F.No.7-35/2021-CU.CDN Government of India Ministry of Education Department of Higher Education (Central University Bureau)

> 519/C, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi Dated : 22nd September, 2021

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The Vice-Chancellors of all Central Universities

Subject: Guidelines for conducting Online written examination for persons with Benchmark disabilities.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of this Ministry's OM No. 11-7/2018-SC/ST dated 22th July, 2021 alongwith its enclosure on the above mentioned subject for strict implementation of the revised guidelines, corrigendum and order dated 4-12.2018 of Hon'ble High Court while conducting examination and also during conducting online examinations for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities at your end.

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully,

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(Kumar Kalikanand) Under Secretary to the Government of India Telephone No. 011-23385293

Copy for information and similar action to Secretary, University Grants Commission, New Delhi-110002

F. No. 11-7/2018-SC/ST

Government of India Ministry Education (Sisksha Mantralaya) Department of Higher Education SC/ST Cell

> West Block-1, Wing-6, Level-2, R. K. Puram, New Delhi- 110 066, Dated the 22nd July, 2021.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Guidelines for conducting online (written) examination for persons with benchmark disabilities-reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer to SC/ST Cell's earlier O.M. of even No. dated 17.9.2018, 18.2.2019& 16.3.2020 (Copy enclosed) forwarded therewith the Guidelines for conducting written examinations for persons with Benchmark Disabilities, 2018, Corrigendum & order of Hon'ble High Court dated 04.12.2018, with request for taking necessary actions for strict implementations.

2. Now, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities vide O.M. No. 34-12/2020-DD-III dated 6.7.2021(Copy enclosed), intimating that during covid-19 pandemic most of the institutions have developed software for conducting online examination owing to the covid-19 situation and <u>it has come to the notice that the persons with benchmark</u> <u>disabilities are not allowed additional time during the online examination as per the aforesaid</u> <u>guidelines</u>, and requested for grant of additional time to students with benchmark disabilities as per the aforesaid guidelines while conducting online examination by the educational institutions.

3. In view of above, concerned Bureau/Divisions of this Department are requested to take necessary actions for strict implementations of the revised guidelines, corrigendum & order dated 4.12.2018 of Hon'ble High Court, while conducting examination and also during conducting online examination for Persons with Benchmark disabilities.

Encl:- As above.

(Sanjeev Kumar) Sr. Statistical Officer (SC/ST) Tel No.:- 011-26171056

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F. No 34-12/2020-DD-III भारतसरकार/ Government of India दिव्यांगजन सशक्तिकरण विभाग

Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangian) सामाजिकन्यायऔरअधिकारितामंत्रालय/ Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment 5th Floor, B Wing, Pt. Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi-03

Dated: 06th July 2021

Office Memorandum

Subject:- Guidelines for conducting online (written) examination for persons with benchmark disabilities-reg.

The undersigned is directed to say that the Department had issued the revised guidelines for conducting written examination for persons with benchmark disabilities (Disabilities of 40% and above) on 29.8.2018 followed by corrigendum dated 08.2.2019 (copies enclosed). As per these guidelines additional time @ 20 minutes per hour of examination is allowed to persons with benchmark disabilities, who have difficulties in writing including that of speed.

Due to covid-19 pandemic most of the institutions have developed software for 2. conducting online examination owing to the covid-19 situation. It has come to the notice of this Department that the persons with benchmark disabilities are not allowed additional time during the online examination as per the aforesaid guidelines. Copy of representations received in this regard are enclosed.

Department of Higher Education and Department of School education and literacy are 3. requested to look into the matter and arrange to issue necessary instruction for grant of additional time to students with benchmark disabilities as per the aforesaid guidelines issued by this Department while conducting examination by the educational institutions. Riven Sarera/Min. of Education

Encl: As above

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P. No. 34-02/2015-DD-III Government of India Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment Department of Empowerment of of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)

Pt. Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, C.G.O. Complex, New Delhi - 110003 Dated: the 29 August, 2018

Office Memorandum

Subject: Guidelines for conducting written examination for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities

The undersigned is directed to say that this Department had issued the guidelines for conducting written examination for persons with disabilities defined in terms of erstwhile Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection for Rights and Full Participation) Act. 1995 vide OM No. 16-110/2003-DD.III dated 26/02/2013. The Department had constituted a Committee under the Chairmanship of Secretary. DEPwD in March. 2015 to review the said guidelines based on the issues raised by Union Public Service Commission and others. Meanwhile the Central Government enacted the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (RPwD Act, 2016) which came into force from 19.04.2017. The Act provides for reservation in Government jobs for persons with benchmark disabilities as defined under section 2 (r) of the said Act.

Based on the findings of the Committee, the Central Government hereby lays down the revised guidelines for conducting written examination for persons with benchmark disabilities in supersession of the earlier guidelines issued vide OM No. 16-110/2003-DD.III dated 26/02/2013 as under:

 These guidelines may be called as "Guidelines for conducting written examination for persons with benchmark disabilities 2018".

II. There should be a uniform and comprehensive policy across the country for persons with benchmark disabilities for written examination taking into account improvement in technology and new avenues opened to the persons with benchmark disabilities providing a level playing field. Policy should also have flexibility to accommodate the specific needs on case-to-case basis.

III. There is no need for fixing separate criteria for regular and competitive examinations.

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IV. The facility of Scribe/Reader/Lab Assistant should be allowed to any person with benchmark disability as defined under section 2(r) of the RPwD Act. 2016 and has limitation in writing including that of speed if so desired by him/her.

In case of persons with benchmark disabilities in the category of blindness, locomotor disability (both arm affected-BA) and cerebral palsy, the facility of scribe/reader/lab assistant shall be given, if so desired by the person.

