

Himachal Pradesh Public Service Commission

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Online Recruitment Applications (ORA*) are invited from desirous and eligible candidates for recruitment to various posts in different departments of Himachal Pradesh Government through ORA, which shall be available on the Commission's website www.hppsc.hp.gov.in/hppsc up to 24th March, 2018 till 11:59 P.M. (IST), thereafter link will be disabled.

(*by using official website www.hppsc.hp.gov.in/hppsc).

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS:-

1. Date for determining eligibility of all candidates in respect of essential qualification(s) and experience, if any, etc., shall be the prescribed closing date for submission of online recruitment applications (ORA) i.e. 24th March, 2018.
2. The candidates must read instructions carefully, which are available on website of the Commission before filling up Online Recruitment Application Forms (ORA) for the post(s) concerned.
3. The candidates must ensure their eligibility in respect of category, experience, age and essential qualification(s) etc. as mentioned against concerned post in the advertisement to avoid rejection at later stage.
4. Incomplete Online Recruitment Applications submitted without requisite examination fee, scanned photograph & scanned signatures of prescribed size, will be rejected straightway.
5. The benefit of reservation for various post(s) will be admissible only to the candidates, who are bonafide residents of Himachal Pradesh in respect of categories, viz., S.C., S.T., O.B.C., Ex-Servicemen, WFF and Persons with disabilities (Loco motor Disabled / Visually Impaired/ Hearing Impaired) etc.
6. The reserved category candidates belonging to other States will be treated as GENERAL CATEGORY CANDIDATES and the benefit of reservation and fee concession will not be admissible to such candidates.
7. Number of post(s) is/are tentative and may increase or decrease from time to time.
8. In service (regular service) candidates may apply to the Commission along with requisite fee with information to their Head of Departments/ Employer for issuing NOC. No in service (regular service) candidate will be interviewed unless he / she brings NOC from the concerned employer.
9. Examination fees once paid will not be refunded.
10. Disputes, if any, shall be subject to Court jurisdiction at Shimla.

Detail of post(s) and eligibility conditions are given as under:-

Item No. I: Department of Industries, H.P.

Name of the post: Programmer, Class-I (Gazetted) (on Contract basis)	No. of post(s): 01 post (General)
Pay band:- ₹ 10,300-34800/- + ₹ 5000/- (Grade Pay) (Fixed Contractual emoluments: ₹ 15,300/- p.m.)	
Age: 18 to 45 years.	
(a) Essential Qualification:-	
Regular course in the following stream from any University/ Institution duly recognized by H.P. / Central Government:- B.E. / B. Tech. (Computer Science/ Engineering or Information Technology)/ MCA / 'B' or 'C' Level of NIELIT.	
OR	
Master's Degree in Computer Science/ Information Technology (having Mathematics as a subject in Graduation).	
(b) Desirable Qualification:-	
Knowledge of customs / manners and dialects of Himachal Pradesh and suitability for appointment in the peculiar conditions prevailing in the Pradesh.	

Item No. II: Department of Town & Country Planning, H.P.

Name of the post: Assistant Town Planner, Class-I (Gazetted) (on Contract basis)	No. of post(s): 01 post (General)
Pay band: ₹ 15600-39100/- + ₹ 5400/- (G.P.) (Fixed contractual emoluments: ₹ 21,000/- p.m.)	
AGE: 18 to 45 years.	
a) Essential Qualifications:-	
(i) Master of Planning / M. Tech. / Post Graduate Degree in Urban Planning or City Planning or Town Planning or Regional Planning or Housing Planning or Country Planning or Rural Planning or Infrastructure Planning or Transport Planning or Rural & Urban Planning or Environmental Planning or its equivalent from a recognized University or an Institute duly recognized by the All India Institute of Town Planners, India.	
Or	
(ii)(a) Bachelor of Planning or Bachelor of Technology in Planning from a University or an Institute duly recognized by the All India Institute of Town Planners, India.	
AND	
(b) Minimum three years experience in Urban Planning or City Planning or Town Planning or Regional Planning or Housing Planning or Country Planning or Rural Planning or Infrastructure Planning or Transport Planning or Rural & Urban Planning or Environmental Planning in the Central Government or State Government Department after acquiring the qualification of Bachelor of Planning or B. Tech. degree in Planning.	
b) Desirable Qualification:-	
Knowledge of customs, manners and dialects of Himachal Pradesh and suitability for appointment in the peculiar conditions prevailing in the Pradesh.	

Item No. III (A): Department of Irrigation & Public Health, H.P.

