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GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, FISHERIES AND DAIRY DEVELOPMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 11th May, 2021

No. G.S.R. 42/Const./Art. 309/2021.- In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, and all other powers enabling in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules, regulating the recruitment and conditions of service of the persons appointed to the Punjab Animal Husbandry (Group-A) Service, namely:-

RULES

- 1. Short title, commencement and application.- (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Animal Husbandry (Group-A) Service Rules, 2021.
- (2) They shall come into force on and with effect from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- (3) They shall apply to the posts specified in Appendix 'A'.
- 2. **Definitions.-** (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,-
- (a) 'Appendix' means an appendix appended to these rules;
- (b) 'Government' means the Government of the State of Punjab in the Department of Animal Husbandry, Fisheries and Dairy Development; and
- (c) 'Service' means the Punjab Animal Husbandry (Group-A) Service.
- (2) The words and expressions used, but not defined in these rules, shall have the same meaning as respectively assigned to them in the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994.
- **3. Number and character of posts.-** The Service shall comprise the posts specified in Appendix 'A':

Provided that nothing in these rules shall affect the inherent right of the Government to add or to reduce the number of such posts or to create new

posts with different designations and scales of pay, whether permanently or temporarily.

- **4. Appointing authority.-** All appointments to the Service shall be made by the Government.
- **5.** Pay of members of the Service .- The members of the Service shall be entitled to such scales of pay, as may be authorized by the Department of Finance from time to time. The scales of pay, at present, in force in respect of the members of the Service, are given in Appendix 'A'.
- **6. Method of appointment, qualifications and experience. (1)** All appointments to the Service shall be made in the manner specified in Appendix 'B':

Provided that if no suitable candidate is available for appointment to the Service by promotion or by direct appointment, the appointment to the Service may be made by transfer of a person holding an analogous post under the State Government or Government of India.

- (2) No person shall be appointed to a post in the Service, unless he possesses the qualification and experience, as specified against that post in Appendix 'B'.
- (3) Appointment to the Service by promotion, except for the post of Director, shall be made on seniority-cum-merit basis, but no person shall have any right to claim promotion on the basis of seniority alone. In case of the post of Director, the promotion shall be made on merit -cum- seniority basis.
- **7. Departmental examination.-** Every person appointed to the post in the Service, unless he has already done so, has to pass such departmental examination as may be specified by the Government from time to time.
- **8. Discipline, punishment and appeal .-** (1) In the matters of discipline, punishment and appeal, the members of the Service shall be governed by the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970, as amended from time to time.
- (2) The authority empowered to impose penalties as specified in rule 5 of the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970, and the

appellate authority thereunder in respect of the member of the Service against an order as specified in rule 15 of the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970, shall be as per Appendix 'C'.

- 9. Application of the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994.- (1) In respect of the matters, which are not specifically provided in these rules, the members of the Service shall be governed by the provisions of the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, as amended from time to time.
- (2) The Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, at present in force, are contained in Appendix 'D'.
- **10. Repeal and savings.-** The Punjab Civil Veterinary Department Subordinate Service Rules, 1933, the Punjab Animal Husbandry (State Service Class II) Rules, 1981, the Punjab Animal Husbandry (Non-Ministerial) Class III Service Rules, 1992, the Punjab Animal Husbandry (Class I) Service Rules, 1996 and the Punjab Animal Husbandry (Group-A) Service Rules, 2014, in so far as they are applicable to the members of the Service, are hereby repealed:

Provided that any order issued or any action taken under the rules, so repealed, shall be deemed to have been issued or taken under the corresponding provisions of these rules.

11. Interpretation.- If any question arises as to the interpretation of these rules, the Government in consultation with the Department of Personnel and the Department of Finance, shall decide the same.

APPENDIX 'A'

[See rules 1(3), 3 and 5]

Serial No.	Designation of the post	Number of posts			Scale of pay (Pay Band +	Scale of pay (in rupees) for
	• -	Permanent	Tempo- rary	Total	Grade Pay) (in rupees)	the member of Service recruited on or after 17.07.2020
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
			I-ADMIN	ISTRAT	IVECADRE	
1.	Director	1	-	1	37400-67000+10000	-
2.	Joint Director	5	-	5	37400-67000+8700	-
3.	Deputy Director	38	-	38	15600-39100+7600	-
4.	Assistant Director/ Senior Veterinary Officer	154	-	154	15600-39100+6600	-
5.	Veterinary Officer	1508	-	1508	15600-39100+5400	47,600/-
	I	I-FEED A	AND FODI	DER DE	VELOPMENT CADRE	
6.	Fodder Develop- ment Officer	1	-	1	15600-39100+6600	-
7.	Agriculture Development Officer	10	-	10	15600-39100+5400	Scale of pay to be defined in concurrence with the Department of Finance, Punjab prior to recruitment.
		Ш	STATE A	CCOUN	NTS SERVICES	
8.	Deputy Controller (Finance and Accounts)	1	-	1	As per Department of Finance (Treasury and Accounts), Punjab.	-
9.	Assistant Controller (Finance and Accounts)	1	-	1	As per Department of Finance (Treasury and Accounts), Punjab.	-

