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Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

6th Floor, Prithvi Wing,
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan, Jor Bagh Road,
Ali Ganj, New Delhi-110003.

Dated, the 20th June, 2025

To,

The Chief Secretary/Administrators,
All State Governments/UTs

Subject: Inviting nominations for appointment of IFS officer as Head of Department (Environment) at level 12/13 on deputation basis in Directorate General of Hydrocarbons under Ministry of Oil Petroleum and Natural Gas - regarding.

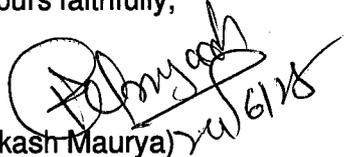
Sir/Madam,

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of Director General, Directorate General of Hydrocarbons D.O. letter No. Expl-12027(11)/28/2024-Expl-II(E-49686) dated 04.06.2025 on the subject cited above and to state that the DGH has requested for nomination of suitable officer from Indian Forest Service, currently serving at level 12/13 (Deputy Secretary / Director Level) for appointment as HoD (Environment) on deputation basis in DGH for a period of three years extendable by two years.

2. The applications of suitable and eligible officers along with necessary details may be submitted at the earliest for further necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: (1)


(Prem Prakash Maurya)
Under Secretary to the Government of India
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1. PCCF & HoFF of All States/UTs.
2. Secretary, Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
3. Director General of Hydrocarbons, OIBD Bhawan, Tower A, Plot No.2, Sector-73, NOIDA, UP, PIN-201301.
4. NIC Cell, MOEFCC for updated on the Ministry/IFS Website.

पंकज जैन
सचिव
Pankaj Jain
Secretary



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O/o IGF (RRP)
Dy. No. 1498837
Date 05/06/25

D.O. No Expl-12027(11)/28/2024-Expl-II (E-49686)
June 04th, 2025

O/o DGF & SS
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Dear Sh. Awasthi,

The Directorate General of Hydrocarbons (DGH), under the administrative control of the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (MoPNG), functions as the technical and advisory arm of the Government for the exploration and production (E&P) sector. It is entrusted with the responsibility of ensuring sound management of hydrocarbon resources with due regard to environmental sustainability, safety, and economic efficiency.

2. Given the increasing significance of environment-related responsibilities in the E&P sector — including the implementation of the Site Restoration Guidelines, facilitation of statutory clearances, and the emerging domain of Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Storage (CCUS) — it is crucial to ensure capable leadership within DGH's Environment and Clearances Division.

3. In this context, the position of Additional Director General (Environment & Clearances) in DGH, traditionally held by a senior Indian Forest Service (IFoS) officer at Level 14, has remained vacant since the repatriation of the previous incumbent in May 2022. Despite concerted efforts, suitable nominations at that seniority level have not been forthcoming.

4. Taking cognizance of the urgency and importance of this role, the matter was deliberated upon during the Administrative Council Meeting of the DGH held in February 2024 under my chairmanship. It was decided that, as an interim measure, the post may be operated at Level 13 of the Pay Matrix, and suitable officers from the IFoS cadre presently serving at Level 12/13 (Deputy Secretary/Director level) may be considered for appointment as **Head of Department (Environment)** in DGH.

5. Accordingly, I would be grateful if your Ministry could kindly identify and nominate a suitable IFoS officer at Level 12/13 for appointment on deputation basis to DGH for an initial period of three years, extendable by two years, to lead this important function.

With regards,
[Pankaj Jain]

Shri Sushil Kumar Awasthi,
Director General of Forest & Special Secretary,
Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change,
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