Name of the post: Assistant Engineer (Civil) Class-I (Gazetted) (on Contract basis)	No. of posts: 09 posts {General Ex-SM=05 (including 03 backlog posts), S.C.=01, S.C. Ex-SM=01, OBC=01 and Persons with Disability (General) (O.H.)=01}
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Pay band: ₹ 15600-39100/- + ₹ 5400/- (G.P.) (Fixed contractual emoluments: ₹ 21,000/- p.m.)
AGE: 45 years and below.
a) Essential Qualification(s):- Must possess a degree in Civil Engineering or its equivalent from an Institution/ University duly recognized by the Central/ State Government.
b) Desirable Qualification(s):- Knowledge of customs, manners and dialects of Himachal Pradesh and suitability for appointment in the peculiar conditions prevailing in the Pradesh.

Item No. III (B):

Name of the post: Assistant Engineer (Mechanical) Class-I (Gazetted) (on Contract basis)	No. of post(s): 01 post (General)
Pay band: ₹ 15600-39100/- + ₹ 5400/- (G.P.) (Fixed contractual emoluments: ₹ 21,000/- p.m.)	
AGE: 18 to 45 years.	
a) Essential Qualification(s):- Degree in Mechanical Engineering or its equivalent from an Institution/ University recognized by the Central/ State Government.	
b) Desirable Qualification(s):- Knowledge of customs, manners and dialects of Himachal Pradesh and suitability for appointment in the peculiar conditions prevailing in the Pradesh.	

Item No. IV(A): Department of Technical Education, Vocational & Industrial Training, H.P.

Name of the post: Professor (Mechanical Engineering) Class-I (Gazetted) (on regular basis)	No. of post(s): 01 post (UR)
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Item No. IV (B):

Name of the post: Professor (Civil Engineering) Class-I (Gazetted) (on regular basis)	No. of post(s): 01 post (UR)
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Item No. IV (C):

Name of the post: Professor (Electronics & Communication Engineering) Class-I (Gazetted) (on regular basis)	No. of post(s): 02 posts (UR)
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Pay band, Age and Essential Qualification(s) for the posts mentioned against Item No. IV (A-C) are as under:-

Pay band: ₹ 37400-67000/- + ₹ 10,000/- (Grade Pay)
Age: 45 years and below.
(a) Essential Qualification(s):- BE / B. Tech. and ME / M. Tech. in the relevant branch of Engineering with First Class or equivalent either in BE / B. Tech. or ME / M. Tech. and Ph.D. or equivalent in the appropriate discipline. Post Ph.D. publication and guiding Ph.D. students is highly desirable. If a class/division is not awarded, minimum of 60% marks in aggregate shall be considered equivalent to first class/ division. If a Grade Point System is adopted the CGPA will be converted into equivalent marks as below:

Grade Point	Equivalent Percentage
6.25	55%
6.75	60%
7.25	65%
7.75	70%
8.25	75%

Experience:-

Minimum of 10 years teaching /research/industrial experience out of which at least 5 years should be at the level of Associate Professor.

Or

Minimum of 13 years experience in teaching and / or Research and /or Industry. In case of research experience, good academic record and books/research paper publication/ IPR/ patents record shall be required as deemed fit by the expert members of the Selection Committee.

If the experience in industry is considered, the same shall be at managerial level equivalent to Associate Professor with active participation record in devising/ designing, planning, executing, analyzing, quality control, innovating, training technical book/ research paper publications/IPR/ patents, etc. as deemed fit by the expert members of the Selection Committee.

Desirable Qualification(s):-

Knowledge of customs, manners and dialects of Himachal Pradesh and suitability for appointment in the peculiar conditions prevailing in the Pradesh.

Item No. IV (D):

Name of the post: Assistant Professor (Architecture) Class-I (Gazetted) (on Contract basis)	No. of post(s): 08 posts (UR=06, SC=01 and UR Ex-SM=01)
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Age: 18 to 45 years.

Pay band: ₹ 15600-39100/- + ₹ 6000/- (G.P.)
(Fixed contractual emoluments: ₹ 35,000/- per month).

(a) Essential Qualification(s):-

Bachelor's Degree and Master's Degree in Architecture with first Class or equivalent either in Bachelor's or Master's degree.

If a class/ division is not awarded, minimum of 60% marks in aggregate shall be considered equivalent to first class/ division. If a Grade Point System is adopted the CGPA will be converted into equivalent marks as below:-

Grade Point	Equivalent Percentage
6.25	55%
6.75	60%
7.25	65%
7.75	70%
8.25	75%

(b) Desirable Qualification:-

Knowledge of customs, manners and dialects of Himachal Pradesh and suitability for appointment in the peculiar conditions prevailing in the Pradesh.

