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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the.....August, 2026.

G.S.R.....— In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution and in supersession of the Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy (Cameraman) Recruitment Rules, 2022, except as respects things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the President hereby makes the following rules regulating the method of recruitment to the post of Cameraman, in the Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy, Hyderabad under the Ministry of Home Affairs, namely:-

1. Short title and commencement. — (1) These rules may be called the Ministry of Home Affairs, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy, Cameraman, (Group 'C' Post) Recruitment Rules, 2026.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Number of post, classification and level in pay matrix.— The number of the said post, its classification and the level in the pay matrix attached thereto, shall be as specified in columns (2) to (4) of the Schedule annexed to these rules.

3. Method of recruitment, age-limit, educational qualifications, etc.— The method of recruitment, age-limit, qualifications and other matters relating to the said post shall be as specified in columns (5) to (13) of the said Schedule.

4. Disqualification. — No person, -

(a) who has entered into or contracted a marriage with a person having a spouse living; or

(b) who, having a spouse living, has entered into or contracted a marriage with any person,
shall be eligible for appointment to the said post:

Provided that the Central Government may, if satisfied that such marriage is permissible under the personal law applicable to such person and other party to the marriage and that there are other grounds for doing so, exempt any person from the operation of this rule.

5. Power to relax. — Where the Central Government is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient so to do, it may, by order and for reasons to be recorded in writing, relax any of the provisions of these rules with respect to any class or category of persons.

6. Saving. — Nothing in these rules shall affect reservation, relaxation of age-limit and other concessions required to be provided for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes, the Other Backward Classes, ex-Servicemen and other special categories of persons in accordance with the orders issued by the Central Government from time to time in this regard.

SCHEDULE

Name of post.	Number of post.	Classification.	Level in pay matrix.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Cameraman.	3* (2026) *Subject to variation dependent on workload.	General Central Services, Group, 'C' Non-Gazetted, Non-Ministerial.	Level-5 in the pay matrix (Rs. 29200-92300).

Whether selection post or non – selection post.	Age- limit for direct recruits.	Educational and other qualifications required for direct recruits.	Whether age and educational qualifications prescribed for direct recruits will apply in the case of promotees.
(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
Not applicable.	Not exceeding 30 years. Note 1: The crucial date for determining the age-limit shall be the closing date for receipt of applications from candidates and not the closing date prescribed for those residing in Assam, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Manipur, Nagaland, Tripura, Sikkim, Lahual and Spiti district and Pangi Sub-Division of Chamba district of Himachal Pradesh and the Union territories of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Ladakh and Lakshadweep.	Essential: (a) 12 th class pass from a recognized board. (b) Diploma/ Certificate course (of minimum 01-year duration) in Photography/ Videography/ Cinematography from a recognized institution. Desirable: Two years experience in Photography/ Videography and having knowledge of computer operations and ability to work on photo/ video editing software.	Not applicable.

Period of probation, if any.	Method of recruitment whether by direct recruitment or by promotion or by deputation / absorption and percentage of vacancies to be filled by various methods.	In case of recruitment by promotion or by deputation/ absorption, the grades from which promotion or deputation/ absorption to be made.	If a Departmental Promotion Committee exists, what is its composition.	Circumstances in which Union Public Service Commission to be consulted in making recruitment.
(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)
Two years for direct recruits. Note: There shall be a mandatory induction training of at least two-week duration for successful	(i) 1/3 rd by Deputation (including short-term contract)/ failing which promotion. (ii) 2/3 rd by direct recruitment failing	Deputation: Officers under the central government or state governments or union territories or statutory autonomous organization or public sector undertaking or recognized research institutions or university-	Departmental Confirmation Committee consisting of:- 1. Deputy Director - Chairperson, 2. Assistant Director –Member,	Consultation with Union Public Service Commission is not necessary.

completion of probation as prescribed by the Central Government.	which deputation.	(a) (i) holding analogous post on a regular basis in the parent cadre or department; or (ii) With five years service in the grade rendered after appointment thereto on a regular basis in posts in the level-4 in the pay matrix or equivalent in the parent cadre or department, and (b) Possessing educational qualifications and experience mentioned in Column 7. Note:1- The departmental Studio Attendant with minimum sixteen years of regular service in Level-1 in the pay matrix and having the educational qualification and experience prescribed for considering appointment on deputation basis shall also be considered along with the outsiders and in case departmental candidate selected for appointment, the post shall be deemed to have been filled by promotion. Note:2- The period of deputation including the period of deputation in another ex-cadre post held immediately preceding this appointment in the same or some other organisation or department of the Central Government shall ordinarily not exceed three years. Note: 3- The maximum age-limit for appointment by deputation (including short-term contract) shall not be exceeding fifty-six years as on the last date of receipt of application.	3. Administrative Officer Grade-II or Grade III- Member.	
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Annexure-III**Form to be filled by the ministry / Department while forwarding proposal to UPSC while proposing amendment to existing Recruitment Rules**

