

FAQs

Q.1 What is the Union Public Service Commission (Exemption from Consultation) Regulation?

Ans: Consultation with the Commission is obligatory in the matters mentioned in Article 320(3). However, the President has framed the Regulations specifying matters in respect of which it shall not be necessary for the Commission to be consulted. These are called the Union Public Service Commission (Exemption from Consultation) Regulations 1958.

Q.2 What is the National Conference of Chairmen of State PSCs?

Ans: Through the device of National Conference, a firm relationship has been attempted to be developed over the years among the State Public Service Commissions on matters concerning methods of recruitment, personnel policies, conduct of examinations etc. The Conference also provides a suitable platform for discussion on the changing socio-economic milieu and consequential changes to be brought about in the work ethos of the Commissions in consonance with expectations of the people and the Constitutional obligations. The first National Conference of the Public Service Commissions was held in 1949. Thereafter the Conferences were held from time to time. In 1999, Chairman UPSC became the ex-officio Chairman of the National Conference of Chairpersons of State Public Service Commissions. The National Conference is held annually.

Q.3 What are the criteria adopted in the Commission for determining inter se seniority of candidates recommended in the Engineering Services Examination?

Ans: The guidelines adopted by the Commission for determining the inter se seniority of candidates coming from different disciplines of Engineering in the case of candidates belonging to the Engineering Services Examination are:

- (i) Persons obtaining more marks in final aggregate in the Examination are ranked senior;
- (ii) In case the final aggregate are the same, persons obtaining more marks in Engineering total are ranked senior;
- (iii) In case Engineering totals are also the same, the person born earlier is ranked senior;

Q. 4 Which documents are required for sending proposals for extra-ordinary pension cases to the Commission?

Ans: In extra-ordinary pension cases, it must be ensured that the following essential documents have been sent to the Commission:-

- a) A full statement of the circumstances in which the injury was sustained/the disease was contacted/the death occurred;
- b) An application for injury/family pension in the prescribed form;
- c) Medical Officer's report regarding injury/death etc.
- d) A report of the Audit Officer concerned as to whether an award is admissible under the rules and if so, the amount thereof.

The eligibility of family members to be benefitted by the award should also be checked. It is necessary that cases which are not covered by the rules and where it is proposed to make ex-gratia awards are referred to the Commission after obtaining the views of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Expenditure).

Q.5 Which documents are required to be sent to the Commission for legal re-imburement cases?

Ans: In legal re-imburement cases, the following documents are required to be furnished:-

- a) Completed proforma;
- b) Certified Copy of the judgment;
- c) Stamped receipts for fees paid to lawyers;
- d) Original Claim of the Claimant;
- e) Certified copy of order sheet or a certificate showing the number of days on which the case was posted for hearing and on which it was actually heard.
- f) In cases where the claims involved are for an amount exceeding Rs. 500/- the views of the Ministry of Law/Law Officer on the admissibility and reasonableness of the claim should be obtained before the case is placed before the Commission.