

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVICES - Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Hyderabad established under the Consumer Protection Act, 1986 – The Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission (Gazetted officers) Service Rules, 2006 – Orders – Issued

CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (CS.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 31

Dated :27-04-2006

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Ms.No.1131, F&A (CS.III) Dept., dt.25.8.92.
2. G.O.Ms.No.23, Food & Civil Supplies (CS.III) Department, dated 10.03.1993.
3. G.O.Rt.No.207 Food & Civil Supplies (CS.III) Department dated 16.07.1993.
4. G.O.Ms.No.594, Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs (CS.II) Department, dated 30.12.1997.
5. G.O.Ms.No.659, Finance (TFR I) Department, dated 28.09.2004.
6. Lr.No.2030/2000 dated 26.7.2000 from the Registrar, A. P. State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Hyderabad.
7. From the APPSC, Lr.No.162/RR/1/2006, dt. 7-3-2006

ORDER:

Whereas, in the reference first read above, the Government has ordered the reconstitution of State Commission under Consumer Protection Act, 1986 as the Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission and shall continue to function on regular basis with effect from the 20th January, 1993

And whereas, in the reference second read above, the Registrar in the rank of District & Sessions Judge, Assistant Registrar-cum- Personal Secretary to President, Personal Assistant to Hon'ble President, Court Officer, Court Master, Section Officer (Two posts) and some other Non-Gazetted posts have been sanctioned.

And whereas, in the reference third read above, the Registrar, State Commission, has been empowered to draft personnel from other Departments/Courts on a tenure basis.

And, whereas, in the references fourth and fifth read above, the Government have declared that the President, Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Hyderabad, as Head of the Department for exercising the Financial and Administrative powers and functions.

And whereas, according to paragraph 8 of the Andhra Pradesh Public Employment (Organization of Local Cadre and Regulation of Direct Recruitment) the Order, 1975 issued in G.O.P.No.728 G.A. (SPFA) Department dated the 1st November, 1975, Offices of the Heads of the Departments are excluded from the application of the provisions of the aforesaid Presidential Order.

And whereas, in the reference sixth read above, the Registrar, Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Hyderabad has sent the consolidated draft rules for the Gazetted and Non-Gazetted Posts for Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Hyderabad and for the Non-Gazetted Posts in the District Forums for the approval of the Government.

And whereas, the Government considers that it is appropriate to issue separate rules in respect of Gazetted posts and Non-Gazetted posts in the aforesaid Head of the Department separately.

Therefore, in view of the position explained above, the Government have carefully examined the proposal of the Registrar, Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Hyderabad and accordingly decided to issue the rules

for the Gazetted Officers of Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission separately to suit the current needs of the Department.

The following Notification shall be published in the Extra-ordinary issue of the Andhra Pradesh Gazette

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by the Proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, and of all other powers hereunto enabling and in super-session of the orders and rules covering the subject, the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following Special Rules to regulate the method of recruitment and other conditions of service in respect of the Gazetted Officers of Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Hyderabad.

1. SHORT TITLE , COMMENCEMENT AND EXTENT.

- (1) These rules may be called "The Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission (Gazetted Officers) Service Rules, 2006".
- (2) These rules shall be deemed to have come into force with effect from the 20th January, 1993 i.e. the date on which the Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Hyderabad started functioning on regular basis.
- (3). These rules shall apply to all persons appointed to the service whether temporary or permanent included in such service, before, on or after the commencement of these Rules.

2. Constitution: The Service shall consist of the following categories of posts, namely:-

- Category (1)** : Registrar
- Category (2)** : Assistant Registrar –cum-Personal Secretary to the President of the Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission.
- Category (3):** (A) Section Officer
(B) Court Officer
(C) P.A. to President (Stenographer), and
(D) Court Master.

3. Unit of Appointment: The aforesaid Posts shall be taken as separate unit

Category	Name of Post	Unit of appointment
Category (1)	Registrar	State
Category (2)	Assistant Registrar cum Personal Secretary to the President, APSCDRC, Hyd	State Wide
Category (3)	(A) Section Officer (B) Court Officer (C) PA to President (stenographer) (D) Court Master	Zone Zone Zone zone

Appointing Authority

The Appointing Authority for various categories of posts shall be as follows:

- (a).For Categories(1) and (2) Specified in Rule 2** : The President of the Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission.
- (b).For Categories 3(A) to 3(D) Specified in Rule 2** : The Registrar, Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission

4. METHOD OF APPOINTMENT:

The method of appointment to the posts in the categories mentioned in Column (1) of the Table below shall be made by the method specified against them in Column (2) thereof,