Item No. IV (E):

Name of the post: Lecturer (Computer Engineering) (Polytechnic) Class-I (Gazetted) (on Contract basis)	No. of post(s): 04 posts (UR Ex-SM) (backlog posts)
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Pay band: ₹ 15600-39100/- + ₹ 5400/- (Grade Pay)
(Contractual emoluments: ₹ 21,000/- per month)

AGE: 45 years and below.

Essential Qualification:-

1st Class Bachelor's Degree in Computer Engineering or Computer Science & Engineering from a recognized University or from an Institution duly recognized by H.P. Government/ Central Government.

Desirable Qualification:-

Knowledge of customs, manners and dialects of Himachal Pradesh and suitability for appointment in the peculiar conditions prevailing in the Pradesh.

Item No. IV (F):

Name of the post: Lecturer (Mechanical Engineering) (Polytechnic) Class-I (Gazetted) (on Contract basis)	No. of post(s): 03 posts (UR Ex-SM) (backlog posts)
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Item No. IV (G):

Name of the post: Lecturer (Civil Engineering) (Polytechnic) Class-I (Gazetted) (on Contract basis)	No. of post(s): 03 posts (UR Ex-SM=01, SC=01 & ST=01) (backlog posts)
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Item No. IV (H):

Name of the post: Lecturer (Electronics & Communication Engineering) (Polytechnic) Class-I (Gazetted) (on Contract basis)	No. of post(s): 03 posts (UR Ex-SM) (backlog posts)
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Item No. IV (I):

Name of the post: Lecturer (Electrical Engineering) (Polytechnic) Class-I (Gazetted) (on Contract basis)	No. of post(s): 04 posts (UR Ex-SM) (backlog posts)
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Pay Scale, Age and Essential Qualification(s) for the posts mentioned against Item Nos. IV (F to I) are as under:-

Pay band: ₹ 15600-39100/- + ₹ 5400/- (Grade Pay)
(Contractual emoluments: ₹ 21,000/- per month)

AGE: 45 years and below.

Essential Qualification:-

First Class Bachelor's Degree in appropriate branch of Engineering/ Technology or equivalent.

Desirable Qualification:-

Knowledge of customs, manners and dialects of Himachal Pradesh and suitability for appointment in the peculiar conditions prevailing in the Pradesh.

Item No. IV (J):

Name of the post:- Lecturer, Applied Sciences & Humanities (Polytechnic) (English), Class-I (Gazetted) (on Contract basis)	No. of post(s): 01 post (UR Ex-SM) (backlog post)
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Item No. IV (K):

Name of the post:- Lecturer, Applied Sciences & Humanities (Polytechnic) (Mathematics), Class-I (Gazetted) (on Contract basis)	No. of post(s):- 01 post (UR Ex-SM) (backlog post)
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Item No. IV (L):

Name of the post:- Lecturer, Applied Sciences & Humanities (Polytechnic) (Chemistry), Class-I (Gazetted) (on Contract basis)	No. of posts:- 02 posts (UR Ex-SM=01 and OBC=01) (backlog posts)
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Item No. IV (M):

Name of the post:- Lecturer, Applied Sciences & Humanities (Polytechnic) (Physics), Class-I (Gazetted) (on Contract basis)	No. of posts:- 04 posts (UR Ex-SM=02, SC=01 and OBC=01) (backlog posts)
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Pay Scale, Age and Essential Qualification(s) for the posts mentioned against Item Nos. V (J to M) are as under:-

Pay band: ₹ 15600-39100/- + ₹ 5400/- (Grade Pay) (Contractual emoluments: ₹ 21,000/- p.m.)
Age: 45 years and below.
<u>Essential Qualification:-</u> 1 st Class Master's Degree in appropriate subject viz., Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics or English from a recognized University.
<u>Desirable Qualification:-</u> Knowledge of customs, manners and dialects of Himachal Pradesh and suitability for appointment in the peculiar conditions prevailing in the Pradesh.

