GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVICES – Horticulture Department – Special Rules for Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Services – Issued

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FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (AGRI.II) DEPARTMENT


Read also:  2. From the Director of Horticulture Lr.No.F&A(1)234/72, dt.27-2-1984.
           6. From the Secretary, A.P.Public Service Commission, Hyderabad Lr.No.2358/RR/4/81, dt.29-6-1989.
           7. From the Secretary, A.P.Public Service Commission, Hyderabad Lr.No.2358/RR/4/81, dt.5-9-1989.

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ORDER:

A separate Department of Horticulture has been created in the State with effect from 1-1-1982 bifurcating it from the Agriculture Department. Government considered the need for issue of separate rules governing the various posts in the Horticulture Department. They accordingly issue the following Special Rules governing the Gazetted Services of the Department. Nothing in the rules shall affect the appointments made in accordance with the Special and adhoc rules issued in G.O.Ms.No.68, Public Works (VI) Department, dated 3-2-1973, G.O.Ms.No.62, Food and Agriculture (Agri.II) Department, dated 29-1-1985 and G.O.Ms.No.120, Food and Agriculture (Agri.II) Department, dated 25-3-1984, which have since been repealed, prior to the coming into force of these rules.

2. The following notification will be published in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette:-

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution of India the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following Special Rules for the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Service:

RULES

1. **Short Title:** These rule may be called "The Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Service Rules, 1989".

2. **Constitution:** The service shall consist of the following categories of posts namely:-

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3. **Method of appointment:**

Subject to the other provisions in these rules, the method of appointment for the several categories shall be as follows:

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**Note:** Every third vacancy of Asst. Director of Horticulture in a cycle of three vacancies shall be filled up by direct recruitment and the first and second vacancies by promotion from the post of Horticulture Officer.

4. **Reservation of appointments:**

In the matter of direct recruitment to the posts of Assistant Directors of Horticulture and the Horticulture Officers women shall be selected to an extent of atleast 30% of posts in each category of O.C., B.C., S.C. and S.T. quota in terms of general Rule-22-A(2).

Provided that if sufficient number of women candidates are not available, such vacancies may be filled up by men candidates.

5. **Qualifications:**

No person shall be eligible for appointment to the category specified in column(1) of the Annexure to these rules by the method specified in column(2) unless he possesses the qualifications specified in the corresponding entry in column (3) thereof.

6. **Age:**

No person shall be eligible for appointment by direct recruitment if he has completed (28) years of age on the first day of July of the year in which the notification for selection is made.

7. **Minimum Service:**

No person shall be eligible for appointment by transfer or promotion unless he has put in not less than (3) years of service in the category from which promotion or appointment by transfer is made.

8. **Probation:**

Every person appointed by direct recruitment shall be on probation for a total period of two years on duty within a continuous period of three years and every person appointed by promotion or transfer shall be on probation for a total period of one year on duty within a continuous period of two years from the date on which one commences probation.
9. **Training:**

(a) Every person appointed by direct recruitment to the post of Horticulture Officer shall undergo, immediately after appointment, a course of training for six months as per the programme that may be prescribed by the Director of Horticulture.

(b) Every person appointed by transfer as Horticulture Officer shall undergo a course of training immediately after appointment for a period of three months as per the programme that may be prescribed by the Director of Horticulture.

(c) Every person appointed as Horticulture Officer by direct recruitment shall before the commencement of training, execute an Agreement Bond that he shall serve the Department for a period of three years after the completion of training referred to in sub-rule(a).

He will be liable to refund to the Government the pay and allowances or any other remuneration received by him in addition to the amount spent by the Government on his training.

(i) if he fails to serve the Government for a period of three years after the completion of his training for any reason; or

(ii) if he discontinues the training or is discharged from training course for misconduct or any other reasons.

10. **Tests:**

Every person appointed by direct recruitment to the post of Assistant Director of Horticulture and Horticulture Officer shall within a period of probation, pass the following tests namely:-

(i) Agriculture Department Test till the Horticulture Department Test is prescribed.

(ii) Accounts Test for Executive Officers.

11. **Transfers and Postings:**

The transfers and postings of persons in categories 4 to 6 shall be made by the Director of Horticulture and the rest shall be by the Government.

12. **Unit of appointment, discharge and reappointment etc., of Probationers/ Approved Probationers:**

For the purpose of selection, appointment, discharge of Probationers and Approved Probationers for want of vacancies and their reappointment, confirmation as full members, discharge etc., in respect of all the five categories i.e., 1,2,3,4 and 6 the entire State shall be the unit, while in respect of category-5 viz., Horticulture Officer, the zone shall be the unit, after the category is organized into a zonal cadre.

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

K.MADHAVA RAO,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

P.T.O.
To

The Director of Printing, Stationery and Stores purchase,
A.P., Hyderabad (for publication in the next issue of Andhra Pradesh Gazette)

The Director of Horticulture,
A.P., Hyderabad.

Copy to:
The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commissioner, Hyderabad (15 copies)
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The Law (J) Department
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DESK OFFICER

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<td>4. Assistant Director (Horticulture)</td>
<td>(i) By direct recruitment</td>
<td>Must possess M.Sc.(Horti.) with basic Degree in Horticulture of a recognized University in the State or any other University or Institution recognized by the University Grants Commission.</td>
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<td>(ii) By promotion</td>
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<td>5. Horticulture Officer</td>
<td>By direct recruitment</td>
<td>Must possess a degree in Horticulture or a M.Sc.(Agri.) with specialization in Horticulture of a recognized University in the State or any other University or Institution recognized by the University Grants Commission.</td>
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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT
Public Services- Horticulture Department- Special Rules for Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Services- Amendment- Notification- Orders- Issued.

