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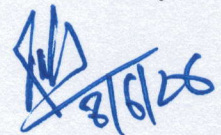
Subject: - Seeking comments/views/suggestions from stakeholders/citizens on draft proposal for revision of Service Rules for GSI Geophysical Group 'A' Service in Geological Survey of India-reg.

The draft Service Rules proposed for amendment/revision in respect of Geophysics Stream in Geological Survey of India as per Annexure-III are put up on the official website of Ministry of Mines and GSI, in pursuance of DOPT OM No. AB-14017/61/2008-Estt. (RR) dated 13.10.2015, for comments from stakeholders.

2. The views/suggestions preferably not exceeding one page may be sent by 07.07.2026 through e-mail on email ID-.k.thaneshwar@nic.in & ddg.per@gsi.gov.in. or in hard copy.

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully,



(Rakesh Thapliyal)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

To,

- (i) DDG (IT), Geological Survey of India 27, J. L. Nehru Road, Kollata-700016 (with request to upload the draft Service Rules (Geophysics) on the website of GSI).
- (ii) Officer In-charge, IT Cell, Ministry of Mines (with request to upload the draft Service Rules (Geophysics) on the website of Ministry of Mines)

ANNEXURE - III

Form to be filled by Ministry/Department while forwarding proposal to the Department of Personnel & Training and the Union Public Service Commission for amendment of Recruitment Rules for posts.

Geophysics

1.	(a) Name of the Service	:	GSI Geophysical Service Group-‘A’
	(b) Name of the Ministry/ Department	:	Ministry of Mines/ Geological Survey of India
2.	Reference number in which Commission Advice on Recruitment Rules was conveyed	:	3/40(1)/2012-RR dated 26.02.2013
3.	Date of Notification of the original rules and subsequent amendments (copy of the original rules and subsequent amendments should be enclosed duly flagged and referenced)	:	Published By Authority, Part-II, Sec-3 Sub-Section(i) Vide GSR No-490(E) dated: 18.07.2013

Existing R/Rules	Proposed R/Rules	Justification for changes
MINISTRY OF MINES New Delhi, the 18th July, 2013 G.S.R. 490(E). – In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution and in supersession of the Geological Survey of India including Exploration Wing (Class I and Class II posts) Recruitment Rules, 1967 in so far as they relate to the posts of Chief Geophysicist, Superintending Geophysicist, Geophysicist (Senior), Geophysicist (Junior), except as respect things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the president hereby makes the following rules namely: - 1. Short title and commencement. – (1) These rules may be called the Geological Survey of India Geophysical Service Group ‘A’ Rules. 2013. (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette. 2. Definitions - In these rules,	MINISTRY OF MINES NOTIFICATION New Delhi, the....., 2026 G.S.R.– In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution and in supersession of the Geological Survey of India, Geophysical Service Group ‘A’ Rules, 2013 in so far as they relate to the posts of Additional Director General (Geophysics) (to be renamed as Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics), Deputy Director General (Geophysics) (to be renamed as Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics), Director(Geophysics), Superintending Geophysicist, Senior Geophysicist and Geophysicist, except as respect things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the President hereby makes the following rules namely: - 1. Short title and commencement. – (1) These rules may be called the Geological Survey of India Geophysical Service Group ‘A’ Rules, 2026. (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette. 2. Definitions - In these rules,	For supersession of previously notified R/Rules.

