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Ministry of Home Affairs
OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR GENERAL, INDIA

NOTIFICATION

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G. S. R.- In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution, and in supersession of the Office of the Registrar General, India, Research Officer (Language)/Linguist, Recruitment Rules, 2011, except as respects things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the President hereby makes the following rules regulating the method of recruitment to the post of Research Officer (Language)/Linguist in the Office of the Registrar General, India, namely:-

1. Short title and commencement. - (1) These rules may be called the Office of the Registrar General, India, Research Officer (Language)/Linguist, Group 'A' post Recruitment Rules, 2026.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Number of posts, classification and level in pay matrix. - The number of the said post, its classification and level in the pay matrix attached thereto shall be as specified in columns (2) to (4) of the Schedule annexed to these rules.

3. Method of recruitment, age-limit, qualifications, etc.-The method of recruitment, age-limit, qualifications and other matters relating to the said post shall be as specified in columns (5) to (13) of the said Schedule.

4. Disqualification. - 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 said post:

Provided that the Central Government may, if 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 so doing, exempt any person from the operation of this rule.

5. Power to relax. -Where the Central Government is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient so to do, it may, by order and 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.

6. Saving. -Nothing in these rules shall affect reservation, relaxation of age-limit and other concessions required to be provided for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Classes, the ex-servicemen and other special categories of persons in accordance with the orders issued by the Central Government from time to time in this regard.

Schedule

Name of the post.	Number of posts.	Classification.	Level in pay matrix.	Whether selection post or non-selection post.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Research Officer (Language)/Linguist	6* (2026) *Subject to variation dependent on workload.	General Central Service, Group 'A', Gazetted, Non-Ministerial.	Level-10 in the pay matrix (Rs.56100-177500).	Selection post.

Age-limit for direct recruits.	Educational and other qualifications required for direct recruits.	Whether age and educational qualifications prescribed for direct recruits will apply in the case of promotees.
(6)	(7)	(8)
Not exceeding 35 years of age. (Relaxable for Government servants up to five years in accordance with the instructions or orders issued by the Central Government). Note.- The crucial date for determining the age-limit shall be as advertised by the Union Public Service Commission.	Essential: (i). Master's degree in Linguistics from a recognised University or institution; (ii). three years' experience in research or teaching in the field of Linguistics from any Central Government or State Governments or Union territory Administration or recognised universities or recognized research institutions or public sector undertakings or statutory bodies or autonomous organisations. Note 1: Qualifications are relaxable at the discretion of the Union Public Service Commission for reasons to be recorded in writing, in case of candidates otherwise well qualified. Note 2: The qualifications regarding experience are relaxable at the discretion of the Union Public Service Commission, for reasons to be recorded in writing, in the case of candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes or the Scheduled Tribes, if at any stage of selection the Union Public Service Commission is of the opinion that sufficient number of candidates from these communities possessing the requisite	No.

	experience are not likely to be available to fill up the vacancies reserved for them.	

Period of probation, if any.	Method of recruitment, whether by direct recruitment or by promotion or by deputation/absorption and percentage of the vacancies to be filled by various methods.	In case of recruitment by promotion or by deputation/absorption, grades from which promotion or deputation/absorption to be made.
(9)	(10)	(11)
Two years for direct recruits and promotees. Note.- The direct recruits shall successfully complete mandatory induction training of four weeks in the relevant field organised by Office of the Registrar General India, for completion of probation.	By promotion failing which by deputation (including short term contract) failing both by direct recruitment.	Promotion: Investigator (Language) in level-6 in the pay matrix (Rs.35400-112400) with ten years regular service in the grade and having successfully completed the training of two to four weeks in the relevant field organised by the Office of the Registrar General India. Note.- Where juniors who have completed their qualifying or eligibility service are being considered for promotion, their seniors shall 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. Deputation (including short-term contract): Officers of the Central Government or State Governments or Union territory Administrations or Universities or recognized research institutions or public sector undertakings or statutory bodies or autonomous organisations,- (a)(i) holding analogous post on regular basis in the parent cadre or department; or (ii) with four years' service in the grade rendered after appointment thereto on regular basis in posts in level-8 in the pay matrix (Rs.47600-151100) or equivalent in the parent cadre or

		department; or (iv) with five years' service in the grade rendered after appointment thereto on regular basis in posts in level-7 in the pay matrix (Rs.44900-142400) or equivalent in the parent cadre or department; and (b) possessing the educational qualifications and experience prescribed for direct recruits under column (7); Note 1.- The departmental officers in the feeder category who are in direct line of promotion shall not be eligible for consideration for appointment on deputation. Similarly, deputationists shall not be eligible for consideration for appointment by promotion. Note 2.- The period of deputation (including short-term contract) including period of deputation (including short-term contract) in another ex-cadre post held immediately preceding this appointment in the same or some other organisation or department of the Central Government shall ordinarily not exceed three years. Note 3.- The maximum age-limit for appointment by deputation shall be not exceeding fifty-six years as on the closing date of receipt of applications.

If a Departmental Promotion Committee exists, what is its composition.	Circumstances in which Union Public Service Commission is to be consulted in making recruitment.
(12)	(13)
Group 'A' Departmental Promotion Committee (for considering promotion) consisting of: (1). Chairman or Member, Union Public Service Commission - Chairman; (2). Registrar General, India - Member; (3). Joint Secretary (Administration), Ministry of Home Affairs or	Consultation with Union Public Service Commission is necessary.

Additional Registrar General, Office of the Registrar General, India or Assistant Registrar General (Language), Office of the Registrar General, India or Deputy Secretary (Administration), Office of the Registrar General, India - Member. Group 'A' Departmental Confirmation Committee (for considering confirmation) consisting of: (1). Registrar General, India - Chairman; (2). Joint Secretary (Administration), Ministry of Home Affairs or Additional Registrar General, Office of the Registrar General, India or Assistant Registrar General (Language), Office of the Registrar General, India - Member; (3). Deputy Secretary (Administration), Office of the Registrar General, India or Assistant Registrar General (Language), Office of the Registrar General, India. –Member.	

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