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S.No.	Category of post (1)	Method of Appointment (2)
1	Category (1) Registrar	By transfer or on deputation on tenure basis from among the persons belonging to the State Higher Judicial Service of the rank of District Judge, whose services are placed at the disposal of the President, Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Hyderabad, by the Governor of Andhra Pradesh on the recommendation of the Chief Justice of High Court of Andhra Pradesh
2	Category (2) Assistant Registrar-cum - Personal Secretary to President.	(i). By promotion from category 3(A) Section Officer, or from category-3(B) Court Officer, or from category-3(C) Personal Assistant to the President (Stenographer) or category-3(D) Court Master.
		OR By transfer or on deputation on tenure basis from among Junior Civil Judges of Andhra Pradesh State Subordinate Judicial Services whose services are placed at the disposal of the President of Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission by the Chief Justice of High Court of Andhra Pradesh.
		OR (ii) By transfer or on deputation on tenure basis from among members of the Andhra Pradesh High Court Services holding a post carrying the same scale of pay
3	Category-3(A) Section officer	By promotion of Assistant Section Officer of the Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission Subordinate Service.
4	Category – 3(B) Court Officer	By promotion of Assistant Section Officer of the Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission Subordinate Service.
5	Category – 3 (C) Personal Assistant to President (Stenographer)	(i). By promotion of Assistant Section Officer of the Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission Subordinate Service . Provided that the incumbent must hold The Technical qualification of English shorthand @ 180 WPM and Type writing in English Higher Grade
		OR (iii). By transfer or on deputation on tenure basis from among the members of the Andhra Pradesh High Court Services

		holding a post carrying the same scale of pay.
		OR
		(iv) By Direct Recruitment if suitable candidates are not available.
6	Category –3 (D)	(i). By promotion of Assistant Section Officer of the Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission Subordinate Service . Provided that the incumbent must hold The Technical qualification of English shorthand @ 180 WPM and Type writing in English Higher Grade
		OR
		(iii). By transfer or on deputation on tenure basis from among the members of the Andhra Pradesh High Court Services holding a post carrying the same scale of pay.
		OR
		(iv). By Direct Recruitment if suitable candidates are not available.

5. GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS:

No person shall be eligible for appointment to the service unless he satisfies the following, namely:-

- (a) He is a citizen of India.
- (b) that he is in sound health, active habits and free from any bodily defect or infirmity making him unfit for the service.
- (c) That his character and antecedents are such as would not disqualify him for the service.
- (d) That he has completed the age of 18 years and must not have completed the maximum age limit as prescribed by the State Government from time to time in the Andhra Pradesh State and Subordinate Service Rules . 1996
Provided that the upper age limit prescribed in this clause shall not apply for appointment to service in the categories 1, 2 and 3(A) and 3(B) of the Rules.

6.Special Qualifications:

No person shall be eligible for appointment on promotion to the category specified in column (1) unless he/she possesses the educational qualifications mentioned in corresponding column (2) in the Table.

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CATEGORY OF POST	EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS
<u>CATEGORY (2)</u> ASSISTANT REGISTRAR- CUM-PERSONAL SECRETARY TO PRESIDENT	Must possess a Bachelors Degree in Arts or Science or Commerce or Law of a University in India established or incorporated by or under Central Act or Provincial Act or a State Act or an institution recognized by the University Grants Commission or any other degree equivalent to such qualification and special qualification mentioned in Schedule (I)
<u>CATEGORY-3(A)</u>	

SECTION OFFICER

Must possess a Bachelors Degree in Arts or Science or Commerce or Law of a University in India established or incorporated by or under Central Act or Provincial Act or a State Act or an institution recognized by the University Grants Commission or any other degree equivalent to such qualification and special qualification mentioned in Schedule I

**CATEGORY-3(B)
COURT OFFICER**

Must possess a Bachelors Degree in Arts or Science or Commerce or Law of a University in India established or incorporated by or under Central Act or Provincial Act or a State Act or an institution recognized by the University Grants Commission or any other degree equivalent to such qualification and special qualification mentioned in Schedule I

**IV. CATEGORY -3(C)
PERSONAL ASSISTANT
To PRESIDENT
(STENOGRAPHER)**

Must possess a Bachelors Degree in Arts or Science or Commerce or Law of a University in India established or incorporated by or under Central Act or Provincial Act or a State Act or an institution recognized by the University Grants Commission or any other degree equivalent to such qualification and special qualification mentioned in Schedule I

**CATEGORY-3(D)
COURT MASTER**

Must possess a Bachelor's Degree in Arts or Science or Commerce or Law of a University in India established or incorporated by or and Central Act or Provincial Act or a State Act or from any institution recognized by the University Grants Commission or any other degree equivalent to such qualification and special qualification mentioned in Schedule I

7. ELIGIBILITY FOR PROMOTION OR APPOINTMENT BY TRANSFER:

For appointment to a higher post either by promotion from one category to another within a service or by appointment by transfer from one service to another service, a member of a service or class of the service, shall have satisfactorily completed his probation in the category from which he is proposed to be promoted or appointed by transfer to such higher post

8. RESERVATION OF APPOINTMENT:

- (A) Except in so far as it relates to physically handicapped persons, the Rule of Special Representation (General Rule 22) shall apply to the appointment of P.A. to the Hon'ble President and Court Master by Direct Recruitment.
- (B) In the matter of Direct Recruitment to the posts for which women and men are equally suited, other things being equal, preference shall be given to women to an extent of at least 33 1/3% of posts in each category of O.C., BC, SC & ST quota in terms of General Rule 22-A (2).