Agriculture & Cooperation (Horti) Department

G.O.Ms.No.4 Dated: 07. 01.2011
Read the following:-

6) From the Secretary, AP Public Service Commission Lr.No.764/RR/ 2010, dated: 10.11.2010

ORDER:

The Government in the G.O first read above, have issued Special Rules for the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Services and in the G.O second read above Government have sanctioned, interalia a post of Additional Director of Horticulture, in the Office of the Director of Horticulture, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad under a New Scheme Comprehensive Horticultural Extension Staff during 1991-92. In the letter 4th read above, since there is no separate category of Additional Director of Horticulture post in the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Special Rules 1989, the Director of Horticulture, had requested to issue amendment to the Special Rules for the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Service, incorporating the post of Additional Director of Horticulture, so as to enable him to fill up the post of Additional Director of Horticulture sanctioned in the G.O.2nd read above.

2. The Director of Horticulture, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad, in the letter 5th read above, has informed that from September, 1989 onwards the post of Director of Horticulture is re-designated as Commissioner & Director of Horticulture and is being filled with All India cadre officers and hence require suitable Amendment to Rule 3 of the G.O.1st read above.

3. In the circumstances stated above, Government after careful examination hereby decided to issue the following amendments to the Special Rules for the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Services Rules, 1989 issued in the G.O.Ms.No.776, Food and Agriculture (Agri-II) Department, dated 15-09-1989.

P.T.O.
4. The following notification will be published in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette:-

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by the provision to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following amendments to the Special Rules for the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Services Rules, 1989 issued in G.O.Ms.No.776, Food and Agriculture (Agriculture –II) Department, dated:15.09.1989 and as amended from time to time subsequently.

AMENDMENT

In the said rules -

1. For rule 2, the following shall be substituted namely:-

" 2 Constitution: The service shall consist of the following categories of posts, namely:-

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5. Assistant Director of Horticulture

(i) By Direct recruitment: and
(ii) By promotion from category-6

6. Horticulture Officer

(i) By direct recruitment; and
(ii) By appointment by transfer of Sub-Assistant Grade-I and II Supervisors Grade-I, in the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Subordinate Service.

7. Administrative Officer

By appointment by transfer of Superintendents in the Andhra Pradesh Ministerial Services in the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Department.

NOTE:- (I) Every third vacancy of Assistant Director in a cycle of three vacancies shall be filled up by direct recruitment and the first and second vacancies by promotion from the post of Horticulture Officer.

(II) The Supervisors Grade-I in the AP Horticulture Subordinate Services shall be considered for appointment by transfer to the post of Horticulture Officer, only when there is no Sub Assistant Grade – I & II available or eligible or willing for appointment to the post of Horticulture Officer.

3. For rule 6 the following shall be substituted namely:-

"6. Age: No person shall be eligible for appointment by direct recruitment if he has completed 34 years of age on the first day of July of the year in which the Notification for selection is made"

4. For rule 11 the following shall be substituted namely:-

"11 Transfers and postings: The transfers and postings of persons in Categories 5 to 7 shall be made by the Commissioner & Director of Horticulture and the rest shall be by the Government"

5. For rule 12 the following shall be substituted namely:-

"12 Unit of appointment, discharge and reappointment etc., of Probationers/ approved Probationers:

For the purpose of selection, appointment, discharge of probationers and approved probationers for want of vacancies and their reappointment, confirmation as full members, discharge etc., in respect of the six categories i.e., 1,2,3,4,5,7, The entire State shall be the unit, while in respect of category -6 viz., Horticulture Officer the Zone shall be the Unit.

P.T.O.
6. In the annexure, in column (1) under category:-

1) For category “4. Assistant Director (Horticulture)” the category “5 Asst. Director (Horticulture)” shall be substituted
2) For category “5. Horticulture Officer” the category “6. Horticulture Officer” shall be substituted.

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

Dr. CVSK SARMA
APC & PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Director of Printing, Stationery & Stores Purchase (Printing Wing)
Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

The A.P.T.S., Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The Commissioner of Horticulture, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
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Public Services- Horticulture Department- Special Rules for Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Services- Amendment to Special Rules- Orders - Issued.

AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (HORTI.) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.186

Dt: 27-09-2012.

Read the following:-

2) G.O.Ms.No.4, Agriculture & Cooperation (Horti) Department, Dated: 07.01.2011
4) From the Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Lr.No.805/ RR/2012, Dated: 04.08.2012.

ORDER:-

The Government in the G.O. first read above, have issued Special Rules for the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Services and in the G.O second read above certain amendments to the Special Rules for Horticulture Services.

2. The Commissioner of Horticulture, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad in her letter 3rd read above, has informed that the post of Administrative Officer comes under Category -7 and the method of appointment is by transfer of Superintendents in the Andhra Pradesh Ministerial Services in the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Department. She has also informed that it is felt that the Superintendents, who are having Graduation, may be considered eligible to the post of Administrative Officer in the Horticulture Department and proposed to issue Amendment in Annexure to rule -5 of the Special Rules for Horticulture Services.

3. In the circumstances stated above, Government after careful examination hereby decided to issue the following amendments to the Special Rules for the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Services 1989 issued in G.O.Ms.No.776, Food and Agriculture (Agri- II) Department, Dated: 15.09.1989 as amended from time to time.

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AMENDMENT

In the Annexure to rule -5 of the said rules after category (6), the following shall be added, namely, -

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

Dr. C V S K SARMA
APC & PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
The APTS, Hyderabad.

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