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कृषि भवन, नई दिल्ली

दिनांक: 30th September, 2025

VACANCY CIRCULAR

Subject: Filling up of anticipated vacancy of Chief Soil Survey Officer (CSSO), Group-A Gazetted, Level-13 of the Pay Matrix (Pre-revised: ₹37,400-67,000 + Grade Pay ₹8700/- in PB-4) in Soil and Land Use Survey of India (SLUSI), HQ, through Composite Method (Deputation including Short-Term Contract plus Promotion) – reg.

The Soil and Land Use Survey of India (SLUSI), a subordinate office under the INM Division, Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Government of India, is a premier institution in the field of soil survey and land resource mapping. With its nationwide reach, the organization occupied a prime position in the domain of Soil Survey and Digital Watershed Database. SLUSI operates from its headquarters in New Delhi, through seven regional centres located at Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, Hyderabad, Kolkata, Noida, Nagpur, and Ranchi.

2. The Department is looking for an experienced and dynamic officer to head SLUSI as the **Chief Soil Survey Officer (CSSO)**, Group-A Gazetted, Level-13 of the Pay Matrix (pre-revised ₹37,400-67,000 + Grade Pay ₹8700/- in PB-4), to be filled through the **Composite Method** (Deputation including Short-Term Contract plus Promotion). The details of the post and eligibility criteria are provided in **Annexure-I**. The period of deputation will be for five (05) years, which may be extended as per the prevailing rules. The pay of the officer selected on deputation will be regulated as per Department of Personnel & Training (DoPT) guidelines, as amended from time to time.

3. Applications of only those officers/candidates routed through proper channel will be considered. The application should be accompanied by:

- I. Bio-data in duplicate as per the prescribed proforma (**Annexure-II**),
- II. Photocopies of ACRs/APARs for the last five years, each page duly attested by an officer not below the rank of Under Secretary,
- III. Vigilance Clearance Certificate,
- IV. Integrity Certificate certified by an officer of the rank of Under Secretary or equivalent,

- V. No Penalty Certificate or a statement indicating details of major/minor penalties imposed in the last 10 years,
- VI. Certificate from the employer confirming that the particulars furnished by the officer are correct and that he/she possesses the required qualifications and experience in the Vacancy Circular/ Advertisement, at the end of the bio-data.

4. Applications in the prescribed format from willing and eligible officers, who can be relieved immediately in the prescribed format (Annexure-II), may be sent through proper channel to: **The Under Secretary, INM Division,** Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Room No. 573-A, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi – 110001, **within 60 days** from the date of publication of this advertisement in the Employment News.

5. Application which are incomplete or are not accompanied with the photocopies of ACRs for the last five years will not be entertained and no correspondence will be made or entertained in this regard.

6. Once selected, the candidate will not be allowed to withdraw their name at a later stage. This circular is also available at:

<https://agriwelfare.gov.in/en/recruitmentDetail> and
<https://slusi.da.gov.in/vacancy/vacancies.html>



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5. All Agricultural Universities, recognized research institutes, and soil-related councils.
6. JS (INM)/JS (Admn.)/Director (Personnel), DA&FW.
7. INM Division / Facilitation Centre, DA&FW.
8. Section Officer (IT) – for uploading on DAC&FW website.

9. The CSSO, SLUSI HQ – for uploading on SLUSI website.
10. Guard file / Spare copies / Notice Board.



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Annexure-I**Details and Eligibility conditions etc. for the post of Chief Soil Survey Officer (CSSO),
in Soil and Land Use Survey of India (SLUSI)**

Sl. No.	Particulars	Detail
1	Name of the Organization	Soil and Land Use Survey of India (SLUSI), a subordinate office under Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
2	Name of the Post	Chief Soil Survey Officer (CSSO)
3	Number of Posts	1 (one)
4	Classification of Post	General Central Service, Group-A, Gazetted, Non-Ministerial
5	Pay Scale	Level-13 of Pay Matrix [Pre-revised scale Rs. 37400-67000 plus Grade Pay 8700/- in Pay Band-4]
6	Method of recruitment	By Composite method [deputation including short-term contract plus promotion] basis
7	Age limit	The maximum age limit for appointment by deputation (including short term contract) shall not be exceeding fifty six (56) years as on the closing date of receipt of applications.
8	Eligibility Conditions	<p>Officers under the Central or State Governments or Union Territories or Public Sector Undertakings or Universities or Recognized Research Institutions or Statutory or Autonomous Organizations or Indian Council of Agriculture Research, possessing the following service, educational qualification and experience:</p> <p>A. (i) holding analogous posts on regular basis in the parent cadre or Department; or</p> <p>(ii) with five years' service in grade rendered after appointment thereto on a regular basis in the scale of pay PB-3: Rs. 15600-39100 Grade Pay: GP 7600 for officers from Central Government or in similar or analogous scale or grade for others in the parent cadre or department; and</p> <p>(iii) with ten years' service in the grade rendered after appointment thereto on a regular basis in the scale of pay PB-3: Rs. 15600-39100 Grade Pay: GP 6600 for officers from Central Government or in similar or analogous scale or grade for others in the parent cadre or department; and</p> <p>B. possessing the following educational qualifications and experience:</p>
9.	Essential:	(i) M.Sc. in Soil Science or M.Sc. in Agricultural Chemistry with specialisation in Soil Science from a recognised University.