(1) “Commission ” means the Union Public Service Commission; (2) “Controlling Authority” means the Ministry of Mines, Government of India; (3) “Departmental Promotion Committee” (DPC) means a Committee constituted under Schedule-IV to consider promotion or confirmation etc., in any Group ‘A’ duty post of the Service; (4) “DoP&T” means Department of Personnel and Training in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Government of India; (5) “Duty Post” means the posts included in Schedule – I; (6) “Examinations” means the Examination held by the Commission for recruitment to the Service in GSI, as specified in Schedule – III; (7) “Government” means the Central Government; (8) “Grade” means grades of duty posts specified in column-2 of Schedule –I; (9) “GSI” means the Geological Survey of India; (10) “Regular Service” in relation to any grade, means the period of service in a grade rendered after selection thereto and includes any period- (i) taken into account for the purpose of seniority in the case of those already in the grade at the time of commencement of these rules;	(a) “Commission” means the Union Public Service Commission; (b) “Controlling Authority” means the Ministry of Mines, Government of India; (c) “Departmental Promotion Committee” means a committee constituted under Schedule IV to consider promotion or confirmation in any duty post of the Service; (d) “Duty Post” means the posts included in Schedule – I; (e) "Examination" means the Combined Geo-Scientists Examination conducted by the Commission for recruitment to the Service in Geological Survey of India, as specified in Schedule III; (f) “Government” means the Central Government; (g) “Grade” means a grade of a duty post specified in column-2 of Schedule –I; (h) “Regular service” in relation to any grade means the period of service in that grade rendered after appointment thereto on a regular basis and includes any period - (i) taken into account for purpose of seniority in the case of those already in that grade at the time of commencement of these rules;	e) For change of name of the examination.
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(ii) during which an officer would have held a post in that grade but for being on leave or otherwise not being available for holding such post. (11) “Schedule” means a Schedule appended to these rules; (12) “Screening Committee” means a committee referred to in column (5) under schedule –IV to consider officers for non-functional up-gradation in Pay Band – 3 or Pay Band – 4 and Higher Administrative Grade level of the Geological Survey of India Geophysical Service, Group ‘A’, in terms of DoP&T OM No. AB.14017/64/2008-Estt(RR) dated 24.04.2009; (13) “Service” means the “Geological Survey of India Geophysical Service Group”A” in GSI constituted under rule 3;	(ii) during which an officer would have held a duty post in that grade but for being on leave or otherwise not being available for holding such post. (i) “Schedule” means a Schedule annexed to these rules; (j) “Screening Committee” means a committee constituted to consider placement in the grade of Director (Geophysics) [Non-Functional Selection Grade] and for grant of Non-Functional Upgradation for various posts in Geological Survey of India, Geophysical Service Group ‘A’ as indicated in Schedule IV to these rules; (k) “Service” means “Geological Survey of India, Geophysical Service Group ‘A’ in Geological Survey of India constituted under Rule 3; (l) The expressions ‘Scheduled Castes’, ‘Scheduled Tribes’, ‘Other Backward Classes’, ‘Economically Weaker Sections’ and ‘Persons with Disabilities’ shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in the Constitution of India or Acts of Parliament or the Government orders.	j) As communicated by the DoP&T vide their ID Note dated 08/11/2024, filling up of Director (Geophy) post is “Placement on the basis of seniority subject to suitability” in lieu of “By appointment to Non-Functional Selection Grade”. l) Added in revised SR to provide reservation to these categories as per the policy of Government of India.
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3. Constitution of the Geological Survey of India Geophysical Service Group 'A'. (1) On and from the commencement of these rules the Geophysics stream of GSI, is hereby constituted as Geological Survey of India Geophysical Service Group 'A' as a Central Organised Service. (2) On the date of commencement of these rules, the Service shall consist of persons, - (a) Who have already been appointed on a regular basis to Group 'A' Duty Posts of GSI in Geophysics Stream, namely, Geophysicist (Junior), Geophysicist (Senior), Director (Geophysics), both in Junior Administrative Grade and Non-functional Selection Grade, Deputy Director General (Geophysics), (b) appointed to the Service in terms of these rules. (3) For the persons referred to in sub-rule (2), regular service rendered prior to the commencement of these rules, shall continue to be counted as regular service for the purpose of seniority, confirmation, promotion, pension etc. (4) All the Duty Posts in the Service, as specified in Schedule-I shall be classified as Group 'A' posts. 4. Grades, Authorised Strength and its review. – (1) The names, designation, grades sanctioned numbers (strength), Pay Band and Grade Pay (Pay Scale) etc., of the duty posts on	3. Constitution of Service (1) On and from the commencement of the Service Rules notified vide G.S.R.490(E) dated 13.07.2013, the Geophysics Stream of GSI, was constituted as Geological Survey of India Geophysical Service Group 'A' as a Central Organised Service. (2) On the date of commencement of these rules, the Service shall consist of persons, who have already been appointed on a regular basis to Group 'A' Duty Posts of GSI in Geophysics Stream, namely, Additional Director General (Geophysics) (to be renamed as Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics)), Deputy Director General (Geophysics) (to be renamed as Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics)), Director (Geophysics) Non-functional Selection Grade, Superintending Geophysicist, Senior Geophysicist and Geophysicist, (3) Thereafter the Service shall consist of persons appointed to the Service in terms of these rules. (4) For the officers referred to in sub-rule (2), the regular service rendered before the commencement of these rules, shall continue to be counted as regular service for the purpose of seniority, confirmation, promotion, pension etc. (5) All the Duty Posts in the Service, as specified in Schedule-I shall be classified as Group 'A' posts. 4. Name, Grade, Sanctioned Strength and its review – (1) The name, grade, number (sanctioned strength) and the level in the pay matrix of the duty posts on the date of	
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the date of commencement of these rules shall be as specified in Schedule – I. (2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule (1), by notification in Official Gazette, the Government may, from time to time- (a) make additions, alterations, substitutions or modifications to the number of Duty Posts or Grades, designation and Pay Band and Grade Pay (Pay Scale) specified in Schedule-I; (b) in consultation with the Commission and the DoP&T, include in the Service any Duty Post or exclude from the Service any Duty Post included in Schedule-I; (c) in consultation with the Commission, appoint an officer to a Duty included in the Service under sub-clause (b) to the appropriate Grade. (3) If any of the States or Union Territories’ or the autonomous bodies or public sector enterprises of Government or State Governments or any foreign country having an agreement in this regard with the Government so desire to requisition the officers of the Service on long term or permanent arrangement basis, the Controlling Authority in public interest, may provide the services of such officer(s) on deputation or absorption basis or foreign service, as the case may be, subject to the conditions or rules applicable for such appointment and may make any addition, alteration, substitution or modification to the number of Duty Posts or	commencement of these rules shall be as specified in Schedule I. (2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule (1), the Government may by notification in Official Gazette – (i) make additions, alterations, substitutions or modifications to the number of Duty Posts or Grades, designation and level in the pay matrix as specified in Schedule I; (ii) in consultation with the Commission and the Department of Personnel and Training, include in the Service any duty posts or exclude from the Service any duty post included in Schedule I; (3) If any State or Union territory or autonomous body or public sector enterprise of the Government or State Government or any foreign country, desire to requisition an officer of the Service on long term or permanent basis, the Controlling Authority may in public interest, provide the services of such officer on deputation, foreign service or absorption basis.	4. For revision of pay scale as per 7th CPC.
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Grades, designation and Pay Band and Grade Pay or Pay Scale specified in Schedule-I. 5. Members of the Service. The following persons appointed from time to time in the appropriate Grade or Duty Post shall be the members of the Service- (1) Persons covered under clause (a) of sub-rule (2) of rule 4; (2) Persons appointed in terms of sub rule (3) of rule 4; and (3) Persons appointed to the Duty Posts, in terms of rule 6. 6. Future maintenance of the Service and method of recruitment to the Service.- (1) From the commencement of these rules, the initial appointments to the service shall be made in the Junior Time Scale, as specified in Schedule-I. (2) The method of recruitment and appointment to the Junior Time Scale shall be 75% by direct recruitment through examination conducted by the Commission and 25% by promotion, in accordance with the provisions contained in Schedule-II. (3) The method of recruitment and appointment to the Grades above Junior Time Scale shall be by promotion.	5. Members of Service - The following persons shall be the members of the Service, namely: - (1) Persons covered under clause (a) of sub-rule (2) of rule 3; (2) Persons appointed to the Duty Posts, in terms of rule 6. 6. Future maintenance of Service and method of recruitment - (1) After the commencement of these rules, the initial appointment to the Service shall be made in the Junior Time Scale, as specified in Schedule I. (2) The method of recruitment to the Junior Time Scale shall be 75% by direct recruitment through Combined Geo-Scientist Examination and 25% by promotion failing which by Direct Recruitment in accordance with the provisions specified in Schedule II. (3) The method of recruitment, field of selection and minimum qualifying service for promotion to the grades above Junior Time Scale shall be as specified in Schedule II. (4) The field of selection for appointment by promotion to various grades of the Service shall be as specified in Schedule II and the minimum educational qualification for	
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(4) The field of selection for appointment by promotion to the various Grades of the Service shall be as specified in Schedule – II. (5) The essential educational qualification for direct recruitment to the entry Grade Duty posts of the Service i.e. at Junior Time Scale, shall be as specified in Schedule – III. (6) The examination shall be conducted in the manner as specified under Schedule –III. (7) Promotion, confirmation, placement on Non-functional Selection grade (NFSG) and Non- functional upgradation of Duty Posts in Pay Band-3 and Pay Band-4, in terms of DoP&T's OM No. AB-14017/64/2008-Estt (RR) dated 24.04.2009, and pay other instructions issued from time to time, shall be done by the Controlling Authority on the basis of the recommendations of the Departmental Promotion Committee(s) (DPC) or the Screening Committee(s), as the case may be, constituted under schedule - IV, and in accordance with the instructions of Government on such matters issued from time to time. 7. Consultation with Commission. - The Commission shall be consulted in case of any amendment to these rules, initial appointment to the Service and appointment on promotion thereafter. 8. Seniority. - The seniority of members of the Service already appointed to any Grade or Duty Post shall be governed	promotion to the entry grade duty post of the Service i.e. Junior Time Scale, shall be as specified in the said Schedule. (5) The provisions pertaining to the Combined Geo-Scientists Examination shall be as specified in Schedule III. (6) The appointment, confirmation and placement in Non-Functional Selection Grade (NFSG) and Non-Functional Upgradation (NFU) applicable to officers of the Geological Survey of India, Geophysical Service Group 'A' in different duty posts, shall be done by the Controlling Authority on the basis of the recommendations of the Departmental Promotion Committee or the Screening Committee, as the case may be, specified in Schedule IV. 7. Consultation with Commission - The Commission shall be consulted in case of any amendment or relaxation of these rules and for appointment to the Junior Time Scale of the Service and appointment on promotion thereafter. 8. Seniority - (1) The seniority of members of the Service appointed before the commencement of these rules, to any	
