

F.No. 2-9/2023-NRAA
Government of India
Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare
National Rainfed Area Authority

Plant Authority Bhawan, 8th Floor,
Dev Prakash Shastri Marg, Pusa,
New Delhi-110012
Dated : 9th June, 2025

To,

1. The Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary (Agriculture/Horticulture/Environment & Forestry/Animal Husbandry & Fisheries) of all State Government and Administrators of all Union Territories.
2. Vice Chancellor of all Agriculture Universities.
3. Heads of Semi-Government, Autonomous & Statutory Bodies/Recognized Research Institutions or Councils,
4. CMDs of all Public Sector Undertakings.

Subject: Vacancy circular for filling up of the posts of Senior Technical Assistant in National Rainfed Area Authority on deputation (including short term contract)-reg.

Sir/Madam,

It is proposed to fill up five posts of Senior Technical Assistant (General Central Service), Group B, Non Gazetted, Non-Ministerial, Level 6 in the Pay Matrix Rs.35400-112400 on deputation (including short term contract) basis in National Rainfed Area Authority, Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare. The discipline of the five posts is as under:-

- i. Senior Technical Assistant (Water Management),
- ii. Senior Technical Assistant (Forestry),
- iii. Senior Technical Assistant (Watershed Development or Social Science or Economics),
- iv. Senior Technical Assistant (Agriculture/Horticulture)
- v. Senior Technical Assistant (Animal Husbandry & Fisheries)

Eligibility conditions Deputation (including short-term contract):-

Officers under the Central or State Government or Union Territory Service or Semi Government or Statutory Bodies or Public Sector Undertakings or Autonomous Bodies or Recognized Research Institutions or Council:

- a (i) holding analogous posts in the parent cadre or department on regular basis, or


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(ii) with six years regular service in the grade rendered after appointment thereto on regular basis in Level -5 (Rs. 29200-92300) of Pay Matrix or equivalent in the parent cadre or department; or

(iii) with ten years regular service in the grade rendered after appointment thereto on regular basis in Level-4 (Rs. 25500-81100) of Pay Matrix or equivalent in the parent cadre or department; and

(b) (i) possessing the following educational qualification and experience, namely:-

Essential: Graduate in Agriculture Science or Horticulture or Agriculture Engineering or Civil Engineering, Veterinary Science or Animal Science or Dairy or Fisheries or Soil and Water Conservation or Water Resources or Hydrology or Forestry or Wild Life Science or Sociology or Economics from a recognised university;

(ii) Two years experience in relevant field of post of Senior Technical Assistant.

(b) **Desirable:**

i. Post graduate degree in concerned subject or discipline of the post.

3. Period of Deputation (including short term contract) & Age limit:

The 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 to exceed three years. The maximum age limit for appointment by deputation (ISTC) shall not be exceeding 56 years as on the closing date of receipt of applications.

4. Regulation of pay & other terms of deputation:

The pay of the selected candidate will be regulated under the provisions contained in DOPT O.M. No. 6/8/2009-Estt (Pay.II) dated 17.6.2009 as amended from time to time.

5. List of duties/responsibilities attached to the posts of STA are as under:

- (i) They will be assigned to collect and compile base line data of rainfed most vulnerable districts.
- (ii) They will have to visit drought prone districts/ rainfed districts as per directions of officers.
- (iii) They will have to assist Technical Experts and Directors to achieve the assigned target.
- (iv) They will have to assist in monitoring and supervising of programme implementation in identified most vulnerable districts across the country.
- (v) They will have to assist in implementation of various agriculture contingencies plan in drought prone districts.
- (vi) They will assist in monitoring and evaluation of programmes /schemes undertaken in the Division.
- (vii) They will assist formulation of State-wise perspective plan for the holistic development of the rainfed areas.

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(viii) Any other works as may be assigned by NRAA from time to time.

6. Application(s) (in duplicate) of eligible candidates, whose services can be spared immediately on selection, are to be sent in the prescribed proforma (Annex. I), together with a certificate from the Forwarding Authority (in proforma at Annex.II) along with the following documents:

- i. Cadre clearance
- ii. Integrity Certificate
- iii. Vigilance Certificate
- iv. Attested copies of ACRs/APARs for the last 5 years (2020-21 to 2024 - 2025) (attested on each page by an officer not below the rank of Under Secretary to the Government of India)
- v. List of major/minor penalties imposed if any, on the official during the last 10 years (If no penalty has been imposed a 'NIL' certificate should be enclosed).

7. The application(s) with the required documents may please be forwarded to Section Officer, National Rainfed Area Authority, Plant Authority Bhawan, 8th Floor, DPS Marg, Pusa, New Delhi-110012 within 60 days of publication of the advertisement in the Employment News. Application (s) not forwarded through proper channel or received without the requisite certificate(s) and necessary documents will not be entertained.

8. The candidates who apply for the post will not be allowed to withdraw their candidature subsequently.

9. This communication is also available on websites (www.nraa.gov.in / agricoop.nic.in).

Yours faithfully



(Krishan Pal)

Section Officer

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Copy to:

1. All Ministries/Departments of Govt. of India- It is requested that the vacancy may please be given wide publicity in their various offices under their administrative control.
2. Deputy Secretary (P), Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi - for giving wide publicity in the department.
3. All organizations of the Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi.
4. The Secretary, Indian Council of Agricultural Research, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi, for giving wide publicity in their various research institutions.
5. US (RFS), DA&FW.
6. Copy to NIC for uploading on the websites of DA&FW and NRAA.
7. Guard File.