Item No. IV (N):

Name of the post: Workshop Superintendent (Polytechnic) Class-I (Gazetted) (on contract basis)	No. of post(s): 01 post (UR Ex-SM) (backlog post)
Pay band: ₹ 15600-39100/- + ₹ 5400/- (G.P.) (Contractual emoluments: ₹ 21,000/- p.m.)	
AGE: 45 years and below.	
<u>Essential Qualification:</u> Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical/ Auto Engineering with first class or equivalent. If the candidates have a Master's Degree in Mechanical/ Auto Engineering/ Technology, first Class or equivalent is required at Bachelor's or Master's level. Provided if a class/ Division is not awarded, minimum of 60% marks in aggregate shall be considered equivalent to first class/ Division. If a Grade Point System is adopted the CGPA will be converted into equivalent marks as below:-	
Grade Point	Equivalent Percentage
6.25	55%
6.75	60%
7.25	65%
7.75	70%
8.25	75%
<u>Desirable Qualification:-</u> Knowledge of customs, manners and dialects of Himachal Pradesh and suitability for appointment in the peculiar conditions prevailing in the Pradesh.	

HOW TO APPLY:-

Detailed instructions for filling up Online Recruitment Applications are available on the above mentioned website.

- Desirous/ eligible candidates should apply online through official website of the Commission. Applications received through any other mode would not be accepted.
- The candidates, who wish to apply for more than one post, should apply separately for each post and will have to pay the requisite examination fees for each post in the prescribed manner.
- After submitting the Online Recruitment Application(s) (ORA), the candidates are required to take a printout of the finally submitted Online Recruitment Application and submit the same along with requisite self attested/ attested documents / certificates in support of their eligibility to the Commission on the day of Screening Test for the concerned post.
- In case the candidate has applied against more than one post published in the advertisement, the candidate is required to submit separate copies of requisite self attested/ attested documents/ certificates along with the printout of the Online Recruitment Application of each post on the day of Screening Test for the respective posts.

EXAMINATION FEES:-

The detail of fee for respective categories is as under:-

Sr. No.	Category	Examination Fees
1.	General Category {including General Physically Disabled, i.e. Orthopedically disabled, Deaf & Dumb, Hearing impaired/ W.F.F. of HP/ Ex-Servicemen of HP relieved from Defence Services on their own request before completion of normal tenure, General wards of Ex-SM of H.P., i.e. Dependent sons, daughters and wives of Ex-SM of H.P. and candidates of other states (including reserved category candidates of other states)}	₹ 400/-
2.	S.C. of H.P. /S.T. of H.P. /O.B.C. of H.P. (including S.C. /S.T. /O.B.C. Ex-Servicemen of H.P. relieved from Defence Services on their own requests before completion of normal tenure and SC/ ST/ OBC wards of Ex-SM of H.P., i.e. Dependent sons, daughters and wives of Ex-SM).	₹ 100/-
3.	Ex-Servicemen of H.P. (Ex-Servicemen, who are relieved from Defence Services after completion of normal tenure)/ Visually Impaired of H.P.	No Fee

Mode of Payment:-

Candidates can pay requisite Examination Fee either through 'e-Challan' or through 'e-Payment' option.

- The candidates can deposit the requisite examination fees at any branch of Punjab National Bank through an 'e-Challan' generated through the website of the Commission. Thereafter, candidates are required to visit again the above mentioned website to access the home page of the "ONLINE APPLICATION FILING SYSTEM" by entering User ID and password earlier created by the candidates on or before the last date. Click on "FEE DETAILS" and enter the details of "Branch Code/ Name, Transaction Number and Date of deposit" & then click on "Update Fee Details."
- The candidates can also pay requisite examination fees through Debit or Credit Card of any Bank. Before applying online, all candidates are advised to go through detailed instructions given on the above mentioned website.

FACILITATION COUNTER FOR GUIDANCE OF CANDIDATES:-

In case of any guidance/ information/ clarification regarding their Online Recruitment Applications, candidature etc.; candidates can contact HPPSC's Reception Counter in person or on Toll Free No. 1800-180-8004 or Phone No. 0177-2624313 and 2629739 on any working day between 10:00 A.M. to 05:00 P.M. For queries related to submission of Online Recruitment Application(s), candidates can also contact on Ph. No. 0177-2629738 on any working day between 10:00 A.M. to 05:00 P.M.

ADMISSION/ REJECTION:-

The information in respect of provisionally admitted candidates on claim basis and rejected candidates (for want of requisite fees) will be uploaded on website of the Commission before the conduct of Screening Test/ Examination for the concerned post(s).

The candidates are required to submit their requisite documents in support of their eligibility for the concerned post(s) on the day of Screening Test as per essential qualification(s) for the concerned post(s). The requisite documents submitted by the candidates, will be scrutinized and list of proposed rejected candidates will be uploaded on the website of the Commission for information of all concerned. Besides, concerned candidates will be informed through e-mail(s) and SMSes. No separate intimation in this regard will be sent by post.