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by their relative seniority in the respective Grade or Duty Post held by them immediately before the date of commencement of these rules: Provided that if the seniority of any such member had not been determined on the said date, the same shall be determined on the basis of the rules as were applicable to such member before the commencement of these rules: (1) The seniority of persons appointed to the Service in any Grade or Duty Post after its constitution shall be determined in accordance with the general instructions or orders or guidelines of Government in force. (2) The fixation of inter-se seniority between the direct recruits and the officers promoted to the Junior Time Scale will be done on pro-rata basis in the ratio of three direct recruits against one promotee, and in terms of Government guidelines issued from time to time. (3) 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.	grade or duty post, shall be governed by their relative seniority in the respective grade or duty post immediately before the date of the commencement of these rules: Provided that if the seniority of any such member had not been determined on the said date, the same shall be determined on the basis of the rules as were applicable to such member before the commencement of these rules. (2) The seniority of persons appointed to the service, after the commencement of these rules, in any grade or duty post shall be determined in accordance with the general instructions issued by the Government from time to time. (3) The fixation of inter-se-seniority between the direct recruits and the officers promoted to the Junior Time Scale shall be done on pro-rata basis in the ratio of three direct recruit against one promotee. (4) 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.	
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(4) In the cases not covered by sub-rules (1) and (2), seniority shall be determined by the Controlling Authority in consultation with DOPT and the Commission. 9. Probation and confirmation.- (1) Officers appointed in the Grade of Junior Time Scale of the Service either by direct recruitment or promotion shall be on probation for a period of two years: Provided that the Controlling Authority may extend the period of probation in accordance with the instructions issued by the Government from time to time in this behalf: Provided further that in particular case, the Controlling Authority may, for reasons to be recorded in writing extend the probation period and any such decision shall ordinarily be taken within eight weeks of the expiry of the said probation period. (2) During the period of probation (including the extended period), the officers may be required by the Controlling Authority to undergo such training and to pass examinations as may be prescribed by the Controlling Authority. (3) If, during the period of probation (including the extended period), the Controlling Authority is of the opinion that the officer is not fit for confirmation, the Controlling Authority may discharge or revert the officer to the post held by him prior to his appointment in the Service.	(5) In cases not covered by sub-rule (1) and sub-rule (2), the seniority shall be determined by the Controlling Authority in consultation with the Commission. 9. Probation and confirmation - (1) Every officer appointed in the grade of Junior Time Scale of the Service either by direct recruitment or by promotion shall be on probation for a period of two years: Provided that the Controlling Authority may for reasons to be recorded in writing extend the period of probation and such decision shall be taken within eight weeks of the expiry of the aforesaid probation period and communicated in writing to the concerned officer together with the reasons for so doing within the said period. (2) During the period of probation or any extension thereof, an officer may be required by the Controlling Authority to undergo an orientation course for Geophysicist conducted by the Geological Survey of India and to pass examination at the end of the said orientation course. (3) If, during the period of probation or any extension thereof, the Controlling Authority is of the opinion that an officer is not fit for confirmation, the Controlling Authority may discharge or revert the said officer to the post held by	
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(4) On completion of the probation or any extension thereof, officers shall, if considered fit, may be confirmed against the posts in the Grade of Junior Time Scale. (5) All matters relating to probation, not covered under these rules shall be governed by the instructions issued by the Government in this regard from time to time. 10. Liability for Service in any part of India and other Service conditions.- Officers appointed to the Service shall be liable to serve anywhere in India or abroad in public interest with duties of fieldworks on land or offshore. Other service conditions, which are not specifically mentioned in these rules, are as applicable to the Central Civil Services. 11. Deputation to other departments or organizations. – (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules, officers appointed to the Service shall be liable to be sent on deputation or foreign Service to any other Central or any of the States or Union Territories or the autonomous bodies or public sector enterprises of Government or State Governments or any foreign country having an agreement in this regard with the Government or State Government Department in public interest, subject to the Government instructions or orders in force from time to time for such deputation/foreign service.	him prior to his or her appointment in the Service, as the case may be. (4) On completion of the period of probation or any extension thereof, the officer, if considered fit, shall be confirmed in the grade of Junior Time Scale. (5) As regards other matters relating to probation, the members of the Service shall be governed by the instructions issued by the Government in this regard from time to time. 10. Liability for Service in any part of India or abroad - Officers appointed to the Service shall be liable to serve anywhere in India or abroad for duties on land or in offshore areas and others areas in public interest. 11. Deputation to other department or organization – (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules, officers appointed to the Service shall be liable to be sent on deputation or foreign service to any other Ministry or Department of the Government or State Government or Union Territory Administration, or to an autonomous body or public sector enterprise of Government or State Government, or to any foreign country, as the case may be,	10. Suggested to make the provision more specific.
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(2) The service conditions of officers during the period they are on deputation or foreign service ordinarily be not less than available to the officers of same Duty Post in the service in the GSI and shall be governed by such instructions or orders as may be issued by the Government or Controlling Authority from time to time: Provided that the service conditions in the organization where deputed shall not be varied to the disadvantage of the officers during such deputation or foreign service. 12. Disqualifications.- No person, who has entered into or contracted a marriage with a person having a spouse living, or who, having a spouse living, has entered into or contracted a marriage with any person, shall be eligible for appointment to the Service: Provided that the Government may, if it is satisfied that such marriage is permissible under the personal law applicable to such person and the other party to the marriage and there are other grounds for so doing, exempt any person from the operation of this rule.	in public interest, subject to the orders issued by the Government in this regard. (2) The service conditions of the officers during the period they are on deputation or foreign service shall ordinarily be not less than those available to the officers of the same duty post in the Service and shall be governed by orders issued by the Government in this regard: Provided that the service conditions of such officers while on deputation shall not be varied to their disadvantage. 12. Disqualifications - 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 Service: Provided that the Central Government may, if it is 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 doing so, exempt any person from the operation of this rule.	
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13. Power to Relax.- Where the Government is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient to do so, it may by an order, for reasons to be recorded in writing and in consultation with the Commission, relax any of the provisions of these rules with respect to any class or category of persons or posts. 14. Interpretation.- If any question arises relating to the interpretation of these rules, the same shall be decided by the Government and the decision of the Government shall be final. 15. Residuary matters.- In regards to the matters not specifically covered under these rules or orders made or issued under these rules or by special orders, the members of the Service shall be governed by the rules, regulations and orders as applicable to the Central Civil Services in general. 16. Consultation.- The Government shall consult the Commission and DOPT before amendment to any of the provisions of these rules. 17. Saving.- Nothing in these rules shall affect reservations, relaxation of age limit and other concessions provided to the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Classes and other special categories of persons namely physically challenged persons in accordance with the orders of instructions issued by the Government in this regard from time to time.	13. Power to Relax - Where the Government is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient so to do, it may, by an order, 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. 14. Interpretation - If any question arises relating to the interpretation of these rules, the same shall be decided by the Government and the decision of the Government shall be final. 15. Residuary matters - The conditions of service of the members of the Service in respect of the matters for which no specific provision has been made in these rules shall be same as are applicable to Organised Group 'A' services of the Government. 16. Deleted 17. Savings - Nothing in these rules shall affect reservation, relaxation of age limit and other concessions required to be provided to the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, the Other Backward Classes, the Economically Weaker Sections, Persons with Disability and other special categories of persons in accordance with the orders or instructions issued by the Government from time to time in this regard.	17. EWS category & PwBD category have been inserted as per notification No.36039/1/2019-Estt (Res) dated 31.01.2019 and DoP&T OM dated
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18. Power to issue certain orders.- The Government may issue orders, not inconsistent with these rules, to provide for all matters, for which provision is necessary or expedient for the purpose of giving effect to these rules.	18. Deleted	15.01.2018 respectively.
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SCHEDULE-I