1	Name of post.	Cameraman.
2	Name of the Ministry / Department.	S.V.P National Police Academy, Ministry of Home Affairs, Hyderabad – 500 052.
3	Reference number in which Commission's advice on recruitment rules was conveyed.	-
4	Date of notification of the original rules and subsequent amendments (copy of the original rules & subsequent amendments should be enclosed, duly flagged and referenced)	21.11.1988, 12.12.2017 & 14.09.2022.

SI No.	Name.	Provision in the existing / approved Rules.	Revised provision proposed.	Reasons for proposing revision.
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1.	Name of the post.	Cameraman.	No. change.	-
2.	Number of post.	4* (2022) *Subject to variation dependent on work.	3* (2026) *Subject to variation dependent on work.	03 posts have been deemed abolished vide MHA order dated 24.06.2025. However, 02 posts revived vide MHA Order dated 16.04.2026.
3.	Classification.	General Central Service, Group-C, Non-Gazetted, Non-Ministerial.	No. change.	-
4.	Level in the pay matrix.	Level-5 in the pay matrix (Rs. 29200-92300).	No. change.	-
5.	Whether Selection or non-selection.	Not applicable.	No. change.	-
6.	Age-limit for direct recruits.	Not applicable.	Not exceeding 30 years. Note 1: The crucial date for determining the age-limit shall be the closing date for receipt of applications	(i) Despite repeated circulation of the vacancy to various Ministries/Departments, no suitable candidates have been sponsored/selected on

			from candidates and not the closing date prescribed for those residing in Assam, Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Manipur, Nagaland, Tripura, Sikkim, Lahual and Spiti district and Pangi Sub-Division of Chamba district of Himachal Pradesh and the Union territories of Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Ladakh and Lakshadweep.	deputation, resulting in the post remaining unfilled for a considerable period. (ii) As per DOPT guidelines, if a post is unfilled for a continuous period of five years, same post is liable to be treated as deemed abolished. Hence, revision of RRs is proposed to provide alternative mode(s) of recruitment and ensure filling up of the post.
7.	Educational and other qualifications for direct recruits.	Not applicable.	Essential: (a) 12th class pass from a recognized board. (b) Diploma/ Certificate course (of minimum 01 year duration) in Photography/ Videography/ Cinematography from a recognized institution. Desirable: Two years experience in Photography/ Videography and having knowledge of computer operations and ability to work on photo/ video editing software.	(i) Due to change of method of recruitment to fill up the posts is proposed as “By Deputation/ Promotion failing which by direct recruitment.” (ii) The proposed revision is intended to align the Educational and other qualifications and method recruitment of the post so as to overcome difficulties experienced in filling up the post and to ensure availability of suitable candidates for “Direct Recruitment”.
8.	Whether age and educational qualifications prescribed for direct recruits will apply in the case of promotees.	Not applicable.	No change.	-

9.	Period of Probation, if any.	Not applicable.	Two years for direct recruits. Note: There shall be a mandatory induction training of at least two-week duration for successful completion of probation as prescribed by the Central Government.	Two-year probation is mandatory as per DoPT OM dated 31.12.2010.
10.	Method of recruitment whether by direct recruitment or by promotion or by deputation/ absorption and percentage of the vacancies to be filled by various methods.	Deputation (including short-term contract)/ promotion.	(i) 1/3 rd by Deputation (including short-term contract)/ failing which promotion. (ii) 2/3 rd by direct recruitment failing which deputation.	(i) Despite repeated circulation of the vacancy to various Ministries/Departments, no suitable candidates have been sponsored/selected on deputation, resulting in the post remaining unfilled for a considerable period. (ii) As per DOPT guidelines, if a post is unfilled for a continuous period of five years, same post is liable to be treated as deemed abolished. Hence, revision of RRs is proposed to provide alternative mode(s) of recruitment and ensure filling up of the post.
11.	In case of recruitment by promotion or deputation/ absorption, grades from which promotion or deputation/ absorption to be made.	Deputation: Officers under the central government or state governments or union territories or statutory autonomous organization or public sector undertaking or recognized research institutions or university- (a) (i) holding analogous post on a regular basis in the parent cadre or department; or	Deputation: Officers under the central government or state governments or union territories or statutory autonomous organization or public sector undertaking or recognized research institutions or university- (a) (i) holding analogous post on a regular basis in the parent cadre or department; or	Due to change of method of recruitment.