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## **Pensioners to supervise government jobs recruitment exams**

In a first, the Centre has decided to rope in pensioners to supervise government jobs recruitment exams conducted by Staff Selection Commission (SSC).

The SSC, which conducts examinations to select hundreds of candidates for various mid-level central government jobs, has written to Personnel Ministry in this regard.

The retired central government employees will be engaged as Inspecting Officers and members of the flying squad for conducting and supervising of examinations at various places, according to a note by the ministry.

The SSC has also sought a list of pensioners from the ministry to choose appropriate candidates, it said.

The Commission is one of the largest recruiting agencies in the country mandated to conduct eight exams.

There are about 58 lakh central government pensioners.

The Personnel Ministry already maintains a repository of pensioners in an online initiative called Sankalp, which provides a platform for the pensioners to access opportunities available for useful interventions in the society.

It also facilitates the organisations working in these areas to select appropriate skill and expertise from the available pool of volunteers.

There are 1,815 pensioners registered with the Sankalp.