[See Rule 2(d), Rule 2(g), Rule 3(2), Rule 4(1), Rule 4(2), Rule 6 (1)]

The Grades, designation, number of sanctioned posts and **Pay Level in the Pay Matrix** of Duty Posts included in the Geological Survey of India Geophysical Service Group 'A' in Geological Survey of India.

Column No. of the schedule	Particulars/ Heading of respective column of Schedule	Provisions in the approved/existing rules	Revised provisions	Reasons for the revision proposed
2	Grade of duty posts	Higher Administrative Grade (Geophysics) (HAG)	Higher Administrative Grade (Geophysics) (HAG)	
		Senior Administrative Grade (Geophysics) (SAG)	Senior Administrative Grade (Geophysics) (SAG)	
		Junior Administrative Grade [Non-Functional Selection Grade (Geophysics)] {JAG (NFSG)}	Non-Functional Selection Grade (Geophysics) {JAG (NFSG)}	
		Junior Administrative Grade (Geophysics) (JAG)	Junior Administrative Grade (Geophysics) (JAG)	
		Senior Time Scale (Geophysics) (STS)	Senior Time Scale (Geophysics) (STS)	
		Junior Time Scale (Geophysics) (JTS)	Junior Time Scale (Geophysics) (JTS)	
3	Name of the duty posts	Additional Director General (Geophysics) [Hitherto Known As Senior Deputy Director General (STSS)]	Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics)	Nomenclature has been suggested by the Committee constituted for reviewing the structure and functioning of GSI.
		Deputy Director General (Geophysics)	Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics)	

		Director (Geophysics) [Hitherto Known as Director(Geophysics) (Selection Grade)]	Director (Geophysics)	
		Superintending Geophysicist [Hitherto known as Director (Geophysics)]	Superintending Geophysicist	
		Senior Geophysicist [Hitherto known as Geophysicist (Senior)]	Senior Geophysicist	
		Geophysicist [Hitherto known as Geophysicist (Junior)]	Geophysicist	
4	Number (sanctioned strength) of duty posts	Additional Director General (Geophysics): 1	Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics): 01	The Union Cabinet in its meeting dated 06.11.2024 has approved 3261 Group-A Organized posts. Gazette Notification issued on 20.11.2024. Sanctioned Strength have been revised accordingly.
		Deputy Director General (Geophysics): 9	Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics): 09	
		Director (Geophysics): Upto 30% of senior duty posts (i.e Posts in Senior Time Scale and above)	Director (Geophysics): Upto 30% of senior duty posts (i.e Posts in Senior Time Scale and above upto HAG level) ** Note: The number of posts in Non-Functional Selection Grade shall be restricted upto 30% of sanctioned senior duty posts i.e. Posts in Senior Time Scale and above upto HAG level. There shall be no increase in the overall strength of the cadre and number of posts to be operated in the Non-Functional Selection Grade shall not exceed the number of posts available in the Junior Administrative Grade.	
		Superintending Geophysicist: 91(including JAG, NFSG)	Superintending Geophysicist : 91 (including JAG, NFSG)	

5	Pay Band & Grade Pay or Pay Scale to be substituted as Level in the Pay Matrix	Senior Geophysicist: 190	Senior Geophysicist: 139	Pay scale changed as per pay Matrix of 7 th CPC
		Geophysicist: 264	Geophysicist: 200	
		Additional Director General (Geophysics): HAG [Rs. 67000-79000/-], Increment @ 3% per annum	Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics):Level-15 (Rs.182200-224100/-)	
		Deputy Director General (Geophysics): PB-4, Rs. 10,000/-	Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics): Level-14 (Rs.144200-218200/-)	
		Director (Geophysics): PB-4, Rs. 8,700/-	Director (Geophysics): Level-13 (Rs.123100-215900/-)	
		Superintending Geophysicist: PB-3 [Rs. 15600- 39100/-], Rs. 7,600/-	Superintending Geophysicist: Level-12 (Rs.78800-209200/-)	
		Senior Geophysicist: PB-3, Rs. 6,600/-	Senior Geophysicist: Level-11 (Rs.67700-208700/-)	
		Geophysicist: PB-3, Rs. 5,400/-	Geophysicist: Level-10 (Rs.56100-177500/-)	

SCHEDULE-II

[See Rule 6(2), Rule 6(3) and Rule 6(4)]

The method of recruitment, field of selection, the minimum qualifying Service for promotion to the higher Duty Posts or Grades and the minimum educational qualification for promotion to the entry grade of Geological Survey of India Geophysical Service Group “A” in Geological Survey of India.

Column No. of the schedule	Particulars/ Heading of respective column of Schedule	Provisions in the approved/existing rules	Revised provisions	Reasons for the revision proposed
2	Name of the Post, Grade, Pay Structure [Pay band & Grade Pay or Pay Scale]	Additional Director General (Geophysics), HAG (Rs. 67000/- 79000/-) Annual increment @ 3%	Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics) Higher Administrative Grade (HAG) (Level-15 (Rs.182200-224100/-))	Pay scale changed as per pay Matrix of 7 th CPC
	To be substituted as Name of the Post, Grade, Pay Structure [Level in the Pay Matrix]	Deputy Director General (Geophysics) PB-4, Grade Pay Rs.10,000/-	Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics) Senior Administrative Grade (SAG) Level-14 (Rs.144200-218200/-)	
		Director (Geophysics) PB-4, Grade Pay Rs. 8700/-	Director (Geophysics) Junior Administrative Grade – Non-Functional Selection Grade [JAG (NFSG)] Level-13 (Rs.123100-215900/-)	
		Superintending Geophysicist PB-3 (Rs. 15600-39100), Grade Pay Rs. 7600/-	Superintending Geophysicist Junior Administrative Grade (JAG) Level-12 (Rs.78800-209200/-)	
		Senior Geophysicist	Senior Geophysicist Senior Time Scale (STS)	

		PB-3, Grade Pay Rs 6600/-	Level-11 (Rs.67700-208700/-)	
		Geophysicist PB-3, Grade Pay Rs. 5400/-	Geophysicist Junior Time Scale (JTS) Level-10 (Rs.56100-177500/-)	
3	i) Method of Recruitment and ii) Mode of Selection	Additional Director General (Geophysics): By promotion	Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics): By promotion	As communicated by the DoP&T vide their ID Note dated 08/11/2024, filling up of Director (Geophysics) post is "Placement on the basis of seniority subject to suitability" in lieu of "By promotion".
		Deputy Director General (Geophysics): By promotion	Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics): By promotion	
		Director (Geophysics): By promotion	Director (Geophysics): Placement on the basis of seniority subject to suitability.	
		Superintending Geophysicist: By promotion	Superintending Geophysicist: By promotion	
		Senior Geophysicist: By promotion	Senior Geophysicist: By promotion	
		Geophysicist: 1. 75% by Direct Recruitment through Geophysicists' Examination conducted by the Commission, as specified in Schedule-III.	Geophysicist: 1. 75% by Direct Recruitment through Combined Geo-Scientists' Examination conducted by the Commission, as specified in Schedule-III.	
		2. 25% by Promotion, failing which, by Direct Recruitment.	2. 25% by Promotion, failing which, by Direct Recruitment.	
4	Whether Selection or non-selection post.	Additional Director General (Geophysics): Selection	Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics): Selection	As communicated by the DoP&T vide their ID Note dated 08/11/2024, filling up of Director
		Deputy Director General (Geophysics): Selection	Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics): Selection	
		Director (Geophysics): Non-selection	Director (Geophysics): Not applicable	
		Superintending Geophysicist: Selection	Superintending Geophysicist: Selection	

		Senior Geophysicist: Selection	Senior Geophysicist: Selection	(Geophysics) post is “Placement on the basis of seniority subject to suitability” in lieu of “By promotion”. Accordingly, criteria of selection/ Non- Selection post is no longer applicable.
		Geophysicist: Selection	Geophysicist: Selection	
5	Field of Selection and the minimum qualifying Service for promotion [including for placement to Director (Geophysics)]	Additional Director General (Geophysics): Deputy Director General (Geophysics) with three (3) years’ of regular service in the Grade; OR Officers with twenty five years’ regular service in Group ‘A’ posts in the service out of which at least one years’ regular service should be in the grade of Deputy Director General (Geophysics).	Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics): Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics) with three (3) years of regular service in the Grade; or Officers with twenty-five years’ regular service in Group ‘A’ posts in the service with at least one years’ regular service in the grade of Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics); <i>and,</i> <i>having successfully completed two weeks in-service training.</i>	Completion of two weeks in-service training have been suggested in the DoP&T OM dated 31.03.2015.