		(ii) Twelve years' experience in Soil Survey.
10.	Desirable:	<p>Minimum one-year experience in aerial photo-interpretation or any other branch of Soil Conservation including survey planning and monitoring and generation of digital spatial data using Remote Sensing and Geographical Information System.</p> <p>The Departmental Senior Soil Survey Officer (PB-3: Rs. 15600-39100 Grade Pay: GP 7600) with five years' regular service in the post or Soil Survey Officer (PB-3: Rs. 15600-39100 Grade Pay:GP 6600) with ten years' regular service in the post shall also be considered along with outsiders. In case he is selected for appointment to the post, the same shall be deemed to have been filled by promotion. The Departmental Officers in the feeder category who are in the direct line of promotion will not be eligible for consideration for appointment on deputation.</p> <p>Similarly, the deputationist shall not be eligible for consideration for appointment by promotion.</p>
	Note 1:	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 to exceed 5 (five) years. The maximum age limit for appointment by deputation (including short-term contract) shall not exceed 56 years as on the closing date of receipt of applications.
	Note 2:	For the purpose of appointment on deputation basis, the service rendered on a regular basis by an officer prior to 01.1.2006 (the date from which the revised pay structure based on the 6 th Central Pay Commission recommendation has been extended) shall be deemed to be service rendered in the corresponding grade pay or pay scale extended based on there commendations of the Pay Commission except where there has been merger of more than one pre-revised scale of pay into one grade with a common grade pay or pay scale, and where this benefit will extend only for the post(s) for which that grade pay or pay scale is the normal replacement grade without any upgradation.
11.	Place of posting	SLUSI (HQ), New Delhi

ANNEXURE -II

Proforma for application for the post of anticipated vacancy of Chief Soil Survey Officer (CSSO), Group-A Gazetted, Level-13, in Soil and Land Use Survey of India (SLUSI), under Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare by Composite Method (Deputation including Short-Term Contract plus Promotion)

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1.	Name and address (in BLOCK LETTERS) and contact number		
2.	Date of birth (in Christian era)		
3.	Age as on closing date of receipt of application		
4.	i) Date of entry in the service		
	ii) Date of retirement under Central/State Government Rules		
5.	Educational qualification		
6.	Whether educational and other qualifications required for the post are satisfied (if any qualification has been treated as equivalent to the one prescribed in the Rules, state the authority for the same).	Qualifications / Experience required as per Annexure-I	Qualifications / Experience possessed by the applicant
		Essential	
		Desirable	
7.	Please state clearly whether in the light of entries made by you above, you meet the requisite essential Qualifications and work experience of the post.		

8.	Details of Employment, in chronological order. Enclose a separate sheet duly authenticated by your signature, if the space is insufficient					
	Office/ Institution	Post held on regular basis	From	To	*Pay Band and Grade Pay/Pay Scale of the post held on regular basis	Nature of Duties (in detail) highlighting experience required for the post applied for

9.	Nature of present employment, i.e., Ad-hoc or Temporary or Quasi-Permanent or Permanent	
10.	In case the present employment is held on deputation or contract basis, please state	
	a) The date of initial appointment	
	b) Period of appointment on deputation / contract	
	c) Name of the parent office/organization to which the applicant belongs	
	d) Name of the post and Pay of the post held in substantive capacity in the parent organization	
11.	Additional details about present employment: Please state whether working under (indicate the name of your employer against the relevant column)	

	a) Central Government b) State Government c) Autonomous organization d) Government undertaking e) Others	
12.	Please state whether you are working in the same Department and are in the feeder grade or feeder to feeder grade	
13	Are you in Revised Scale of Pay? If yes, give the date from which the revision took place and also indicate the pre-revised scale	
14	Total emoluments per month now drawn (with break-up)	
	Level in the Pay Matrix and Basic Pay	Total emoluments
15	In case the applicant belongs to an Organization which is not following the Central Government Pay scales, the latest salary slip issued by the Organization showing the following details may be enclosed	
	Basic Pay with scale of pay and rate of increment	Dearness Pay/Interim relief/other allowances etc. (with break-up details)
		Total emoluments
16.	Additional information, if any, relevant to the post you applied for in support of your suitability for the post. (This among other things may provide information with regard to (i) additional academic qualifications (ii) professional training and (iii) work experience over and above prescribed in the vacancy Circular/Advertisement. (Note: Enclose a separate sheet, if the space is insufficient).	
17.	Please state whether you are applying for deputation (ISTC)/Absorption/Re-employment Basis. # (Officers under Central/State/ Governments are only eligible for "Absorption". Candidates of non-Government Organizations are eligible only for Short Term Contract).	
18.	Whether belong to SC/ST/OBC, please mention	
19.	Remarks, if any	

I have carefully gone through the vacancy circular/advertisement and I am wellaware that the information furnished in the Curriculum Vitae duly supported by the documents submitted by me will also assessed by the Selection Committee at the time of selection for the post.

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Address: _____

Date: -----

Certification by the Employer / Cadre Controlling Authority

The information/details provided in the above application by the applicant are true and correct as per facts available on records. **He possesses educational qualifications and experience mentioned in the vacancy circular.** If selected, he will be relived immediately.

2. Also certified that

- i) There is no vigilance or disciplinary case pending / contemplated against Shri/Smt -----
- (ii) His / her integrity is certified
- (iii) His/her CR Dossier in original is enclosed / photocopies of the ACRs for the last five years duly attested by an officer of the rank of Under Secretary to the Government of India or above are enclosed.
- (iv) No major / minor penalty has been imposed on him during the last 10 years or a list of major / minor penalties imposed on him during the last 10 years is enclosed. (as the case may be)

Place:

Dated:

Countersigned

(Employer/Cadre Controlling Authority with official seal)