In case of other category of persons with benchmark disabilities, the provision of scribe/reader/lab assistant can be allowed on production of a certificate to the effect that the person concerned has physical limitation to write, and scribe is essential to write examination on his behalf, from the Chief Medical Officer/Civil Surgeon/ Medical Superintendent of a Government health care institution as per proforma at APPENDIX-I.

V. The candidate should have the discretion of opting for his own scribe/reader/lab assistant or request the Examination Body for the same. The examining body may also identify the scribe/ reader/lab assistant to make panels at the District/Division/ State level as per the requirements of the examination. In such instances the candidates should be allowed to meet the scribe two days before the examination so that the candidates get a chance to check and verify whether the scribe is suitable or not.

VI. In case the examining body provides the scribe/reader/lab assistant, it shall be ensured that qualification of the scribe should not be more than the minimum qualification criteria of the examination. However, the qualification of the scribe/reader should always be matriculate or above.

In case the candidate is allowed to bring his own scribe, the qualification of the scribe should be one step below the qualification of the candidate taking examination. The persons with benchmark disabilities opting for own scribe/reader should submit details of the own scribe as per proforma at APPENDIX-II

VII. There should also be flexibility in accommodating any change in scribe/reader/lab assistant in case of emergency. The candidates should also be allowed to take more than one scribe/reader for writing different papers especially for languages. However, there can be only one scribe per subject.

VIII. Persons with benchmark disabilities should be given, as far as possible, the option of choosing the mode for taking the examinations i.e. in Braille or in the computer or in large print or even by recording the answers as the examining bodies

can easily make use of technology to convert question paper in large prints, e-text, or Braille and can also convert Braille text in English or regional languages.

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IX. In case, the persons with benchmark disabilities are allowed to take examination on computer system, they should be allowed to check the computer system one day in advance so that the problems, if any in the software/system could be rectified. Use of own computer/laptop should not be allowed for taking examination. However, enabling accessories for the computer based examinations such as keyboard, customized mouse etc should be allowed.

X. The procedure of availing the facility of scribe should be simplified and the necessary details should be recorded at the time of filling up of the forms. Thereafter, the examining body should ensure availability of question papers in the format opted by the candidate as well as suitable seating arrangement for giving examination.

XI. The disability certificate issued by the competent medical authority at any place should be accepted across the country.

XII. The word "extra time or additional time" that is being currently used should be changed to "compensatory time" and the same should not be less than 20 minutes per hour of examination for persons who are allowed use of scribe/reader/lab assistant. All the candidates with benchmark disability not availing the facility of scribe may be allowed additional time of minimum of one hour for examination of 3 hours duration. In case the duration of the examination is less than an hour, then the duration of additional time should be allowed on pro-rata basis. Additional time should not be less than 5 minutes and should be in the multiple of 5.

XIII. The candidates should be allowed to use assistive devices like talking calculator (in cases where calculators are allowed for giving exams), tailor frame, Braille slate, abacus, geometry kit, Braille measuring tape and augmentative communication devices like communication chart and electronic devices.

XIV. Proper seating arrangement (preferably on the ground floor) should be made prior to the commencement of examination to avoid confusion or distraction during the day of the exam. The time of giving the question papers should be marked accurately and timely supply of supplementary papers should be ensured.

XV. As far as possible, the examining body should also provide reading material in Braille or E-Text or on computers having suitable screen reading software for open book examination. Similarly online examination should be in accessible format i.e. websites, question papers and all other study material should be accessible as per the international standards laid down in this regard.

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XVI. Alternative objective questions in lieu of descriptive questions should be provided for Hearing-Impaired persons, in addition to the existing policy of giving alternative questions in lieu of questions requiring visual inputs, for persons with Visual Impairment.

XVII. As far as possible the examination for persons with disabilities should be held at the ground floor. The examination centres should be accessible for persons with disabilities.

2. It is requested to ensure that the above guidelines are serupulously followed while conducting examination for persons with benchmark disabilities. All the recruitment agencies, Academics/Examination Bodies etc. under the administrative control of each Ministry/Deapartment may be advised appropriately to ensure compliance of implementing these guidelines. Action taken in this regard may be intimated to this office.

 The above guidelines are issued with the approval of Hon'ble Minister (Social Justice & Empowerment).

Yours faithfully,

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(D.K. Pannda) Under Secretary to the Government of India Tele, No. 24369059

To

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1. Secretary of all Ministries/Department.

2. Secretary, UPSC, Shahjahan Road, New Delhi.

Chairman, SSC, Block No.12, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.

4. Chairman, University Grants Commission with a request to issue necessary instructions to all universities including Deemed Universities for compliance.

5. Chairman, Railway Board

 All National Institutes and RCI under administrative control of Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of SJ&F, New Delhi

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F. No. 34-02/2015-DD-III (pt) Government of India Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment Department of Empowerment of of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)

Pt. Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, C.G.O. Complex, New Delhi -110003 Dated the g^{4h} February, 2019

Corrigendum

Sub:- Guidelines for conducting written examination for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities

This Department's O.M. No.34-02/2015-DD.III dated 29/08/2018 prescribing the guidelines for conducting written examination for persons with disabilities is amended as under:

Para XII on page 3 of the above guidelines may be substituted with the following-

"The word "extra time or additional time" that is being currently used should be changed to "compensatory time" and the same should not be less than 20 minutes per hour of examination for persons who are allowed use of scribc/reader/lab assistant. All the candidates with benchmark disabilities who are eligible for availing the facility of scribe in terms of guidelines IV may be allowed additional time of minimum of one hour for examination of 3 hours duration whether they use the facility of scribe or not. In case the duration of the examination is less than an hour, then the duration of additional time should be allowed on pro-rata basis. Additional time should not be less than 5 minutes and should be in the multiple of 5"

