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Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change  
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Ali Ganj, New Delhi-110003.  
Dated 15 September, 2020.

To

The Chief Secretary/Administrator,  
All State Governments/UTs

Subject: Manpower requirement on deputation basis for Hydrocarbons Clearance Cell (HCC), Directorate General of Hydrocarbons, under Ministry of Oil Petroleum and Natural Gas - regarding.

Sir,

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of Director General, Directorate General of Hydrocarbons D.O. letter NO. DF/DGH/HR/Environment dated 04.09.2020 on the subject cited above and to request that the names of IFS officers who meet the eligibility criteria and are willing to work in aforesaid organization may please be forwarded along with the prescribed documents together with the consent of the cadre in this regard so as to enable this Ministry to take further action in this regard.

Encl: A/a

Your faithfully,

(Subir Kumar)  
Under Secretary to the Govt. of India  
011-24695357
Dear Sir,

As you are kindly aware, Directorate General of Hydrocarbons (DGH) is the technical and advisory arm of the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas. DGH is mandated to ensure sound management of petroleum and natural gas resources with due regard for environment, safety, technological, and economic aspects. The manpower requirements of DGH are primarily met through deputation or tenure postings from CPSEs and Central Government.

2. Towards the above-stated objectives, DGH is proactively facilitating the resolution of various environmental and other statutory clearance issues of operators engaged in exploration and production (E&P) of hydrocarbons, by coordinating with Central Government, State Governments and statutory bodies. Hydrocarbons Clearance Cell (HCC) has been set-up in DGH to function as a single-window mechanism for statutory clearances for E&P operators and smooth interface with MoEF&CC and State Governments.

3. For effective discharge of the above functions, DGH is in need of a suitable qualified officer from the Indian Forest Service, serving in the rank of Joint Secretary or Director in Govt. of India or State Government, preferably with 14 to 18 years of experience, to head HCC. The broad responsibilities for the said position, are attached as Annexure.

4. I shall be extremely grateful for a panel of names of three suitable officers, alongwith their grading of ACRs/APARs for the preceding 5 years, integrity certificate, cadre clearance and vigilance clearance, for appointment to the said position on deputation basis in DGH, for a period of three years extendable by two years.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(S.C.L. Das)

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Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change  
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Encl.: As above
ANNEXURE

BROAD RESPONSIBILITIES:

a) Monitor and follow up implementation of decisions taken by the Empowered Coordination Committee under the Chairmanship of Cabinet Secretary.

b) Monitor and follow up Environment Clearance, Forest Clearance and Wildlife Clearance for oil and gas blocks awarded to operators.

c) Coordinate and follow up with Nodal officer, CF/CCF, State E&F Secretary, Regional Office, Central MoEF&CC regarding various E&P projects.

d) Coordinate for timely conduct of site visits, Compensatory Afforestation and NPV matters, and grant of FRA clearance etc.

e) Assist DGH in handling of court cases related to matters bearing upon environment and forest matters in oil and gas sector.

f) Visit States/ UTs and interact with State Government and UT Administration in order to address the pending clearance issues.

g) Provide policy or expert inputs on matters related to environment and forest in E&P sector and streamline working single window clearance system.

h) Capacity building of operators in good environmental practices in E&P sector.