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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION & PUBLIC GRIEVANCE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

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No. 30207-GAD-FE-OSSC-0013/2022/Gen.– In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India and in supersession of any Rules or Regulation or Orders or Instructions except as respect things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the Governor of Odisha is pleased to make the following rules to regulate the procedure of recruitment and conditions of service of persons appointed to different posts and services in the State Government, namely:-

1. Short title and commencement.- (1) These rules may be called the Combined Technical Services Recruitment Examination Rules, 2022.

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

2. Definitions.- (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,---

- (a) “**Appointing Authority**” means the respective authorities specified in the respective recruitment Rules or Resolutions of different services or posts;
- (b) “**Commission**” means the Odisha Staff Selection Commission;
- (c) “**Examination**” means the Combined Technical Services Recruitment Examination;
- (d) “**Ex-serviceman**” means a person as defined in clause (b) of rule 2 of the Odisha Ex-servicemen (Recruitment to State Civil Services and Posts) Rules, 1985;
- (e) “**Government**” means the Government of Odisha;
- (f) “**Merit List**” means list of successful candidates for each service or post as published and recommended by the Commission;

- (g) **“Persons with Disabilities”** means Persons with Disabilities who have been granted with disability certificate by the Competent Authority as per the provisions of the Right of persons with Disability Act, 2016 (49 of 2016);
- (h) **“Schedule”** means the Schedule appended to these Rules; **“Year”** means the calendar year.
- (i) **“Scheduled Castes & Scheduled Tribes”** shall have reference to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes specified in the constitution (Schedule Castes) Order, 1950 and the Constitution (Scheduled Tribe) Order, 1950, as the case may be made under Articles 341 and 342 of the Constitution of India, respectively;
- (j) **“SEBC”** means Socially and Educationally Backward Classes defined as Backward Classes as in clause (a) of Section 2 of the Odisha State Commission for Backward Classes Act, 1993;
- (k) **“Select List”** means the list of successful candidates in each service or post prepared and sponsored by the Commission and approved by the respective Appointing Authorities;
- (l) **“Sportsmen”** means a person, who has been issued identity card as sportsman by the Director of Sports as per Resolution No.24808/Gen., dated the 18th November 1985 of General Administration & Public Grievance Department, as amended from time to time; and
- (m) **“Year”** means the calendar year.
- (2) All other words and expressions used in these rules but not specifically defined shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the same meaning as respectively assigned to them in the Odisha Service Code.

3. Direct Recruitment.- Appointment to Services or Posts mentioned in column (2) of Schedule-I which are required to be filled up by direct recruitment as per the provisions under the relevant recruitment Rules or Resolutions as mentioned in column (3) thereof shall, notwithstanding anything contrary in such Rules or Regulations, be made in order of merit from out of the candidates recommended by the Commission:

Provided that the Government may include any Service or Posts in Schedule-I for regulating direct recruitment to that Service or Posts or exclude any Service or Posts from Schedule-I by notification in the official Gazette .

4. Eligibility Conditions.--- Subject to other provisions of this rule in order to be eligible for direct recruitment, a candidate must,-

(a) be a candidate must be a citizen of India;

- (b) have a minimum educational qualification and experience as prescribed in the relevant Recruitment Rule or Government Resolution noted in Column (3) of the Schedule-I;
- (c) have attained the age as prescribed in the relevant Recruitment Rule or Government Resolution as noted in Schedule-I or as notified by Government from time to time;
- (d) be able to speak, read and write Odia and must have,----
 - (i) passed Middle School examination with Odia as a language subject; or
 - (ii) passed Matriculation or equivalent examination with Odia as medium of examination in non - language subject ; or
 - (iii) passed in Odia as language subject in the final examination of Class - VII or above ; or
 - (iv) passed a test in Odia in Middle English School Standard conducted by the Board of Secondary Education, Odisha.

(e) not have more than one spouse living :

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

- 5. Holding of Examination.-** (a) The concerned Heads of Department or Departments of Government shall intimate each year to the Commission vacancy for Posts or Services mentioned in column (2) of Schedule-I required to be filled up by direct recruitment, also indicating the posts reserved for candidates belonging to the categories of Scheduled Caste, Schedule Tribe, Socially and Educationally Backward Classes, Ex - servicemen , Sportsmen, Women, Persons with Disabilities.
- (b) The Commission shall, on receipt of the vacancy position from the Heads of Department or Department of Government, invite application from eligible candidates. The advertisement for examination shall usually be issued once a year. However, with the approval of Government, Commission can issue another advertisement during a year in public interest and conduct examination.
 - (c) On further receipt of intimation from the Requisitioning Authority, the Commission may increase or decrease the number of vacant posts as and when required, with due intimation to the candidates by notification.

6. Scheme of Examination.- (a) The competitive examination shall consist of three stages namely:-

Stage-I The Preliminary written examination shall be of Multiple Choice Questions of 150 Marks.

Indicative Syllabus shall be as prescribed in Schedule-II appended to these rules.

Stage-II Main written examination - Technical papers- 200 Marks. There will be different Technical Paper for different Services or Posts. However, one Technical Paper could be common to more than one service or post. Indicative Syllabus shall be as prescribed in Schedule-II of these rules.

Stage-III Certificate Verification.

