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(पीएसपी प्रभाग/ (PSP Division)  
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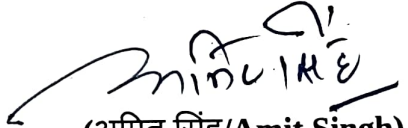
New Delhi, Dated: 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2026

**CIRCULAR**

**Subject : Filling up of 60 posts of Section Officers or equivalent on Deputaion basis in 20 Regional Passport Offices (RPOs), Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) – reg.**

The undersigned is directed to refer to the above subject and to convey that Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) has circulated 60 vacancies of the rank/designation of Section Officers or equivalent in Level 8/10 of pay matrix to fill up on deputation basis from amongst the Ministries/Departments/Offices of the Central Government in 20 RPOs, MEA.

2. In view of the above, vacancy circular is forwarded herewith with a request to circulate it widely.
3. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

  
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To:

1. XP Division (for uploading the circular on MEA website). Email: [poxmm@meaindia.in](mailto:poxmm@meaindia.in); [poxps@mea.gov.in](mailto:poxps@mea.gov.in);
2. Department of Personnel & Training to circulate the vacancy circular. Email: [persinfotech@nic.in](mailto:persinfotech@nic.in); [ram.vadali@nic.in](mailto:ram.vadali@nic.in); [rajeev.nayan@nic.in](mailto:rajeev.nayan@nic.in)
3. All Ministries/Departments/ Offices of the Central Government (through DoPT).

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**CIRCULAR**

**Subject: Appointment of Section Officer or equivalent on deputation basis in 20 Regional Passport Offices (RPOs) under the Ministry of External Affairs.**

Applications in the prescribed pro-forma (as per Annexure-I of the Circular) are invited for appointment of 60 Section Officers or equivalent (in Level 8/10) (03 SOs for each Passport Office as per Annexure-II) on deputation basis in 20 Regional Passport Offices (RPOs) under Ministry of External Affairs as per the details given below:


1.	Name of the post with Pay Level	:	<b>Section Officer or equivalent – Level 8/10 of the Pay Matrix</b>
2.	Period of Deputation	:	Initially for <b>two years</b> ; extendable as per extant rules
3.	Age Limit	:	The maximum age limit for appointment on deputation shall not exceed 56 years as on 01.01.2026
4.	Job Description	:	To work within jurisdiction of any of the 20 Regional Passport Offices across India. Please see Annexure II for details.
5.	Eligibility/Essential Criteria	:	Officers working in any Ministry/Department/Offices of Central Government and holding analogous posts in Level 8/10 of the Pay Matrix on regular basis will be considered eligible against corresponding post.
6.	Desirable Criteria	:	(i) Officers should have good managerial and interpersonal skills. (ii) Officers should be able to liaise effectively with other organizations/Ministries/departments/think tanks. (iii) Officers should have good noting and drafting skills and communication abilities. (iv) Officers should have served as Section Officer or equivalent in Ministries/departments/attached/subordinate offices in the Government of India. (v) Previous experience of handling issues relating to administration & establishment, policy, court cases, RTI, finance & accounts, audit, public dealing in Government of India.
7.	How to apply	:	Complete application form may be sent through proper channel in the prescribed pro-forma to <b>Administrative Officer (Cadre), PSP Division, MEA, Room No. 26, Patiala House, New Delhi</b> . The duly completed application should be sent along with:  a) Up-to-date copies of ACRs/APARs for the last five years duly attested on each page by a Group A Officer.  b) Cadre Clearance  c) Vigilance Clearance

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			d) Details of minor/major penalty imposed on the officer by the Competent Authority for the last 10 years, if any. e) Statement of Bio-data in the prescribed pro-forma (as per <b>Annexure-I</b> ) in duplicate copy signed by the volunteering officer and forwarded through proper channel with due cadre clearance.
8.	Pay & Allowances	:	Admissible as per guidelines of Department of Personnel and Training's O.M. No. 6/8/2009-Estt. (Pay II) dated 17.06.2010 amended from time to time.
9.	Travel	:	The selected officer may be required to travel within India.

Note: It would be mandatory to serve the deputation term and premature relieving would not be considered except in rare or exceptional circumstances.

2. Applications from interested and eligible officers may be forwarded **latest by 17.07.2026**. Advance copy of applications may be mailed at [sopspcadre@mea.gov.in](mailto:sopspcadre@mea.gov.in). However, only those applications will be considered which are complete in all aspects and forwarded through proper channel. While forwarding the applications, it may be verified and certified that particulars furnished by the officer are correct. It may also be confirmed that in the event of selection for appointment, the officer shall have to be relieved on immediate basis. Any queries regarding the application may be addressed to the undersigned.

  
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**Enclosure : Pro-forma**

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