TAMIL NADU PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

NOTIFICATION / ADVERTISEMENT

Applications are invited upto 5.45 p.m on **23-12-2010** for direct recruitment to the post **of Forest Apprentice in the Tamil Nadu Forest Subordinate Service included in Group-VI Services** to the vacancies for the years 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 as follows:

Sl. No.	Name of the Post	Service	Post Code	No. of vacancies	Scale of Pay
1.	Forest Apprentice	Tamil Nadu Forest Subordinate Service (Code 008)	1652	79 + (1 SC/ST Carried Forward Vacancy)	PB-2 Rs.9,300-34,800/- + GP Rs. 4,600/-

2. IMPORTANT DATES :

		Date	Time
A	Date of Notification	24.11.2010	-
B	Last date for receipt of applications	23.12.2010	5.45 P.M.
C	Date of Written Examination	21.02.2011 to 05.03.2011 (Except 26.02.2011 & 27.02.2011)	F.N. & A.N.

3. DISTRIBUTION OF VACANCIES:

The distribution of vacancies will be as per Rule of Reservation of Appointments.

4. GENERAL INFORMATION :-

A. (i) The rule of reservation of appointments is applicable to this recruitment and the distribution of vacancies will be as per the rules in force.

(ii) In G.O. Ms. No.145, Personnel and Administrative Reforms (S) Department, dated 30.09.2010, the Government have issued orders to fill up 20% of all vacancies in direct recruitment on preferential basis to persons studied in Tamil Medium. Clarification in this regard is awaited from the Government hence, distribution of vacancies is not announced.

(iii) Candidates who claim reservation with reference to orders issued in the above G.O. should enclose evidence in support of their claim in a separate white sheet. Applications submitted without evidence for "PSTM" (PSTM-Persons Studied in Tamil Medium) will not be considered for the above said reservation.

B. The number of vacancies advertised is only approximate and is liable to modification with reference to vacancy position at any time before finalisation of selection for Oral Test.

C The selection for appointment to the above said post is purely provisional subject to final orders on pending WP (MD) No.9756 of 2006 Madurai Bench of Madras High Court.

D. If no qualified and suitable women candidates are available for selection against the vacancies reserved for them those vacancies will be filled by male candidates belonging to the respective communal categories.

E Reservation of appointment to "Destitute Widows', "Ex-Serviceman" and "Physically Handicapped" will not apply to this recruitment.

F. Even after filling up of the posts reserved for SC (Arunthathiyars) on preferential basis, if more number of qualified Arunthathiyars are available, they shall be entitled to compete with the Scheduled Castes other than Arunthathiyars in the inter-se-merit among them and if any posts reserved for Arunthathiyars remain unfilled for want of adequate number of qualified candidates, it shall be filled up by Scheduled Castes other than Arunthathiyars.

G. <u>CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICAL FITNESS</u> -

Candidates selected for appointment to the post will be required to produce a certificate of physical fitness in the form prescribed for 'Executive Posts'. The Standard of vision prescribed for the post is 'Standard- I. (i.e. Distant vision without glasses 6/6 each eye. Near vision 0.5 (sn) each eye).

H. The Differently Abled persons should produce a certificate of physical fitness from the Medical Board to the effect that his/her handicap will <u>not</u> render him/her incapable of efficiently discharging the duties attached to the post of Forest Apprentice, before appointment.

I. The candidate shall abide by the conditions with reference to Training Course, Probation, Stipend, Security, Contract/Agreement, Study Tour Expenses Equipment allowance etc., as stipulated by the appointing authority.

J. Any claim relating to the selection (not related to candidature or/and claim made in the application) should be received within 90 days from the date of announcement of results and any claim received thereafter will receive no attention.

5. <u>QUALIFICATIONS</u>: -

(A) <u>AGE</u> (as on 01.04.2010):

(i) <u>MINIMUM AGE LIMIT – should have completed 18 years (for all candidates)</u>

(ii) <u>MAXIMUM AGE LIMIT – Should not have completed - 30 years</u>

For SCs, SC(Arunthathiyar),STs, MBCs/DCs, BCs (other than BCMs) and BCMs, DWs of all castes	-	**35 Years**
For Ex-Servicemen (irrespective of castes)	-	**37 Years**

(i) Age relaxation of 5 years in the maximum age limit will be applicable to persons (viz., unemployed youth and those who are in Government Service) affected by the ban orders.

