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To

- 1. All the Heads of Department in IA&AD
- 2. Director General (Exam)
- 3. Director General (Commercial)
- 4. Director (P)

Subject: Relaxation in the provisions contained in para 9.2.6 of the C&AG's MSO (Admn.) Vol-I-reg.

Sir/Madam,

In accordance with the provisions contained in para 9.2.6 of the C&AG's Manual of Standing Orders (Administrative) Vol. - I, "only persons who have put in minimum of 3 years continuous service in one or more of the following capacities in a particular field office of IA&AD and who had successfully completed their probation period are eligible to appear in the SAS examination":

- (i) As a Clerk (Level 2 of Pay Matrix) or Accountant (Level 5 of Pay Matrix) or Sr. Accountant (Level 6 of Pay Matrix) or Assistant Supervisor (Level 7 of Pay Matrix) in an Accounts Office.
- (ii) As a Clerk (Level 2 of Pay Matrix) or Auditor (Level 5 of Pay Matrix) or Sr. Auditor (Level 6 of Pay Matrix) or Assistant Supervisor (Level 7 of Pay Matrix) in an Audit Office.
- (iii) As a Data Entry Operator Grade 'A' (Level 4 of Pay Matrix) or Data Entry Operator Grade 'B' (Level 5 of Pay Matrix) or Data Entry Operator Grade 'D' (Level 6 of Pay Matrix) in an Accounts Office / Audit Office.
- (iv) As a Stenographer Grade-II (Level 4 of Pay Matrix) or Stenographer Grade-I (Level 6 of Pay Matrix) or Private Secretary (PS) (Level 7 of Pay Matrix) in an Accounts Office / Audit Office.
- (v) As a Divisional Accountant (Level 6 of Pay Matrix) or Divisional Accounts Officer Grade II (Level 7 of Pay Matrix) under the administrative control of a Principal Accountant General/Accountant General (A&E).
- (vi) As a Junior Translator (Level 6 of Pay Matrix) or Senior Translator (Level 7 of Pay Matrix) in an Accounts Office / Audit Office.
- (vii) As a Supervisor (Level 8 of Pay Matrix) in an Accounts Office / Audit Office.
- 2. Considering the shortage in the cadre of AAO in field offices, the above provision has been relaxed by the Competent Authority to allow the confirmed officials with 2 years continuous service in one or more post(s) in a particular field office to appear in the Subordinate Audit/Accounts Service Examination from 2011 to 2020.
- 3. In view of the continuing shortage in the cadre of AAO, the Competent Authority has decided to extend the above relaxation for SAS 1 & SAS 2 Examinations of 2021 also. Accordingly, the officials who would be completing 2 years of continuous service in one or more post(s) in a particular field office of IA&AD and who would be successfully completing their probation period on or before 01<sup>st</sup> March 2021 and 01<sup>st</sup> September 2021 for SAS 1 & SAS 2 Examinations of 2021 respectively, shall be allowed to appear in the SAS 1 & SAS 2 Examinations of 2021.

- 4. As intimated by the Examination wing of this office vide Circular No. 10 of 2020 dated 15.10.2020, preliminary Examination and necessary training of all the fresh candidates who will be eligible for Examination 1 and Examination 2 of ensuing/during the year should be conducted only once in a year by the field offices.
- 5. Further, such officials who are yet to complete their probation in a particular field office, but are likely to complete the same on or before 01<sup>st</sup> March 2021 and 01<sup>st</sup> September 2021 for SAS 1 & SAS 2 Examinations of 2021 respectively, may be allowed to appear in the SAS (Preliminary) Test and in case of passing the SAS (Preliminary) Test, registered as a candidate for the ensuing SAS 1 & SAS 2 Examinations of 2021. In case of failure to complete the probation period successfully on the cut-off dates i.e. 01<sup>st</sup> March 2021 for SAS 1 and 01st September 2021 for SAS 2 Examinations of 2021, the candidature of such officials should be cancelled. This would, however, not be counted as an attempt at the SAS Examination.
- 6. <u>Heads of the Departments shall ensure that no ineligible candidate is allowed to appear</u> in the SAS 1 & SAS 2 Examinations of 2021.

Yours faithfully,

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