

MINUTES OF THE E.C. MEETING HELD AT AAYAKAR BHAWAN UTTAR ON 22.07.15

An EC meeting was convened at Aayakar Bhawan Uttar Building on 22.07.15 at 4:00 PM to transact the following agenda items:

1. To discuss the national issues
2. To discuss local organizational issues
3. To discuss the issues to be raised in the All India MCM to be held at Chandigarh
3. Any other issue with the permission of the Chair.

The meeting started with Sri Mrinal Kanti Chanda at the chair. He welcomed all the members present at the meeting. He then asked Sri Bishnu Pada Mandal to apprise the house about the developments taken place in the last Quarterly Review Meeting held at CBDT, New Delhi with the representatives of the Central JCA on 21.07.2015. Sri Mandal was supplemented by Sri Sayantan Banerjee. The discussion that took place at the said QRM, as learnt from the CHQ was reported as under:

ITO to ACIT Promotion: Central JCA made it clear that they won't accept promotions of 180 officers, both for 2013-14 and 2014-15 and expressed dissatisfaction for keeping the vacancy calculation for those two years pending over a couple of months. The Chairperson then directed the DG, HRD & Ad-VI to complete the calculation within 7 days. She also assured that the full Board would finalize the vacancy position on receipt of the report from them.

2002 Batch JCIT regularization: It was reported that all objections raised by the UPSC had been answered and the file was lying with the UPSC. The Board was expecting that the date of DPC would be announced very soon.

Promotion to the grade of JCIT: It was reported that the DOPT had allowed maximum relaxation of residency period in the grade of DCIT i.e. 2 ½ years (half of residency period of 5 years), which made 2006 (1:1) & 2007 batches (including bunching cases of 2006) eligible for JCIT promotion as on 01.04.2015 and 01.04.2016 respectively. Screening Committee meeting for 2006 Batch (1:1) JCIT promotion was convened on 28.07.2015.

Commensurate posts in the grades of AO & PS: It was told that the note submitted by the ITGOA was being examined by HRD wing and they would sit with ITGOA before preparation of the final proposal.

Relaxation for filling up the post of Pr. AO /AO Grade-II: The Board asked for complete database from the Central JCA in this regard so that appropriate proposal could be sent to the DOPT for relaxation in residency period.

Finalization of Recruitment Rule for Group B & C cadres: Central JCA expressed its reservation regarding the changes proposed in the Recruitment Rules of ITO/AO/PS, as it deviates from what had been agreed upon in the Sub-Committee constituted for that purpose. Central JCA was then asked to submit detail of the objections raised.

Introduction of ITBA & other system related issues: It was reported that the exiting ITD system would be completely replaced by ITBA by December, 2015. It was further said that the issue of additional password for refund or issuing RSA Tokens to staff members would be addressed in ITBA system.

Regarding CRC: It was told that the committee constituted to examine the phasing out proposal of 1,633 posts would be revived once again and asked to submit report within 3 months. On the issue of revival of posts curtailed from the proposal at ACIT/DCIT grade during approval of CRC, it was reported that a fresh proposal would be sent to the Ministry after DPC for 2014-15 taken place.

Laptops: It was reported that the proposal for replacement of old Laptops / issuance of new laptops upto ITOs was pending at DOE. However the proposal for AO/PS had once again been rejected. ITGOA had submitted a fresh note on justification, which was being further strengthened at HRD wing for re-submission.

Sri Sabyasachi Chakraborty discussed about the pressure of the higher authorities for submission of illogical, unnecessary and repetitive reports. He proposed to bring the issue to the notice of the CHQ.

Sri Amitava Sen reported that because of the different accounting procedure (cash system / mercantile system) adopted by the deductor and deductee several mismatches were occurring, leading to raising of unnecessary demands. He proposed that the Assessing Officers should be allowed to rectify the mismatches by changing the deduction year, wherever required.

Sri Lakshman Sarkar raised the issue of information forwarded by I&CI wing and Investigation Wings, without proper segregation/dissemination which were often sent at the last moment as far as time barring action was concerned and found to be baseless. He proposed that there should be a proper guideline on how to dispose of the information so received.

Sri Amiya Mukherjee stated that TROs should be given access to ITD module, otherwise he/she had to be completely dependent on the assessing officers for even the slightest of information, required for recovery proceeding.

Sri Subhendu Biswas reported that single computer, as presently allotted to the office of any assessment unit, was found to be not enough considering the increase in work volume. He proposed that at least another computer should be allotted to each assessment unit.

Sri Amiya Mukherjee raised the issue of uneven distribution as well as shortage of manpower at Bamboo Villa building.

Sri Debasish Roy reported that they had already released the staff members, who were posted at the office of the CIT-17, Kol. and under order of transfer. However the staff members, who had been ordered to join the office of the CIT-17, Kol. vide the same AGT orders, were yet to join. He stated that the imbalance between the no. of staff members released and joined was actually hampering the smooth functioning of the office.

The President apprised that house that the problems raised and the proposals given would be taken up with the authorities or the CHQ. He further apprised that the biennial event of Phalguni Mukherjee Memorial Lecture would be organized in September, 2015. The details of the speakers would be communicated to the members, once finalized.

It was decided in the meeting that the delegation for the MCM would raise the issues like phasing out of posts, infrastructural problems, the problems of calling for repetitive reports, system related problems apart from the pending issues like ACIT Promotion, JCIT promotion/regularization, commensurate posts and laptops for AO/PS, Recruitments Rules for ITO/AO/PS etc.

A committee for ABU Building was constituted in the meeting. Sri J.K. Saha was nominated as the convenor of the committee, who would be assisted by Sri Subhendu Biswas and Sri Subir Paul. It was also decided that Sri J.K. Saha, being the convenor of the committee, would raise the issues relating to Aayakar Bhawan Uttar in EC Meetings.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.