

## Ministry of Agriculture

Department of Agriculture & Cooperation  
Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi

Filling up of the post of Chief Soil Survey Officer (CSSO), Soil and Land Use Survey of India (SLUSI), a subordinate office under the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Govt. of India, in the Pay Band-4 with Grade Pay Rs. 8700/- on deputation (including short-term contract)/ promotion basis.

Soil & Land Use Survey of India (SLUSI), is a subordinate office under Dept. of Agriculture and Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India and is a premier institution in the field of soil survey and land resource mapping. With its nationwide reach, the organization occupies a prime position in the domain of soil survey and digital watershed database. The organization operates from its Head Quarter at New Delhi, through seven regional Centres located at Bengaluru, Kolkata, Nagpur, North (Noida), Ahmedabad, Hyderabad and Ranchi. Further details may be perused at <http://slusi.dacnet.nic.in>, [www.agricoop.nic.in/slusi.dacnet.in](http://www.agricoop.nic.in/slusi.dacnet.in)

2. The Department is looking for an experienced and dynamic officer who would Head SLUSI, as Chief Soil Survey Officer, in the Pay Band-4 with Grade Pay of Rs. 8700/- on deputation (including short-term contract)/ promotion basis. The eligibility criteria along with other details of post are given in Annexure-I. The period of deputation will be five years. The person selected will be entitled to draw pay in accordance with Department of Personnel & Training instructions as amended from time to time.

3. Applications of eligible and willing persons who can be spared with immediate effect, in the prescribed format (Annexure-II) may be forwarded through proper channel to Under Secretary (NRM), Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture, Room No. 109, B Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001, within a period of 60 days, from the date of issue/publishing of this circular or advertisement in the Employment News. The application must be accompanied by photocopies of ACRs for the last five years, duly attested by an officer not below the rank of Under Secretary or equivalent. While forwarding the applications, it may please be certified that the particulars furnished by the officer(s) are correct and that no disciplinary or vigilance case is either pending or contemplated against the officer. It may also be confirmed that in the event of selection the officer will be relieved of his duties. The integrity of the officer may also be certified by an officer of the rank of Under Secretary or equivalent.

4. Applications, which are incomplete or are not accompanied with the photocopies of ACRs, for the last five years, will not be entertained and no correspondence will be made or entertained in this regard.

5. Candidates who apply for the post will not be allowed to withdraw their candidature subsequently. The circular is also available at <http://slusi.dacnet.nic.in>, [www.agricoop.nic.in/slusi.dacnet.in](http://www.agricoop.nic.in/slusi.dacnet.in)

### Annexure-I

#### Details & Eligibility conditions etc. for the post of Chief Soil Survey Officer (CSSO), Soil & Land Use Survey of India (SLUSI)

1. Name of the Organisation: Soil & Land Use Survey of India, a subordinate office under the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation.
2. Name of the post: Chief Soil Survey Officer (CSSO)
3. Number of post: 1 (One)
4. Classification of Post: General Central Services, Group 'A', Gazetted, Non-Ministerial
5. Pay Scale: Rs.37400-67000/-(PB-4) with Grade Pay Rs.8700/-
6. Method of recruitment: Deputation (including short-term contract)/promotion basis
7. Age limit: The maximum age limit for appointment by deputation (including short-term contract) shall not be exceeding 56 years as on the closing date of receipt of applications.
8. Eligibility Conditions: Officers under the Central/State Government/Union Territories/Public Sector Undertakings/ Universities/ Recognised Research Institutions/ Statutory or Autonomous organizations, Indian Council of Agriculture Research possessing the following service, educational qualifications and experience:  
**Essential:** (a) (i) Holding analogous post on regular basis in the parent cadre/ Department; or (ii) with 5 years service in the grade rendered thereto after appointment thereto on a regular basis in the scale of pay of Rs.12000-16500/- (pre-revised) or equivalent in the parent cadre/ Department; or  
(iii) With ten years service in the grade rendered after appointment thereto on a regular basis in the scale of pay of Rs.10000-15200 (pre-revised) or equivalent in the parent cadre/Department.  
**Educational and other qualifications, experience required for the post:** M.Sc in Soil Science or M.Sc in Agricultural Chemistry with specialization in Soil Science from a recognised University or equivalent; and 12 years experience in Soil Survey;  
**Desirable:** Experience in aerial photo-interpretation or any other branch of Soil Conservation including survey planning and monitoring.

9. Place of posting : New Delhi.

10. Period of deputation (including short-term contract): The period of deputation (including short-term contract) in another ex-cadre post held immediately preceding this appointment in the same or some other organization/Department of the Central Government shall ordinarily not to exceed 5 years.

Annexure-II

### Proforma for Application

Application for the post of : Chief Soil Survey Officer (CSSO), Soil and Land Use Survey of India (SLUSI)  
Curriculum Vitae

1. Name and Address (in Block Letters)
2. Date of Birth (in Christian era). Age as on the closing date of receipt of application
3. Date of retirement under Central/State Government Rules
4. Educational Qualifications :-
5. Whether Educational and other qualifications required for the post are satisfied. (If any qualification has been treated as equivalent to the one prescribed in the Rules, state the authority for the same)  
Qualifications / Experience required as per Annexure-I  
Essential  
Desired  
Qualifications/Experience possessed by the applicant
6. Please state clearly whether in the light of entries made by you above, you meet the requirement of the post.
7. Details of Employment, in chronological order. Enclose a separate sheet duly authenticated by your signature, if the space below is insufficient.

Office/Institution	Post held	From	To	Scale of pay and basic pay	Nature of duties (In detail)

8. Nature of present employment i.e. Ad hoc or Temporary or Quasi-Permanent or Permanent
  9. In case the present employment is held on deputation/contract basis, please state:-  
a) The date of initial appointment  
b) Period of appointment on deputation/ contract  
c) Name of the parent office/organization to which you belong.
  10. Additional details about present Employment  
Please state whether working under (indicate the name of your employer against the relevant column):  
Central Government/  
State Government/  
Autonomous Organization/  
Government Undertakings/ Others
  11. Please state whether you are working in the same Department and are in the feeder grade or feeder to feeder grade. If Yes, give details :
  12. Are you in Revised Scale of Pay? If yes, give the date from which the revision took place and also indicate the pre-revised scale
  13. Total emoluments per month now drawn (with break-up)
  14. Additional information, if any, which you would like to mention in support of your suitability for the post including achievements in your career which may support your candidature. (This among other things may provide information with regard to:-  
(i) additional academic qualifications  
(ii) professional trainings and  
(iii) work experience over and above prescribed in the Vacancy Circular/Advertisement).  
(Note: Enclose a separate sheet, if the space is insufficient).
  15. Whether belongs to SC/ST
  16. Remarks: Information with regard to :-  
(i) Research publications and reports and special projects;  
(ii) Awards/Scholarships/Official Appreciation ;  
(iii) Affiliation with the professional bodies/institutions/ societies and  
(iv) any other information. )  
(Note: Enclose a separate sheet if the space is insufficient)
  17. Contact Details: Office/Residence/Mobile/E-Mail
- I have carefully gone through the vacancy circular/advertisement and I am well aware that the Curriculum Vitae duly supported by documents submitted by me will also be assessed by the Selection Committee at the time of selection for the post.

Date and Place :

(Signature of the Candidate and full address)

Countersigned  
(Employer with Seal)