

Dated : 09 .03.2021



To,

THE FIRST APPELLATE AUTHORITY &
DY. CHAIRMAN,
COCHIN PORT TRUST.
COCHIN

Sub: Appeal for non-furnishing of complete information / documents under RTI Act.

Sir,

In my RTI Application dt. 18.01.2021, I requested the following documents :

1. Copies of all Note Sheets (notings) related to filling up the post of SE(M), in Port starting from a decision taken for approval from the competent authority.
 2. Issuance of circular / Advt. to All India Major Ports for filling up the said post.
 3. Decision to hold SSC.
 4. Proceedings of services Selection Committee Meeting etc.
2. The CPIO & Sr.Dy. Secretary, Cochin Port Trust vide letter dated 26.02.2020, has furnished the following documents and not provided all the documents/Information as requested in my RTI application :
1. Issuance of circular / Advt. to All India Major Ports for filling up the said post. (4 pages)
 2. Proceedings of services Selection Committee Meeting etc. (2 pages)
3. However, the CPIO & Sr.Dy. Secretary, Cochin Port Trust has not provided the complete documents/Information as requested in my RTI application which is a violation of the provisions of the RTI Act 2015.
4. Therefore, it is evident that CPIO & Sr.Dy. Secretary, Cochin Port Trust has deliberately not furnished the following required documents as requested in my RTI Application dt. 18.01.2021: -
1. Copies of all Note Sheets (notings) related to filling up the post of SE(M), in Cochin Port starting from decision taken for approval from the competent authority and
 2. Decision to hold SSC Meeting.
5. In view of the above, the First Appellate Authority is requested to direct the CPIO & Sr.Dy. Secretary, GA Dept. to furnish all the documents / information requested in my RTI Application dt. 18.01.2021 through mail .

Yours faithfully,

M. P. Sethi
(M.P SETHI)

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3622/2021

Encl. No. RTI Cell/Appeal/MPS/2021-8 Dated 16/03/2021

Copy of RTI Appeal is forwarded to DPIO 'A' Section,
GAD, COPT for furnishing the details sought for by the
applicant subject to the provisions under RTI Act, 2005
to the RTI cell on or before 20/03/2021 Pl.


DPIO (GAD)
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No. RTI Cell/Appeal/MPS/2021-S

Dated: 15th April, 2021

Sub: Information under the RTI Act, 2005- reg.

Ref: - Your appeal dated 09.03.2021 received by this office on 15.03.2021

I have considered and carefully examined the First Appeal dated 09.03.2021 submitted against the decision of Central Public Information Officer (GAD), CoPT, on your RTI application dt. 18.01.2021.

The Appellant has sought copies of

1. Copy of note sheet having approval of the Competent Authority to issue the Advt. to all Major Ports - 2 pages
2. Extract of DDFS note regarding approval for holding SSC meeting – 4 pages

As the notes contain personal information pertaining to third party, the document is supplied herewith by severing the information coming under Section 10(1) of RTI Act, 2005.

The Appeal is disposed off as above.

It is also informed that a Second Appeal against the above decision shall lie within ninety days from the date of receipt of this communication, with the Chief Information Commissioner.

The name and address of the Chief Information Commissioner are given below:

Shri. Y.K. Sinha
Chief Information Commissioner
Room No. 401, IVth Floor, CIC Bhawan
Baba Gangnath Marg
Munirka, New Delhi – 110 067

Yours faithfully,


By Chairman &
First Appellate Authority

To

Shri. Manipuspak Sethi
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Jagatsinghpur, Odisha



Sub: Filling up the post of Suptdg. Engineer (M) in the scale of pay of Rs. 60000 -180000 in Mechl. Engg. Dept by absorption from all Major Port Trusts.

1. The cadre strength for the post of Suptdg. Engineer (Mechl.) is 4 (four). Out of the 4 posts, one post will fall vacant w.e.f 01.12.2020 consequent to the retirement of Shri G. Ramachandran, Suptdg. Engineer (M) w.e.f. 30.11.2020(AN).
2. As per the Recruitment Rules, method of recruitment to the post of Superintending Engineer (Mechl) is **by promotion, failing which, by absorption/deputation, failing both, by direct recruitment.** Recruitment Rules placed at C-67
3. For promotion, Exe. Engineer (Mechl) in the scale of pay of Rs. 50000-160000 (Pre-revised Rs. 10750-16750) with 4 years regular service in the grade, failing which Exe Engineer in the scale of pay of Rs. 50000-160000 (Pre-revised- Rs.10750-16750) with two years regular service in the grade and a combined regular service of 9 years in the scale of pay of Rs. 50000-160000 (Pre-revised Rs.10750-16750) and Rs. 50000-160000 (Pre-revised Rs. 9100-15100) in the respective discipline of M & E Engg. Dept, will be eligible.
4. The two officers holding the feeder post of regular basis are:
 - (i) Shri K Shajee, Exe. Engineer (M), w.e.f. 16.05.2011
 - (ii) Shri C.R. Asokkumar, " , w.e.f. 14.11.2019

Severed Para 5, being personal Information about govt Party.

