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Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Economic Affairs
(IES Division)

Room No. 251, North Block, New Delhi, dated: 30th May, 2016

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Selection of IES Officers for the Indian Economic Service (IES) - Government Economic Service (GES) Exchange Programme

The cementing of the UK-India economic and financial relationship and the relationship between the respective Government Economic Services was reaffirmed in the Joint Press Statement by the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Hon'ble Finance Minister of India after the 8th Round of the UK-India Economic and Financial Dialogue held in London on January 19,2016.

- 2. In pursuance of the above, an IES-GES Exchange Programme is underway, aimed at supporting capacity strengthening, knowledge transfer, evidence building and collaborative working between India and the UK, thereby adding value to economic policy making in both the countries, which, in turn, will further help in deepening collaborations on shared challenges between the two Nations. In the first round of the Exchange, two officers of the GES are already in India, who are attached to the office of Chief Economic Adviser, DEA, MOF for a period of three months.
- 3. Now, two Officers of the Indian Economic Service are to be selected for the ongoing Exchange Programme. On selection, the two Officers would be deputed to the Government of UK for a period of three months from September to November, 2016. This is an excellent opportunity for IES officers to work for the UK Government in London for twelve weeks and acquire valuable and insightful exposure to policy making and functioning of the Government in UK.
- 4. Guidelines for selection of the Officers for the above Programme are enclosed at *Annexure-I*. The screening of the applications and the final selection of the two IES Officers shall be done by a Standing Selection Committee constituted by the Department of Economic Affairs (DEA). The decision of the Committee shall be binding and final.
- 5. Eligible and willing IES Officers who wish to apply for the above mentioned Programme may forward their applications in the enclosed proforma, through proper channel (i.e by the concerned administrative Ministry/Department where the Officer is posted) to the IES Cadre Division, latest by 10.06.2016. Applications may be sent to the Deputy Director, IES Division, Department of Economic Affairs (DEA), Room No. 59, North Block, New Delhi, Telefax: 91-11-23093570. (Submission of application by an officer may not be construed as automatic nomination for the course).

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Guidelines for the IES-GES Exchange Programme

A. Eligibility Conditions

I. Minimum Service:

Officers should have completed a minimum of 6 years of Service in the Indian Economic Service, and should be holding Cadre Posts (not on Deputation of any type) at the time of submission of application and for the duration of the Exchange Programme.

II. Upper Age Limit:

The upper age limit should be 55 years at the time of commencement of Programme.

III. Foreign Training/ Conferences/Workshops/Seminars:

The Officer should not have attended any Foreign Training/Conferences /Workshops/Seminars abroad of duration of more than two weeks (excluding travel time) during the last two years.

IV. The officer should have Outstanding/Very Good gradings (with minimum of three outstanding gradings) in the last five year's APARs, with no adverse entries.

V. Departmental proceedings:

The Officer should not have any departmental proceedings/Vigilance cases pending or contemplated against him/her.

VI. Number of years of Service left after the Programme:

The Officer should have residual Service of atleast five years after completion of the Programme.

VII. Desirable skills and knowledge:

- (a) In-depth knowledge and understanding of the Indian Economy, with clarity on economic theories and applied aspects.
- (b) Experience of working on MS-Excel and use of econometric softwares such as STATA and E-Views etc.

B. Financial Assistance

The Exchange Programme is being conducted by the IES Cadre Division, Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance, in collaboration with the Department for International Development (DFID) of UK. DFID will fund the non-salary component of the Programme, while the salary component and local transport expenses to airport and back in India shall be borne by the administrative Department/Ministry of the concerned Officer nominated for the Programme.

C. Applications

Applications (in the enclosed proforma) for the above mentioned Programme shall be accepted only when <u>duly forwarded through proper channel</u> (i.e by the concerned administrative Ministry/Department where the Officer is posted) in accordance with the **Guidelines** as stated above.



Application Form

1.	Name of the applicant (Dr./Mr./Miss/Mrs.):			
2.	Batch/Year of entry into IES:			
3.	Date of superannuation:			
4.	Ministry/Department where currently working:			
5.	Designation:			
6.	Official Passport No.			
7.	Mailing Address: (i) Office (ii) Residence (iii) E-mail			
8.	Telephone No.			
	(i) Office	(ii)Residence	(iii) Mobile	
9.	Details of published research papers, if any. Attach separate sheet.			
10.	Whether attended any long-term/short-term training program abroad in the last 2 years?			
11.	Whether attended any Conferences/Workshops/Seminars abroad during the last two years?			
12.	Reasons for interest in the Programme including expectations from it (maximum 300 words). Attach a separate sheet.			
13.	I hereby declare that all particulars given by me in this application are correct.			
Place			S:	
			Signature of Applicant	
Date			Name	
Recommendation of IES Cadre Division:				
Name				
Date			Signature of Cadre Controlling Authority (IES)