		Deputy Director General (Geophysics): Superintending Geophysicist with eight (8) years' of regular service in the Grade including NFSG i.e. Director (Geophysics); OR Officers with seventeen years' regular service in Group 'A' posts in the service out of which at least four years' regular service should be in the grade of Superintending Geophysicist [including service rendered in the NFSG of the JAG i.e. Director (Geophysics)]	Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics): Director (Geophysics) with eight (8) years of combined regular service as Director (Geophysics) and Superintending Geophysicist. or Director (Geophysics) with 17 (seventeen) years' of regular service in Group 'A' duty posts in the service with at least four years' regular service in the grade of Superintending Geophysicist. <i>and,</i> <i>having successfully completed two weeks in-service training.</i>	As approved by the DoP&T vide their ID Note dated 08.11.2024.
		Director (Geophysics): Officers in the Grade of Superintending Geophysicist who have entered into the fourteenth year of Group 'A' Service on the 1st January of the year calculated from the year following the year of examination on the basis of which such member was recruited.	Director (Geophysics): Superintending Geophysicist who has entered the fourteenth year of service on the 1st January of the year calculated from the year following the year of Examination on the basis of which such member was recruited; Or Superintending Geophysicist who has entered the Service through promotion in accordance with the provisions in Service Rules at the Junior Time Scale of Service and has completed 13 years of regular service calculated from the year in which the officer was promoted to Junior Time Scale on the date of consideration for NFSG.	

			Note: In case officers have not joined the Service within next year of the Examination, he/she shall be considered for NFSG, only upon completion of 13 years of regular Group 'A' service.	As per para-2(b)(ii) of DoP&T OM dated 21.12.2022.
		Superintending Geophysicist: Senior Geophysicist with five (5) years' of Regular Service in the Grade.	Superintending Geophysicist: Senior Geophysicist with five (5) years of Regular Service in the Grade; Or Senior Geophysicist with 10 years' of regular service in Group 'A' duty posts in the service with at least one year regular service in the grade of Senior Geophysicist. <i>and,</i> <i>having successfully completed two weeks in-service training.</i>	
		Senior Geophysicist: Officers in Geophysicist grade who have completed four years' of regular service in the grade.	Senior Geophysicist: Officers in Geophysicist grade who have completed five years' regular service in the grade; <i>and,</i> <i>having successfully completed two weeks in-service training.</i>	In view of the stagnation in the grade of Geophysicist Level-10 and Sr. Geophysicist, Level-11. Incompliance of DoP&T OM dated 20.09.2022 regarding minimum qualifying service required for promotion from L-10 to L-11.
		Geophysicist:	Geophysicist: (A) Through Combined Geo-Scientists Examination conducted by the Commission.	

		Officers (i) With two (2) years' of regular service in the post of Assistant Geophysicist Grade-I, (Group B Gazetted) in PB-2 (Rs. 9,300-34,800) with Grade Pay Rs. 4,800/- and (iii) possessing M.Sc. in Physics (with specialisation in Potential Theory) or M.Sc.(Geophysics) or Integrated M.Sc. (Exploration Geophysics) or M.Sc. (Applied Geophysics) or M.Tech (Geoexploration) or M.Sc. (Marine Geophysics) or M.Sc. in physics or applied Physics or M.Sc. (Applied Geology) or M.Sc. (Tech) (Applied Geophysics) from a University incorporated by an Act of Parliament or State Legislature or other educational institutes established by an Act of Parliament or declared to be deemed Universities under the University Grants Commission Act, 1956.	(B) Promotion: - Officers with- (i) Four years' regular service in the post of Assistant Geophysicist (Group-B Gazetted) in Level-8, [Rs. 47,600-1,51,100] of the pay matrix; (ii) <i>having successfully completed two weeks in-service training.</i> and (iii) possessing the following qualification: M.Sc./ M.Sc. (Tech)/ Integrated M.Sc in Geophysics or Exploration Geophysics or Applied Geophysics or Geo- Exploration or Marine Geophysics or Physics or Applied Physics or Applied Geology from a University incorporated by an Act of the Central or State Legislature in India or an educational Institution established by an Act of Parliament or declared to be deemed University under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 (3 of 1956). Note 1: The eligibility service for promotion to level-10 in respect of feeder grade officers in the grade of Assistant Geophysicist in (Level-8) of	Suggested in accordance with the R/R of other Organised services. Residency for promotion is changed to four years from two years by DoPT ID Note dated 08.11.2024. (iii) As approved by DoP&T vide their ID Note dt. 08.11.2024.
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			the Pay Matrix, holding the post on regular basis as on the date of notification of these Rules, shall continue to be two (2) years. Note 2: Educational Qualifications prescribed for induction by promotion into the service at the JTS level shall not be applicable in respect of feeder grade officers in position on the date of commencement of these rules.	As approved by DoP&T vide their ID Note dt. 08.11.2024.
		Note I: First January of the vacancy year to which the vacancy pertains shall be the date for determining the eligibility of officers for promotion to various grades. Note II: Educational Qualifications prescribed for induction by promotion into the service at the JTS level shall not be applicable in respect of feeder grade officers in position on the date of commencement of these rules. Note III: Whenever any Indian Administrative Service officer of the State of Joint Cadre is posted at the Centre a particular Grade carrying a specific Grade Pay in PB-3 or PB-4, the members of Geological Survey of India Geophysical Service Group 'A' who are senior to such officers by two years or more and have not so far been promoted to that particular Grade, would be granted the same Grade on non-functional basis from the date of posting of the Indian Administrative Service officer in that particular Grade at the Centre in accordance	Note I: Foot Note-I Note II: Deleted Note-III: Deleted	

	with the orders issued by the DOPT from time to time. Note IV: For the purpose computing minimum qualifying service for promotion, the service rendered on a regular basis by a officer prior to 1.1.2006 or the date from which the revised pay structure based on the 6th CPC recommendations 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 Commission. For purposes of appointment on deputation or absorption basis, the service rendered on a regular basis by a officer prior to 1.1.2006 or the date for which the revised pay structure based on the 6th CPC recommendations 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 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 for which that Grade Pay or Pay Scale is the normal replacement Grade without any upgradation. Note V: The constitution of the Service shall be effective from the date of commencement of these rules on organized Service pattern and all consequential benefits on account of Non-functional upgradation will accrue from the date of notification of these rules.	Note-IV: Deleted	Extract of Cadre Review recommendation
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		Note VI: The total sanctioned strength of Geological Survey of India Geophysics Service, Group 'A' is given in Schedule I is 555 posts and this includes posts belonging to Geophysics (Instrumentation) and Mineral Physics. However, Geophysics (Instrumentation) and Mineral Physics will continue to operate separately till complete phased out through natural attrition and at any point of time sum total of posts of GSI Geophysics Service Group 'A', Geophysics (instrumentation) and Mineral Physics taken together will be restricted to 555 posts. The vacancies resulting through natural attrition or otherwise in Geophysics (Instrumentation) and Mineral Physics shall be filled by recruitment in Geological Survey of India Geophysics Service Group 'A' at JTS level. The existing recruitment rules of Geophysics (Instrumentation) and Mineral Physics shall continue to be applicable for their respective promotions till complete withering of Geophysics (Instrumentation) and Mineral Physics. No new recruitment shall take place in Geophysics (Instrumentation) and Mineral Physics.	Foot Note-II	
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Note I: First January of the year for which the vacancies pertain shall be the date for determining the eligibility of officers for promotion to all grades.

