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**F.No. Admn. 14-1/2018-Estt. I**

**Dated the 17<sup>th</sup> April, 2018**

To,  
Director/Project Director  
All the ICAR Institutes/Project Directorate/Bureaux/NRCs/ ZCUs

Sub.:- Amendment in Recruitment Rules regarding the crucial date for eligibility -reg.

Sir/Madam

It is informed that the Limited Departmental Competitive Exam (LDCE) is one of the methods of appointment/promotion for the posts of Section Officer (ICAR HQ), Assistant Administrative Officers (ICAR Institutes), Assistants (ICAR HQ & Institutes), UDC (ICAR HQ & Institutes), Private Secretary (ICAR HQ) and Personal Assistant (ICAR HQ). To determine the eligibility with reference to qualifying period of service in the feeder grade. the existing Recruitment Rules of these posts prescribed two crucial dated i.e. 01<sup>st</sup> January, if notification is made in the first half of year and 01<sup>st</sup> July, if notification is made in second half of the year.

2. The DOPT, Gol has vide its OM No. 22011/6/2013-Estt (D) dated 28.05.2014 decided that

".....the crucial date of eligibility shall be 1<sup>st</sup> April of the vacancy year in case of financial year based vacancy year i.e. where the Annual Performance Appraisal Reports (APARs) are written financial year-wise...."

The said instructions dated 28.05.2014 of the DOPT were circulated/endorsed vide F.No. GAC-21-26/2014-Cdn. dated 21.10.2014 (on the Council's website) for implementation. The eligibility of officials/candidates are being accordingly determined for all the vacancies at ICAR Hqrs. w.e.f. the recruitment year 2015-16 onwards. This aspect of recruitment rules for above mentioned posts have been re-visited in the light of DoPT OM dated 28.05.2014 and the Governing Body in its 242<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on 29.11.2017 has decided to accord ex-post facto approval to the implementation of the DOPT OM dated 25-05-2014 in the Council

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w.e.f. the recruitment year 2015-16 and to formally amend the recruitment rules of the posts mentioned in para 1 of this circular to replace the crucial dates of 01<sup>st</sup> January/01<sup>st</sup> July for determining eligibility of qualifying service, as prescribed in their existing recruitment rules, by a single crucial date i.e. 01<sup>st</sup> April for the recruitment years 2015-2016 in line with the instructions contained in DoPT OM dated 28.05.2014.

3. Accordingly, Recruitment Rules for above mentioned posts are modified to the extent to have one uniform crucial date for determining eligibility of qualifying services for the purpose of Limited Departmental Competitive Exam as 01 April w.e.f. Recruitment Year 2015-16.



(Ravi Chauhan)  
Under Secretary (Admn.)

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