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Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways/(पत्तन, पोत परिवहन और जलमार्ग मंत्रालय)
(Establishment Section)/(स्थापना अनुभाग)

Transport Bhawan,
1, Parliament Street,
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Dated: 08th July, 2026

To,

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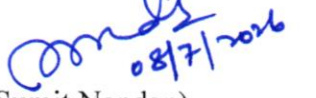
Subject: Uploading the draft amendments/revision in the Recruitment Rules for the post of Development Adviser (Ports) in the Development Wing, Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways on the website of this Ministry – regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of the proposed amendments/revision in the Recruitment rules for the post of Development Adviser (Ports) in the Development Wing, Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways for uploading the same on the website of Ministry of Shipping for 30 days for inviting comments from the stakeholders.

Encl: As above.

Yours faithfully,


08/7/2026

(Sumit Nandan)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

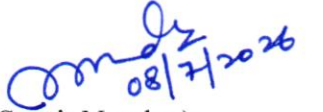
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CIRCULAR

Subject: Amendments/revision of the Recruitment Rules for the post of Development Adviser (Ports) in the Development Wing, Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways on the website of this Ministry – regarding.

The Ministry of Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways proposes to revise/amend the existing Recruitment Rules for the posts of Development Adviser (Ports) in the Development Wing of this Ministry. A copy of draft Recruitment Rules with proposed amendments / revision has been uploaded on the website of this Ministry. All stakeholders are requested to go through the draft Recruitment Rules and submit their comments, if any, within 30 days of the date of publication of this circular on the website of this Ministry.


08/7/2026
(Sumit Nandan)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

To,

All Officers/Officials of Ministry of Shipping.

Copy to: NIC for uploading this Circular along with draft RRs on the website of this Ministry.

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Government of India
Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways

Notification

New Delhi, the 08.07.2026.

G.S.R. ... (E).- In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution and in supersession of the Ministry of Shipping, Development Adviser (Ports) Recruitment Rules, 2009, the President hereby makes the following rules regulating the method of recruitment to the post of Development Adviser (Ports) in the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, namely :-

1. Short title and commencement. - (1) These rules may be called the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Development Adviser (Ports), Group 'A', Recruitment Rules, 2026.
(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
2. Number of post, classification and level in the pay matrix.-The number of the said post, its classification and level in the pay matrix attached thereto shall be as specified in columns (2) to (4) of the Schedule annexed to these rules.
3. Method of recruitment, age-limit, qualifications, etc.-The method of recruitment, age-limit, qualifications and other matters relating to the said post shall be as specified in columns (5) to (13) of the said Schedule.
4. 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 the other party to the marriage and that there are other grounds for so doing, exempt any person from the operation of this rule.

5. Power to relax.-Where the Central Government is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient so to do, it may, by order and for reasons to be recorded in writing and in consultation with the Union Public Service Commission, relax any of the provisions of these rules with respect to any class or category of persons.
6. Saving.-Nothing in these rules shall affect reservation, relaxation of age-limit and other concessions required to be provided for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, other backward classes, ex-servicemen and other special categories of persons in accordance with the orders issued by the Central Government from time to time in this regard.

SCHEDULE

Name of post.	Number of post.	Classification.	Pay Level in the Pay Matrix.	Whether selection post or non-selection post.
1	2	3	4	5
Development Adviser (Ports)	01* (2026) *Subject to variation dependent on workload	General Central Service, Group 'A', Gazetted, Ministerial	Level 14 in Pay Matrix (Rs. 144200-218200)	Selection

Age limit for direct recruits.	Education and other qualifications required for direct recruits.	Whether age and educational qualifications prescribed for direct recruits will apply in the case of promotees.	Period of probation if any.
6	7	8	9