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IV-MINISTERIAL STAFF (Head Office Cadre)						
10.	Establishment Officer	1	-	1	15600-39100+5400	-
11.	Planning Officer	1	-	1	15600-39100 + 5400	-
12.	Superintendent Grade-I	3	-	3	15600-39100+5400	-
V-STATISTICAL CADRE						
13.	Deputy Director (Statistics)	1	-	1	15600-39100+6600	-
		VI-I	NFORMA	TION TE	CHNOLOGY CADRE	
14.	System Manager					

APPENDIX 'B'

			(See rule 6)			
Serial No.	Designation of the post	Percentage of appointment by		Qualification and experience for appointment by		
		Direct appointment	Promotion	Direct appointment	Promotion	
1	2	3	4	5	6	
		I-ADN	MINISTRATIVE	CADRE		
1.	Director	-	Hundred percent	-	From amongst the Joint Directors, who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of two years. Or	
					From members of the Service, who have got at least twenty- eight years of regular service, including the Service rendered as Joint Director or Deputy Director or Assistant Director /Senior Veterinary Officer or	

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					Veterinary Officer, taken together, and who have successfully completed the probation period as required.
2.	Joint Director	-	Hundred percent	-	From amongst the Deputy Directors, who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of two years.
					Or
					From members of the Service, who have got at least twenty-six years of regular service, including the service rendered as Deputy Director or Assistant Director/ Senior Veterinary Officer or Veterinary Officer, taken together, and who have successfully completed the probation period as required.
3.	Deputy Director	-	Hundred percent	-	From amongst the Assistant Directors / Senior Veterinary Officers, who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of four years. Or
					From members of the Service, who have got at least twenty- four years of regular service, including the service rendered as Assistant Director/ Senior Veterinary Officer or Veterinary Officer, taken together, and who have

				successfully completed the probation period as required.
4.	Assistant Director/ Senior Veterinary Officer	-	Hundred percent -	From amongst the Veterinary Officers, who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of ten years; and who have passed the departmental examination as mentioned in rule 7.
5.	Veterinary Officer	Hundred	- (i) Should	-
		percent	possess	
			Bachelor's	
			Degree in	
			Veterinary	
			Science and	
			Animal	
			Husbandry	
			from a	
			University	
			recognized	
			by the	
			Veterinary	
			Council of	
			India; and	
			(ii) should be	
			registered	
			with the	
			Punjab	
			Veterinary	
			Council.	
	I	I-FEED AND	FODDER DEVELOPMENT CA	DRE
6.	Fodder Developmer Officer	nt -	Hundred percent -	From amongst the Agriculture Development Officers who
				have an experience of working
				as such for a minimum period of five years.

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7.	Agriculture Development Officer	Hundred percent	-	B.Sc. Agriculture from a recognized University.	-
		III-STAT	E ACCOUNTS	SERVICES	
8.	Deputy Controller (Finance and Accounts)	To be deputed by the Department of Finance, Punjab.	To be deputed by the Department of Finance, Punjab.	To be deputed by the Department of Finance, Punjab.	To be deputed by the Department of Finance, Punjab.
9.	Assistant Controller (Finance and Accounts)	To be deputed by the Department of Finance, Punjab.	To be deputed by the Department of Finance, Punjab.	by the Department of Finance, Punjab.	To be deputed by the Department of Finance, Punjab.
10.	Establishment Officer	-	Hundred percer		From amongst the Planning Officer or Superintendents Grade –I or Superintendents Grade –II, who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of five years, taken together, in the Directorate of Animal Husbandry, Punjab.
11.	Planning Officer	-	Hundred percer	nt -	From amongst the Superintendents Grade –I or Superintendents Grade –II, who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of three years, taken together, in the Directorate of Animal Husbandry, Punjab.

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Superintendent - Hundred percent Grade-I

From amongst the Superintendents Grade-II, who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of two years in the Directorate of Animal Husbandry, Punjab.

V-STATISTICAL CADRE

13. Deputy Director (Statistics)

12.

Hundred percent -

From the Statistical Officer working in the Department of Animal Husbandry, Punjab, who has an experience of working as such for a minimum period of four years.

VI- INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CADRE

14.	System Manager	To be deputed	To be deputed	To be deputed	To be deputed by the
	(IT)	by the	by the	by the	Department of Governance
		Department of	Department of	Department	Reforms and Public
		Governance	Governance	of Governance	Grievances, Punjab.
		Reforms and	Reforms and	Reforms and	
		Public	Public	Public	
		Grievances,	Grievances,	Grievances,	
		Punjab.	Punjab.	Punjab.	
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Appendix 'C'

(See rule 8)

Serial No.	Designation of the post	Nature of penalty or order	Authority empowered to impose penalty or pass order	Appellate authority		
1	2	3	4	5		
	I-ADMINISTRATIVE CADRE					

