HIGH COURT OF UTTARAKHAND AT NAINITAL

NOTIFICATION

No. 382 /UHC/Admin.A/2026 **Dated: November 02, 2026.**

In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (2) of Article 229 of the Constitution of India and all other powers enabling in that behalf, Hon'ble Court has been pleased to make the following amendment in Allahabad High Court Officers and Staff (Conditions of service and conduct) Rules 1976, applicable to High Court of Uttarakhand, Nainital under U.P. Reorganization Act, 2000:-

Amendment in Allahabad High Court Officers and Staff (Conditions of Service and Conduct) Rules, 1976, as applicable to High Court of Uttarakhand vide Section 30 of U.P. Reorganization Act, 2000.

Rule No.	Existing Rule	Amendment
8 (c) Review Officer	(1) By Promotion from amongst Assistant Review Officer having three years experience as A.R.O. on the basis of seniority subject to rejection of unfit.	**(1) 80% posts in Review Officer cadre shall be filled by promotion from Assistant Review Officers who have completed three years service as A.R.O. on the criteria of seniority subject to rejection of unfit.**
	(2) By direct recruitment through competitive examination.	**(2) 20% posts in Review Officer cadre shall be filled by promotion from Assistant Review Officers who have completed five years of service as A.R.O. on the basis of departmental examination.** **Provided that such candidates shall not be considered for promotion:** **(i) Who has been convicted in any criminal case involving moral turpitude.** **(ii) Who has been punished in any departmental enquiry during the last 05 years.** **(iii) There is adverse annual confidential remark during any of the last 05 years.** **The registry shall invite applications from such A.R.O. who have completed 05 years of service against the vacancies under departmental examination quota.** **The syllabus & pattern of departmental examination is prescribed in Appendix-B.** **A list of candidates shall be prepared by adding their marks secured in Paper-I & Paper-II and only those who secure at least 40% marks in each paper and 50% marks in aggregate shall be considered for promotion.** **The inter se seniority of candidates promoted through Departmental Examination shall remain the same as in feeder cadre.**
	Notwithstanding anything contained in clause (i) and (ii) above, any R.O. may also be appointed by the Chief Justice as he deems fit and expedient.	**Deleted.**
	Note: In case of recruitment by both the above methods, the number of vacancies to be filed in by each source be determined by the Chief Justice.	**Note: Deleted.**
	Provided that all available vacancies may, in the discretion of the Chief Justice, be filled from any of the above sources.	**Deleted.**

9 (iii) **Review Officers**	1. Must possess a Bachelor's degree of a University established by law in India or a qualification recognized as equivalent thereto. 2. Basic Knowledge of Computer Operation. 3. Preference will be given to those having sufficient knowledge of typing in English and Hindi.	**------- Deleted---------**
12.	**Method of direct recruitment to the post of Assistant Review Officer, Review Officer, Personal Assistant, Librarian or Assistant Librarian, Console Operator-cum-Data Entry Assistant, Translators and Typist.—** (1) Whenever it is required to make direct recruitment to fill up vacancies likely to occur in the posts of Review Officers, Assistant Review Officers, Personal Assistants, Librarian or Assistant Librarian, Console Operator-cum-Data Entry Assistant, Translators and Typist during the course of the year of recruitment, the appointing authority shall ascertain the number of vacancies, including vacancies, if any, to be reserved for the candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes and there under Rule 23.	**Method of direct recruitment to the post of Assistant Review Officer, Personal Assistant, Librarian or Assistant Librarian, Console Operator-cum-Data Entry Assistant, Translators and Typist.—** (1) Whenever it is required to make direct recruitment to fill up vacancies likely to occur in the posts of Assistant Review Officers, Personal Assistants, Librarian or Assistant Librarian, Console Operator-cum-Data Entry Assistant, Translators and Typist during the course of the year of recruitment, the appointing authority shall ascertain the number of vacancies, including vacancies, if any, to be reserved for the candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes and there under Rule 23.
13. (2)	Promotion to the post of Review Officer shall be made on the criteria of Seniority subject to rejection of unfit and to the post of Assistant Review Officer on the basis of Merit-cum-seniority.	Promotion to the post of Review Officer shall be made on the criteria **as mentioned in Rule 8(c)** and to the post of Assistant Review Officer **as mentioned in Rule 8(b)**.

To be added after Appendix-A at the end of the Rules

Appendix-B

Departmental Examination for filling up 20% posts in Review Officer Cadre from Assistant Review Officers who have completed 05 year of service

Written Examination

1. Paper-I (50 Marks) **(Duration: 1 hour)**

(i) Précis writing in English (10 Marks)
(ii) Translation from Hindi to English (10 Marks)
(iii) English Grammar (15 Marks)
(iv) Knowledge of Computer Operation (15 Marks)

2. Paper-II (50 Marks) **(Duration: 1 hour)**

Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ)

1. Executive and Administrative Business of the Court (Chapter III, Rules of Court, 1952)
2. Constitution and Powers of the Court (Chapter V, Rules of Court, 1952)
   - Constitution of Benches: Single Judge Benches vs. Division Benches.
   - Powers of the Chief Justice: Nomination of Vacation Judges and allocation of rosters.
   - Reference to a Larger Bench: Procedure when Judges differ in opinion.
3. Limitation Act: Basic application of the law of limitation concerning the filing of appeals and revisions.
4. RTI Cell Operations: Handling Right to Information applications within the judicial framework.
5. Uttarakhand Government Financial Handbooks: Service Rules: Rules regarding Leave (Earned, Medical, Casual), Pension, Gratuity, and Travelling Allowance (TA/LTC).
6. Uttarakhand Government Servants Conduct Rules, 2002
7. Uttarakhand Government Servant (Discipline and Appeal) Rules, 2003

This amendment will come into force with immediate effect.

By order of the Hon'ble Court,

Sd/-
(Kaushal Kishore Shukla)
Registrar General

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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

1. P.P.S. to Hon'ble the Acting Chief Justice.
2. Joint P.P.S./ Head P.S./P.S./ P.A. to Hon'ble Judges of the Court with the request to place the notification for His Lordships kind perusal.
3. Principal Secretary (Law) cum-L.R., Government of Uttarakhand, Dehradun.
4. All the Registrars/C.P.C./ Secretary HCLSC of the Court.
5. P.S./ P.A. to the Registrar General.
6. All the Joint Registrars/Deputy Registrars of the Court.
7. Head Bench Secretary of the Court.
8. All the Assistant Registrars/ Section Officers of the Court.
9. Librarian with the direction that the above amendment be incorporated in all the relevant books immediately.
10. D.R. (I.T.) of the Court with the request to upload on the website of High Court of Uttarakhand.
11. Director, Printing & Stationery, Government Press, Roorkee, District Hardwar for publication of the Notification in the next Gazette of the Uttarakhand.
12. Guard file.

By order,

Joint Registrar-I