Seven days' time will be given to file representation(s) along with supporting documents against the proposed rejections, if any, from the date of uploading the list of rejected candidates on the website of the Commission for the concerned post(s), failing which, no representation(s) will be entertained thereafter.

Candidates are advised to visit the Commission's website from time to time for updates in their own interest.

e- Admission Certificate(s):

No Admission Certificate(s) will be sent by post and provisionally admitted candidates will have to download their respective e-Admission Certificate along with instructions for the concerned post(s) from the official website of the Commission. Therefore, the candidates are advised to remember their User ID(s) and password(s) earlier created by the candidates to log in to download their respective e-Admission Certificate(s). The provisionally admitted candidates will have to paste a passport size photograph duly self attested / attested by a Gazetted Officer on the space provided on the downloaded e-Admission Certificate(s), failing which he/she will not be allowed to appear in the Screening Test/ Examination, in any condition/ circumstances, whatsoever.

SUBMISSION OF CERTIFICATES/ DOCUMENTS:-

- ✓ THE CANDIDATES WILL HAVE TO SUBMIT THE PRINTOUT/ HARD COPY OF ONLINE RECRUITMENT APPLICATIONS (ORA) ALONGWITH SELF ATTESTED/ ATTESTED COPIES OF REQUISITE DOCUMENTS/ CERTIFICATES, i.e. ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATION(S), AGE, EXPERIENCE AND CATEGORY IN SUPPORT OF THEIR ELIGIBILITY ON THE DAY OF SCREENING TEST/ EXAMINATION FOR THE CONCERNED POST, FAILING WHICH THEIR CANDIDATURE WILL STAND CANCELLED.
- ✓ Furnishing of false information or suppression of any material fact(s) in the Online Recruitment Application form(s) would entail disqualification of the candidate and he / she will be disqualified from appearing for recruitment to any post to be advertised by this Commission for a period of three years from the date of submission of application by such candidate(s).
- ✓ The detailed particulars of such candidates will be uploaded on the website of the Commission to blacklist such debarred candidates.

Note: Original certificates will have to be produced at the time of personality test. If any of their claims is found to be incorrect; besides rejection they may render themselves liable to disciplinary action by the Commission.

CATEGORY CLAIMS:-

The category once claimed by the candidate(s) will not be allowed to change after the conduct of Screening Test for the concerned post(s). Where the direct personality test(s) will be conducted, candidates can apply for change of his/ her category seven days prior to the commencement of personality test(s).

The S.C. of Himachal Pradesh / S.T. of Himachal Pradesh / O.B.C. of Himachal Pradesh/ WFF of Himachal Pradesh / Ex-Servicemen of Himachal Pradesh and Physically Disabled of Himachal Pradesh candidates must possess such certificates(s) in support of their claims made in the Online Recruitment Application(s) (ORA) while applying for the concerned post(s). **The benefit of reservation will be admissible on parental basis only.** All the candidates belonging to reserved categories are also required to go through the relevant instructions of the Government of Himachal Pradesh issued from time to time in order to ensure that they are eligible under a particular category.

1. EX-SERVICEMEN OF HIMACHAL PRADESH:-

The candidates belonging to Ex-Servicemen of Himachal Pradesh will have to furnish Discharge Certificate and full detail in respect of their P.P.O. No., Rank, and date of retirement from the Defence Services to claim the benefit of reservation for the category of Ex-Serviceman of Himachal Pradesh.

2. WARDS OF EX-SERVICEMEN OF HIMACHAL PRADESH, i.e. DEPENDENT SONS, DAUGHTERS AND WIVES OF EX-SM OF H.P.):-

Dependent sons, daughters & wives of Ex-Servicemen of Himachal Pradesh (Wards of Ex-Servicemen of Himachal Pradesh) may apply against the posts specifically reserved for Wards of Ex-Servicemen category (i.e. Dependent sons, daughters and wives) and not against the posts reserved for Ex-Servicemen of H.P. in order to avoid rejection of their candidature at any later stage for the concerned post(s).

3. OBC of H.P. (OTHER BACKWARD CLASSES OF HIMACHAL PRADESH):-

The candidates belonging to OBC of H.P. category must produce OBC certificate(s) on the prescribed format valid till the relevant term of the Financial Year (i.e. 1st April to 31st March) as notified by the Government of Himachal Pradesh (in the Department of Revenue) in Rajpatra dated 09th January, 2012. Candidates must have a valid OBC Certificate covering the entire period from last date of submission of online applications till date of personality test along with an undertaking that his / her status as OBC has not been changed and he / she has not been excluded from the category of O.B.C. of H.P. on account of being covered under creamy layer.