1.	Director	(a) Minor penalties		
		and	Minister In charge	Chief Minister
		(b) Major penalties		

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II-ADMINISTRATIVE CADRE

	<u> </u>	I-ADMINISTRATIVE C	ADRE	
2.	Joint Director			
3.	Deputy Director	(a) Minor penalties		
4.	Assistant Director/ Senior Veterinary Officer	and	Secretary in charge	Minister in charge
5.	Veterinary Officer	(b) Major penalties		
6.	Fodder Development Officer			
7.	Agriculture Development Officer			
	Ш-	STATE ACCOUNTS SE	ERVICES	
8.	Deputy Controller (Finance and Accounts)	(a) Minor penalties		
9.	Assistant Controller	and	As applicable	As applicable
	(Finance and Accounts)	(b) Major penalties		
	IV-MINI	STERIAL STAFF (Hea	d Office Cadre)	
10.	Establishment Officer	(a) Minor penalties and		
11.	Planning Officer	(b) Major penalties	Secretary in charge	Minister in charge
12.	Superintendent Grade-I			
		V-STATISTICALCAL	DRE	
13.	Deputy Director	(a) Minor penalties	Secretary	Minister
	(Statistics)	and	in charge	in charge
		(b) Major penalties		
	VI-INF	ORMATIONTECHNOL	OGYCADRE	
14.	System Manager	(a) Minor penalties and	As applicable	As applicable
		(b) Major penalties	ты аррисион	ты принсполе

Appendix 'D'

(See rule 9)

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (PERSONNEL POLICIES-1 BRANCH)

Notification

The 4May, 1994

NO. G.S.R.33/Const./Art.309/94.- In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the constitution of India, and all other powers enabling in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules regulating the recruitment and general and common conditions of service of persons appointed to ¹[Group 'A', Group 'B' and Group 'C'] services in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab, namely:-

1. Short title, commencement and application:-

- (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994.
- (2) They shall come into force at once.
- (3) They shall apply to all the posts in ¹[Group 'A', Group 'B' and Group 'C'] services in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab.

2. Definitions.- In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,-

- a) "appointing authority" means an appointing authority specified as such in the Service Rules made under article 309 of the constitution of India in respect of any service or Post in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab;
- b) "Board" means the subordinate Service Selection board, Punjab or any other authority constituted to perform its functions;
- c) "Commission" means the Punjab Public Service Commission;
- d) "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;

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 115/Const./Art.309/Amd.(6)/ 2001, dated 18th December, 2001.

- e) "Government" means the Government of the State of Punjab in the Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms;
- f) "recognised university or institution" means,-
 - any university or institution incorporated by law in any of the State of India; or
 - any other university or institution, which is declared by the Government to be recognised university or institution for the purposes of these rules.
- g) ¹["Service" means any Group 'A' service, Group 'B' service and Group 'C' service constituted in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab as per scales given in the Appendix;]
- h) "Service Rules" means the service rules made under article 309 of the Constitution of India regulating the recruitment and conditions of service other than the general and common conditions of service of persons appointed to any service or post in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab; and
- ²[(i) (i) "War hero" means a defence services personnel, or a para-military forces personnel, who is a bona fide resident of Punjab State and has been killed or discharged from above service on account of disability suffered by him on or after 1st January, 1999, while fighting in a war declared so by the Government of India, in operations in Kargil or any other sector in J & K in the on going conflict with Pakistan or in any other operations which may be notified by the State Government to have been undertaken for preserving the unity and integrity of the Country; or
 - (ii) a defence service personnel or a para-military forces personnel who was a bona fide resident of Punjab State and was posthumously decorated with Param Vir Chakra, Mahavir Chakra or Vir Chakra; provided that,-
 - (a) In exceptional instances, the cases of such War Heroes may also be covered, with the prior approval of the Department of Personnel who through not bona fide residents Punjab State are yet closely connected to the State of Punjab;

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 115/Const./Art.309/Amd.(6)/ 2001, dated 18th December, 2001.

² Substituted vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 34/Const./Art.309/Amd.(7)/2003, dated 12th July, 2003.

(b) In the case of War Heroes, falling in the category (ii) above, the benefits to be given by the State Government will be restricted only to first generation dependent members/next of the kin.

Note:- The Government reserves the right to include any other category of Awardees for the purpose of providing employment to the category of War Heroes, as may be notified.]

3. Nationality, domicile and character of person appointed to the Service.-

- (1) No person 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 day of 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 and East African Countries of Kenya, Uganda and 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 person belonging to any of the categories (b), (c), (d) and (e) shall be a person in whose favour a certificate of eligibility has been given by the Government of Punjab in the Department of Home Affairs and Justice.

- (2) A person in whose case a certificate of eligibility is necessary may be admitted to an examination or interview conducted by the Commission or the Board, as the case may be, on his furnishing proof that he has applied for the certificate but he shall not be appointed to the service unless the necessary certificate is given to him by the Government of Punjab in the Department of Home Affairs and Justice.
- (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 involving moral turpitude and that he was never dismissed or removed from service of any State Government or of Government of India, or of any Public Sector Undertaking.

4. Disqualification.- No person;-

- (a) who has entered into or contracted a marriage with a person having 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, 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.

