## MANIPUR PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IMPHAL

## NOTIFICATION Imphal, the 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2016

**No. 7/1/2016-MPSC (DR):** It is hereby informed to all concerned that the MCSCC (P) Exam, 2016 was held on 15.05.2016 across 24 (twenty four) centres located in Imphal area in which a total of 10174 candidates had appeared.

2. On the day of the exam, when the Question Booklets were opened, it was found that there were contradictory instructions in Para 9 on the cover page of Test Booklet as below:

## "9. There will be NO PENALTY for wrong answers:

THERE WILL BE PENALTY FOR WRONG ANSWERS MARKED BY A CANDIDATE IN THE OBJECTIVE TYPE QUESTION PAPERS.

- (i) There are four alternatives for the answer to every question. For each question for which a wrong answer has been given by the candidate, one-third (0.33) of the marks assigned to that question will be deducted as penalty.
- (ii) If a candidate gives more than one answer, it will be treated as a wrong answer even if one of the given answers happens to be correct and there will be same penalty as above to that question.
- (iii) If a question is left blank, i.e., no answer is given by the candidate, there will be no penalty for that question."
- The Commission issued instructions to all the 24(twenty four) exam centres through the Inspecting Officers to inform the candidates that there would be no negative marking. These instructions were announced in all the rooms of all the centres.
- 4. However, after the exam, complaints were received from some candidates stating that the instructions had not been clearly announced in their room or that they did not hear the instructions clearly. On scrutiny of the OMR answer sheets, the Commission found that some candidates had indeed left several questions unanswered, possibly because they were under the impression that there would be negative marking. In view of above position, it is possible that there was a lack of clarity on negative marking in spite of the announcements made in all the examination rooms/halls.
- The Commission has considered the matter carefully and decided to cancel the MCSCC
   (P) Exam, 2016 held on 15.05.2016 in order to maintain the fairness of the exam for all candidates.
- 6. The MCSCC (P) Examination-2016 will be held afresh on **03.07.2016**(Sunday), the Admit Cards for which can be downloaded from <a href="https://www.empsc.gov.in">www.empsc.gov.in</a> w.e.f. **15.06.2016**.

The Commission regrets the inconvenience caused to the candidates.

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