(K.V.S. Rao) Director Tele. No. 24369054

To

1. Secretary of all Ministries/Department.

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To
 The Senior Director NEET (UG)
 National Testing Agency
 Block C - 20/1A/8, Sector 62
 IITK Outreach Centre
 Gautam Budha Nagar, Noida - 201309

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Subject : Request for giving Compensatory Marks to me in NEET (UG) 2020 as a PwD candidate due to not allowing additional time in examination centre which was allowed in other examination centres, though in NEET (UG) 2019 one hour additional time was allowed to me in examination centre

Respected Sir,

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This is to intimate you that I have appeared National Eligibility cum Entrance Test-Undergraduate (NEET-UG) 2020 belonging to Category OBC (NCL), Sub-Category Person with Disability (PwD). My NEET (UG) 2020 Application No. is 200411254312 and Roll No. is 4608215076.

I appeared the said examination on 13th September, 2020 between 2 pm to 5 pm. My EXAMINATION CENTRE NO. was 4608215 with Centre Address BARASAT INDIRA GANDHI MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL, 18 JESSORE ROAD (SOUTH) RATHTALA, BARASAT, KOLKATA 700124, BARASAT NARAYANA HOSPITAL BARASAT NARAYANA MULTISPECIALITY HOSPITAL KOLKATA, WEST BENGAL, 700124.

Now, I like to intimate you that Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Dept. of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities has clearly mentioned in Clause XII of its Office Memorandum dated 29/08/2018 that "Extra time or additional time" is to be given to candidates with benchmark disabilities in written examination.

The Under Secretary to the Govt. of India had conveyed the guidelines for conducting written examination for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities issued by Ministry of Social Justice& Empowerment to the Director General of NTA vide a letter No. V.11012/10/2018-MEP dated 23 April, 2019.

Afterwards a Public Notice was issued in the website of NTA on dated 29/04/2019 about the implementation of the guidelines for conducting written examination and to take necessary action of all concerned.

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Now, I have came across that PwD candidates like me who were not availing the facility of scribe were allowed 15 (fifteen) minutes to maximum 1 hour additional time for examination of 3 hours duration in many NEET (UG) 2020 examination centres of West Bengal. But no additional time was allowed to me in my examination centre.

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As for example, in NEET (UG) 2020 EXAMINATION CENTRE NO. 4606009 with Centre Address GURU NANAK PUBLIC SCHOOL P.O KOLORAH, ANDUL RD, ALAMPUR GURUDWARA GURU NANAK STATESANG, HOWRAH, WEST BENGAL 711302, all candidates with benchmark disabilities were given additional time in written examination. 15 minutes to maximum 1 hour additional time was allowed to candidates with benchmark disabilities in different centres.

Last year, I also appeared NEET (UG) 2019 as a PwD candidate without taking help of Scribe at KENDRIYA VIDYALAYA BENGDUBI, PO- BENGDUBI, SILIGURI, DARJEELING, WEST BENGAL, 734424 with EXAMINATION CENTRE NO. 460909, where I was allowed one hour additional time for examination of 3 hours duration.

In NEET (UG) 2020, I was not allowed any additional time over 3 hour duration of examination that was allotted for all benchmark disabled candidates. It is clear violation of Article 14 of Indian Constitution.

I am a PwD candidate with mental illness disability. My thinking process is comparatively slower than others. I was prepared that, additional time will be allowed for me in NEET (UG) 2020 examination centre. If I have allowed at least 15 minutes I can answer 11 (eleven) more questions correctly which were known to me and that would add $11 \ge 44$ extra marks in my obtained score.

In the Writ Petition (Civil) No. 5511 of 2018 of Disha Panchal & Others versus Union of India the Secretary & Others, the order of Division Bench of the Supreme Court of India was to give compensatory marks to the petitioners as the effective time available to the candidates was far lesser than the allotted time of examination.

Now, there is sufficient time left to publish NEET-UG 2020 result.

Hence, I earnestly request you to give 44 (forty four) compensatory marks for not allowing me any additional time in written examination and publish my result adding this 44 (forty four) compensatory marks with my obtained score. Otherwise, arrange NEET (UG) 2020 re-examination for me allowing additional time as prescribed for PwD candidates by the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Dept. of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities in Clause XII of its Office Memorandum dated 29/08/2018.

Hope you will do the needful and thus oblige.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully, Dated: 16/09/2020 Nilanjan Bishnu [NILANJAN BISHNU] E-mail broja bishnu 68@zmall.com. Phone 8670980808/7407486060.

Enclo: (i) My Admit Card of NEET (UG) 2020 (ii) My Admit Card of NEET (UG) 2019

Copy to :

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3. The Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of India, Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi - 110011

4. The Under Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of INDIA. Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi 110011

S. The Secretary, Department of Disabilities, Empowerment of Persons With Ministry of Social Justice Empowerment, Room No.: 515 New Delhi - 110003

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NATIONAL ELIGIBILITY CUM ENTRANCE TEST (UG) - 2020 ADMIT CARD - PROVISIONAL

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SELF DECLARATION (UNDERTAKING)	dularadur Senior Director (NTA)

I, NILANJAN BISHNU, resident of NIL DHUBULIA BESIDE DHUBULIA RAIL STATION DHUBULIA RAIL BAZAR NADIA WEST BENGAL-741139, do

1. I have read the Instructions, Guidelines and relevant orders of Govt of India pertaining to COVID-19 pandemic. I have read Information Bulletin, Instructions and Notices related to this examination available on the website "https://ntaneet.nic.in/" 2. I have in the last 14 days(please tick, wherever it is applicable to you, otherwise leave blank):

a) The following flu-like symptoms: Fever: O, Cough: O, Breathlessness: O, Sore throat / Runny Nose: O, Body ache: O

Others- Please specify:

b) Been in close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 ('Close contact' means being at less than one meter distance for more than 15

minutes.)

c) Not been in close contact with a person suffering from COVID-19 and am NOT under mandatory quarantine:D

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3. The health and wellbeing of our community is our first priority; therefore the centre reserves the right to deny entry to its

I/ we have read the detailed "IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS for CANDIDATES" as given on Page-2 and "ADVISORY for CANDIDATES REGARDING COVID-19" as given on Page-3, and I/ we undertake to abide by the same.

