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To

All Directors/Project Directors of the Institutes/National Research
Centres/Bureaux/Project Directors of ICAR

Sub.: Enhancement of age limit for scientific appointments

As per existing guidelines, the upper age limit for ARS examination is as under :

Category	<i>For candidates without Ph.D. degree</i>	<i>For candidates with Ph.D. degree</i>
<i>General</i>	<i>30 years</i>	<i>33 years</i>
<i>OBC</i>	<i>33 years</i>	<i>36 years</i>
<i>SC/ST</i>	<i>35 years</i>	<i>38 years</i>

Maximum number of attempt : 4

The age is reckoned in the following manner :

<i>If the examination is conducted in the first half of the calender year</i>	<i>If the examination is conducted in the second half of the calender year</i>
<i>1st January</i>	<i>1st August</i>

2. It has been decided with the approval of the Governing Body and Agriculture Minister to revise the existing age limit for ARS examination in the following manner :

• **For candidates without Ph.D degree**

Category	<i>Existing</i>	<i>Proposed</i>
<i>General</i>	<i>30 years</i>	<i>32 years</i>
<i>OBC</i>	<i>33 years</i>	<i>35 years</i>
<i>SC/ST</i>	<i>35 years</i>	<i>37 years</i>

- **For candidates with Ph.D degree**

Category	<i>Existing</i>	<i>Proposed</i>
<i>General</i>	<i>33 years</i>	<i>35 years</i>
<i>OBC</i>	<i>36 years</i>	<i>38 years</i>
<i>SC/ST</i>	<i>38 years</i>	<i>40 years</i>

- The maximum number of attempts would remain unchanged at 4.
- The age would continue to be reckoned in the following manner:

<i>If the examination is conducted in the first half of the calender year</i>	<i>If the examination is conducted in the second half of the calender year</i>
<i>1st January</i>	<i>1st August</i>

3. Likewise the age limit for direct recruitment to other scientific posts would also be increased by 2 years in the following manner :

Category	<i>Existing age limit</i>	<i>Proposed</i>
<i>Sr. Scientist</i>	<i>45 years</i>	<i>47 years</i>
<i>Pr. Scientist</i>	<i>50 years</i>	<i>52 years</i>

4. The maximum age limit for appointment to Research Management Positions would continue to be 60 years.

Yours faithfully,

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Director (Personnel)

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