSR only.

The same is being illustrated through an example:-

It is stated that, all Drivers prior to 29.6.1996 were in Auxiliary Category, and put in Technical Category in T-1 grade w.e.f.29.06.1996 with the issue of ICAR Circular No.17-12/95-Estt.IV dated 20.8.1996. If a driver possessing qualification 8th class pass has been placed in Technical grade T-1 on 29.6.1996; on completion of 5 years of service in same grade will be considered for promotion to T-2 grade on 29.6.2001, then subsequently he will be considered for promotion to grade T-II-3 (revised one T-3) w.e.f. 29.6.2006 by virtue of removal of category bar, T-4 w.e.f. 29.6.2011 and T-5 w.e.f. 29.6.2016.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,

Under Secretary (TS)

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