5. Age.- ¹[(1) No person shall be recruited to the Service by direct appointment, if he is less than eighteen years or is more than thirty seven years of age in the case of technical and non-technical posts on the first day of January of the year immediately preceding the last date, fixed for submission of applications by the Commission or the Board, as the case may be.]

Provided that where different lower and upper age limits have been specifically prescribed for posts in the Service Rules, these limits shall be made applicable for appointment to such posts:

Provided further that the upper age limit may be relaxed up to forty-five years in the case of persons already in the employment of the ²[Punjab Government, or any Board, Corporation, Commission or Authority under it,] other State Government or the Government of India:

Provided further that in the case of candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes and other Backward Classes, the upper age limit shall be such as may be fixed by the Government from time to time.

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 20/Const./Art.309/Amd.(10)/2010, dated 24th May, 2010.

²Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 85/Const./Art.309/Amd.(19)/ 2016, dated 20th December, 2016.

- (2) In the case of ex-servicemen, the upper age limit shall be such as has been prescribed in the Punjab Recruitment of Ex-servicemen Rules, 1982, as amended from time to time.
- (3) In the case of appointment on compassionate grounds on priority basis, the upper age, limit shall be such as may be specifically fixed by the Government from time to time.
- ¹[(4) In the case of appointment of a War-hero, who has been discharged from defence services or paramilitary forces on account of disability suffered by him or his widow or dependent member of his family, the upper age limit shall be such as may be specifically fixed by the Government from time to time.]
- ²[5A. Increase in upper age limit.- Notwithstanding anything contained in rule 5, on and with effect from the commencement of the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Amendment Rules, 2010, where in any other Service rules, or in Government instructions, the upper age limit for appointment to any Service or for any category or persons, if different from thirty-five years, it shall be deemed to have been increased by two years.]
- **6. Qualification etc.** Subject to the provisions of these rules, the number and character of posts, method of recruitment and educational qualifications and experience for appointment to a post or posts in a Service and the departmental examination, if any, shall be such as may be specified in the Service Rules made for that Service;

¹{Provided that where appointment of ³[Group 'A' or Group 'B'] non-technical post is offered to a war-hero, who has been discharged from defence services or paramilitary forces on account of disability suffered by him or his widow or dependent member of his family, under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government, the educational qualification to be possessed by such person shall be graduation from a recognised university. Such person who is offered ³[Group 'A' or Group 'B' or Group 'C'] non-technical post, shall not, however, be required to possess experience of technical or non-technical post at the time of his initial appointment.}

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 81/Const./Art.309/Amd.(II)/99, dated 15th November, 1999.

²Rule 5A after rule 5 was inserted vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 20/Const./Art.309/Amd.(10)/2010, dated 24th May, 2010.

³Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 115/Const./Art.309/Amd.(6)/2001, dated 18th December, 2001.

7. Probation.- (1) A person appointed to any post in the service shall remain on probation for a period of ¹[three] years, if recruited by direct appointment and one year if appointed otherwise:

Provided that.-

- (a) any period, after such appointment, spent on deputation on a corresponding or a higher post shall count towards the period of probation;
- (b) in any case of an appointment by transfer, any period of work on an equivalent or higher rank, prior to appointment to the Service, may in the discretion of the appointing authority, be allowed to count towards the period of probation;
- (c) any period of officiating appointment to the Service shall be reckoned as period spent on probation; and
- (d) any kind of leave not exceeding six months, during or at the end of period of probation, shall be counted towards the period of probation.
- (2) If, in the opinion of the appointing authority, the work or conduct of a person during the period of probation is not satisfactory or if he has failed to pass the departmental examination, if any, prescribed in Service Rules within a period not exceeding ²[one] and a half years from the date of appointment, it may,-
 - (a) If such person is recruited by direct appointment, dispense with his services, or revert him to a post on which he held lien prior to his appointment to the Service by direct appointment; and
 - (b) if such person is appointed otherwise-
 - (i) revert him to his former post; or
 - (ii) deal with him in such other manner as the terms and conditions of the previous appointment permit.

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 56/Const./Art.309/Amd.(18)/ 2016, dated 5th September, 2016.

²Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 1/Const./Art.309/Amd.(14)/2015, dated 23rd February, 2015.

- (3) On the completion of the period of probation of a person, the appointing authority may
 - (a) if his work and conduct has in its opinion been satisfactory-
 - (i) confirm such person, from the date of his appointment or from the date he completes his period of probation satisfactorily, if he is not already confirmed; or
 - (ii) declare that he has completed his probation satisfactorily, if he is already confirmed; or
 - (b) if his work or conduct has not been in its opinion, satisfactory or if he has failed to pass the departmental examination, if any, specified in the Service Rules-
 - (i) dispense with his services, if appointed by direct appointment or if appointed otherwise revert him to his former post, or deal with him in such other manner as the terms and conditions of his previous appointment may permit;
 - (ii) extend his period of probation and thereafter pass such order as it could have passed on the expiry of the period of probation as specified in sub-rule (1):

¹[Provided that the total period of probation including extension, if any, shall not exceed four years, recruited by direct appointment and three years if appointed otherwise.]

