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As per Recruitment Rules 2011 for the post of Passport Officer, Deputy Passport Officer and Assistant Passport Officer, the method of recruitment on Deputation in Column 11 is "the officers of Central Government including officers of All India Services". This Division proposes to amend the method of recruitment on Deputation in Column 11 of Recruitment Rules for these posts as "Officers under the Central Government including officers of All India Service and Officers under the State Governments/Union Territories.

2. In compliance with DoPT's Office Memorandum No.AB-14017/61/2008-Estt(RR) dated 13.10.2015, comments from all the Central Passport Organization officials/officers, if any, are invited to the proposed amendment within 30 days from the date of issue of this circular. The comments may be furnished via e-mail at socpvcadre@mea.gov.in

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- PO(XLM), MEA, Shastri Bhawan, with the request to upload the circular alongwith draft recruitment rules on Ministry's website.
- (ii) Principal Consultant and Head Technical, PMU with the request to upload the circular alongwith draft recruitment rules on PSP portal.

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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 Ministry of External Affairs, Central Passport Organization (Group 'A' Posts) Recruitment Rules, 2011, except as respect things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the President hereby makes the following rules regulating the method of recruitment to the posts of the Passport Officer, Deputy Passport Officer and Assistant Passport Officer (Group 'A' posts) in the Central Passport Organisation of the Ministry of External Affairs, namely:-
- 1. **Short title and commencement**.- (1) These rules may be called the Ministry of External Affairs, Central Passport Organisation (Group 'A') Posts, Recruitment Rules, 2016.
- (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- 2. **Application**. These rules shall apply to the posts mentioned in column (1) of the Schedule annexed to these rules
- 3. Number of posts, classification and pay band and grade pay or pay scale. The number of the said posts, their classification and the pay band and grade pay or pay scale attached thereto shall be as specified in columns (2) to 4 of the aforesaid Schedule.
- 4. **Method of recruitment, age limit and other qualifications, etc.** The method of recruitment, age limit, qualifications and other matters relating to the abovesaid posts shall be as specified in columns (5) to (13) of the said Schedule.
- 5. **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 other party to the marriage and that there are other grounds for so doing, exempt any person from the operation of this rule.

6. **Power to relax.-** Where the Central Government is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient so to do, it may, by order, for reasons to be recorded in writing, and in consultation with the Union Public Service Commission relax any of the provisions of these rules in respect of any class or category of persons.