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Government of India  
Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare  
Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare

Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi  
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Office Memorandum

Subject: Revision of RRs for the post Additional Commissioner (Extension) in DA&FW (Proper) -regarding.

The undersigned is directed to say that the existing Recruitment Rules for the post of Additional Commissioner (Extension) in this Department is under consideration for revision.

2. All Stakeholders are, therefore, requested to provide their specific comments/suggestions for revision of the said RRs. The requisite comments/suggestions may please be furnished to this Department within 30 days from the issue of this OM.



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Encl: Draft RRs for the post Additional Commissioner (Extension) in this Department.

To

NIC, DA&FW with the request to upload this OM alongwith enclosure on the website of this Department.

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**MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE  
(DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE)**

**G.S.R.** .- In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution and in supersession of the Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Additional Commissioner (Extension), Group 'A' Posts, Recruitment Rules, 2015, except as respects things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the President hereby makes the following rules regulating the method of recruitment to the post of Additional Commissioner (Extension) in the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, namely:-

1. **Short title and commencement.**- (1) These rules may be called the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Additional Commissioner (Extension), Group 'A' Posts, Recruitment Rules, 2022.

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

2. **Number of posts, classification, pay band and grade pay or pay scale.**-The number of the said post, their 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.

4. **Method of recruitment, age limit, qualifications, 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.

5. **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 posts:

Provided that the Central Government may, if satisfied that such marriage is permissible under 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 person from the operation of this rule.

6. **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 Service Commission, relax any of the provisions of these rules with respect to any class or category of persons.

7. **Saving.-** Nothing in these rules shall affect reservations, relaxation of age-limit and other concessions required to be provided for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, the Other Back Ward Classes, Ex-servicemen, and other special categories of persons, in accordance with the orders issued by the Central Government from time to time in this regard.

#### SCHEDULE

Name of the post	Number of post	Classification	Level in pay matrix.	Whether selection post or non-selection post	Age limit for direct recruits
1	2	3	4	5	6
1. Additional Commissioner (Extension)	02*(2022)* (Subject to variation dependent on workload).	General Central Service Group 'A', Gazetted, Non-Ministerial.	Level 13 (Rs. 123100-2159200)	Selection	Not applicable

Educational and other qualification required for direct recruits.	Whether age and educational qualifications prescribed for direct recruits will apply in the case of promotees	Period of probation, if any	<b>Method of recruitment:</b> Whether by direct recruitment or by promotion or by deputation or absorption and percentage of the vacancies to be filled by various methods.
7	8	9	10
Not applicable.	Not applicable.	Not applicable.	50% by promotion failing which by deputation (including short-term contract) 50% by Deputation (including short-term contract).

In case of recruitment by promotion/deputation/absorption, grades from which promotion or deputation/absorption to be made.	If a Department Promotion Committee exists, what is its composition.	Circumstances in which Union Public Service Commission is to be consulted in making recruitment.
11	12	13
<b>Promotion:-</b> Director (Extension) and Director (Farm Information Unit) of Directorate of Extension with five years' regular service in the grade rendered after appointment thereto on regular basis in level 12 in pay matrix (Rs. 78,800-2,09,200).	<b>Group 'A' Department Promotion Committee (for considering promotion):-</b>  1. Chairman or Member Union Public Service Commission - Chairman 2. Joint Secretary (Administration) -	Consultation with Union Public Service Commission is necessary on each occasion.

**Note 1:** The eligibility list for promotion shall be prepared with reference to the date of completion by the officers of the prescribed qualifying service in the respective grade or post.

**Note 2:** Where juniors who have completed their qualifying or eligibility service are being considered for promotion, their seniors would also be considered provided they are not short of the requisite qualifying or eligibility service by more than half of such qualifying or eligibility service or two years, whichever is less, and have successfully completed their probation period, for promotion to the next higher grade along with their juniors who have already completed such qualifying or eligibility service.

**Deputation (including short-term contract):-**

Officers under the Central or State Government or Union Territory Administrations or Public Sector Undertaking or Semi-Government or Autonomous or Statutory Organisations or Agricultural Universities or Recognised Research Institutions or Councils.

Member

3. Joint Secretary (Extension)-  
Member

(A) (I) holding analogous posts on regular basis in the parent cadre or department; **or** (II) with five years' service in the grade rendered after appointment thereto on a regular basis in level 12 in pay matrix (Rs. 78,800- 2,09,200) or equivalent in the parent cadre or department; **and** (III) possessing the following educational qualifications and experience:

**ESSENTIAL**

(1)(I) Master of Science in Agriculture or Agricultural extension or any of the Agricultural Sciences, viz. Agronomy or Forage Production or Horticulture or Plant Pathology or Entomology or Nematology or Plant Physiology or Agricultural Economics or Agricultural Extension or Soil Science or Plant Breeding and Genetics or Agricultural Marketing or Agricultural Botany or Agricultural Engineering or Agricultural Microbiology or Agricultural Business Management or Soil Conservation and Water Management or Soil and Water conservation from a recognized University or Institute; **and** (II) Twelve years experience in Agricultural extension programmes.

**OR**

(2) (I) Master's Degree in Rural Management or Master of Business Administration or Post Graduate Diploma in Management or Master's Degree in Public Administration from a recognized University or Institute; **or**

(II) Bachelor Science (Agriculture) from a recognized University or Institute;

**And;** (III) Twelve years' experience in Agricultural extension programmes.

**OR**

(3) (I) Doctorate in any of the Agricultural Sciences, viz. Agronomy or Forage Production or Horticulture or Plant pathology or Entomology or Nematology or Plant physiology or Agricultural Economics or Agricultural Extension or Soil Science or Plant Breeding and Genetics or Agricultural Marketing or Agricultural Botany or Agricultural Engineering or Agricultural Microbiology or Agricultural Business Management or Soil Conservation and Water Management or Soil and Water Conservation from a recognized University or Institute; **and**

(II) Nine years experience in Agricultural

extension programmes;

**Note 1.-**The departmental officers in the feeder category who are in direct line of promotion will not be eligible for consideration for appointment on deputation. Similarly, deputationists shall not be eligible for consideration for appointment by promotion.

**Note 2.-** 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 organization or Department of the Central Government shall ordinarily not to exceed five years.

**Note 3.-** The maximum age limit for appointment by deputation (including short-term contract) shall be not exceeding 56 years as on the closing date of receipt of applications.

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