8. Seniority- The seniority inter se of persons appointed to posts in each cadre of a Service shall be determined by the length of continuous service on such post in that cadre of the Service.

Provided that in the case of persons recruited by direct appointment who join within the period specified in the order of appointment or within such period as may be extended from time to time by the appointing authority subject to a maximum of four months from the date of order of appointment the order of merit determined by the Commission or the Board, as the case may be, shall not be disturbed:

Provided further that in case a person is permitted to join the post after the expiry of the said period of four months in consultation with the Commission or the Board, as the case may be, his seniority shall be determined from the date he joins the post:

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 44/Const./Art.309/Amd.(20)/2014, dated 04th October, 2017.

Provided further that in case any person of the next selection has joined a post in the cadre of the concerned Service before the persons referred to in the preceding proviso joins, the person so referred shall be placed below all the persons of the next selection who join within the time specified in the first proviso:

Provided further that in the case of two or more persons appointed on the same date, their seniority shall be determined as follows:-

- (a) a person appointed by the direct appointment shall be senior to a person appointed otherwise;
- (b) a person appointed by promotion shall be senior to a person appointed by transfer;
- (c) in the case of persons appointed by promotion or transfer, the seniority shall be determined according to the seniority of such persons in the appointments from which they were promoted or transferred; and
- (d) in the case of persons appointed by transfer from different cadres their seniority shall be determined according to pay, preference being given to a person who was drawing a higher rate of pay in his previous appointment; and if the rates of pay drawn are also the same, then by their length of service in these appointments and if the length of service is also the same, an older person shall be senior to a younger person:

¹[Provided further that in the case of persons recruited by direct appointment in the same cadre obtaining equal marks during same selection process, their inter-se-seniority shall be determined on the basis of their age. That is, an older person shall be senior to the younger person.]

Note: - Seniority of persons appointed on purely provisional basis or on ad hoc basis shall be determined as and when they are regularly appointed keeping in view the dates of such regular appointment.

9. Liability of members of Service to transfer- A member of a Service may be transferred to any post whether included in any other service or not, on the same terms and conditions as specified in rule 3.17 of the Punjab Civil Service Rules, Volume-I, Part I.

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 56/Const./Art.309/Amd.(17)/2016, dated 19th January, 2016.

- **10.** Liability to serve- A member of Service shall be liable to serve at any place, whether within or out of the State of Punjab, on being ordered so to do by the appointing authority.
- 11. Leave, Pension and other matters- In respect of pay, leave, pension and all other matters not expressly provided for in these rules, a member of Service shall be governed by such rules and regulations as may have been or may hereafter be adopted or made by the competent authority.
- **12. Discipline, penalties and appeals-** (1) In the matter of discipline, punishment and appeals, a member of a Service shall be governed by the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970 as amended from time to time.
 - (2) The authority empowered to impose penalties specified in rules 5 of the Punjab Civil Service (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970 and the appellate authority thereunder in respect of the Government employee shall be such as may be specified in the Service Rules.
- **13.** Liability for vaccination and re-vaccination- Every member of a Service shall get himself vaccinated or re-vaccinated when Punjab Government so directs by a special or general order.
- **14.** Oath of allegiance- Every member of a Service, unless he has already done so, shall be required to take oath of allegiance to India and to the Constitution of India as by law established.

¹[14A. Minimum Educational and other Qualifications for appointment to the post of Senior Assistant by –

Direct Appointment	Promotion
No person shall be given direct appointment to post of Senior Assistant under the Punjab Government unless he –	
(i) Possesses the Bachelor's Degree from recognised University or Institution; and	a minimum period
(ii) Qualifies in the competitive test specified by appointing authority from time to time; and	

¹Rule 14A was inserted vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 7/Const./ Art.309/Amd.(15)/2015, dated 15th March, 2015.

²Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 31/Const./Art.309/Amd.(21)/2019, dated 13th September, 2019.

(iii) Possesses at least one hundred and twenty hours course with hands on experience in the use of Personal Computer or Information Technology in Office Productivity applications or Desktop Publishing applications from a Government recognised institution or a reputed institution, which is ISO 9001, certified.

OR

Possesses a Computer Information Technology Course equivalent to 'O' level certificate of Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India.

(2) The person so appointed as Senior Assistant in terms of Provisions of sub-rule (1), shall have, before his appointment, ¹[passed a test in English and Punjabi, respectively,] typewriting on computer to be conducted by the Board or the appointing authority or the Department of Information Technology, as the case may be, at a speed of thirty words per minutes:

Provided that where appointment of Group 'B' non-technical post is offered to a War Hero, who has been discharged from Defense Services or dependent member of his family under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government, the educational qualifications to be possessed by such person shall be Graduate from a recognized University or Institution. However, such person shall not be required to qualify the test in Punjabi type-writing as Provided in sub-rule (2).

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 69/Const./Art.309/Amd.(16)/2015, dated 24th December, 2015.

