

F. No. 16019/01/2014-IFS-II  
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change,  
(IFS-II)  
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6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Prithvi Wing,  
Indira Paryavaran Bhawan,  
Aliganj, Jorbagh,  
New Delhi - 110003.

Dated: 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2018

To,

The Director,  
Indira Gandhi National Forest Academy,  
Dehradun - .....

Sub: - Amendment in proviso to **sub-rule 3(3)(i) of Indian Forest Service (Regulation of Seniority) Rules, 1997** and amendment in **Indian Forest Service (Probation) Amendment Rules, 2017**- Comments thereof- regarding.

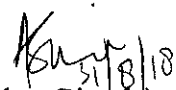
Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the subject cited above and to say that Ministry is in the view of amending the **Indian Forest Service (Regulation of Seniority) Rules, 1997** and **Indian Forest Service (Probation) Amendment Rules, 2017** as per **draft notification - I, draft notification - II and draft letter - III enclosed herewith**. Therefore, it is requested that comments of the State Government(s)/UTs/Director (IGNFA)/ DG (ICFRE) may kindly be furnished to this Ministry at the earliest and positively **before 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2018, failing which**, it will be presumed that State Government(s)/UTs/Director (IGNFA)/ DG (ICFRE) has no comments on the proposed amendments.

2. This issues with the approval of Hon'ble Minister for Environment, Forest & Climate Change.

Yours-faithfully

**Encls :-  
Draft Notification- I, II & draft letter-III.**

  
(Anuradha Singh)  
Director (IFS)  
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**DRAFT - I**

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Dated: 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2018

**NOTIFICATION**

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3 of the All India Services Act, 1951 (61 of 1951) and in supersession of the Indian Forest Service (Probation) Amendment Rules, 2017, the Central Government after consultation with the Governments of the States, hereby makes the following rules, namely:-

FOR	READ
<p><b><u>Final Examination :</u></b> 8(1) Every probationer shall be required during the period of training to appear at such examinations to be conducted by the Director as may be prescribed by the Central Government.</p>	<p><b><u>Final Examination :</u></b> 8(1) Every probationer shall be required during the period of training to appear at such examinations to be conducted by the Director as may be prescribed by the Central Government.</p> <p>Provided that no probationer in the Service shall, during the period of training at the Indira Gandhi National Forest Academy, Dehradun, appear in either the Civil Services Examination or any other examination for appointment to the Central or State Service as may be prescribed by the Central Government.</p> <p>Provided that those probationers desirous of appearing in any such examination shall seek sanction of the Director, Indira Gandhi National Forest Academy, Dehradun for availing Extraordinary Leave for a period of one year, only once (i.e. Leave without Pay) from the date of joining/reporting at the IGNFA, <u>without losing their seniority.</u></p>

1.(1) These rules may be called the Indian Forest Service (Probation) Amendment Rules, 2018.

(2) They shall come into force for the Indian Forest Service Examination, 2019.

~~(F. No. 11058/02/2018-AIS III)~~

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Footnote :- The principal rules were notified vide DP&AR Notification No. 2/4/65-AIS(IV) dated the 6<sup>th</sup> May, 1968 vide number G.S.R. 152 (E) dated the 6<sup>th</sup> May, 1968 and subsequently amended vide :

- (i) G.S.R. No. 388 dated the 1<sup>st</sup> April, 1972
- (ii) G. S. R. No. 472 dated the 18<sup>th</sup> May, 1974,
- (iii) G.S.R. 948, dated the 7<sup>th</sup> September, 1974,
- (iv) G.S.R. No. 986, dated the 9<sup>th</sup> August, 1975,
- (v) G.S.R. 158, dated the 7<sup>th</sup> February, 1976,
- (vi) G.S.R. 905, dated the 26<sup>th</sup> June, 1976,
- (vii) G.S.R. 1020, dated the 17<sup>th</sup> July, 1976,
- (viii) G.S.R. 1361, dated the 25<sup>th</sup> September, 1976,
- (ix) G.S.R. 556, dated the 30<sup>th</sup> July, 1983,
- (x) G.S.R. 534(E), dated the 25<sup>th</sup> June, 1994,
- (xi) G.S.R. 356, dated the 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2002,
- (xii) G.S.R. 282(E), dated the 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2007,
- (xiii) G.S.R. 381(E), dated the 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2011,
- (xiv) G.S.R. 131 (E) dated the 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2017

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**DRAFT - II**

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**NOTIFICATION**

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3 of the All India Services Act, 1951 (LXI of 1951), the Central Government after consultation with the Governments of the States, hereby makes the following rules, namely:-

1.(1) These rules may be called the Indian Forest Service (Regulation of Seniority) Rules, 2018.