<p>Not exceeding 50 years. Note 1 : Relaxable for Government servants up to five years in accordance with the instructions or orders issued by the Central Government from time to time. Note 2 : The crucial date for determining the age-limit shall be the closing date for receipt of applications from candidates in India (and not the closing date prescribed for those in Assam, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Manipur, Nagaland, Tripura, Sikkim, Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir and Union Territory of Ladakh, Lahaul & Spiti district and Pangi Sub Division of Chamba district of Himachal Pradesh, Andaman & Nicobar Islands or Lakshadweep).</p>	<p>i. Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering or Mechanical Engineering from a recognized University or Institute; ii. Fifteen years' experience in- a. Design, construction and maintenance in civil engineering works including harbor engineering; or b. Maintenance and operation of different types of cranes, diesel locos, marine engines, winches or marine workshops or organisations.</p> <p>Note 1:- Qualifications are relaxable at the discretion of Union Public Service Commission for reasons to be recorded in writing in case of candidates otherwise well qualified. Note 2:- The qualifications regarding experience are relaxable at the discretion of the Union Public Service Commission for reasons to be recorded in writing, in case of candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes or the Scheduled Tribes, if at any stage of selection the Union Public Service Commission is of the opinion that sufficient number of candidates from these communities possessing the requisite experience are not likely to be available to fill-up the posts reserved for them.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>One year for direct recruits</p>
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<p>Method of Recruitment, whether by direct recruitment or by promotion or by deputation absorption and percentage of the vacancies to be filled by various methods.</p>	<p>In case of recruitment by promotion or deputation or absorption, grades from which promotion, deputation or absorption to be made.</p>
<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>Promotion failing which by deputation (including short</p>	<p>Promotion: Director (Engineering) in level 12 in the pay matrix (Rs. 78800-209200) with eight years of regular service in the grade.</p>

<p>term contract), failing both by direct recruitment</p>	<p>Note :- Where juniors who have completed their qualifying or eligibility service are being considered for promotion, their seniors shall also be considered, provided they are not short of the requisite qualifying or eligibility service by more than half of such qualifying or eligibility service or two years, whichever is less, and have successfully completed their probation period for promotion to the higher grade, along with their juniors who have already completed such qualifying or eligibility service,</p> <p>Deputation : (Including short-term contract).— Officers under the Central Government or State Governments or Public Sector Undertakings or Major Ports or Autonomous Bodies or Universities or Recognised Research Organisations :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Holding analogous post on regular basis in the parent cadre or Department; or ii. with three years' service in the grade rendered after appointment thereto on a regular basis in level 13 in the pay matrix (Rs. 123100-215900) or equivalent in the parent cadre or department; or iii. with eight years' service in the grade rendered after appointment thereto on a regular basis in level 12 in the pay matrix (Rs. 78800-209200) or equivalent in the parent cadre or department; and b. possessing the educational qualifications and experience prescribed for direct recruits under column 8 <p>Note 1: The departmental officers in the feeder category who are direct line of promotion shall not be eligible for consideration for appointment on deputation.</p> <p>Note 2: Similarly, persons on deputation shall not be eligible for consideration for appointment by promotion.</p> <p>Note 3: The period of deputation (including short-term contract), including 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 exceed five years.</p> <p>Note 4: The maximum age limit for appointments by deputation (including short-term contract) shall be not exceeding 56 years as on the closing date of receipt of applications.</p>
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<p>If a Departmental Promotion Committee exists, what is its composition.</p>	<p>Circumstances to which Union Public Service Commission is to be consulted in making recruitment.</p>
<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>

<p>Group 'A' Departmental Promotion Committee (for considering promotion) consisting of :-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chairman or Member of Union Public Service Commission - Chairman 2. Secretary, Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways - Member 3. Additional Secretary, Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways - Member <p>Group 'A' Departmental Promotion Committee (for considering confirmation of direct recruits) consisting of :-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Secretary, Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways - Chairman 2. Additional Secretary, Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways - Member 3. Director General (Shipping) - Member 	<p>Consultation with the Union Public Service Commission is necessary while making direct recruitment and appointing an officer on deputation including short-term contract.</p>
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Sandeep Gupta, Joint Secretary (Admin)