Note II: The total sanctioned strength of Geological Survey of India **Geophysical Service, Group 'A'** as given in Schedule-I is **440** posts and this includes 53 posts belonging to Geophysics (Instrumentation) and Mineral Physics, **However, Geophysics (Instrumentation) and Mineral Physics will continue to operate separately. And merged with GSI Geophysical Service after phasing out on natural attrition. Till then, the incumbents will be promoted in their respective Cadres as per the provision of extant Recruitment Rules. There will be no fresh recruitment in Geophysics (Instrumentation) and Mineral Physics Sub-Cadres.**

SCHEDULE- III

[See Rule 2(e), and Rule 6(5)]

MANNER OF EXAMINATION CONDUCTED BY THE COMMISSION FOR DIRECT RECRUITMENT TO THE SERVICE IN JUNIOR TIME SCALE

Column No.	Particulars/ Heading of respective column of Schedule	Provisions in the approved/existing rules	Revised provisions	Reasons for the revision proposed
1	PROVISIONS FOR DIRECT RECRUITMENT TO THE SERVICE IN JUNIOR TIME SCALE THROUGH EXAMINATION	PART I. General 1. Direct recruitment to the entry Grade (Junior Time Scale), i.e. to the post of Geophysicist of the Service shall be made through an open competitive examination conducted by the Commission in the manner as provided in part –II of this Schedule. 2. A candidate must be a citizen of India or he or she must belong to such categories of persons as may be notified by the Government or Commission from time to time in the relevant notification for ‘Geophysicists Examination’. 3. Any attempt on the part of a candidate to obtain support for his or	PART - I. General 1. Direct recruitment to the entry Grade (Junior Time Scale), i.e. to the post of Geophysicist of the Service shall be made through Combined Geo-Scientists Examination conducted by the Commission in the manner as provided in Part –II of this Schedule. 2. A candidate must be a citizen of India or he or she must belong to such categories of persons as may be notified by the Government or Commission from time to time in the relevant notification for Combined Geo-Scientists Examination. 3. Any attempt on the part of a candidate to obtain support for his or her	

