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Government of India
Ministry of Communications & IT
Department of Posts
(GDS Section)

Dak Bhawan, Sansad Marg
New Delhi- 110001

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To

All Chief Postmasters General

Subject: Review of Essential Qualifications/selection criteria for engagement to posts of Gramin Dak Sevak Branch Postmasters

As per this Directorate letter No. 17-366/91-ED & TRG dated 12.03.1993 read with letter No. even dated 08.01.2014, the essential educational qualification for engagement as GDS BPM is matriculation and selection is based on the marks obtained in the matriculation or equivalent examination.

2. As part of the implementation of the rural IT project, there is a proposal for providing Hand Held Devices to the GDS BPMs also so that they are able to provide postal services online, to the customers. In this connection, the issue of GDS BPMs having some basic computer knowledge so that they are able to operate the Hand Held Devices, has been under active consideration of this Department for some time.
3. In has, therefore, been decided that from now on, the condition of basic knowledge of computers be made a mandatory requirement for recruitment to the post of GDS BPMs. The applicants selected for the post of GDS BPM should have at least 60 days computer training from a recognized computer training institute. At the time of engagement, the applicant should provide a certificate to that effect from the Computer Training Institute from where he has done 60 days of basic computer training. The selection of the GDS BPM will however continue to be done on the basis of marks obtained in matriculation/equivalent examination as per existing procedure.
4. The aforesaid revision provision shall come into effect from 15th Feb 2014. Therefore, each notification calling for applications for the posts of GDS BPMs issued on or after the effective date shall contain this additional requirement for an applicant to be eligible for consideration to the post of GDS Branch Postmaster.
5. The contents of this letter may be circulated to all concerned for strict compliance. The receipt of this letter may please be acknowledged.


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