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GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTS

Notification

The 6th September, 1985

No. G. S. R. 74/Const./Art. 309/85.—In exercise of the power conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution of India, and all other powers enabling him in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules for regulating the recruitment, and the conditions of service of persons appointed, to the Punjab Forest (Class II) Service, namely :—

1. *Short Title, commencement and application.*—(1) These rules may be called the Punjab Forest (Class II) Service Rules, 1985.

(2) They shall come into force on and with effect from the date of publication of this notification in the Official Gazette.

(3) They shall apply to the posts specified in Appendix 'A' to these rules.

2. *Definitions.*—In these rules unless the context otherwise requires :

(a) 'Commission' means the Punjab Public Service Commission ;

(b) 'direct appointment' means an appointment made otherwise than by promotion or by transfer of a person already in the service of Government of India or of a State Government ;

(c) 'Government' means the Government of the State of Punjab in the Department of Agriculture and Forests ;

(d) 'recognised university or Institution' means :

(i) any university or Institution incorporated by law in any of the State of India ;

(ii) the Punjab, Sind or Dacca University in the case of degrees or diplomas obtained as a result of examinations held by these universities before the 15th day of August, 1947 ; or

(iii) any other university or institution which is recognized by the Government for the purpose of these rules.

(e) "Service" means the Punjab Forest (Class II) Service.

3. *Number and character of posts.*—The service shall comprise the posts shown in Appendix 'A' to these rules :

Provided that nothing in these rules shall affect the inherent right of the Government to add to or reduce the number of such posts or to create new posts with different designations and scales of pay whether permanently or temporarily.

4. Nationality, domicile and character of candidates appointed to Service.—

- (1) No candidate shall be appointed to the Service, unless he is—
  - (a) a citizen of India, or
  - (b) a citizen of Nepal, or
  - (c) a subject of Bhutan, or
  - (d) a Tibetan refugee who came over to India before the 1st January, 1962, with the intention of permanently settling in India, or
  - (e) a person of Indian origin who has migrated from Pakistan, Burma, Sri Lanka, East African countries of Kenya, Uganda and the United Republic of Tanzania (formerly Tanganyika and Zanzibar), Zambia, Malawi, Zaire, Ethiopia and Vietnam with the intention of permanently settling in India :

Provided that a candidate belonging to categories (b), (c), (d) and (e) shall be a person in whose favour a certificate of eligibility has been given by the Government of India.

(2) A candidate in whose case, a certificate of eligibility is necessary may be admitted to an examination or an interview conducted by the Commission or other recruiting authority of the Government and he may also provisionally be appointed subject to the necessary certificate being given to him by the Government of India.

(3) No person shall be recruited to the Service by direct appointment, unless he produces :

- (a) a certificate of character from the principal academic officer of the university, college, school, or institution last attended, if any, and similar certificates from two responsible persons, not being his relatives who are well acquainted with him in his private life and are unconnected with his university, college, school or institution; and
- (b) an affidavit to the effect that he was never convicted for any criminal offence and that he was never dismissed or removed from service of any State Government or the Government of India or any Public Sector Undertaking.

5. Disqualifications.—No person—

- (a) who has entered into or contracted a marriage with a person having a spouse living ; or
  - (b) who having a spouse living has entered into or contracted a marriage with any person,
- shall be eligible for appointment to the Service :

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