



EXAMINATION FOR CONFIRMATION OF ENROLLMENT OF GST PRACTITIONERS; LAST DATE OF REGISTRATION NOW EXTENDED UP TO 15th OCTOBER 2018¹

The National Academy of Customs, Indirect Taxes and Narcotics (NACIN) is conducting an examination for confirmation of enrollment of Goods and Services Tax Practitioners (GSTPs) enrolled on the GST Network under sub-rule (2) of Rule 83 and covered by clause (b) of sub-rule (1) of Rule 83 of Central Goods and Service Tax Rules, 2017. Such GSTPs are required to pass the examination before 31st December, 2018. The examination will be held on 31.10.2018 from 1100 hrs to 1330 hrs at designated examination centres across India. In this matter kindly refer Press Release dated 17th September, 2018.

The registration for this exam by the eligible GSTPs has already started on 25th September, 2018, on a registration portal, link of which has been provided on NACIN and CBIC websites under the TAB "GSTP Exam Registration".

The last date of registration which was previously 10th October 2018, is now extended up to 15th October 2018 (11:59:59PM). All eligible candidates are requested to register themselves on the Exam registration portal urgently.

(https://nacin.onlineregistrationform.org/NACIN/LoginAction_loadIndex.action)

INDIA POST LEVERAGES IT'S UNMATCHED REACH AND TRUST TO TAKE DIGITAL BANKING AND GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO THE DOORSTEP OF CITIZENS: MANOJ SINHA²

Minister of State for Communications (Independent Charge), Shri Manoj Sinha shared the details of the public outreach activities being undertaken by the Department of Posts (DoP) during the National Postal Week starting October 09, 2018. The Minister was addressing the media here on the occasion of World Post Day 2018. This day marks the creation of the Universal Postal Union (UPU) in 1874.

Addressing the gathering, the Minister said – "With the nation-wide launch of 650 branches and 3250 access points of IPPB by the Prime Minister last month, the trusted Postman has now become a banker to millions of unbanked and under-banked Indians who have so far had no access to financial services. More than 12 lakh IPPB accounts have been opened so far, with a balance of more than Rs. 13 crores. All the 1.55 lakh Post Offices in the country will be linked to the IPPB system by December 31, 2018.

Shri Sinha also shared that India Post is committed to provide responsive and convenient citizen-centric services to the people of the country. The Department has set up and operationalized 221 Post Office Passport Seva Kendras (POPSKs) in partnership with the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), and processed more than 15 lakh passport appointments so far. Additionally, 13,352 Aadhar Enrolment and Updation Centres have been set up in partnership with the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI), where more than 21 lakh enrolments and updates have been completed.

The benefits of the Postal Life Insurance (PLI) product have now been extended to doctors, engineers, management consultants, CAs, architects, teachers, lawyers, and bankers, as well as employees of

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companies listed on the NSE and BSE. More than 1600 villages in the country have been covered under the Sampoorna Bima Gram (SBG) Yojana, providing financial security to more than two lakh families in these villages. Of the 1.46 crore Sukanya Samridhi Accounts opened in the country so far, 1.27 crore accounts reside with Post Offices. The Department has also launched creative initiatives such as the Deen Dayal Scholarship for Promotion of Aptitude and Research in Stamps as a Hobby (SPARSH), under which 841 students were awarded scholarships during the year 2017-18.

Shri Sinha also released a corporate brochure on the products and services being offered by India Post. Speaking on the occasion, Secretary (Posts) Shri Anant Narayan Nanda highlighted the setting up of a new Parcel Directorate in the department to focus on the parcel business which has undergone a radical transformation with the emergence of the e-Commerce business in the country. "We will continue to reinvent ourselves to keep pace with the changing needs of our countrymen", he said.

Shri Sinha also emphasized that, under the leadership of the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, the Government is committed to take care of it's staff, who are the foundation to support the changing face of the Department. "The recent revision in the wages and allowances of more than 2.6 lakh Gramin Dak Sevaks (GDS), resulting in an average increase of more than 55% in the emoluments of this category, is only a small step in this direction", he concluded.

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