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From: "Mr K V S Rao" «kvs.rao13@nic.in» To: "DK Panda" «panda.du@nic.in» Sent: Monday, June 26, 2021 4:49:02 PM Subject: Fwd: Request for extra time during the exam

From: "Mr Prabodh Seth" cjods-msje@nic.in> To: "Mr K V S Rao" «tvs.rao13@nic.in> Sent: Monday, June 28, 2021 9:16:12 AM Subject: Fwd: Request for extra time during the exam

From: "Ms. Anjail Bhewra" «secrelarydo-msje@ric.in> To: "Mr Prabodh Seth" «jada-maje@ric.in> Sent: Monday, June 28, 2021 1:00:23 AM Subject: Fwd: Request for extra time during the exam

From: dksoftsoin@gmail.com To: susheeta@tiss.edu Co: "Ms. Anjai Bhawra" <secretanyda-msje@nic.in> Sent: Sunday, June 27, 2021 10:14:45 AM Subject: Re: Request for exits time during the exam

As I had raised my concern and request for the look at the Issue regarding time to write answered with one hand. I just login to attempt the RAT. The login window showing only 3hr for two papers for PWDs candidate. Request to please look at the issues immediately and suggest the concerned person resolve before the begin exam.

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On Wed, Jun 23, 2021 at 3:51 PM susheela@tiss.adu <susheela@tiss.adu> wrote Yes Dhananjay, u will be given the estra time as per rules.

Best wishes,

Susheela

Get BlueMail for Android On 23 Jun 2021, at 3:08 pm, dhanarjay kumar «dkaoftsoin@gmail.com» wrote:

Dear sirima'am.

I have been shortlated for appearing in the RAT exam for Ph.D. which will be held online on 27th June 2021.

I would like to inform you that I have a locomotor disability in my left hand, it will be very difficult for me to type answers with one hand for two programs (Social Work and Development Studies) in a given time duration. Hence I would request you to consider my limitation and allow me extra time to write answers during the exam.

Looking forward for your kind cooperation in this regard.

With Regards Dhananjay Kuma

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Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of Higher Education (SC/ST Cell)

West Block-1, Wing-6, Level-2, R. K. Puram, New Delhi- 110 066, Dated:- 16th March, 2020.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Compensatory time to Persons with Benchmark Disabilities for the JEE (Main) examination scheduled in April, 2020-regd.

The undersigned is directed to refer to SC/ST Cell's O.M. of even No. dated 17.9.2018(Copy enclosed) & dated 18.2.2019(Copy enclosed) forwarding Guidelines for conducting written examinations for persons with Benchmark Disabilities, 2018 and Corrigendum respectively.

2. Now, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (D/o EPwDs) vide O.M. No. 34-07/2019-DD-III (Pt.E) dated 17.2.2020(Copy enclosed) requested to ensure that upcoming JEE (Main) and other competitive examination may be conducted as per the above stated Guidelines, Corrigendum and also, as per the order of Hon'ble High Court dated 04.12.2018.

3. In view of above, Bureaus of D/o Higher Education is once again requested to take necessary actions for strict implementations of the revised guidelines, corrigendum & order dated 4.12.2018 of Hon'ble High Court, while conducting upcoming JEE (Main) and other competitive examination.

Encl:- As above.

(Sanjeev Kumar) Sr. Statistical Officer (SC/ST) Tel No.:- 011-26171056

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F. No. 11-7/2018-SC/ST

Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of Higher Education SC/ST Cell

> Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, Dated:-17September, 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Guidelines for conducting written examinations for persons with Benchmark Disabilities.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy of Department of Empowerment of of Persons with Disabilities (D/oEPwD)'s O.M. No.34-02/2015-DD.III dated 29.8.2018 (Copy enclosed) regarding Guidelines for conducting written examinations for persons with Benchmark Disabilities, 2018. The Central Government (D/oEPwD) revised the Guidelines for conducting written examination for persons with benchmark disabilities, 2018 in supersession of the carlier Guidelines issued vide OM No.16-110/2003-DD.III dated 26/02/2013.

2. It is requested to ensure that the above guidelines are scrupulously followed while conducting examination for persons with benchmark disabilities. All the Institutions/Autonomous Bodies/CPSUs/Sub-Ordinate Offices under the administrative control of each Bureau may be advised appropriately to ensure compliance of implementing these guidelines.

3. Action taken in this regard may be intimated to SC/ST Cell for onward transmission to D/oEPwD.

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Encl:- As above.

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F. No. 11-7/2018-SC/ST Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of Higher Education SC/ST Cell

> Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, Dated:- 18th February, 2019

REMINDER-VI

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Guidelines for conducting written examinations for persons with Benchmark Disabilities.

The undersigned is directed to refer to SC/ST Cell's O.M. of even No. dated 17.9.2018 and subsequent five (5) reminders dated 22.10.1018, 9.11.2018, 18.12.2018, 22.1.2019 & 4.2.2019 on the subject mentioned above, forwarding D/o EPwD's O.M. No.34-02/2015-DD.III dated 29.8.2018 alongwith revised Guidelines for conducting written examinations for persons with Benchmark Disabilities, 2018, with request to provide the Action Taken Report (ATR) regarding implementation of the guidelines.

