

F. No. ADMIN-65013/33/2026-P-I
Government of India
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,
Prithvi Wing, 1st Floor,
Jor Bagh Road, New Delhi-110003
Dated: 21.09.2026

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Seeking comments from stakeholders on the draft 'The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Library and Information Assistant) Recruitment Rules, 2026' - regarding.

The undersigned is directed to refer to the subject cited above and to state that this Ministry is in the process of amending the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Library and Information Assistant) Recruitment Rules, 2014 (RR, 2014). Upon notification, The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Library and Information Assistant) Recruitment Rules, 2026' (RRs, 2026) shall supersede the RRs, 2014.

2. In this regard, the draft RRs, 2026 (copy enclosed) are being placed on the Ministry's website for a period of 30 days for inviting comments from all stakeholders.

3. All stakeholders are, therefore, requested to furnish their comments, if any, in a tabular form (in a MS word format), clearly indicating the paragraph/column number, original content and the suggested change along with reason w.r.t. the original content, latest by 21.10.2026. The comments may preferably be sent by email to admin.p1-moefcc@gov.in.

Encls: As above.

(Bhaskar Seal)
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

To,

i. NIC/IT Cell - with the request to upload the draft RRs, 2026 on the Ministry's website and also upload the same on the e-office.

MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
NOTIFICATION
New Delhi, XXXX 2026

G.S.R. 884(E),--- In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution supersession of the Ministry of Environment and Forest (Library Information Assistant) Recruitment Rules, 2014, expect as respect things done or omitted to be before such supersession, the President hereby makes the Following Environment, Forest and Climate Change,

1. **Short title and Commencement**,--- (1) These rules may be called the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Library and information Assistant) Recruitment Rules, 2026.

(2). They shall come into force of the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2 . **Number of the post, Classified pay band and grand pay of pay scale**.-- The number of posts, its classification, pay band and grade pay or pay scale attached thereto shall be as specified in columns (2) to (4) of the Schedule annexed to these rules.

3. **Method of recruitment, age limit, qualification etc.**- The method of recruitment, age limit, qualifications and other matters relating thereto shall be as specified in Columns (5) to (13) of the aforesaid Schedule.

4. **Disqualification**:-- No person,--

(a) who has entered into or contracted a marriage with a person having a spouse living; or

(b) who, having a spouse living, has entered into or contracted a marriage with any person,

shall be eligible for appointment to the said post:

Provided that the Central Government may, if satisfied that such a marriage is permissible under to the personal law applicable to such person and the other party to the marriage and that there are other grounds for so doing, exempt any persons from the operation of this rule.

5 . **Power to relax**.--- Where the Central Government is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient so to do, it may, by order and for reasons to be recorded in writing, and in consultation with the Union Public Services Commission, relax any of the provisions of these rules with respect to any class or category of persons.

6 . **Saving**:-- Nothing in these rules shall affect reservation, Relaxation of age limit and other concessions required to be provided for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, Ex- Servicemen and other special categories of persons in accordance with the orders issued by the Central Government from time to in this regard.

Name of the post	Number of post	Classification	Pay band and grade pay or pay scale	Whether selection or non-selection post	Age limit for direct recruits	Educational and other qualification required for direct recruits
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
	* 1(2026)					

Library and Information Assistant	* Subject to variation dependent on workload	General Central Service, Group 'B', Non-Gazetted, Non-Ministerial	Level-6, in the Pay Matrix (Rs. 35,400- Rs. 1,12,400/-)	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
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Whether age and educational qualification prescribed for direct recruits will apply in the case of promotees	Period of probation, if any	Method of recruitment: whether by direct recruitment or by promotion or by deputation/ absorption and percentage of the vacancies to be filled by various methods.
(8)	(9)	(10)
Not applicable	Not applicable	By deputation (including short term contract)

In case of recruitments by promotion or deputation, grades from which promotion or deputation/ absorption to be made	If Departmental Promotion Committee exists, what is its composition	Circumstances in which Union Public Service Commission to be consulted in making recruitment
(11)	(12)	(13)
Deputation (including short-term contract) : Officers of the Central Government or State Governments or Union Territories or public sector undertakings or recognized research institutions or Universities or semi-Government or Statutory or Autonomous organisations- (a) (i) Holding analogous posts on regular basis in the parent cadre or department; or (ii) With six years' service in the grade rendered after appointment thereto on regular basis in the Level-5 in Pay Matrix, Rs.29,200-92,300/- or equivalent in the parent cadre or department ; and (b) Possessing the following educational qualifications and	Not Applicable	Not applicable

experience:

Essential:

(i) Bachelor degree in Library Science or Library and Information Science from a recognized University or Institute; and

(ii) Two years' professional experience in a Library under the Central Government or State Government or Autonomous or Statutory organisation or Public sector undertaking or University or recognized research institution or educational institution.

Desirable:

Diploma in Computer Application from a recognized University or Institute.

Note 1: The period of deputation (including short-term contract) including period of deputation (including short-term contract) in another ex-cadre post held immediately preceding this appointment in the same or some other organisation or department of the Central Government shall ordinarily not to exceed three years.

Note 2: The maximum age limit for appointment by deputation (including short term contract) shall not be exceeding 56 years as on the closing date of receipt of applications.

Note 3: For the purpose of appointment on deputation basis, the service rendered on a regular basis by an officer prior to 1st January, 2016 or the date from which the revised pay structure based on the recommendations of the Seventh Central Pay Commission has been extended, shall be deemed to be service rendered in the corresponding grade pay or pay scale extended based on the recommendations of the said Pay Commission except where there has been merger of more than one pre-revised scale of pay into one grade with a common grade pay or pay scale, and where this benefit will extend only for the post(s) for which that grade pay or pay scale is the normal replacement grade without any upgradation.

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