(ii) Candidates not belonging to SCs, SC (Arunthathiyar), STs, MBCs/DCs, BCs(Other than BCMs), BCMs (i.e. others) who have put in five years of service in the State/Central Government are <u>not</u> eligible to apply, even though they are within the age limit.

(iii) The Technical and Non-technical staff of TANSI/IFAD who are facing retrenchment and have not been absorbed in the Government Corporations/Undertakings may also apply(evidence to be produced), if they satisfy all the prescribed qualifications except age. The relevant age rule will be relaxed by the Government in their favour, if they come up for selection.

(Paragraph 4 of the 'Instructions, etc., to candidates' will <u>not</u> apply to this recruitment). (Age concession for Ex-Servicemen mentioned in the 'Instructions, etc., to candidates' will <u>not</u> apply to this recruitment).

(B) EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION:
   Candidates should possess the following or its equivalent qualifications on the date of this Notification (viz 24.11.2010)
   (a) Must posses a Bachelor's degree in Forestry or its equivalent degree of any recognized University

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   (b) Must possess the Bachelor's Degree or its equivalent degree of any recognized University in any **one** of the following subjects:
   1. Agriculture
   2. Botany
   3. Chemistry
   4. Computer Applications/Computer Science
   5. Engineering (Agriculture/Chemical/Civil/Computer/Electrical/Electronics/ Mechanical)
   6. Environmental Science
   7. Geology
   8. Horticulture
   9. Mathematics
   10. Physics
   11. Statistics
   12. Veterinary Science
   13. Zoology

   Provided that only if candidates with the qualifications referred to in item (a) are **not** available for selection, candidates with qualifications referred to in item (b) will be considered for selection.

Note:
 (1) The qualification prescribed for this post should have been obtained by passing the required degree course in the order of studies 10th, HSC, Bachelor's degree.
 (2) Persons claiming equivalence of qualification should enclose evidence for such claim failing which their application will be summarily rejected. For further details refer para-9 of the Instructions etc. to candidates.

(C) PHYSICAL QUALIFICATIONS:

For Men:
(i) Must not be less than 163 Cms in height
(ii) Must have a chest measurement of not less than 84 cms. (round the chest) on full expiration.
(iii) Must have a chest expansion of not less than 5 Cms. on full inspiration.

For Women:
(i) Must not be less than 150 Cms in height
(ii) Must have a chest measurement of 79 Cms. (round the chest) on full expiration.
(iii) Must have a chest expansion of not less than 5 Cms on full inspiration.

Note: The following minimum height Standards is allowed in case of candidates belonging to Scheduled Tribes and races such as Assamese, Bhutanese, Garhwalis, Gorkhas, Kumoanis, Ladakhes, Mizo, Naga, Nepalese, Sikkimese and those from Arunachal Pradesh. Lahaul and Spiti Meghalaya:

> **Male Candidates   : 152 Cms**
> **Female Candidates   : 145 Cms**

(D) PHYSICAL TEST:

(a) A candidate will be required to undergo a physical test consisting of a walk over 25 Kms and 16 Kms to be completed in four hours by male and female candidates respectively, which will be conducted by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests. A certificate to this effect must be produced from a Gazetted Forest Officer nominated by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests on his behalf. **(Walking Test will be conducted only at Chennai.)**

(b) An applicant must satisfy a Medical Board in Chennai as to his/her physique, fitness and capacity for rough outdoor work in the Forest Department.

6(A). **SCHEME OF WRITTEN EXAMINATION (OBJECTIVE TYPE) AND ORAL TEST:-**

Subject	Duration	Maximum Marks	Minimum Qualifying Marks for selection	
			SCs, SC(A),STs MBCs/DCs, BCs(other than BCMs) and BCMs	Others
Paper – I General Knowledge (100 items) (Degree Std.) **+** General Tamil (001)/ General English (002) (100 items) (SSLC Std.)	3 Hours	150 + 150 } **300**		
Paper –II Any two subjects from the following 21 subjects:- (Degree Standard) (200 items) 1. Agriculture (Code No.011) 2. Botany (Code No.020) 3. Chemistry (Code No.027) 4. Computer Application (Code No.165) 5. Computer Science (Code No.166) 6. Agricultural Engineering (Code No.164) 7. Chemical Engineering (Code No.025) 8. Civil Engineering (Code No.029) 9. Computer Science Engineering (Code No.167) 10. Electrical Engineering (Code No.169) 11. Electronics Engineering (Code No.170) 12. Mechanical Engineering. (Code No.074) 13. Environmental Science (Code No.168) 14. Forestry (Code No.054) 15 Geology (Code No.058) 16. Horticulture (Code No.171) 17. Mathematics (Code No.073) 18. Physics (Code No.095) 19. Statistics (Code No.111) 20. Veterinary Science (Code No.172) 21. Zoology (Code No.119)	3 Hours	300 + 300 } **600**	*306*	*408*
Interview	--	**120**		
Total	--	**1020**		