 Meanwhile, D/o EPwD vide Corrigendum No. 34-02/2015-DD.III (pt) dated 8.2.2019(Copy enclosed) has mentioned that guideline for conducting written examination for persons with disabilities is amended as under:-

Para XII on page 3 of the above guidelines may be substituted with the following:-

"The word "extra time or additional time" that is being currently used should be changed to "compensatory time" and the same should not be less than 20 minutes per hour of examination for persons who are allowed use of scribe/reader/lab assistant. All the candidates with benchmark disabilities who are eligible for availing the facility of scribe in terms of guidelines IV may be allowed additional time of minimum of one hour for examination of 3 hours duration whether they use the facility of scribe or not. In case the duration of the examination is less than an hour, then the duration of additional time should be allowed on pro-rata basis. Additional time should not be less than 5 minutes and should be in the multiple of 5".

3. In view of above, Bureaus of D/o Higher Education are once again requested to take necessary actions for strict implimentions of the revised guidelines & corrigendum, while conducting examination for persons with benchmark disabilities, and to provide ATR (Consolidated at Bureau level only) regarding implementation of the revised guidelines, so the same can be forwarded to D/o EPwDs.

Encl:- As above.

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(Ruchika Sharma) Assistant Director (SC/ST) Tel. No.23384145

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F.No 34-07/2019-DD-III (Pt. E) भारत सरकार / Government of India दिव्यांगजन सराक्तिकरण विभाग

Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्रालय/ Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment पाँचवा तल, बी विंग, पंडित दीलदवाल अंत्योदय भवन, सी जी जो कॉप्लेक्स, लोपी रोड, नई दिल्ली -110003 5th Floor, B Wing, Pt. Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi-110003

Date: 17 Hr Feb 2020

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: - Compensatory time to Persons with Benchmark Disabilities for the JEE (Main) examination scheduled in April 2020 -regd.

The undersigned is directed to forward a representation from Shri Alok Kamesh Otta dated 05.02.2020 which is self-explanatory in nature.

2. It is further stated that this Department has issued guidelines for conducting written examination for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities on 29th August, 2018 (copy enclosed). As per these guidelines, facility of Scribe/Reader/Lab Assistant is straightaway allowed for Persons with blindness, Locomotor disability (both arm affected) and Cerebral palsy. Such facility to other Persons with Benchmark Disabilities are available provided they submit a certificate in the prescribed proforma to the effect that he/she has difficulty in writing and that of speed.

3. A corrigendum dated 8th February, 2019 (copy enclosed) clearly specifying that compensatory time/additional time of minimum one hour for examination of 3 hours may be allowed for all candidates with benchmark disabilities who are eligible for availing the facility of scribe regardless of the fact that whether they use the facility of scribe or not.

4. D/o Higher Education is requested to ensure that upcoming JEE (Main) and other competitive examination may be conducted as per the above stated Guidelines. It may further be noted that examination body needs to have their

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own panel of Scribes for implementation of the revised guidelines as per the order of Hon'ble High Court dated 04.12.2018 (Copy Enclosed).

(KVS Rao) Director Tel : 24369054

Enclosed: As Above

Shri Mahesh Kumar Meena, DS (CDN) D/o Higher Education, Room No. 100 A-D Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi Email: mkmeena.edu@nic.in

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Shri Alok Kamesh Otta B-405, R.N.A. Royal Park M.G. Road, Kandivali (W) Mumbai - 400067

F. No. 34-02/2015-DD-III

Government of India Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment Department of Empowerment of of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)

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Pt. Deendnyal Antyodaya Bhawan, C.G.O. Complex, New Delhi - 110003 Dated: the 29 August, 2018

Office Memorandum

Subject: Guidelines for conducting written examination for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities

The undersigned is directed to say that this Department had issued the guidelines for conducting written examination for persons with disabilities defined in terms of erstwhile Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection for Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 vide OM No. 16-110/2003-DD.III dated 26/02/2013. The Department had constituted a Committee under the Chairmanship of Secretary, DEPwD in March, 2015 to review the said guidelines based on the issues raised by Union Public Service Commission and others. Meanwhile the Central Government enacted the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (RPwD Act, 2016) which came into force from 19.04.2017. The Act provides for reservation in Government jobs for persons with benchmark disabilities as defined under section 2 (r) of the said Act.

Based on the findings of the Committee, the Central Government hereby lays down the revised guidelines for conducting written examination for persons with benchmark disabilities in supersession of the earlier guidelines issued vide OM No. 16-110/2003-DD.III dated 26/02/2013 as under:

 These guidelines may be called as "Guidelines for conducting written examination for persons with benchmark disabilities 2018".

II. There should be a uniform and comprehensive policy across the country for persons with benchmark disabilities for written examination taking into account improvement in technology and new avenues opened to the persons with benchmark disabilities providing a level playing field. Policy should also have flexibility to accommodate the specific needs on case-to-case basis.

III. There is no need for fixing separate criteria for regular and competitive examinations.

IV. The facility of Scribe/Reader/Lab Assistant should be allowed to any person with benchmark disability as defined under section 2(r) of the RPwD Act, 2016 and has limitation in writing including that of speed if so desired by him/her.

In case of persons with benchmark disabilities in the category of blindness, locomotor disability (both arm affected-BA) and cerebral palsy, the facility of scribe/reader/lab assistant shall be given, if so desired by the person.

In case of other category of persons with benchmark disabilities, the provision of scribe/reader/lab assistant can be allowed on production of a certificate to the effect that the person concerned has physical limitation to write, and scribe is essential to write examination on his behalf, from the Chief Medical Officer/Civil Surgeon/ Medical Superintendent of a Government health care institution as per proforma at APPENDIX-I.