9. PROBATION:

- (1) Every person appointed to the Service by Direct Recruitment to any post shall be on probation for a total period of two years on duty within a continuous period of three years.

- (2) Every person appointed to any post either by promotion or by transfer shall from the date on which he commences probation be on probation for a total period of one year on duty within a continuous period of two years.

10. Minimum Service:

No persons shall be eligible for appointment by transfer or promotion unless he is an approved probationer and has put in not less than three years of service.

11. Tests:

Every person appointed as Assistant Registrar-cum-Personal Secretary to the Hon'ble President of the Commission in category (2), Section Officer in Category 3(A), Court Officer in Category 3(B), Personal Assistant to Hon'ble President (Stenographer) in Category 3(C) and Court Master in Category 3(D) shall pass the Tests as specified in Schedule I within the period of probation.

12. Applicability of General and Special Rules :

The Andhra Pradesh State and Subordinate Service Rules, the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 and the Andhra Pradesh Civil services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 for the time being in force shall apply to members of this service.

Provided that the Officers and other employees appointed by transfer on tenure basis or on deputation shall be governed by the Special and other Rules applicable to his parent service.

13. Equation of posts and Scales of Pay and Allowances:

The posts covered by Gazetted categories (1) to (3) of Rule 2 shall correspond to the posts in the Secretariat of the Government of Andhra Pradesh or other services as shown in Column (2) of the Schedule II for the purpose of Pay, allowances, leave, encashment of leave, leave travel concession and other benefits, and the holders of posts of these categories shall draw the same Pay, Allowances and perquisites as those admissible to the holders of the corresponding posts as revised from time to time.

14. Age:

No person shall be eligible for appointment by Direct Recruitment to the post of Personal Assistant to the President (Stenographer) or Court Master if he has completed thirty three years of age on the First Day of July of the year in which the Selection is made or as the age fixed by the Government from time to time

15. Promotion:

All promotions and appointments by transfer in respect of categories (2), 3(A), 3(B), 3(C) and 3(D) shall be made by the Registrar with the approval of the President of the Commission.

16. Appointment of Full Members:

An Approved probationer shall, if a substantive vacancy in the permanent cadre or a category or post for which he was selected exists, he shall be so appointed with retrospective effect from such date, or as the case may be, from a subsequent date from which he was continuously on duty as a member of the service in such category or in a higher category.

17. Savings:

Nothing in these rules shall adversely affect the interests of any person who were already appointed to the service in accordance with rules in force immediately before the coming into force of these rules.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

BHANWAR LAL
E.O. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To
 The Director of Printing, Stationary and Stores
 Purchase Department, for publication of the Notification
 in the next issue of Andhra Pradesh Gazette. (with a request to supply 100
 copies to this Department)
 The Registrar, A.P. State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission,
 Hyderabad.
 All the Presidents, District Consumer Fora in the State through the Registrar, Andhra
 Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Hyderabad
 The General Administration Department (Services-E) Department
 The Law (J) Department.
 The Secretary to A.P. Public Service Commission, Hyderabad.
 The P.S. to the E.O. Secretary to Government, Consumer Affairs, Food & Civil
 Supplies Department, Hyderabad
 The PA to the Joint Secretary to Government, Consumer Affairs, Food & Civil
 Supplies Department, Hyderabad.
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//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER

SCHEDULE I

(See Rule 11)	
(Special Qualifications)	
Category of Post	Qualifications
CATEGORY (2) Assistant Registrar –cum – Personal Secretary to Hon'ble President	Civil Judicial Test, Criminal Judicial Test, Accounts Test for Subordinate Officers Part - I
CATEGORY 3(A) (Section Officer)	Civil Judicial Test, Criminal Judicial Test, Accounts Test for Subordinate Officers Part-I
CATEGORY 3(B) (Court Officer)	Civil Judicial Test, Criminal Judicial Test, Accounts Test for Subordinate officers Part-I
CATEGORY 3(C) Personal Assistant to President (Stenographer)	Civil Judicial Test, Criminal Judicial Test, Accounts Test for Subordinate officers Part-I and must have passed Government Technical Examination with a speed of 180 words per minute in English Shorthand and English Typewriting in Higher Grade.
CATEGORY 3(D) (Court Master)	Civil Judicial Test, Criminal Judicial Test, Accounts Test for Subordinate officers Part-I and must have passed Government Technical Examination with a speed of 180 words per minute in English Shorthand and English Typewriting in Higher Grade.

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**Schedule II
(See Rule 13)
EQUATION OF POSTS**

Sl.No.	Name of the Post in Andhra Pradesh State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission	Corresponding post in the Secretariat of Andhra Pradesh and other services as shown against each post.
1.	Registrar	Secretary to Government, Law and Legislative Affairs.
2.	Assistant Registrar	Assistant Secretary to Government
3 (A)	Section Officer	Section Officer
(B)	Court Officer	Section Officer
(C)	P.A. to President	Section Officer
(D)	Court Master	Section Officer

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