Note:-

(i) No candidate shall be allowed to take more than one subject of the group (i) Agriculture, Agricultural Engineering and Veterinary Science (ii) Chemistry and Chemical Engineering (iii) Computer Application / Computer Science and Computer Engineering (iv) Electrical Engineering and Electronic Engineering (v) Mathematics and Statistics.

(ii) **In respect of Compulsory Subject (i.e. General Knowledge + General English/General Tamil):** Two Types of question papers will be set. One type of question paper will contain questions on General Knowledge (100 items) and General English (100 items). The other will contain questions on General Knowledge (100 items) and General Tamil (100 items). Candidates are given the option to choose either General Tamil or General English for answering the second 100 items apart from answering the first 100 items on General Knowledge. Candidates should mention in column 22 of the OMR application form under the heading compulsory subject, the subject i.e. General Tamil or General English chosen by them, failing which they will be penalised.

(iii) The questions on General Knowledge will be set both in English and in Tamil and the questions on General Tamil/General English will be set in the respective languages.

(B) In respect of Optional Subjects:

(i) Candidates must choose any two subjects from the 21 subjects specified in the scheme, in which he/she wishes to be examined. He/She should specify the Code No. of the subjects in which he/she wishes to be examined under the heading "Optional subject" in column 22 of the OMR application form and should shade the relevant boxes there under.

The question papers in the following subjects will be set both in Tamil and in English.

Botany, Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics, Statistics and Zoology.

For the following 15 subjects the question paper will be set in English only.

Agriculture, Agricultural Engineering, Computer Application, Computer Science, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Computer Science and Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Electronics Engineering, Geology, Mechanical Engineering, Environmental Science, Forestry, Horticulture and Veterinary Science

The Syllabi for the subjects (single paper) have been made available in the Commission's Website at **www.tnpsc.gov.in**

7. CENTRES FOR EXAMINATION:

Examination will be held at the Chennai centre.

Note:

(i) Candidates should appear for the examination at their own expenses.

(ii) The Commission reserves the right to increase the number of examination centres and to re-allot the candidates.

8. PROCEDURE OF SELECTION:

Selection will be made in three successive stages i e , (i) Written Examination (ii) Physical Test (Walking Test) and (iii) Oral Test in the shape of an interview. Final selection will be made on the basis of the total marks obtained by the candidates at the Written Examination and Oral Test taken together subject to the rule of reservation of appointments and subject to qualifying Physical Test. Appearance in each subject of the Written Examination, Physical Test and Oral Test is compulsory. A candidate who has not appeared in any of the subjects or the Physical Test will not be considered for Oral Test, even if he/she secures qualifying marks in the Written Examination. (For further details please refer paragraph 22(b) of the instructions, etc. to candidates').

9.EXAMINATION FEE:

Rs 100/- (Rupees One Hundred only) Examination fee should be paid only through any one of the Post offices listed in Annexure - III to the Brochure and the Postal Receipt obtained for the payment of fee should be pasted in the space provided in the application. (For further details refer para 2 under part -III of Information Brochure and for Examination fee concessions, refer para 12 of the instructions etc. to candidates') All candidates should pay Rs 12/- (Rupees twelve only) as service charge to the Post Office while obtaining the Postal Receipt. Candidates except online applicants should inform the OMR application number to the Counter Clerk of the Post Office for obtaining the Postal Receipt.

10.ENCLOSURES TO BE SENT ALONG WITH APPLICATION:

Candidates should enclose attested copies of all certificates (including evidence for Educational Qualification i.e S.S.L.C., H.S.C., and Degree/Provisional Certificate possessed by them) as mentioned in para 15 of the Commission's Instructions etc to candidates' and item 26 under part-II of Information Brochure along with a Postal receipt to the value of Rs.100/- (Rupees One hundred only) pasted in the column provided in the application, unless exemption of fee is claimed. **Original Certificates should not be sent**. Those applying Online please refer sub para D of para 13 of this Notification/Advertisement.

