

## **Turning Point of Re-Verification**

Order dated 09.01.2018 issued by Prasar Bharati is certainly a turning point for Re Verification for Recognition as per CCS (RSA) 1993/94 Rules.

As you are aware, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting through its letter dated 28.08.2017 had directed Prasar Bharati to initiate action to conduct re-verification of membership of all Associations and further directed that whole exercise in terms of Central Civil Services (Recognition of Service Association) Rules 1993 and DoPT's OM dated 10.02.2002 be completed urgently.

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As per 5 (C) of CCS RSA Rules 1993, which is about Conditions for recognition of Service Associations, "*membership of the Service Association has been restricted to a distinct category of Government servants having common interest, all such Government Servants' being eligible for membership of the Service Association*"

Hence it was very clear by day one that those joined after 05.10.2007 will be excluded from re verification for recognition of service association as per CCS RSA Rules. The order issued to exclude those recruited after 05.10.2007 from Re verification is as per CCS RSA Rules 1993. In 2012 also Prasar Bharati had issued order excluding those employees recruited after 05.19.2007 from verification of membership as per the written direction dated 23.01.2012 issued by MIB.

### **Click here for MIB direction dated 23.01.2012 to DG AIR.**

### **Click here for Prasar Bharati Letter dated 09.05.2012**

There is no change or modifications in CCS RSA Rules 1993 or in Prasar Bharati Act after the above mentioned direction by MIB to exclude employees joined after 05.10.2007 from verification. Hence it was very clear that in re verification also same direction from MIB will be implemented. If today's order was not issued and employees joined after 05.10.2007 are included in Re verification, then at last moment MIB might have refused to approve recognition since it is against existing CCS RSA Rules.

As you are aware, Prasar Bharati had tried to adopt Prasar Bharati (Recognition of Service Association) Regulations, 2016- in similar line with CCS RSA Rules 1993. It is understood that the earlier order dated 09.09.2015 issued by Prasar Bharati which allowed Prasar Bharati employees to join existing associations was with the expectation of approval of Prasar Bharati (Recognition of Service Association) Regulations, 2016 by MIB. But now the recognition and re verification process

ordered by MIB as per MIB letter dated 28.08.217 is as per CCS RSA Rules and now re verification process is being conducted as per CCS RSA Rules, which allows only Central Government employees to join Associations which want to get recognised as per CCS RSA Rules 1993.

As it is evident from the order itself the current order is issued after strict legal scrutiny at various levels and all consented in favour of this decision since inclusion of Prasar Bharati employees might have created legal Complications and the CCS RSA Rules might have unworkable especially with respect to the provisions regarding recognition, withdrawal of recognition, verification of membership.

Now we are receiving reactions from office bearers of other existing Associations. All are satisfied with the clarity in situation because without a clear order by Prasar Bharati in this matter, it was not possible to proceed with the process of re verification and to get approval of recognition by MIB.

We welcome the decision of Prasar Bharati to allow formation of separate association for Prasar Bharati employees and determined to extend all possible helps including financial support to our Prasar Bharati colleagues in this matter.

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