

ARTEE's Concern about Stagnation in Sub Ordinate Engg. Cadres of Helper to Assistant Engineers

We are fully aware about acute stagnation in Sub ordinate Engg. Cadres of Helper to Assistant Engineer. In last few days President had a series of discussions at various levels in DG (AIR) and Prasar Bharati. Surprisingly when we raise this issue everyone says that there is no problem but still no promotion takes place.

There are some contentious issues like AE to ADE promotions. We know that due to discriminatory qualification bar Diploma Holder AEs cannot be promoted to the post of ADE. Here again an issue of Genuineness of Degree comes on the way.

This issue is a gift of discriminatory Qualification bar which was imposed in Eighties. Since then lot of water has been passed in the river. We don't want to blame anyone like some people always look for an opportunity to blame for anything to everything but the crux of the issue is that we failed to get rid of Qualification Bar. As a result Members started obtaining degree from various colleges which has created an issue of Genuine or Fake Degrees.

Now time is passing, Members are retiring and due to no promotion at this level a blog jam is developed at all levels. At present around 350 Posts of Asstt. Dir.Engg. are lying vacant. We know the issue is contentious and that's why We tried to take opinion of Members. The Mandate is clear that we have to go with existing system of promotions otherwise years after years will pass and our people will be retiring on same post in utter frustration.

Around 473 Posts of Assistant Engineers are vacant. If we succeed in granting promotions for 350 AE to the post of ADE, more than 800 posts of AEs will be vacant and subsequently there will be equal number of promotions. These promotions will have a cascading effect on all promotions in lower cadres.

So we have decided to take up this issue in most urgent way and if required we will not hesitate from going into Agitation measures.

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