4. WFF OF H.P. (WARDS OF FREEDOM FIGHTERS OF HIMACHAL PRADESH):-

For the posts reserved for Wards of Freedom Fighters of Himachal Pradesh (WFF of H.P.), sons/ grandsons/ daughters/ grand daughters of Freedom Fighters of Himachal Pradesh, who have been appointed on regular basis as well as married daughters/ grand daughters shall not be entitled for the benefits of reservation provided to the wards of Freedom fighters in Government services, against the identical posts in the same scale. The employed children/ grand children and married daughters/ grand daughters of Freedom Fighters will be deemed to have been excluded from the definition of Ward of Freedom Fighter for the purpose to this extent. The children/ grand children of Freedom fighters of Himachal Pradesh, who have been appointed in Govt. / Semi Govt. or Private Sector etc. services against the post(s) reserved for the wards of Freedom Fighters on regular basis will remain entitled to compete for higher rank/ grade posts/ services on the basis of reservation earmarked to the wards of Freedom Fighters of Himachal Pradesh. The un-married daughters/ grand daughters will have to submit an affidavit being spinster (un-married) in support of their claim(s) issued by the authority authorized under the Indian Oath Act. Otherwise such candidates will be rejected straightway.

ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS:-

- (i) The date of determining the eligibility of all candidates in terms of essential qualification(s), experience etc., if any, shall be reckoned as on the closing date, 24th March, 2018 for submission of Online Recruitment Applications (ORA) on Commission's website.
- (ii) If no post is reserved for a particular reserved category falling under vertical reservation, then such candidates can be considered against General / UR category, provided such candidates will have to fulfill the criteria, i.e. age limit, experience, qualification etc., which are applicable to General category candidates. In other words, when a relaxed standard is applied in selecting SC/ ST/ OBC candidate, for example in the age limit, experience, qualification etc. then such candidates would be deemed as unavailable for consideration against unreserved vacancies in accordance with the instructions of the Government (in the Department of Personnel) issued vide letter No. PER (AP)-C-F (1)-2/2001 dated 12th November, 2014.
- (iii) For recruitment to the post(s) to be filled up on the basis of experience, it will be necessary for the candidates to have the required experience for determining his/ her eligibility after acquiring the requisite essential educational qualification(s).
- (iv) The decision of the Commission regarding eligibility etc. of a candidate for admission to Personality Test or selection will be final and no correspondence / personal enquiries will be entertained.

- (v) Onus of proving that a candidate has acquired requisite degree/ essential qualification by the stipulated date, shall be on the candidate and in the absence of proof to the contrary, the date as mentioned on the face of certificate/ degree or the date of issue of certificate / degree shall be taken as date of acquiring essential educational qualification. No extra opportunity shall be provided to the candidates to produce appropriate certificates at the time of personality test(s).
- (vi) In respect of equivalent clause in Essential Qualifications, if a candidate is claiming a particular qualification as equivalent qualification as per the requirement of advertisement, then the candidate is required to produce order/ letter in this regard, indicating the Authority (with number and date) under which it has been so treated otherwise the Online Recruitment Application is liable to be rejected.

AGE:- As mentioned against each post.

Clarification:-

- (i) Five years relaxation in upper age limit is admissible only to the bonafide SC of H.P. / ST of H.P. / OBC of H.P. /WFF of H.P. / Persons with disabilities of Himachal Pradesh. For H.P. Govt. employees and Ex-Servicemen of H.P.; age relaxation is as per Government's instructions issued from time to time.
- (ii) **Age of a candidate shall be reckoned as on 01.01.2018.**