		her candidature by any means may make the candidate liable for being disqualified by the Commission from admission to the Examination or selection. 4. Success in the Examination or selection confers no right to appointment, unless the Government is satisfied, after such enquiry as may be considered necessary, that the candidate is suitable in all respects for appointment to the Service particularly ascertaining the medical fitness of the required standard, character, antecedents and verification of all certificates of the candidate. 5. Candidates not found to be in good mental and bodily health and not free from any mental or physical defect likely to interfere with the discharge of the duties as an officer shall not be appointed to the Service.	candidature by any means may make the candidate liable for being disqualified by the Commission from admission to the Combined Geo-Scientists Examination or selection. 4. Success in the Combined Geo-Scientists Examination, or selection confers no right to appointment, unless the Government, after enquiry in all respects regarding the medical fitness, character, antecedents and verification of Schedule Castes or Schedule Tribes or Other Backward Class or Economically Weaker Sections or Persons with Disabilities status of the candidate is satisfied that the candidate is suitable for appointment to the Service. 5. A candidate who, after such physical examination as the Government may specify, is not found to be in good mental or bodily health and free from any mental or physical defect likely to interfere with the discharge of the duties of the Service, shall not be appointed to the Service.	To provide reservation to OBC categories as per DoP&T OM dated 08.09.1993 & as amended from time to time. EWS & PwBD Category have been inserted as per notification No.36039/1/2019-Estt (Res) dated 31.01.2019 & DoP&T OM dated 15.01.2018.
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		PART II Recruitment through “Examination” 1. Open competitive examination for appointment to the Junior Time Scale (Entry Grade Duty Post) of the Service, i.e. to the post of Geophysicist shall be held by the Commission at such time and place as may be specified in relevant advertisement published or notified in the Employment News or some of leading newspapers and on the website of the Commission. The approximate number of vacancies to be filled up on the basis of each examination may be indicated in the advertisement. Reservation of vacancies for the candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Physically Disabled categories and Other Backward Classes will be as per the Government instructions or orders issued from time to time. 2. The candidates shall apply for admission to the examination on or before such date, in such manner, and	PART II Recruitment through “Combined Geo-Scientists Examination” 1. Open competitive examination for appointment to the Junior Time Scale (Entry Grade Duty Post) of the Service, i.e. to the post of Geophysicist shall be held by the Commission at such time and place as may be specified in relevant advertisement published in the Employment News or some of leading newspapers and on the website of the Commission and the approximate number of vacancies to be filled up on the basis of Combined Geo-Scientists Examination may be indicated in the advertisement. 2. The candidates shall apply for admission to the Combined Geo-Scientists Examination on or before	
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		in such form, to such office as the Commission may specify in the concerned or relevant advertisement. 3. Age limit shall be as follows or as amended from time to time; (a) A candidate must have attained the age of 21 years and must not have attained the age of 32 years on the first day of the month of January of the year in which the examination is to be held. (b) Upper age limit shall be relaxed in respect of such categories of persons as may be notified by the Government or Commission to the extent notified in the relevant advertisement from time to time [namely in respect of Schedule Caste or Schedule Tribe for a period of five years, Other Backward Classes for a period of three years, PH category persons for a period as notified by Government from time to time and government servants for a period of seven years as per current regulations or instructions or orders of	such date, in such manner, and in such form, to such office as the Commission may specify in the aforesaid advertisement. 3. Age limit shall be as follows or as amended from time to time; (a) A candidate must have attained the age of 21 years and must not have attained the age of 32 years on the first day of the month of January of the year in which the examination is to be held. (b) The commission shall accept the proof of date of birth as entered in the Matriculation Certificate or Secondary School Leaving Certificate.	
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		Government]. Save as provided above, the age limits prescribed can in no case be relaxed. (c) The commission shall accept the date of birth as entered in the Matriculation Certificate or Secondary School Leaving Certificate or in a certificate issued by a recognised university. 4. Educational Qualification: - (a) The minimum educational qualification for admission to the 'Geophysicists Examination' shall be M.Sc. in Physics or Applied Physics or M.Sc. (Geophysics) or Integrated M.Sc. (Exploration Geophysics) or M.Sc. (Applied Geophysics) or M.Sc. (Marine Geophysics) or M.Sc. (Tech) (Applied Geophysics) from a University incorporated by an Act of Parliament or State Legislature in India or other educational institutes established by an Act of the Parliament or declared to be deemed Universities under the University Grants Commission Act, 1956.	4. The minimum educational qualification for admission to the Combined Geo-Scientists Examination shall be as follows: - (a) M.Sc./ M.Sc. (Tech)/ Integrated M.Sc in Geophysics or Exploration Geophysics or Applied Geophysics or Geo-Exploration or Marine Geophysics or Physics or Applied Physics or Applied Geology from a University incorporated by an Act of the Central or State Legislature in India or an educational	Qualification is revised as per advice of UPSC for facilitating the holding of common examination for recruitment of Group A and Group B (Gaz.)
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		Note: Master degree in the respective discipline means the post graduate degree of minimum two years duration after graduation from a recognized university in the respective discipline, whether be it integrated course or otherwise. (b) Candidates who have appeared at the final examination of the minimum educational qualification specified in 4 (a) above, passing of which shall render them eligible to appear at the relevant year Examination, but have not been informed of the result, may also apply for admission to the Examination. In such case, his admission to the relevant year Examination will be provisional and subject to passing of such minimum educational qualification specified in 4 (a) above with such percentage of marks or	Institution established by an Act of Parliament or declared to be deemed University under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 (3 of 1956). (b) Candidates who have appeared at the final examination of the minimum educational qualification specified in clause 4(a) of this paragraph, passing of which shall render them eligible to appear at the relevant year Examination, but have not been informed of the result, may also apply for admission to the Examination. In such case, his/her admission to the relevant year Examination will be provisional and subject to passing of such minimum educational qualification specified in 4(a) above with such percentage of marks as	
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		specification as notified in the relevant advertisement. (c) A candidate who is otherwise qualified but who has taken a degree from a Foreign University may also apply to the Examination and he or she may be admitted to the examination at the discretion of the Commission or Government. 5. Candidates who are in Government service, whether in a permanent or in temporary capacity or as work charged employees, other than casual or daily-rated employees or serving under public Enterprises, shall be required to submit an undertaking along with the application for the 'Examination' stating that they have informed in writing to their Head of Office or Department that they have applied for the 'Examination.	notified in the relevant advertisement. (c) A candidate who is otherwise qualified but has taken a degree specified in clause (a) of this paragraph from a foreign university approved by the Government may also be admitted to the Examination by the Commission or Government. 5. Candidates who are in Government service, whether in a permanent or in temporary capacity or as work charged employees, other than casual or daily-rated employees or serving under public Enterprises, shall be required to submit an undertaking along with the application for the 'Combined Geo-Scientists Examination' stating that they have informed in writing to their Head of Office or Department that they have	This has been changed keeping in view with the name of the examination.
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		6. The fee prescribed by the Commission in the relevant advertisement should be paid by each applicant in the manner stated therein, unless exempted there from or granted concession thereof in accordance with the exemptions or concessions in this respect notified by the Commission or Government from time to time. 7. Scheme of Examination shall be as follows or as amended from time to time or as notified and as notified in the relevant advertisement. (a) The pattern of examination, number of written papers and syllabus of written papers shall be decided and notified by the Commission.	applied for the 'Examination'. 6. The fee prescribed by the Commission in the relevant advertisement should be paid by each applicant in the manner stated therein, unless exempted there from or granted concession thereof in accordance with the exemptions or concessions in this respect notified by the Commission or Government from time to time. 7. Scheme of Combined Geo-Scientists Examination shall be as follows or as amended from time to time or as notified in the relevant advertisement. (a) The pattern of examination, number of written papers and syllabus of written papers shall be decided and notified by the Commission.	
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		(b) The candidate who obtains minimum general standard or qualifying marks in the written examination as may be fixed by the Commission in their discretion shall be called for viva-voce. (c) The candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes or Scheduled Tribes or Other Backward Classes may be summoned for viva-voce by the Commission by applying relaxed standards if the Commission is of the opinion that sufficient number of candidates from these communities are not likely to be available for viva-voce on the basis of the general standard in order to fill up the vacancies reserved for them. (d) After the interview, the general merit list of the candidates shall be arranged by the Commission	(b) The candidate who obtains minimum general standard or qualifying marks in the written examination as may be fixed by the Commission in their discretion shall be called for viva-voce. (c) The candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes or Scheduled Tribes or Other Backward Classes or Economically Weaker Sections or Persons with Disabilities may be summoned for viva-voce by the Commission by applying relaxed standards if the Commission is of the opinion that sufficient number of candidates from these communities are not likely to be available for viva-voce on the basis of the general standard in order to fill up the vacancies reserved for them. (d) After the interview, the general merit list of the candidates shall be prepared by the Commission	To provide reservation to OBC categories as per DoP&T OM dated 08.09.1993 & as amended from time to time. EWS category & PwBD category have been inserted as per notification No.36039/1/2019-Estt (Res) dated 31.01.2019 and DoP&T OM dated 15.01.2018 respectively.
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		in order of their general merit (which includes General, Schedule Caste, Schedule Tribe, Other Backward Classes and Physically Handicapped candidates) on the basis of the aggregate marks finally awarded to each candidate in the written examination as well as interview. From such general merit list candidates shall be recommended for appointment up to the number of unreserved vacancies decided to be filled up on the results of each examination. (e) For the vacancies reserved for Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes, a separate merit list for the reserved vacancies among such reserved category persons (excluding those Schedule	in order of their general merit which includes General, Schedule Castes, Schedule Tribes, Other Backward Classes, Economically Weaker Sections, Persons with Disabilities and other special categories of persons on the basis of the aggregate marks finally awarded to each candidate in the written examination as well as interview. From such general merit list candidates shall be recommended for appointment up to the number of unreserved vacancies decided to be filled up on the results of the Combined Geo-Scientists Examination. (d) For the vacancies reserved for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Classes, Economically Weaker Sections, Persons with Disabilities and other special categories of persons, a separate merit list for the reserved	To provide reservation to OBC categories as per DoP&T OM dated 08.09.1993 & as amended from time to time. EWS category & PwBD category have been inserted as per notification No.36039/1/2019-Estt (Res) dated 31.01.2019 and DoP&T OM dated 15.01.2018 respectively. .
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		Caste, Schedule Tribes, Other Backward Classes and Physically Handicapped candidates who have been listed in the General merit), shall be arranged by the Commission and recommended up to the extent of vacancies reserved for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes. As regards the vacancies reserved for Physically Handicapped, if suitable Physically Handicapped candidate is not available in general merit list then only the Commission may recommend, Physically Handicapped candidate by a relaxed standard decided by the Commission, subject to the fitness of these candidates for appointment to the Service.	vacancies among such reserved category persons (excluding those Schedule Castes, Schedule Tribes, Other Backward Classes, Economically Weaker Sections, Persons with Disabilities and other special categories of persons who have been listed in the general merit), shall be prepared by the Commission and recommended up to the extent of vacancies reserved for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Classes, Economically Weaker Sections, Persons with Disabilities and other special categories of persons. If suitable candidate under Persons with Disabilities is not available in general merit then the Commission may recommend such candidate by a relaxed standard decided by the Commission, subject to the fitness of such candidate for appointment to the Service.	To provide reservation to OBC categories as per DoP&T OM dated 08.09.1993 & as amended from time to time. EWS category & PwBD category have been inserted as per notification No.36039/1/2019-Estt (Res) dated 31.01.2019 and DoP&T OM dated 15.01.2018 respectively.
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		(f) Accordingly the candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes or Scheduled Tribes or other Backward Classes who have been recommended by the Commission in the general merit without resorting to any relaxations or concessions in the eligibility or selection criteria at any stage of the examination shall not be adjusted against the vacancies reserves for the Scheduled Castes, or Scheduled Tribes or the Other Backward Classes (as the case may be) as per Government of India rules in force time to time. (g) The specified qualifying standards shall be relaxable at the discretion of the Commission at all the stages of	(f) Accordingly the candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes or Scheduled Tribes or Other Backward Classes or Economically Weaker Sections or Persons with Disabilities and other special categories of persons who have been recommended by the Commission in the general merit without resorting to any relaxations or concessions in the eligibility or selection criteria at any stage of the Examination shall not be adjusted against the vacancies reserved for the Scheduled Castes or Scheduled Tribes or the Other Backward Classes or Economically Weaker Sections or Persons with Disabilities and other special categories of persons. (g) The specified qualifying standards shall be relaxable by the Commission at all the stages of the Examination in	To provide reservation to OBC categories as per DoP&T OM dated 08.09.1993 & as amended from time to time. EWS category & PwBD category have been inserted as per notification No.36039/1/2019-Estt (Res) dated 31.01.2019 and DoP&T OM dated 15.01.2018 respectively.
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		examination in favour of Physically handicapped candidates in order to fill up the vacancies reserved for them. In case, the physically handicapped candidate is selected from the general merit list and / or merit list for vacancies reserved for Schedule Caste, Schedule Tribe and Other Backward Classes extra physically handicapped candidate i.e, more than the number of vacancies reserved for them, shall not be recommended by the Commission on the relaxed standards as per Government of India rules in force from time to time. (h) The form and manner of communication of the result of the examination shall be decided by the Commission at their discretion.	favour of physically handicapped candidates in order to fill up the vacancies reserved for them and in case, the physically handicapped candidates are selected from the general merit list or merit list for vacancies reserved for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Classes, Economically Weaker Sections and other special categories of persons, any extra physically handicapped candidates that is more than the number of vacancies reserved for them, shall not be recommended by the Commission on the relaxed standards. (h) The form and manner of communication of the result of the Combined Geo-Scientists Examination shall be decided by the Commission at their discretion.	To provide reservation to OBC categories as per DoP&T OM dated 08.09.1993 & as amended from time to time. EWS category & PwBD category have been inserted as per notification No.36039/1/2019-Estt (Res) dated 31.01.2019 and DoP&T OM dated 15.01.2018 respectively.
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		Provided that till such time as the Commission notifies the pattern of examination under these Regulation, the Commission may recommend names on the basis of Interviews, to be held in a manner as may be determined by the Commission, only as provided in these Regulation. 8. The decision of the Commission for acceptance of the application of a candidate and his or her eligibility or otherwise for admission to the Examination shall be final; and no candidate to whom a admission card has not been issued by the Commission shall be admitted to the examination. 9. Candidate who has been declared by the Commission guilty of impersonation, or of submitting fabricated document or documents which have been tampered with, or of making statements which are incorrect	8. The acceptance of the application of a candidate and his or her eligibility for admission to the Combined Geo-Scientists Examination shall be decided by the Commission and no candidate to whom admission card has not been issued by the Commission shall be admitted to the Combined Geo-Scientists Examination. 9. Candidate who has been declared by the Commission guilty of impersonation, or of submitting fabricated document or documents which have been tampered with, or of making statements which are	
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		or false, or of suppressing material information, or otherwise resorting to any other irregular or improper means for obtaining admission to the examination, or of using or attempting to use unfair means in the examination hall, shall, in addition rendering himself liable to criminal prosecution, be liable to be disqualified by the Commission from the examination for which he or she is a candidate or to be debarred either permanently or for a specified period,- (a) by the Commission from any examination or selection held by it; (b) by the Central Government from any employment under it; (c) by the appropriate authority of the Government, if he or she is already in service under it, and he or she may also be subject to disciplinary order under any law for the time being in force.	incorrect or false, or of suppressing material information, or otherwise resorting to any other irregular or improper means for obtaining admission to the Combined Geo-Scientists Examination, or of using or attempting to use unfair means in the Examination hall, shall in addition to rendering himself liable for criminal prosecution, be liable to be disqualified by the Commission from the Combined Geo-Scientists Examination for which he or she is a candidate and to be debarred either permanently or for a specified period- (a) by the Commission from any Examination or selection held by them; (b) by the Government from any employment under them; and (c) if he or she is already in service under the Government, the Government may take disciplinary action against him or her under rules.	This has been changed keeping in view with the name of the examination.
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SCHEDULE- IV