¹[15. Minimum Educational and other qualifications:-

- (i) No person shall be given direct appointment to the post of Clerk under the Punjab Government unless he possesses the Bachelor's Degree from a recognized University or Institution; and
 - (ii) Possesses at least one hundred and twenty hours course with hands on experience in the use of Personal Computer or Information Technology in Office Productivity applications or Desktop Publishing applications from a Government recognised institution or a reputed institution, which is ISO 9001, certified.

OR

Possesses a Computer information Technology course equivalent to 'O' level certificate of Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India;

(2) The person so appointed as Clerk in terms of the provisions of subrule (1), shall have, before his appointment, ²(passed a test in English and Punjabi, respectively, on computer), to be conducted by the Board or the appointing authority or the Department of Information Technology as the case may be, at a speed of thirty words per minute.".

Provided that where appointment of Group 'C' non-technical post is offered to a War Hero, who has been discharged from Defence Services or department member of his family under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government, the educational qualification to be possessed by such person shall be Graduate form a recognized University or Institution. However, such person shall not be required to qualify the test in Punjabi type-writing as specified in sub-rule (2).]

Rule 15 was amended and sub rule (3) was omitted vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 59/Const./Art.309/Amd.(13)/2011, dated 17th August, 2011.

¹Rule 15 was Substituted, vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 12/Const./ Art.309/Amd.(9)/2009, dated 10th February, 2009.

²Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 69/Const./Art.309/Amd.(16)/2015, dated 24th December, 2015.

¹[15A Minimum Educational and other Qualifications for appointment to the post of Senior Scale Stenographer by-

Direct Appointment

No person shall be given direct appointment to the post of Senior Scale Stenographer under the Punjab government unless he—

- Possesses the Bachelor's Degree from a recognised University or Institution; and
- (ii) Qualifies in a Stenography test in four paras (two in Punjabi and two in English language) containing 250 words each as follows:-
- (a) the passage in Punjabi shall be dictated at a speed of 100 words per minute in Punjabi language required to be transcribed these (at typewriter/computer) at a speed of 20 words per minute; and
- (b) the passage in English shall be dictated at a speed of 60 words per minute in English language required to be transcribed these (at typewriter/computer) at a speed of 12 words per minute.
- (iii) The candidates committing not more than 4% mistakes in aggregate and only if he/she qualifies the stenography test in both the languages shall be considered to have qualified the test for appointment as Senior Scale Stenographer.

(i) From amongst the Junior Scale Stenographers, who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of one year. Provided that if the Junior Scale Stenographer is not available then from amongst the Steno typists, who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of ²[four years]; and

Promotion

- (ii) Qualifies in a stenography test in four paras (two in Punjabi and two in English language) counting 250 words each as follows:-
- (a) the passage in Punjabi shall be dictated at a speed of 100 words per minute in Punjabi language required to be transcribed these (at typewriter/computer) at a speed of 20 words per minute; and
- (b) the passage in English shall be dictated at a speed of 60 words per minute in English language required to be transcribed these (at

¹Rule 15A was inserted vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 7/Const./ Art.309/Amd.(15)/2015, dated 15th March, 2015.

²Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 31/Const./Art.309/Amd.(21)/2019, dated 13th September, 2019.

(iv) Possesses at least one hundred and twenty hours course with hands on experience in the use of Personal Computer or Information Technology in Office Productivity applications or Desktop Publishing applications from a Government recognised institution or a reputed institution, which is ISO 9001, certified.

OR

Possesses a Computer information Technology course equivalent to 'O' level certificate of Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India.

- typewriter/computer) at a speed of 12 words per minute.
- (iii) The candidates committing not more than 4% mistakes in aggregate and only if he/she qualifies the Stenography test in both the languages shall be considered to have qualified the test for promotion as Senior Scale Stenographer.
- ¹[16. Minimum Educational and other Qualifications for appointment to the post of Steno-typist or Junior Scale Stenographer- No person shall be given direct Appointment to the post of Steno-typist or Junior Scale Stenographer under the Punjab Government, unless he-
 - (a) Possesses Bachelor's Degree from a recognised University or Institution; and
 - (b) Qualifies a test in Punjabi Stenography to be held by the Board or by the appointing authority at a speed specified by the Government from time to time; and
 - (c) Possesses at least one hundred and twenty hours course with hands on experience in the use of Personal Computer Information Technology in Office Productivity applications or Desktop Publishing applications from Government recognised institutions or a reputed institution, which is ISO 9001, certified.

OR

Possesses a Computer information Technology Course equivalent

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No.G.S.R.12/Cons./Art.309/Amd(9)/ 2009 dated 10th February, 2009.

to 'O' level certificate of Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India.]

