

Centre relaxes rules for All India services & Central services to serve in J&K

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In news- The Centre has relaxed the norms (deputation) to encourage the All India Services (AIS) and other Central Services officers to get posted in Jammu and Kashmir.

Key highlights-

- **The following requirements have been waved off-**
 - The cooling off period.
 - The stringent norms for inter-cadre deputation.
- Inter-cadre deputation is only given under compelling circumstances, one being marriage, now the norms have been liberalised.
- With this relaxation, more than twenty officers belonging to various services and different cadres have been posted in Jammu & Kashmir at various levels at a crucial time.

What is deputation of AIS officers?

- Every State cadre of the service provides for a Central deputation quota which in turn requires additional recruitment to be made to the service to provide for trained and experienced members to serve on posts in the Central Government.
- When an officer is appointed from outside the cadre or from outside the direct line of promotion for a limited period by the end of which he will have to revert to his parent cadre, he is known to be on deputation or on short-term contract.

Current rules on deputation-

- The Centre asks every year for an “offer list” of officers of the All India Services (IAS, IPS and Indian Forest Service) willing to go on central deputation, from which it selects officers.
- At any point it cannot be more than 40% of the total cadre strength.
- The Centre mandates the state governments to provide a list of officers, the officer too must be willing, with Rule 6(2) stating: “no cadre officer shall be deputed to any organization or body of the type referred to in item (ii), except with his consent”.
- Central deputation in the Indian Administrative Service is covered under Rule-6 (1) of the IAS (Cadre) Rules-1954, inserted in May 1969.
- It states that a cadre officer may, with the concurrence of the State Governments concerned and the Central Government, be deputed for service under the Central Government or another State Government or under a company, association or body of individuals, whether incorporated or not, which is wholly or substantially owned or controlled by the Central Government or by another State Government.
- Provided that in case of any disagreement, the matter shall be decided by the Central Government and the State Government concerned shall give effect to the decision of the Central Government.

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<https://journalsofindia.com/centres-new-rules-on-ias-officers-central-deputation/>