6. The next method of recruitment is absorption/deputation from officers holding analogous posts or feeder post with 4 years regular service in the grade in a Major Port Trust. The educational qualification prescribed for Direct Recruitment is a Degree or equivalent in Mechanical Engineering from a recognised University/Institution. However, for absorption/deputation method, a Diploma in Mechanical Engineering from a recognised university/institution is essential.

[Signature]
Manager, 'A' Section



7. If approved, we may invite applications from all Major Port Trust for filling up one post of Supdtg. Engineer (M) in the scale of pay Rs. 60000 -180000 in Mechl. Engg. Dept by absorption method as per R.R.

8. Draft vacancy circular addressed to the Secretary, all Major Port Trusts is placed at C-8 for approval please.

9. Submitted for approval please.

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10/6/20
वरिष्ठ लेखाकार/Sr. Acctt

Pr
10/6/20
प्रबंधक/Manager

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11/6/20
सहायक सचिव /Asst. Secretary Gr I

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सचिव/Secretary

CME mg rls

वरिष्ठ उपसचिव/Sr. Dy. Secretary

discussed
By CME (M)
Please see and
reply

V. Thapar
18/6/20
मुख्य यांत्रिक अभियंता/Chief Mechl. Engineer

V. Thapar
17/6/20

उपाध्यक्ष/Dy. Chairman

Comments of Dy. Chairman may pl. be seen at page 1 of 2

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20/6/20
PS to Chairman

अध्यक्ष/Chairman
14/5/2020

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Manager
A Section



NOTE

Sub:- General Administration - - Filling up the post of Supdtg. Engineer ((M) on absorption basis from MPTs

Note #4 Sheeja M, SENIOR ACCOUNTANT 54, 16-Oct-2020 12:46 PM

Sub: Filling up the post of Suptdg. Engineer (M) in the scale of pay of Rs. 60000 -180000 (pre-revised Rs. 13000 -18250) in Mechl. Engg. Dept by absorption from all Major Port Trust.

1. The cadre strength for the post of Supdtg. Engineer (Mechl.) is 4 (four). Out of the 4 posts, one post will fall vacant w.e.f. 01.12.2020 consequent to the retirement of Shri G. Ramachandran, Suptdg. Engineer (M) w.e.f. 30.11.2020(AN).
2. As per the Recruitment Rules (Refer), the method of recruitment to the post of Superintending Engineer (Mechl) is by promotion, failing which, by absorption/deputation, failing both, by direct recruitment.
3. As there are no eligible candidates in the feeder grade for promotion to the post of Supdtg. Engineer (Mechl.), CoPT had resorted to the next method of recruitment ie. by absorption method from all Major Ports (see previous note). Accordingly, vacancy circular was issued on 01.07.2020 to all Major Ports (Refer). The last date of receipt of application was on 14.08.2020.
4. As per R.R., absorption is from officers holding analogous posts or feeder post with 4 years regular service in the grade in a Major Port Trust. The educational qualification prescribed for Direct Recruitment is a Degree or equivalent in Mechanical Engineering from a recognised University/Institution, however, for absorption method, a Diploma in Mechanical Engineering from a recognised university/institution is essential.
5. In response to the vacancy circular dated 01.07.2020, only one application has been received and the applicant is Shri Manipushpak Sethi, Exe. Engineer (M), Paradip Port Trust. The advance copy of the application in respect of the above applicant was received prior to the last date and the Paradip Port Trust had informed the position on 14.08.2020 (Refer). The scanned copy of the original application along with all requisite documents through proper channel received via email on 24.08.2020 (refer) and Hard copy received on 14.09.2020 .
6. The applicant possesses the requisite qualification of Degree in Mechanical Engineering and also possesses the requisite regular service of 4 years in the grade of Exe. Engineer (M) as prescribed in the RR. The service details of the applicant is attached (refer).
6. The over all ACR gradings in respect of the candidate is for the last five years is 'Outstanding'. Vigilance clearance obtained from the CVO, PPT (refer) and Administrative clearance obtained from Head of Office (refer) .



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7. The candidate is fully eligible for the post of Superintending Engineer (M) as per the R.R and in all respect.

8. If approved, the Services Selection Committee (SSC) consisting of the Chairman as Chairman of the Committee, Deputy Chairman, Secretary and Chief Mechanical Engineer as Members and Shri K.V. Bhagavath Sing, SE(M) as member representing OBC and Shri V.A. Sajeev, SE(M) as member representing SC/ST may meet to consider selection to the post of Superintending Engineer (M) in Mechl. Engg. Dept.

