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Dated the 18th July, 2022.

To,

1. The Chief Secretary of
All States Governments/UT Administrations.
2. The Principal Secretary (Forest)/The Additional Chief Secretary,
All States/UTs (As per list)

Subject: Creation of ex-cadre posts and temporary posts in States/UT Administrations.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to say that during the meeting held on 13-07-2022 under the Chairmanship of DGF&SS, MoEFCC with State Governments, regarding fixations of norms of strength and composition of Indian Forest Service, few states expressed difficulties being experienced by them due to non-availability of adequate number of posts at higher level to meet the functional requirement of the States.

2. In this regard, attention of the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations are invited to the provision contained in Indian Forest Service (Cadre) Rules, 1966, under proviso to the Rule 4, "Strength of Cadres", which states as under:

"Provided that nothing in this sub-rule shall be deemed to affect the power of the Central Government to alter the strength and composition of any cadre at any other time:

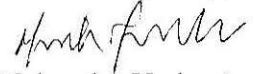
Provided further that the State Government concerned may add for a period not exceeding two years, and with the approval of the Central Government for a further period not exceeding three years to a State or Joint Cadre one or more posts carrying duties or responsibilities of a like nature to cadre posts."

Similarly, Sub-rule (7) of Rule 12: "Pay of members of the Service appointed to posts not included in Schedule II" of Indian Forest Service (Pay) Rules, 2016, provides as under:

"(7) At no time the number of members of the Service appointed to hold posts, other than cadre posts referred to in sub-rule (1) and sub-rule (4), which carry pay at Level 16 per mensem and which are reckoned against the State Deputation Reserve, shall except with the prior approval of the Central Government, exceed the number of cadre posts at that level of pay in a State cadre or, as the case may be, in a Joint cadre."

3. It is therefore reiterated that, all the State Governments/Union Territory Administration may make use of these provisions to meet any functional requirements of the States Governments/UT Administrations as and when the need arises, rather than resorting to increase in the cadre strength in the Cadre Review proposal.

Yours faithfully,



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