

IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENTS WITH REGARD TO DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL & TRAINING FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 2017

1. Hon'ble MoS (PP) inaugurated two digital initiatives on 30th March, 2017 namely "Online Vigilance System of Board and below Board Level Executives of Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs)" and "Launch of e-Service Book in respect of employees of DoP&T". He also briefed media on this occasion. Additional PS to PM, Cabinet Secretary, Director (CBI), CVC, Vigilance Commissioners, Chairman (PESB) and officers of DoP&T were also present on the occasion. The launch of online vigilance system will bring transparency and accountability in the system whereas introducing E-service book will ease the maintenance of career record of Government Servant. This would also provide database for launching online services for employees. Upon success, this initiative is to be implemented across all departments.
2. Hon'ble MoS (PP) presented Certificates of Excellence for RTI Request & Appeals Management Information System on 17th March, 2017. The awards were presented in various categories including implementation in a Ministry/Department/Public Authority, digitising the physically received RTI requests, average time taken for final reply to RTI requests and quality of disposal based on extent of online first appeals received. DOP&T bagged an award under "Digitizing Physically Received RTIs" segment. Hon'ble MoS (PP) also briefed media on this occasion. Secretary (Personnel) and senior officers of DoP&T were also present. More than 90% of the CPIOs have now been aligned to the RTI portal.
3. Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions celebrated International Women's Day on 8th March, 2017. Hon'ble MoS (PP) graced the occasion. Smt. Santosh Yadav, Indian Mountaineer to climb Mount Everest twice was the chief guest. Women employees of Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions actively participated in the event. Special awareness sessions on "Prevention of Breast Cancer" and "Stress Management" were also organized. Awards were given to the successful participants of "Slogan Writing Competition" and "Poster Making Competition" held on the eve of International Women's Day.
4. Prof. David R. Syiemlieh, was appointed as Chairman of the Union Public Service Commission vide this Department's order No. 39019/04/2016-Estt (B) (Part) dated 31st March, 2017.
5. Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) has approved appointment of 01 CMD/MD and 04 Functional Directors in various Schedule A & B Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs). Further, Thirteen (13) appointments of Chairpersons/Members in various Tribunals/ Statutory Bodies/ Authorities/ commissions, Seven (07) appointments of Chief Executives in Autonomous Bodies, One (01) proposals of Appointment of OSD

to Minister, One (01) officer as CVO has been approved by the ACC and 13 officers have been retained on offer under the Central Staffing Scheme.

6. Consequent upon the implementation of 7th CPC Report and CCS (RP) Rules, 2016, clarification on the method of pay fixation in respect of a Government Servant transferred to a lower post under FR 15(a) on his/her own request w.e.f 1.1.2016 was issued vide this Department's O.M. No.12/1/2016-Estt(Pay-I) dated 31st March, 2017.
7. Views / suggestions/comments of the concerned stakeholders on the draft RTI Rules, 2017 in supersession of RTI Rules, 2012 has been invited vide this Department's circular No. 1/5/2016-IR dated 31st March, 2017.
8. Cadre review of IFS cadre of Manipur and AGMUT cadre was notified on 08.03.2017 and 17.03.2017 respectively.
9. Vide letter No.106/7/2015-AVD.I(Part) dated 15th March, 2017, all the State Governments / Union Territories and Cadre Controlling Authorities were advised to adopt the measures so that the time frames stipulated in All India Service (Discipline & Appeals) Rules, 1969 (amended vide notification dated 20.01.2017) can be strictly adhered to and the inquiry process can be completed expeditiously.
10. SPARROW of APARs has been made functional to Under Secretary level officers in CSS and PPS level in CSSS from F.Y. 2016-17.
11. Central Civil Services Cultural & Sports Board organized All India Civil Services Athletics Championship 2016-17 in New Delhi from 29.03.2017 to 31.03.2017.
12. Central Civil Services Cultural & Sports Board Hockey team secured 'Runner Up' position in All India Civil Service Hockey tournament held from 18.03.2017 to 25.03.2017 at Chandigarh.
13. Central Civil Services Cultural & Sports Board Football team secured 'Runner Up' position in All India Civil Service Football tournament held from 23.03.2017 to 27.03.2017 at Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.
14. Fundamental Rules, 1922 has been amended vide Notification under G.S.R.279(E) dated 22.03.2017. In the Fundamental Rules,1922, in the rule 56, for clause (bb), the following proviso has been inserted, namely:-

“Provided that notwithstanding anything contained in any other rules, Teaching, Non-Teaching, Public Health Specialists and General Duty Medical Officer sub-cadres of the Central Health Service shall hold the administrative posts till the date of attaining the age of 62 years and thereafter their services shall be placed in Non-Administrative positions.”

15. Instructions issued vide Notification dated 15.03.2017 that Leave upto a period of 90 days may be granted to an aggrieved female Government Servant on the recommendation of the Internal Committee or the Local Committee, as the case may be, during the pendency of inquiry under the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 and the leave granted to the aggrieved female Government Servant under this rule shall not be debited against the leave account.
16. 22 Training programmes were conducted at ISTM including 03 CSS-CTP & 03 CSSS-CTP programmes.
17. Blood Donation Camp was organised by DOP&T in association with the Indian Red Cross Society, New Delhi at Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi on 15.03.2017 and 36 employees donated blood in this camp..