V. The candidate should have the discretion of opting for his own scribe/reader/lab assistant or request the Examination Body for the same. The examining body may also identify the scribe/reader/lab assistant to make panels at the District/Division/ State level as per the requirements of the examination. In such instances the candidates should be allowed to meet the scribe two days before the examination so that the candidates get a chance to check and verify whether the scribe is suitable or not.

VL In case the examining body provides the scribe/reader/lab assistant, it shall be ensured that qualification of the scribe should not be more than the minimum qualification criteria of the examination. However, the qualification of the scribe/reader should always be matriculate or above.

In case the candidate is allowed to bring his own scribe, the qualification of the scribe should be one step below the qualification of the candidate taking examination. The persons with benchmark disabilities opting for own scribe/reader should submit details of the own scribe as per proforms at APPENDIX-II

VII. There should also be flexibility in accommodating any change in scribc/reader/lab assistant in case of emergency. The candidates should also be allowed to take more than one scribc/reader for writing different papers especially for languages. However, there can be only one scribe per subject.

VIII. Persons with benchmark disabilities should be given, as far as possible, the option of choosing the mode for taking the examinations i.e. in Braille or in the computer or in large print or even by recording the answers as the examining bodies

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can easily make use of technology to convert question paper in large prints, e-text, or Braille and can also convert Braille text in English or regional languages.

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IX. In case, the persons with benchmark disabilities are allowed to take examination on computer system, they should be allowed to check the computer system one day in advance so that the problems, if any in the software/system could be rectified. Use of own computer/laptop should not be allowed for taking examination. However, enabling accessories for the computer based examinations such as keyboard, customized mouse etc should be allowed.

X. The procedure of availing the facility of scribe should be simplified and the necessary details should be recorded at the time of filling up of the forms. Thereafter, the examining body should ensure availability of question papers in the format opted by the candidate as well as suitable seating arrangement for giving examination.

XI. The disability certificate issued by the competent medical authority at any place should be accepted across the country.

XII. The word "extra time or additional time" that is being currently used should be changed to "compensatory time" and the same should not be less than 20 minutes per hour of examination for persons who are allowed use of scribe/reader/lab assistant. All the candidates with benchmark disability not availing the facility of scribe may be allowed additional time of minimum of one hour for examination of 3 hours duration. In case the duration of the examination is less than an hour, then the duration of additional time should be allowed on pro-rata basis. Additional time should not be less than 5 minutes and should be in the multiple of 5.

XIII. The candidates should be allowed to use assistive devices like talking calculator (in cases where calculators are allowed for giving exams), tailor frame, Braille slate, abacus, geometry kit, Braille measuring tape and augmentative communication devices like communication chart and electronic devices.

XIV. Proper scating arrangement (preferably on the ground floor) should be made prior to the commencement of examination to avoid confusion or distraction during the day of the exam. The time of giving the question papers should be marked accurately and timely supply of supplementary papers should be ensured.

XV. As far as possible, the examining body should also provide reading material in Braille or E-Text or on computers having suitable screen reading software for open book examination. Similarly online examination should be in accessible format i.e. websites, question papers and all other study material should be accessible as per the international standards laid down in this regard.

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XVI. Alternative objective questions in lieu of descriptive questions should be provided for Hearing-Impaired persons, in addition to the existing policy of giving alternative questions in lieu of questions requiring visual inputs, for persons with Visual Impairment.

XVII. As far as possible the examination for persons with disabilities should be held at the ground floor. The examination centres should be accessible for persons with disabilities.

2. It is requested to ensure that the above guidelines are scrupulously followed while conducting examination for persons with benchmark disabilities. All the recruitment agencies, Academics/Examination Bodies etc. under the administrative control of each Ministry/Deapartment may be advised appropriately to ensure compliance of implementing these guidelines. Action taken in this regard may be intimated to this office.

3. The above guidelines are issued with the approval of Hon'ble Minister (Social Justice & Empowerment).

Yours faithfully.

(D.K. Pantida) Under Secretary to the Government of India Tele. No. 24369059

To

1. Secretary of all Ministries/Department.

2. Secretary, UPSC, Shahjahan Road, New Delhi.

3. Chairman, SSC, Block No.12, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.

4. Chairman, University Grants Commission with a request to issue necessary instructions to all universities including Deemed Universities for compliance.

5. Chairman, Railway Board

6. All National Institutes and RCI under administrative control of Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of SJ&F, New Delhi

Copy for information to: CCPD, Sarojini Bhawan, Bhagwan Dass Road, New Delhi

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APPENDIX- I

Certificate regarding physical limitation in an examinee to write

This is to certify that, I have examined Mr/Ms/Mrs _________ (name of the candidate with disability), a person with ________ (nature and percentage of disability as mentioned in the certificate of disability), S/o/D/o ______, a resident of _______ (Village/District/State) and to state that he/she has physical limitation which hampers his/her writing capabilities owing to his/her disability.

Signature

Chief Medical Officer/Civil Surgeon/ Medical Superintendent of a

Government health care institution

Name & Designation.

Name of Government Hospital/Health Care Centre with Scal

Place:

Date:

Note:

Certificate should be given by a specialist of the relevant stream/disability (eg. Visual impairment - Ophthalmologist, Leomotor disability - Prthopaedic specialist/PMR). (126)

APPENDIX- II

Letter of Undertaking for Using Own Scribe

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I do hereby state that ______ (name of the scribe) will provide the service of scribe/reader/lab assistant for the undersigned for taking the aforesaid examination.

I do hereby undertake that his qualification is ______. In case, subsequently it is found that his qualification is not as declared by the undersigned and is beyond my qualification, I shall forfeit my right to the post and claims relating thereto.

