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SCHEDULED TRIBE & SCHEDULED CASTE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT NOTIFICATION

The 3rd October, 2015

No. 19498—FE(W)-31/2015/SSD.—In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Odisha hereby makes the following rules further to amend in the Odisha Subordinate Welfare Service (Method of Recruitment and Conditions of Service) Rules, 1992, namely:—

1. Short title and Commencement:—

- (i) These rules may be called the Odisha Subordinate Welfare Service (Method of Recruitment and Conditions of Service) Amendment Rules, 2015.
- (ii) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the *Odisha Gazette*.

2. In the Odisha Subordinate Welfare Service (Method of Recruitment and Conditions of Service) Rules, 1992 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), in rule 2, in sub-rule (1):—

- (A) for clauses (c) and (d), the following clauses shall be substituted namely:—
 - (c) "Director" means the Director "Scheduled Tribes" of "Scheduled Tribe & Scheduled Caste Development Department
 - (d) Government" means the Government of Odisha in the "Scheduled Tribes & Scheduled Castes Development Department;
- (B) After clause (f) the following clauses shall be added, namely:—
 - (g) Appendix means the appendix appended to these rules;
 - (h) "Ex-Servicemen" means the person defined as such in clause (b) of Rule 2 of the Odisha Ex-Servicemen (Recruitment of State Civil Services and posts Rules, 1985;
 - (i) "Person with Disabilities" means persons who have been granted with disability certificates by competent authority as per the provisions of the persons with disability (Equal Opportunities, Protection of right and full participation) Odisha rules, 2003;

- (j) "Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes" means such Castes and Tribes as notified by the President of India respectively under Articles 341 and 342 of the Constitution of India.
- (k) "SEBC" means Socially & Educationally Backward Classes of citizens other than the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled tribes as may be specified by the State Government, from time to time;
- (l) "Sportsman" refers to a person who holds the identity card as sportsman issued by the Director of Sports.

3. In the said rules for the proviso to clause (b) to sub-rule(1) of rule-5, the following provision shall be substituted, namely:—

"Provided that the maximum age limit shall be relaxed by five years for Sevaks and Teachers who are serving under the Scheduled Tribes & Scheduled Castes Development Department:

Provided further that the maximum age limit in cases of Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes, SEBC, persons with disability women and Ex-Serviceman shall be relaxed in accordance with the provisions made under such Act, rules, orders or instructions issued in this behalf by the Government from time to time".

4. (1) In the said rules, in sub-rule (2) the opening portion shall be substituted by the following opening portion, namely:—

(2) "A candidate shall furnish, with his/her application, the self attested copies of the following documents, namely:—"

5. In the said rules in rule 6, for sub-rule (1) the following rule shall be substituted namely:—

"Direct recruitment to the post of Welfare Extension Officer shall ordinarily be made annually through Odisha Staff Selection Commission."

6. In the said rules, for rule 7 the following rule shall be substituted namely:—

"7.procedure for Recruitment"-(1)

The examination shall consist of the following stages namely:—

- (a) **Preliminary Examination;**
- (b) **Main Written Examination;**

(2) The syllabus and pattern of examination are as specified in the Appendix.

By Order of the Governor

SURENDRA KUMAR

Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government

APPENDIX

Syllabus and Pattern of Examination

[See rule 7 (2)]

1. Preliminary Examination:—

Subjects (1)	Duration (2)	Marks (3)	Question Pattern (4)	Nature of examination (5)
General awareness covering General Science, Current events, Socio-economic and Political situation, history, Geography, etc.	1 ½ hours	100	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multiple choice • OMR sheet • Negative marking @ 0.25 for each wrong answer • No deduction of mark for not attempting any question. • Commission may dispense with prelim depending on no. of applications received. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Qualifying to short list candidates for main examination. • 20 times the vacancies in each category will be short listed for main examination. • Marks obtained in preliminary will not be counted for the final merit list.

Note: The candidates successful in Preliminary Examination will be allowed to sit in the Main Examination.

2. Main Examination:— Consists of 3 papers

Subjects (1)	Duration (2)	Marks (3)	Question Pattern (4)	Nature of examination (5)
English	1 ½ hours	100	Descriptive Comprehension précis writing usages writing usages & vocabulary, short essay-writing, grammar.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For final selection • Marks scored will be counted for final list. • The no. of successful candidates shall be equal to the number of vacancies in each category advertised.
Odia Language	1 ½ hours	100	Application & report letter writing, retranslation from English to Odia	
General studies	1 ½ hours	100	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multiple choices • OMR system • World and India geography, special reference to geography of Odisha, India polity and economy, Human Rights, General Science, IT, Reasoning, numerical ability, Arithmetic(HSC standard). 	

3. Career Assessment:—

There shall be a career *assessment* of academic career from HSC to Degree level for 30 marks. The career assessment of the candidates numbering 5 times of the vacancies (category-wise) will be made on the basis of performance in the main written examination.

4. Viva voce test:—

There shall be *Viva voce* Test for 30 marks. Candidates numbering 3 times of the vacancies (category-wise) on the basis of performance in the main written examination and career assessment taken together will be called for to appear the *Viva voce* Test.

5. Select list:—

The final list of successful candidates will be prepared on the basis of marks secured in the main written examination, career assessment and *Viva-voce* Test taken together and such list after being approved by the Government shall form the select list.

6. In the said rules, in rule 15 in sub-rule (1) and (3) for the words, "Tribal and Harijan Research and Training Institute", the words, "Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe Research and Training Institute" shall be substituted.

7. In the said rules, for rule 16 the following rule shall be substituted namely:—

"An Officer shall be considered for promotion subject to passing the Departmental Examination and Training, if any".

8. In the said rules, for rule 20 the following rule shall be substituted namely:—

"20. Reservations:- Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules reservation of vacancies or posts as the case may be for,—

- (a) Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe shall be made in accordance with the provisions for the Odisha reservation of Vacancies in posts and Services (for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes) Act, 1975 and the rules made thereunder, and
- (b) SEBC, sportsman, Persons with Disabilities and Ex-Service men shall be made in accordance with the provisions made under relevant Acts, or rules framed, Notifications, Resolutions, Orders of Instructions issued in this behalf by the Government from time to time".