¹[17. **Knowledge of Punjabi Language** – No person shall be appointed to any post in any service by Direct appointment unless he has passed Matriculation examination with Punjabi as one of the compulsory or elective subjects or any other equivalent examination in Punjabi language, which may be specified by the Government from time to time:

Provided that where a person is appointed on compassionate grounds on priority basis under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government from time to time, the person so appointed shall have to pass an examination of Punjabi language equivalent to Matriculation standard or he shall have to quality a test conducted by the Language Wing of the Department of Education of Punjab Government within a period of six months from the date of his appointment:

Provided further that where educational qualifications for a post in any service are lower than the Matriculation standard, then the person so appointed shall have to pass an examination of Punjabi language equivalent to Middle standard:

Provided further that where a War Hero, who has been discharged from defense services or paramilitary forces on account of disability suffered by him or his widow or dependent member of his family, is appointed under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government, the person so appointed will not be required to possess aforesaid knowledge of Punjabi Language:

Provided further that where a ward of Defence Service Personnel, who is a bona fide resident of Punjab State, is appointed by direct appointment, he shall have to pass an examination of Punjabi Language equivalent to Matriculation Standard or he shall have to qualify a test conducted by the Language Wing of the Department of Education of Punjab Government within a period of two years from the date of his appointment.]

¹Rule 17 was Substituted vide Punjab Government Notification No.G.S.R.97/Const./ Art.309/Amd.(5)/2001 dated 4th September 2001

¹[18. Promotion to Ground 'A' and Group 'B' Services

- (1) (a) For promotion to the post as Head of Department would be decided strictly on the basis of merit-cum-seniority as per the instructions issued by the Government from time to time. The minimum bench mark for promotion for such post would be' Very Good'. The officer who is graded as 'Outstanding' would supersede the officer graded as 'Very Good'.
 - (b) For promotion to post falling in Group 'A' other than Head of Department, the minimum benchmark will be 'Very Good' as per as instructions issued by the Government from time to time. There shall be no supersession on the basis of merit.
 - (c) For promotion to post falling in Group 'B', the minimum benchmark will be 'Good' and there shall be no supersession on the basis of merit.
- (2) **Debarring for consideration for promotion of a Government employee who refuses to accept promotion** In the event of refusal to accept promotion by a member of a service, he shall be debarred by the appointing authority from consideration for promotion for all the consecutive chances which may occur in future within a period of two years from the date of such refusal to accept promotion:

Provided that in a case where the appointing authority is satisfied that a member of a service has refused to accept promotion under the circumstances beyond his control, it may exempt such a member for reasons to be recorded therefor in writing from the operation of this rule.]

19. Power to relax - Where the government is of the opinion that it is necessary to expedient so to do, it may by order, for reasons to be recorded in writing, relax any of the provisions of these rules with respect to any class or category of persons.

Provided that the provisions relating to educational qualifications and experience, if any, shall not be relaxed.

- **20. Over riding effect-** The provisions of these rules shall have effect notwithstanding anything contrary contained in any rules for the time being in force for regulating the recruitment and conditions of service for appointment to public service and posts in connection with the affairs of the State.
- **21. Interpretation** If any, question arises as to the interpretation of these rules, the Government shall decide the same.

¹ Rules 18 was Substituted vide Punjab Government Notification NO.G.S.R.117/Const./ Art309/Amd.(7)/2001, dated 18th December, 2001

"APPENDIX"

(See rule 2)

Group 'A': Posts in initial entry revised scales of pay having a maximum of Rs.11,660 or more; Provided that all existing Class I posts irrespective of the monetary limits of the pay scales shall be placed in Group 'A'.

Group 'B': Posts in initial entry revised scales of pay with maximum ranging between Rs. 10,640 to 11,659;

Group 'C': Posts in initial entry revised scales of pay with maximum ranging between Rs. 5,160 to 10,639;

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Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab.

VIJAY KUMAR JANJUA,

Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Animal Husbandry, Fisheries and Dairy Development.

Appendix was inserted vide Punjab Government Notification NO.G.S.R.115/Const./ Art.309/Amd.(6)/2001, dated 18th December, 2001

PART III

GOVERNEMENT OF PUNJAB

DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, FISHERIES AND DAIRY DEVELOPMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 11th May, 2021

No. G.S.R. 43/Const./Art. 309/2021.- In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, and all other powers enabling in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules, regulating the recruitment and conditions of service of the persons appointed to the Punjab Animal Husbandry (Group-B) Service, namely:-

RULES

- 1. Short title, commencement and application. (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Animal Husbandry (Group-B) Service Rules, 2021.
 - (2) They shall come into force on and with effect from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
 - (3) They shall apply to the posts specified in Appendix 'A'.
- **2. Definitions.-** (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,-
 - (a) 'Appendix' means an appendix appended to these rules;
 - (b) 'Director' means the Director, Animal Husbandry Department, Punjab;
 - (c) 'Government' means the Government of the State of Punjab in the Department of Animal Husbandry, Fisheries and Dairy Development; and
 - (d) 'Service' means the Punjab Animal Husbandry (Group-B) Service.
 - (2) The words and expressions used, but not defined in these rules, shall have the same meaning as respectively assigned to them in the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994.
- **3. Number and character of posts.-** The Service shall comprise the posts specified in Appendix 'A':

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

- **4. Appointing authority.-** All appointments to the Service shall be made by the Government.
- **5.** Pay of members of the Service.- The members of the Service shall be entitled to such scales of pay, as may be authorized by the Department of Finance from time to time. The scales of pay, at present, in force in respect of the members of the Service, are given in Appendix 'A'.
- **6. Method of appointment, qualifications and experience.** (1) All appointments to the Service shall be made in the manner specified in Appendix 'B':

Provided that if no suitable candidate is available for appointment to the Service by promotion or by direct appointment, the appointment to the Service may be made by transfer of a person holding an analogous post under the State Government or Government of India.