(Signature of the candidate with Disability)

Place:

Date:

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F. No. 34-02/2015-DD-III (pt) Government of India Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment Department of Empowerment of of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)

Pt. Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, C.G.O. Complex, New Delhi -110003 Dated the B^{1b} February, 2019

Corrigendum

Sub:- Guidelines for conducting written examination for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities

This Department's O.M. No.34-02/2015-DD.III dated 29/08/2018 prescribing the guidelines for conducting written examination for persons with disabilities is amended as under:

Para XII on page 3 of the above guidelines may be substituted with the following-

"The word "extra time or additional time" that is being currently used should be changed to "compensatory time" and the same should not be less than 20 minutes per hour of examination for persons who are allowed use of scribe/reader/lab assistant. All the candidates with benchmark disabilities who are eligible for availing the facility of scribe in terms of guidelines IV may be allowed additional time of minimum of one hour for examination of 3 hours duration whether they use the facility of scribe or not. In case the duration of the examination is less than an hour, then the duration of additional time should be allowed on pro-rate basis. Additional time should not be less than 5 minutes and should be in the multiple of 5"

(K.V.S. Rao) Director Tele, No. 24369054

To

1. Secretary of all Ministries/Department.

2. Secretary. UPSC, Shahjahan Road, New Delhi.

3. Chairman, SSC, Block No.12, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003.

4. Chairman, University Grants Commission with a request to issue necessary instructions to all universities including Deemed Universities for compliance.

5. Chairman, Railway Board

6. All National Institutes and RCI under administrative control of Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of SJ&E, New Delhi

Copy for information to: CCPD. Sarojini Bhawan, Bhagwan Dass Road, New Delhi

F.No.34-02/2015-DD-III(Pt)

Government of India Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)

> Pt. Antyodaya Bhawan, 5th Floor, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi Dated 1st January, 2019

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub:- Compliance of order of Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in the matter of Shri Aditya Narayan Tiwari & Anr. Vs Union of India & Anr reg.

In continuation of this Department's O.M. of even number dated 28/11/2018 (copy enclosed), the undersigned is directed to say that Hon'ble High Court of Delhi has further clarified in the matter as under vide order dated 04/12/2018 (copy enclosed):

2. All the Ministries/Departments are requested to issue appropriate advisory to all examining bodies under their administrative control to make a panel of scribe/reader/lab assistant at the District/Divisional/State Level in terms of clause V of the guidelines dated 29/08/2018. Till the panel of scribes is not formed, any of the Department who are conducting the exam, shall not conduct the exam in terms of guidelines dated 29/08/2018.

Encl: As above

(D.K. Panda) Under Secretary to the Govt. of India & CPIO Tel. No. 24369059

To

- 1. Secretary of all Ministries/Department.
- 2. Secretary, UPSC, Shahjahan Road, New Delhi.
- Chairman, SSC, Block No. 12, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi 110003.
- Chairman, University Grants Commission with a request to issue necessary instructions to all universities including Decmed Universities for compliance.
- 5. Chairman, Railway Board.
- Shri Vijoy Kumar Singh, Joint Secretary (A), Department of Personnel & Training Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, North Block, New Delhi -110001.

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Copy for information to: CCPD, Sarojini Bhawan, Bhagwan Dass Road, N.D.

Copy to: 1. Shri S.K. Rungta, General Secretary, National Federation of the Blind, Plot No. 21, Sector - VI, M.B. Road, Pushp Vihar, New Delhi-110017.

2. Director, IBPS, for similar necessary action.

2020/SC/ST Cell

F.No.34-02/2015-DD-III(Pt) Government of India Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)

Pt. Antyodaya Bhawan, 5th Floor, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi Dated 2 F November, 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Compliance of order of Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in the matter of Shri Aditya Narayan Tiwari & Anr. Vs Union of India & Anr reg.

The undersigned is directed to say that this Department had issued revised guidelines for conducting written examination for persons with benchmark disabilities on 29.08.2018. Clause V of the guidelines inter alia states that the examining body may identify the scribe/reader/lab assistant to make panels at the District/Divisional/State Level as per the requirement of the examination. And in such instances the candidates should be allowed to meet the scribe two days before the examination.

2. Recently, Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in the matter of Shri Aditya Narayan Tiwari & Anr. Vs Union of India & Anr. vide order dated 15/11/2018 has held that no examination of any of the Departments shall be conducted without complying obligations under above said clause V of the guidelines dated 29/08/2018 (copy enclosed).

3. It is requested that all the Ministries/Departments may issue appropriate advisory to all examining bodies under their administrative control to make a panel of scribe/reader/lab assistant at the District/Divisional/State Level in terms of clause V of the guidelines dated 29/08/2018 and in compliance of the Honble High Court of Delhi. Action taken in the matter may be intimated to this Department so that Honble High Court be apprised accordingly in the next hearing to be held on 09/01/2019.

Encl: As above

(D.K. Panda) Under Secretary to the Govt. of India & CPIO Tel. No. 24369059

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI

W.P.(C) 12222/2018 and CM APPL. 47370-47371/2018

ADITYA NARAYAN TIWARI & ANR

Through

.... Petitioners

Mr. S.K.Rungta, Sr. Adv. for petitioner no.2 with Mr. Shivanker Shukla, Adv. and petitioner no.2 in person

versus

UNION OF INDIA & ANR Through

..... Respondents Mr. Vivek Goyal, CGSC with Mr. Pawan Pathak, Advs. for R-1 Mr. Jagat Arora and Mr. Rajat Arora, Adv. for R-2

CORAM:

21-1-2-040

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURESH KUMAR KAFT ORDER 15.11.2018 %

Pursuant to order dated 14.11.2018, counsel for the respondent no.2 has made appearance and submits that the representation has been considered by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment and accordingly the Department has clarified to IBPS, Respondent no.2 herein, that the guidelines dated 29.08.2018 are applicable for all the examinations for recruitment for which advertisement is notified on or after 29.08.2018. The guidelines dated 26.02.2013 are applicable for the examinations for which action has been initiated prior to

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29.08.2018. In the present case, the advertisement was issued prior to 29.08.2018.