(2) They shall come into force for the Indian Forest Service Examination, 2019.

2. In the Indian Forest Service (Regulation of Seniority) Rules, 1997, the proviso to sub-rule 3(3) (i) shall be omitted.

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**DRAFT-III**

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Dated: 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2018

To,

The Director,  
Indira Gandhi National Forest Academy,  
Dehradun - .....

Subject : Grant of Extra Ordinary Leave on private affairs (i.e. Leave without Pay) for one year to Indian Forest Service (IFS) Probationary Officers appearing for the next Civil Service Examination(CSE) – regarding.

It has been observed that some of the candidates who accept the offer of appointment for joining the Indian Forest Service (IFS) on the basis of the Indian Forest Service Examination (IFSE) conducted by the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), New Delhi wish to appear in the subsequent Civil Service Examination (CSE).

2. Those IFS probationers who prepare for the subsequent CSE during the Foundation Course (FC) and Professional Course are not able to fully devote themselves for the ongoing FC and Profesional course since they are more interested in preparation for their next CSE for their career prospects. This adversely affects the training discipline and disturbs the concentration of other IFS probationers also, who fully devote themselves for the Foundation Course (FC) and Professional Course.

3. Besides, a large number of IFS probationers either seek exemption from the ensuing Foundation Course (FC) and Professional Course at Indira Gandhi National Forest Academy (IGNFA), Dehradun and/or seek extension of one year from joining the IFS for preparation of their next CSE for their career prospects.

4. Such requests for grant of exemption/extension are considered and granted by this Ministry resulting in large number of such probationers' missing the FC and/or Professional Course (PC).

5. The matter has been examined. It has been decided that such IFS probationers' , who are desirous of writing the next Civil Service Examination (CSE), will report at IGNFA and request the Director, IGNFA for grant of Extra Ordinary Leave (EOL i.e. Leave without Pay) for a period of one year only on first occasion for preparation of immediately ensuing CSE. EOL (i.e. Leave without Pay) shall be considered and granted by the Director, IGNFA, Dehradun.

6. Seniority of those availing such EOL would be reckoned as per their initial date of joining at IGNFA, Dehradun i.e. there would be no effect on their seniority on this account which will be determined on successful completion of the probationary period.

7. All the selected candidates immediately on reporting at IGNFA, Dehradun as probationary officers, shall also have to necessarily give a declaration on the date of joining regarding their intention of appearing for the immediately ensuing CSE. There will be two options for giving such declarations, one of which has to be necessarily filled by all the candidates:

(i) Declaration 'A': Those who plan to appear in the immediately ensuing CSE to improve their career prospects, (i.e. next one CSE only), must apply in writing to the Director, IGNFA, Dehradun requesting for grant of EOL (i.e. Leave without Pay) for one year only once without losing their seniority.

(ii) Declaration 'B': Those probationers who do not intend to appear for immediately ensuing CSE shall give declaration to that effect and they may be allowed to undergo their scheduled FC and PC.

8. On reporting back after availing EOL (i.e. Leave without Pay), the candidates who had opted for option 7(i) above, shall have to necessarily fill in the Declaration 'B' as per 7(ii) above, as such EOL (i.e. Leave without Pay) will be granted only once. In case, they do not give Declaration B, it will be concluded that the said probationer has resigned from IFS on the basis of IFS Examination.....



9. Guidelines governing the above policy are as under:

i) A probationer who has been granted the said EOL for one year, will not be allowed to join before the expiry of one year, since FC and/or PC is a structured Course and joining it mid-way would vitiate the curriculum of FC and/or PC for both, the existing probationers' as well as the new entrant.

10. This issues with the approval of Hon'ble Minister for Environment, Forest & Climate Change and in consultation with the Department of Personnel & Training.

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