[See Rule 2 (c), Rule 2 (j), and Rule 6(6)]

Departmental Promotion Committee for considering the cases of promotion or confirmation in Group ‘A’ Duty Posts of the “Geological Survey of India Geophysical Service Group A” and Screening Committee for grant of Non-Functional Upgradation **in different pay level of the pay matrix.**

Column No. of the schedule	Particulars/ Heading of respective column of Schedule	Provisions in the approved/existing rules	Revised provisions	Reasons for the revision proposed
2	The Duty Post for which promotion, confirmation or non functional upgradation is to be made to be substituted as Duty post for which promotion or confirmation is to be made	Additional Director General (Geophysics),	Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics),	Nomenclature has been suggested by the Committee constituted for reviewing the structure and functioning of GSI.
		Deputy Director General (Geophysics)	Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics)	
		Director (Geophysics)	Director (Geophysics)	
		Superintending Geophysicist	Superintending Geophysicist	
		Senior Geophysicist	Senior Geophysicist	
		Geophysicist	Geophysicist	

3	Composition of Group 'A' Departmental Promotion Committee for promotion to the respective Duty Post mentioned in column No.2. to be substituted Departmental Promotion Committee for considering promotion	Additional Director General (Geophysics): Chairman or member of the Commission- Chairman Secretary or Special Secretary or Additional Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Member Director General of Geological Survey of India- Member	Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics): Chairman/Member of the Commission- Chairman Secretary/ Special Secretary/Additional Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Member Chief Executive Officer of Geological Survey of India- Member	Nomenclature has been suggested by the Committee constituted for reviewing the structure and functioning of GSI.
		Deputy Director General (Geophysics): Chairman or member of the Commission- Chairman Secretary or Special Secretary or Additional Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Member Director General, or Additional Director General (Geophysicist) of Geological Survey of India- Member	Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics): Chairman/Member of the Commission- Chairman Secretary/ Special Secretary/ Additional Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Member Chief Executive Officer/Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics), Geological Survey of India- Member	
		Director (Geophysics): Director General, Geological Survey of India- Chairman Joint Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Member Deputy Director General (Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Member	Director (Geophysics): Chief Executive Officer, Geological Survey of India- Chairman Joint Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Member Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics), Geological Survey of India- Member	
		Superintending Geophysicist: Chairman or member of the Commission- Chairman Director, Ministry of Mines- Member Deputy Director General (Geophysics), Geological Survey of India- Member	Superintending Geophysicist: Chairman/ Member of the Commission- Chairman Joint Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Member Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Member	
		Senior Geophysicist: Director General, or Additional Director General (Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Chairman Director, Ministry of Mines- Member	Senior Geophysicist: Chief Executive Officer/Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Chairman	

		Director (Geophysics), Geological Survey of India- Member	Director, Ministry of Mines/ Deputy Secretary , Ministry of Mines- Member Director (Geophysics), Geological Survey of India- Member	
		Geophysicist: Chairman or member of the Commission- Chairman Joint Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Member Deputy Director General (Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Member	Geophysicist: Chairman/Member of the Commission- Chairman Director/Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Member Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Member	
4	Departmental Promotional Committee for considering closure of probation/confirmation to be substituted as Departmental Promotion Committee for considering confirmation	Additional Director General (Geophysics): Not Applicable	Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics) : Not Applicable	
		Deputy Director General (Geophysics): Not Applicable	Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics): Not Applicable	
		Director (Geophysics): Not Applicable	Director (Geophysics): Not Applicable	
		Superintending Geophysicist: Not Applicable	Superintending Geophysicist: Not Applicable	
		Senior Geophysicist: Not Applicable	Senior Geophysicist: Not Applicable	
		Geophysicist: Director, Ministry of Mines, Chairman Director (Geophysics), Geological Survey of India Superintending Geophysicist, Geological Survey of India	Geophysicist: Director, Ministry of Mines, Chairman Director (Geophysics), Geological Survey of India Superintending Geophysicist, Geological Survey of India	

5	The composition of the Screening Committee for the Non-functional upgradation of Duty Posts in Pay Band-3 and Pay Band-4 in terms of DoP&T's OM No.AB-14017/64/2008 -Estt(RR) dated 24.04.2009 to be substituted as Screening Committee for Non-Functional Upgradation of	Additional Director General (Geophysics): Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Chairman Special Secretary or Additional Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Member Director General, Geological Survey of India- Member	Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics): Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Chairman Special Secretary/Additional Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Member Chief Executive Officer , Geological Survey of India- Member	Nomenclature has been suggested by the Committee constituted for reviewing the structure and functioning of GSI.
		Deputy Director General (Geophysics): Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Chairman Special Secretary or Additional Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Member Director General, or Additional Director General (Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Member	Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics): Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Chairman Special Secretary/Additional Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Member Chief Executive Officer/Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Member	
		Director (Geophysics): Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Chairman Director General, or Additional Director General (Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Member Deputy Director General (Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Member	Director (Geophysics): Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Chairman Chief Executive Officer/ Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics), Geological Survey of India- Member Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Member	
		Superintending Geophysicist: Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Chairman Director General, or Additional Director General (Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Member Deputy Director General (Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Member	Superintending Geophysicist: Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Chairman Chief Executive Officer/Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Member Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Member	
		Senior Geophysicist: Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Chairman	Senior Geophysicist: Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Chairman	

	duty posts in different pay level of the pay matrix	Director General or Additional Director General (Geophysics), Geological Survey of India- Member Deputy Director General (Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Member	Chief Executive Officer/Additional Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics), Geological Survey of India- Member Deputy Chief Executive Officer (Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Member	New addition
		Geophysicist: Not applicable	Geophysicist: Secretary, Ministry of Mines- Chairman Deputy Chief Executive Officer(Geophysics); Geological Survey of India- Member Director (Geophysics), Geological Survey of India- Member	
			Note 1: The absence of Member, other than the Chairman or Member of the Commission, shall not invalidate the proceedings of the DPC, if more than half the members of the above committee had attended the meeting. Note 2: The Non-functional financial upgradation of senior Duty Post in different pay level of the pay matrix shall be in the order of seniority, subject to suitability i.e. vigilance clearance and Clear from disciplinary proceedings or operation of disciplinary penalty imposed if any. Consultation with the Commission is not required for promotion or placement to these posts as per the present regulations.	