SCREENING TEST/ EXAMINATION/ PERSONALITY TEST/ FINAL SELECTION:-

- (i) In cases where the number of eligible candidates for recruitment to the post(s) advertised by the Commission is inordinately large, the Commission may limit / shortlist the number of eligible candidates to be called for personality test(s) by subjecting them to a screening test (objective-type / descriptive) of two hours duration. Marks obtained in the Screening Test are only meant to short list the number of candidates for personality test(s) and are in no way to be presumed by the candidates as being their merit for final selection. Any correlation drawn by the candidates between their score in the Screening Test and final merit at a later stage is completely unwarranted. No representation(s) shall be entertained in this regard. Final selection of a candidate will be made solely on the basis of his/ her performance in the Personality Test, which will be of maximum 100 marks. The minimum pass marks in personality test are 45 for the candidates of general category and 35 marks for the candidates of reserved categories.
- (ii) Where selection is to be made on the basis of performance of the candidates having qualified the screening test, before the interview board, a candidate scoring more marks in the personality test shall be placed above the candidates scoring lesser marks in the personality test. If the candidates will score equal marks in a personality test, then a candidate securing more marks in the screening test will be placed above the candidate securing lesser marks in the screening test. In case the marks of screening test are also equal then the candidate who is senior in age will be placed above the candidate junior in age. Where selection is to be made purely on the basis of performance of the candidates before the interview board, a candidate scoring more marks in the personality test shall be placed above the candidates scoring lesser marks in the personality test. If the candidates score equal marks in a personality test, then a candidate who is senior in age will be placed above the candidate junior in age.
- (iii) **The key of each screening test (objective type) shall be uploaded on Commission's website immediately after the conduct of Screening Test(s) for the concerned post(s) for calling objections from the candidates. Three days time from the day of publishing/ uploading the key (day of publishing / uploading the key plus three days upto 11:59 P.M. of the last date of receipt of objections after which the link will be disabled) shall be given for inviting objections to be submitted only online in the key. The objection(s), if any, will be got verified from the concerned subject expert and, if found correct, a revised key of that screening test shall be uploaded on Commission's website immediately after declaration of result of screening test for the concerned post and no objection(s) shall be entertained thereafter.**
- (iv) There will be negative marking for incorrect answer for every question and one fourth (0.25) of the marks assigned to that question, will be deducted as penalty.
- (v) The marks / merit list of appeared / admitted candidates will be displayed on Commission's website after final recommendation for appointment to the Government of H.P. (in the concerned Department).

- (vi) For more information of candidates, HPPSC (Procedure & Transaction of Business and Procedure for the Conduct of Examinations, Screening Tests & Interviews etc.) Rules, 2007 (as amended up to 20th April, 2017) pertaining to selection procedure etc. is available on Commission's website.
- (vii) The eligibility of candidate(s) called for the personality test will be determined on the basis of original documents produced on the day of personality test and the Commission will not be responsible if the candidature of any candidate is rejected at that stage or at the time of verification by the appointing authority. As such, admission to the screening test/ examination/ personality test shall be purely provisional.
- (viii) Summoning of the candidate(s) for Personality Test; conveys no assurance whatsoever that they will be selected or recommended. Appointment orders to the selected candidate(s) will be issued by the appropriate appointing authority.
- (ix) If any person with disability requires scribe/ reader, having disability of 40% or more, he / she has to request for the same in writing to the Commission alongwith copy of disability certificate issued by the competent authority at least seven days prior to the screening test for the concerned post. Such applications will be entertained on merit and as per rules.
- (x) Re-checking/ re-evaluation, for the written examination(s)/ Screening Tests will not be allowed in any case.
- (xi) Disputes, if any, shall be subject to Court jurisdiction at Shimla.

OTHER CONDITIONS:-

1. All candidates, whether in Government Service or Government owned Industrial or Public Enterprises or other similar organizations or in private employment should submit their applications online directly to the Commission. Persons already in regular Government service, whether in a permanent or temporary capacity are required to submit a declaration that they have informed in writing to their Head of Office/ Department that they have applied for a particular post. In case, a communication is received from their employer by the Commission withholding permission to any candidate applying for/ appearing for the examination, his/her application(s) will be liable to be rejected.
2. Casual/ adhoc / daily rated/ work charged employees do not need to produce NOC from the concerned employer.
3. In Government service (regular service) candidates may apply to the Commission along with requisite examination fees with information to their Head of Departments / Employer for issuing NOC. Any candidates, who are in regular Government Service or Government owned Industrial service, will not be interviewed unless he/she produces NOC from the concerned employer.
4. It may be ensured by the candidates before submitting the applications that furnishing of false information and documents or suppression of any factual information in the application form would entail disqualification. If the fact that false information / document(s) has been furnished or that there has been suppression of any factual information in the application; comes to the notice at any time during the service of a person, his service would be liable to be terminated.
5. The candidates applying for the post(s) should ensure that they fulfill all the eligibility conditions for admission to the examination. Their admission at all stages of screening test/ examination for which they are admitted by the Commission, viz., written examination and Personality Test will be purely provisional, subject to their satisfying the prescribed eligibility conditions. If on verification at any time before or after the written examination or personality test, it is found that they do not fulfill any of the eligibility conditions; their candidature for the concerned examination will be cancelled by the Commission.
6. Candidate, who is or has been declared by the Commission to be guilty of:-
 - (a) Obtaining support for his/her candidature by the following means, namely:-
 - offering illegal gratification to, or
 - applying pressure on, or
 - blackmailing, or threatening to blackmail any person connected with the conduct of the examination, or