- (b) The Commission is authorized to update or revise or elaborate syllabus of Preliminary Written Examination.
- (c) There shall be negative marking for each wrong answer and for each wrong answer 0.25 marks shall be deducted from the marks awarded for correct answers.
- (d) The OSSC shall prepare a list of candidates who obtain minimum qualifying marks in the Preliminary Examination as fixed by Commission for next stage of Main Written Examination. Different minimum qualifying marks may be fixed for different services or posts, If Technical Paper is different. However, same qualifying marks will be fixed if Technical Paper is same. The Commission may fix different minimum qualifying marks for different category candidates (UR, SC, ST, SEBC etc.). Minimum Five times number of vacancy shall be called for Main Written Examination.
- (e) Based on performance in Main Written Examination and Technical Paper, candidates will be shortlisted for document verification.

7. Options, Merit List and Sponsoring of candidates by the Staff Selection Commission.-

(a) Candidate will specify clearly in his application the service(s) for which he wishes to be considered in order of his preference. Where application is invited for vacancies of different Heads of Department or Department for the same Service or Posts, candidate will also indicate his order of preference for Service or Posts of such Heads of Department or Departments, Commission will decide whether and till when such preference can be modified. Candidates should give preference only for such post or service for which they are eligible.

(b) Marks obtained in Main Written Examination shall be tabulated for preparing the Combined Merit List. Allotment to post or service will be made on the basis of merit *cum* preference. If allotted to a Service or Post where vacancies of different Heads of

Department or Departments are collated, allotment to particular Heads of Department or Departments will also be made on the basis of merit *cum* preference. A merit list shall also be prepared for each post or service. A Common Merit List shall be prepared for more than one Service or Post, if there is a Common Technical Paper for such Service(s) or Post(s). The names of candidates shall be arranged in the order of merit.

- (c) The Commission shall sponsor exactly the same number of candidates as the total number of vacancies notified with it for each service or post.
- (d) If enough suitable women candidates are not available, the shortfall can be made up by correspondingly increasing the number of men candidates in that category.
- (e) In the event of tie in scores of candidates, merit will be decided by applying following criteria, one after another in the given order, till the tie is resolved.
 - (i) Marks in Preliminary examination;
 - (ii) Date of birth, with older candidate placed higher; and
 - (iii) Alphabetical order in which the names of the candidate appear.
- (f) On acceptance of the list of candidates by the Appointing Authority the same will become the select list for the purpose of appointment of candidates.
- (g) Appointment of candidates from the select list by Appointing Authority shall be made after re-verification of original certificates of his eligibility for the post. This will include certificates of age, caste or category, educational qualifications, certificates of special categories Certificate of Experience etc.
- (h) The antecedents of the candidates shall be verified soon after their joining the posts in the respective services. In case of receipt of adverse report of antecedents, the person shall be discharged from the service forthwith.

8. Overriding effect.- These rules shall have overriding effect on all the recruitment rules or resolutions or executive instructions or orders issued by the Administrative Departments governing the method of recruitment procedure.

9. Relaxation.- Where the Government, are satisfied that it is necessary or expedient to do so, it may by order, for reasons to be recorded in writing, relax any of the provisions of this order with respect to any class or category of persons.

10. Interpretation.- If any question arises relating to the interpretations of this order, it shall be referred to Government in the General Administration & Public Grievance for decision.

SCHEDULE-I

SL NO	Name of the Post	Recruitment Rules or Resolution or Executive Instruction
(1)	(2)	(3)
(1)	Junior Engineer (Civil) under Engineer in Chief (Water Resource) Govt. of Odisha, Urban Development Department, Textile & Handloom Department and others.	Odisha Diploma Engineering Service (Method of Recruitment and Condition of Services) Rules - 2012
(2)	Assistant Training Officer under Director Technical Education & Training.	Guidelines issued by the SD & TE Department vide Letter No.5304/SDTE dated 30.11.2021.
(3)	Junior Engineer (Electrical) under Engineer-in-Chief (Electricity) - <i>Cum-Principal Chief Electrical Inspector</i> , Odisha	Odisha Diploma Engineering Service (Method of Recruitment and Condition of Services) Rules - 2012
(4)	Junior Engineer (Mechanical) under Engineer in Chief (Water Resource) Government of Odisha, Urban Development Department and others.	Odisha Diploma Engineering Service (Method of Recruitment and Condition of Services) Rules - 2012
(5)	Junior MVI under Commerce and Transport Department.	Odisha Sub ordinate Transport Engineering services Rules -1996 & Amendment Rules-2014
(6)	Junior Mining Officer under Director of Mines	(Method of recruitment and condition of service of Junior Mining Officer and Assistant Mining Officer) Rules, 2021 notified vide Steel & Mines Department Notification No-7067/SM Dt.03.09.2021.

SCHEDULE –II**Combined Technical Services Recruitment Examination****(a) Indicative Syllabus of Preliminary Written Examination**

- (i) Arithmetic – 10th Standard
- (ii) Data Interpretation (Chart, Graph, Table, Data Sufficiency etc.) – 10th standard
- (iii) Logical Reasoning and Analytical Ability, General Mental Ability.
- (iv) Current Events of National and International Importance.
- (v) Computer or Internet Awareness.

(b) Syllabus for Technical Paper for all services or posts as mentioned in column (2) of Schedule-I will be decided by the Commission in consultation with the Appointing Authority or Cadre Controlling Authority. If more than one Appointing Authorities are involved, syllabus will be decided by the Commission in consultation with Cadre Controlling Authority. Commission may decide to have a common Technical paper for more than one services or posts. Commission can update or revise the syllabus of Technical Paper in consultation with the Appointing Authority or Cadre Controlling Authority, from time to time.

By Order of the Governor

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