9. If approved, Chairman may kindly fix a convenient date and time for SSC meeting for considering selection to the post of Supdtg. Engineer (M) under Mechanical Engineering Department on absorption basis.

10. Submitted for approval please.

Note #5 (Seen.) Sheeja M, SENIOR ACCOUNTANT 54, 16-Oct-2020 12:46 PM

Note #6 (Seen.) Usha TS, MANAGER A-SECTION, 16-Oct-2020 04:02 PM

Note #7 Meera Krishna, ASST. SECRETARY (GR.I), 16-Oct-2020 05:21 PM

Kindly refer to Note Para #4 . Only 1 application has been received for filling up the post of Supdtg. Engr. (M) on Absorption basis and the applicant is eligible as per RR. If approved, Chairman may kindly fix a convenient date and time for convening the SSC meeting.
Submitted please.

Note #8 Jijo Thomas, SR. DS, 19-Oct-2020 04:23 PM

Kindly refer to Note Para #4 . regarding filling up the anticipated vacancy in the post of Supdtg. Engineer (M) on Absorption basis .

If approved, Chairman may kindly fix a convenient date and time for convening the SSC meeting.

Note #9 C Premakumari, SECRETARY, 20-Oct-2020 09:32 PM


CME may please see and offer remarks .

Note #10 Thuraipandian V, CME, 26-Oct-2020 11:19 PM

On perusal of the application for the post of Superintending Engineer (Mechanical), since the candidate is eligible as per the RR and filling up of the post is essential, Chairperson may kindly fix a convenient date for convening SSC.

Note #11 Cyril C George, DY. CM, 27-Oct-2020 11:22 AM

MAY BE DECIDED.

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Note #12 Beena M, CHAIRMAN , 29-Oct-2020 05:33 PM

is the post actually required?

Note #13 (Seen.) Cyril C George, DY. CM, 29-Oct-2020 05:37 PM

Note #14 Sheeja M, SENIOR ACCOUNTANT 54, 02-Nov-2020 03:25 PM

1. Kindly see Chairman's query at Note Para #12 on the approval sought at Note Para #4 regarding filling up the post of Superintending Engineer (M).

2. As the post pertains to Mechanical Engineering Department, if approved we may seek the CME's remarks on chairman's query.

3. Submitted please.

Note #15 (Seen.) Sheeja M, SENIOR ACCOUNTANT 54, 02-Nov-2020 03:26 PM

Note #16 (Seen.) Usha TS, MANAGER A-SECTION, 02-Nov-2020 03:53 PM

Note #17 Meera Krishna, ASST.SECRETARY (GR.I), 02-Nov-2020 04:55 PM

Note Para #14 submitted please

Note #18 Jijo Thomas, SR. DS, 09-Nov-2020 12:24 PM

Kindly peruse Note Para #14 .

Note #19 C Premakumari, SECRETARY, 09-Nov-2020 12:53 PM

CME may offer remarks on observation of Chairman please.

Note #20 Thuraipandian V, CME, 11-Nov-2020 04:00 PM

It is submitted for Chairperson's kind information that one of our Superintending Engineers Sri.G.Ramachandran deputed to Vigilance section is retiring on 30/11/2020 and the present recruitment notice is to fill the resultant vacancy due to his retirement. Also the following projects are to be taken up by the Mechanical Engineering Department of Cochin Port Trust in the near future :

1. Reconstruction of North Jetty at Naval Base at Kochi on EPC contract basis, has been awarded recently by Civil Engineering Department and the work consists of Supply, Installation and Commissioning of 2 Nos 50 Tons Tower Cranes and fire Fighting System.

2. Dy.CME, Sri.Jose.C.Kappen is retiring in May 2021 and he is at present looking after the Upgradation and Modernisation of Cochin Fisheries Harbour, which will take another 1 or 2 years to complete and we need to replace him with a Superintending Engineer exclusively for the project to co-ordinate with M/s MPEDA and other Government Agencies in conceptualisation and upto execution of the project.

3. At present Sri.V.A.Sajeev, is looking after additional duties of Internal Combustion Engine (ICE) Shop in addition to his regular posting of Tender Section in CME's office as we don't have Superintending Engineer to carry out both these works.



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Considering all the above, it is submitted that the present recruitment of one Superintending Engineer is vital and essential to carry out the works of Mechanical Engineering Department without any difficulties. Hence it is requested to process the filling up of one vacancy for the post of Superintending Engineer (Mechanical) immediately.

Submitted for perusal and request to fix a convenient date for conducting SSC .

Note #21 Beena M, CHAIRMAN , 11-Nov-2020 06:38 PM

18-11-2020 at 11.30 AM




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