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To

The Chief Secretary,
Government of Assam,
Assam Sachivalaya,
Block C, 3rd Floor,
Dispur, Guwahati – 781006, Assam.

Sub: Phase-III Mid-Career Training programmes for Indian Forest Service officers

Sir,

This is to inform you that as a part of civil services reforms approved by the Hon'ble Prime Minister for the three All India Services, viz IAS, IPS & IFS, the Ministry of Environment & Forests, GOI has approved conduct of Phase III Mid Career Training programmes for IFS officers of 7-9 years seniority. Accordingly, the third course of Phase III MCT programme for the IFS officers of 2001 to 2005 batches is proposed to be organized by IGNFA in the year 2011-12, as per the schedule given as under.

Phase	Complete duration	Duration at IIM Ahemdabad	Duration at IGNFA for In-country Module	Duration abroad (In two groups of 30 participants each)
III (Training Provider – IIM Ahemdabad)	13 th March to 4 th May 2012	13 th March to 17 th March 2012	19 th March, 2012 to 13 th April 2012; 31 st April to 04 th May, 2012	16 th April 2012 to 28 th April 2012 1 st Group – CSU Calarado USA II nd Group – SLU Sweden

2. IGNFA has finalized the nominations for the aforesaid 3rd Course of Phase III programme as per the DoPT guidelines, which provide that a member of service who has less than three years of service left after the year in which he has been selected to undergo MCT, would not be sent for the same. In preparing the list of nominees, roster system approved by MoEF vide letter No.2-9/2006-RT dated 26/11/09 has been followed. Accordingly, names of 69 officers have been finalized for the course, in which the officers as S.N. 61-69 would be kept in waiting list and would be invited to attend the course, only if any of the first sixty officers drop out or show his/her unavailability. Otherwise, these officers would be invited in the next course of Phase III. While preparing the list, IFS civil list 2011 drawn by MoEF has been used as basis. It is, however, likely, that some names especially of those officers inducted into IFS & allotted the relevant YoA, subsequent to preparation the said civil list, might have got omitted. In view of this, you are requested to kindly go through the civil list of 2011 and inform if, some names pertaining to YoA 2001 to 2005 are not figuring in the said nomination list. Academy shall incorporate these names in subsequent list of nominations after getting confirmation from the MoEF. The State Governments are, however, requested to convey approval of participation for all the officers figuring in the list from their States so that further approval may not be required for inclusion of the officers from S. no 61 to 69 due to drop outs from S. no 1 to 60.

3. AS the above training programmes are being organized in association with National/International institutions and also involve two-week foreign visit as well as training at other national level Institutions like IIMs, the participation of individual officer needs to be confirmed well in advance both by the concerned states as well as by the participants themselves. This may kindly be done latest by 6th Feb, 2012. It is also mentioned that keeping in view the international commitments involved in the conduct of the training programme, it would not be possible to change a confirmed nomination to the training programme except under very emergent circumstances and that too only after the approval of MoEF.

4. You are requested to direct the concerned officers about the programme details and ask them to be in complete readiness. **The most important requirement for all the participating officers would be to get their official passports ready from the Regional Passport Officers located in your state.** The officer can either use authority of this letter/respective State Govt. letters for issuance of official passport from Regional Passport Office or approach the IGnFA on an urgent basis to make available the political clearance issued by MEA. The visa formalities can be completed by this Academy/MoEF, only for those officers, who have obtained the official passport in time and have intimated to the Academy accordingly. The participating officers may kindly be directed to follow the above requirements well in time.

Further, the States are also requested to take advance action to ensure release of the nominated officers in time to enable them attend the training programme. **During the programme, the participants will be provided single accommodation and under no circumstances the family members would be allowed to accompany during the entire training programme including study visit abroad.**

5. Further, it is worth mentioning that the Indian Forest Service (Pay) Rules have been revised vide notification no. 20011/1/2006-AIS-II dated 21.02.2008 and its amendment through IFS (Pay) Second Amendment Rules, 2008 vide notification no. 14021/3/2008-AIS-II dated 27.09.2008, to make successful completion of these MCT programmes compulsory for award of Junior Administrative grade, IInd Super time scale and further increments to the concerned officers. Therefore, it would be the responsibility of the concerned State Government and the officers themselves to be in a position to attend the programme as per the schedule. Failure to attend the said training, without express approval of MoEF, would mandatorily attract the consequences laid down in the IFS (Pay) rules for which this Academy or the MoEF shall not be responsible.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: as above


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Director

Copy for information and necessary action to

- 1 Principal Secretary, Department of Forests, Government of Assam, Assam Sachivalaya, Guwahati.
- 2 Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, HoFF, Government of Assam, with a request to kindly direct the officers nominated for the course to visit the IGnFA website www.ignfa.gov.in for further details and complete their on-line registration, which is compulsory.