Since the respondent no.2 has taken the decision that they shall not implement the guidelines dated 29.08.2018 in the examination of Probationary Officers and Management Training to be conducted on 18.11.2018, the prayer for the said purpose is satisfied, at this stage.

Consequently, the necessary changes shall be carried out on the portal of respondent no.2 for the examination which is to be held on 18.11.2018.

For the remaining issues raised in this case, counsel for the respondent no.1 seeks time to file counter affidavit.

Let the needful be done within four weeks from today. Rejoinder thereto, if any, to be filed within two weeks thereafter.

I hereby made clear that no examination of any of the Department shall be conducted without complying obligations under Clause V of guidelines dated 29.08.2018 issued by respondent no.1. Respondent no.1 shall communicate this order to all the concerned Departments for compliance.

Renotify on 09.01.2019.

Order dasti under signatures of Court Master.

-sd-SURESH KUMAR KAIT, J

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI

W.P.(C) 12222/2018

ADITYA NARAYAN TIWARI & ANR

Petitioners

Through

Mr. S.K. Rungta, Senior Adv. with Mr. Shivankar Shukla, Mr. Prashant Singh and Mr. Siddhart Jain, Advs.

versus

UNION OF INDIA & ANR Through Mr. Vivek Goyal, CGSC with Mr. Pawan Pathak, Adv. for UOI/R-1 Mr. Jagat Arora, Mr. Rajat Arora and Mr. Murad Khan, Advs. for R-2

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SURESH KUMAR KAIT <u>ORDER</u> 04.12.2018

CM APPL, Nos. 50801/2018 and 50752/2018

By the application No. 50801/2018, applicant / respondent no.2 seek direction thereby to follow the new guidelines dated 29.08.2018 without fulfilling the part of Clause-V which speaks about 'creating Panel of Scribes.

The petitioners have filed CM APPL No. 50752/2018 whereby seek direction directing the respondent no.2 to conduct the examinations for elerical posts scheduled for 9.12.2018 on the basis of the guidelines for use of scribe issued by respondent no. 1 vide file No. 16-110/2003/DD-III dated 26.2.2013 instead of guidelines of 29.08.2018, which is sought to be enforced and further directing

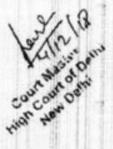


respondent no.1 to issue clear instructions to all concerned that till such time they are able to put in place of panel of scribes at different levels in terms of requirements of examination in discharge of their obligations under Clause-V of guidelines of 2018, the examinations being conducted by them shall be conducted on the basis of guide lines issued by respondent no.1 on 26.02.2013 till disposal of the present petition.

On 15.11.2018 during the course of hearing, the counsel for respondent no.2 stated that the representation has been considered by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment and accordingly the Department has clarified to respondent no.2 ie. IBPS that the guide lines dated 29.08.2018 are applicable for all examinations for the recruitment for which advertisement is notified on or after 29.08.2018. The guidelines dated 26.02.2013 are applicable for the examination for which action has been initiated prior to 29.08.2018.

Accordingly, this Court observed in order dated 15.11.2018 that since the respondent no.2 has taken the decision that they shall not implement the guidelines dated 29.08.2018 in the examination of the Probationary Officers and Management Training to be conducted on 18.11.2018, the prayer for the said purpose was satisfied, at that stage.

Consequently, this Court directed that necessary changes shall be carried out on the portal of respondent no.2 for the examination which is to be held on 18.11.2018. It was made clear that no examination of any of the Department shall be conducted without



complying obligations under Clause-V of guidelines dated 29.08.2018 issued by the respondent no.1. It is further directed that respondent no.1 shall communicate this order to all the concerned Departments for compliance.

It is not in dispute that the respondent no. 1 has conveyed the directions dated 15.11.2018 passed by this Court.

In the present application No. 50801/2018, the applicant / respondent no 2 has shown its inability to prepare the panel of scribes and therefore, seeks direction to allow the applicant / respondent no.2 to follow the new guidelines dated 29.08.2018.

Learned counsel appearing in CM APPL No. 50752/2018 submits that if the respondent no.2 or any other Department is not able to prepare panel of scribes, then the petitioners and similarly situated persons should be allowed to participate in any of the examination, in terms of guidelines dated 26.02.2013.

Counsel for the respondent no.2 has no objection if such direction is issued till the panel of scribes is formed.

Accordingly, I hereby modify the order dated 15.11.2018 and direct the respondent no.2 to allow the petitioners and other similarly situated persons to have scribes of their choice as per guidelines dated 26.02.2013.

I hereby made it clear that till the panel of scribes is formed, if any examination is conducted by any of the Department wherein the petitioners and similarly situated persons appear in the exam, the guidelines dated 29.08.2018 shall not be applicable, however, the candidate shall appear in terms of guidelines dated 26.02.2013.



Accordingly, the respondent no. 1 is directed to issue corrigendum to their letter dated 28.11.2018.

In the corrigendum it would be specifically stated that, till the panel of scribes is not formed, any of the Department who are conducting the exam, shall not conduct the exam in terms of guidelines dated 29.08.2018.

Consequently, the necessary changes shall be carried out on the portal of respondent no.2 for the examination to be held on 09.12.2018 and 30.12.2018.

In view of the above directions, both the applications are disposed of accordingly.

Order dasti under signatures of Court Master.

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SURESH KUMAR KAIT, J

Court Master High Court of Delhi New Delhi

DECEMBER 04, 2018 gb

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