- (b) impersonating, or
 - (c) procuring impersonation by any person, or
 - (d) submitting fabricated documents or documents which have been tampered with, or
 - (e) making statements which are incorrect or false or suppressing material information, or
 - (f) resorting to the following means in connection with his/her candidature for the examination, namely:-
 - obtaining copy of question paper through improper means,
 - finding out the particulars of the persons connected with secret work relating to the examination,
 - influencing the examiners, or
 - (g) using unfair means during the examination, or
 - (h) writing obscene matter or drawing obscene sketches in the scripts, or
 - (i) misbehaving in the examination hall including tearing of the scripts, provoking fellow examinees to boycott examination, creating disorderly scene and the like, or
 - (j) harassing or doing bodily harm to the staff employed by the Commission for the conduct of their examinations, or
 - (k) being in possession of or using mobile phone, pager or any electronic equipment or device or any other equipment capable of being used as a communication device during the examination; or
 - (l) violating any of the instructions issued to candidates along with their admission certificates permitting them to take the examination, or
 - (m) attempting to commit or as the case may be abetting the commission of all or any of the acts specified in the foregoing clauses; may in addition to rendering himself/herself liable to criminal prosecution, be liable:-
 - to be disqualified by the Commission from the examination for which he/she is a candidate and/or
 - (n) to be debarred either permanently or for as specified period:-
 - by the Commission from any examination or selection held by them.
 - by the Central Government from any employment under them, and
 - (o) if he/she is already in service under Government to disciplinary action under the appropriate Rules. Provided that no penalty under these Rules shall be imposed except after:-
 - giving the candidate an opportunity of making such representation, in writing as he/she may wish to make in that behalf; and
 - taking the representation, if any, submitted by the candidate within the period allowed to him/her into consideration.
7. The centres of holding the examination(s) are liable to be changed at the discretion of the Commission. However, every effort will be made to allot the examination centre(s) of their choice to the candidates. But, the Commission may, at its discretion, allot a different centre to a candidate when circumstances so warrant.

CHECK LIST:

VERIFY THE FOLLOWING BEFORE SUBMITTING THE ONLINE RECRUITMENT APPLICATION OR DOCUMENTS/ CERTIFICATES:-

- a) That no column is wrongly filled or kept blank as the information furnished therein would be used to determine the eligibility of candidates to be called for personality test.
- b) In order to ascertain the eligibility for the concerned post(s), a printout of the finally submitted Online Recruitment Application (ORA) has to be submitted along with all requisite attested copies of certificates/ documents to the Commission on the day of Screening Test for the concerned post(s).
- c) That copies of only following documents/certificates are provided in support of claims made/ information given in the Online Recruitment Application:-
 - i) Degree/ Diploma certificates along with Marks Sheets of all years in support of Educational Qualifications. The provisional certificate(s) along with marks sheets of all semesters/ years.
 - ii) Matriculation certificate for age proof.

- iii) Experience certificate(s) wherever required.
- iv) Order/ letter in respect of equivalent Educational Qualifications claimed, indicating the authority (with number & date) under which it has been so treated.

DISQUALIFICATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO THE EXAMINATION(s):

No candidate will be eligible for admission to the examination:-

- a. If he/ she has been dismissed from any previous Govt./ Semi Govt. service;
- b. If he/ she has been convicted of any offence involving moral turpitude or has been permanently debarred / disqualified from appearing in any examination or selection;
- c. If he / she is found either directly or indirectly influencing the selection process in any manner; or
- d. If he / she is an un-discharged insolvent.

Abbreviations:

H.P: Himachal Pradesh, PSC: Public Service Commission, UR: Unreserved, SC: Scheduled Castes of H.P, ST: Scheduled Tribes of H.P, OBC: Other Backward Classes of H.P as declared by the Govt. of H.P from time to time, Ex-SM: Ex-Servicemen of H.P., WFF: Wards of Freedom Fighters of H.P, Wards of Ex-SM: Dependent sons, daughters and wives of Ex-SM of H.P., PWDs: Persons with disabilities of H.P., VI: Visually impaired, HI: Hearing Impaired and EQ: Essential qualification(s).

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