In addition to the above said enclosures evidence for having studied in Tamil Medium should be enclosed if the candidates claim reservation for **"PSTM" (*Persons Studied in Tamil Medium).*.**

Applications received without the attested copies of certificates as specified above will be rejected.

A certificate in original obtained on or after the date of Notification (24.11.2010) from a Medical Officer, above the rank of an Assistant Surgeon appointed by the Government to Government Medical Institution containing the following particulars shall be enclosed to the application.

Height	:
Chest (full expansion)	:
Chest Expansion	:

[The measurement should be specified only with reference to metric system]

11.NO OBJECTION CERTIFICATE :

For details please refer to paragraph 15(g) of the Commissions 'Instructions, etc., to Candidates'.

12. CONCESSIONS:

Concession in the matter of age and / or fees allowed to SCs, SC(A), STs, MBCs/DCs, BCs (other than BCMs), BCMs, Destitute Widows, Ex-Servicemen, Differently Abled persons discharged and serving temporary State Government employees below 40 years of age etc, are given in the Commission's 'Instructions etc to candidates.

13. ISSUE OF APPLICATION FORMS:

A OMR application form along with an 'INFORMATION BROCHURE TO CANDIDATES' containing General Instructions for filling up the application form, Commission's 'Instructions, etc., to candidates' and an envelope for sending application can be obtained from any one of the HEAD POST OFFICES or selected Sub-Post Offices in Tamil Nadu / Puducherry and Alagappapuram Post Office, Sivaganga on payment of Rs 30/- (Rupees Thirty only) (The list showing the names of Post Offices is available in the Commissions Website at **www.tnpsc.gov.in).**

B OMR application forms can also be obtained in person from the sales counter of the office of the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission, No.1, Greams Road, Commercial Taxes Office Building-Annexe, Chennai – 600 006 on all the working days till the closing date upto 5.00 p.m. **(Excluding lunch interval** between 1.30 and 2.00 p.m.) only on cash payment of Rs.30/- (Rupees thirty only) **Application forms will not be supplied to the candidates by Post.**

C. Candidates should use only the OMR application form. No other typed or printed or Xeroxed / Photocopy of the application form will be accepted and such application, if any received, will be summarily rejected.

D. Candidates can also avail of the facility of applying 'Online' on the Commission's Website at **www.tnpsc.gov.in**. Candidates applying 'Online' should possess and keep ready Postal Receipt for Rs.130/- (i.e. Application fee Rs.30/- and Examination fee Rs. 100/-) obtained from any one of the Post Offices listed in Annexure-III to the Information Brochure to candidates before Registering Online. Candidates claiming exemption from payment of Examination fee should possess and keep ready Postal Receipt for Rs.30/- towards the application fee. The Postal Receipt obtained for the payment of Application Fee/ Examination Fee should be pasted in the space provided in the application. Candidates applying 'Online' shall also abide by the Commission's instructions laid down in this Notification / Advertisement/Commission's "Instructions, etc., to candidates" / Information Brochure to candidates. Candidates applying Online should send the applications (i.e. The printout generated from the web site and signed by the candidates) with the Postal Receipt along with attested copies of Certificates so as to reach the Commission's office on or before the last date for receipt of applications, failing which his/her application will be rejected. The facility of applying online will be closed on **21.12.2010** at 5.45.p.m.

14 RECEIPT OF APPLICATION :

(A) Candidates are advised to verify the following aspects also before sending their filled in OMR applications to the Commission's office:

(i) Signature by the candidate below the declaration in Ballpoint pen or fountain pen only. **Failure to sign will entail rejection of his/her application.**

(ii) Post Code No viz 1652 should be filled up in the column meant for 'Post Preference' in the OMR application form specified and the Boxes thereunder shaded.

(iii) Candidates should shade column 14(b), 15, 22, 23, 23(a) and 23(c) of OMR application form compulsorily. If yes [for column 23, 23(a) and 23(c)] full details should be enclosed in a separate paper.

(iv) Columns 1, 1(a), 3 and 4 in the OMR application form filled up based on the details available in this Notification / Advertisement.

(B) Filled in applications must be sent to the Controller of Examinations, Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission, No.1, Greams Road, Commercial Taxes Office Annex Building, Chennai – 600 006, well in advance so as to reach the Commission's Office before 5.45 p.m. on 23.12.2010.

Secretary.