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Government of India
Ministry of Mines

New Delhi, the 30th July, 2010

To
Shri N.K. Dutta,
Director General,
Geological Survey of India,
27 J.L. Nehru Road,
Kolkata-700016.

Subject:-Recruitment to the post of Assistant Chemist Grade-I (Group-‘B’ Gazetted) in Geological Survey of India.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to DDG (P), GSI letter No.2878/SP/A-12025/2-Asstt.Chemist/96/19B dated 7.7.2010 (copy enclosed) and to state that GSI instead of taking stern action against the defaulting officers who have failed to take action for recruiting 51 posts of Assistant Chemist Grade-I for last 5 years, has been unnecessarily again seeking the approval and clarification of the Ministry on the very issues on which the Ministry has directed to take action way back in the year 2005.

2. As mentioned in your aforesaid letter vide this D.O. letter No.27/72/2004-M.II dated 28.4.2005 of Shri R.K. Bhargava then Addl. Secretary(Mines) conveyed the approval of the Cabinet for filling up 287 Scientific & Technical vacant posts and GSI was requested to take prompt action for filling up of these 287 posts. This included 42 posts of Assistant Chemist Grade-I lying vacant at that time. The remaining vacancies have been arisen after the year for which approval of 42 vacancies were given. There is no ban in recruitment of Group A & B posts and these being Scientific & Technical posts Cabinet has already granted wavier, the same is also mentioned in the aforesaid D.O. letter dated 28.4.2005. Asking for clarification again has taken the Ministry by surprise as no reasons or grounds have been assigned for seeking fresh approval.

3. All along the alibi of shortages of Chemists has been given by the GSI for huge stockpile of samples drawn during NCGM and other programmes and non-start of double shift in Chemical labs. Inaction for continous 5 years to fill such a huge vacancies reflects how deep the malaise the GSI has put in itself. By sending the proposal for approval of filling up these vacancies without assigning any reason/ground and without explanation of the concerned officer, the only view can be taken in the Ministry that GSI is trying to gloss over the above lapses.

4. GSI is elevated as an Attached Office and should act responsibly. Ministry again directs GSI not to waste time in seeking clarification/approval on trivial issues/non-issues. The recruitment may be taken up on fast track basis and severe action may be taken against the defaulting officers. GSI is also requested to furnish the status report for filling up of 287 S&T posts and also for filling up of these 51 posts of Assistant Chemist Grade-I by GSI. A comprehensive report in this regard sent to the Ministry by 10.8.2010

Yours faithfully,

(Suresh Kishnani)
Director

Encl.: As above