- (2) No person shall be appointed to a post in the Service, unless he possesses the qualification and experience, as specified against that post in Appendix 'B'.
- (3) Appointment to the Service by promotion shall be made on senioritycum-merit basis, but no person shall have any right to claim promotion on the basis of seniority alone.
- 7. **Discipline, punishment and appeal.** (1) In the matters of discipline, punishment and appeal, the members of the Service shall be governed by the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970, as amended from time to time.
 - (2) The authority empowered to impose penalties as specified in rule 5 of the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970, and the appellate authority thereunder in respect of the member of the Service against an order as specified in rule 15 of the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970, shall be as per Appendix 'C'.

- 8. Application of the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994.- (1) In respect of the matters, which are not specifically provided in these rules, the members of the Service shall be governed by the provisions of the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, as amended from time to time.
 - (2) The Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, at present in force, are contained in Appendix 'D'.
- 9. Repeal and savings.- The Punjab Animal Husbandry Class III (Ministerial) Service Rules, 1988 and the Punjab Animal Husbandry (Non-Ministerial) Class III Service Rules, 1992, in so far as they are applicable to the members of the Service, are hereby repealed:

Provided that any order issued or any action taken under the rules, so repealed, shall be deemed to have been issued or taken under the corresponding provisions of these rules.

10. Interpretation.- If any question arises as to the interpretation of these rules, the Government in consultation with the Department of Personnel and the Department of Finance, shall decide the same.

APPENDIX 'A'

[See rules 1(3), 3 and 5]

Serial No.	Designation of the post	Number of posts			Scale of pay (Pay Band +	Scale of pay (in rupees) for
		Perma- nent	Tempo- rary	Total	Grade Pay) (in rupees)	the member of Service recruited on or after 17.07.2020
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		I- ST	ATE AC	COUN	NTS SERVICES	
1.	Section Officer	1	-	1	-	As per Department of Finance (Treasury and Accounts), Punjab.
			II-STAT	TISTICA	ALCADRE	
2.	Statistical Officer	1	-	1	10300-34800+5000	-
3.	Technical Assistant	1	-	1	10300-34800+4600	-
4.	Statistical Supervisor (Statistical Assistant)	14	-	14	10300-34800+4400	-
		III-MIN	ISTERIA	L STAF	F (Head Office Cadre)	
5.	Superintendent Grade-II	8	-	8	10300-34800+4800	-

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6.	Personal Assistant	1	-	1	10300-34800+4800	-
7.	Senior Assistant	41	-	41	10300-34800+4400	35,400/-
8.	Senior Scale Stenographer	2	-	2	10300-34800 + 4400	35,400/-
	IV	/- MIN	ISTERIAL	STAFF(Subordinate Office Cadre)	
9.	Superintendent Grade-II	30	-	30	10300-34800+4800	-
10.	Senior Assistant	60	-	60	10300-34800+4400	35,400/-
		V	- Non-Mini	sterial (S	ubordinate Office Cadre)	
11.	District Veterinary Inspector	22	-	22	10300-34800+4800	-
		VI-1	NFORMAT	ION TE	CHNOLOGY CADRE	
12.	Assistant Manager (IT)	2	-	2	As per Department of G and Public Grievances, F	
13.	Technical Assistant (IT)	2	-	2	As per Department of G and Public Grievances, F	
			•	VII-Lega	l Cadre	
14.	Superintendent Grade-II (Legal)	1	-	1	10300-34800+4800	-
15.	Legal Assistant	1	-	1	10300-34800+4200	35,400/-
16.	Senior Assistant (Legal)	6	-	6	10300-34800+4400	35,400/-

APPENDIX'B'

			(See rule 6)				
Serial	Designation	Percentage of a	appointment by	Qualification and experience for			
No.	of the post			appo	ppointment by		
		Direct	Promotion	Direct	Promotion		
		appointment		appointment			
1	2	3	4	5	6		
		I-STATE	ACCOUNTS S	SERVICES			
1	Section Officer	To be deputed	To be deputed	To be deputed	To be deputed		
	(SAS)	by the	by the	by the	by the		
		Department	Department	Department	Department		
		of Finance,	of Finance,	of Finance,	of Finance,		
		Punjab.	Punjab.	Punjab.	Punjab.		
		II-S'	TATISTICAL C	ADRE			
2	Statistical Officer	-	Hundred percer	nt -	(i) Should possess a Bachelor's		
					degree in Economics or		
					Statistics or Mathematics or		
					Commerce;		
					(ii) Should possess at least one		
					hundred and twenty hours		
					course with hands on		
					experience in the use of		
					Personal Computer or		
					Information Technology in		
					Office Productivity application		
					or Desktop Publishing		
					applications from a		
					Government recognized		
					institution, which is ISO 9001,		
					Certified.		
					OR		
					Possess a Computer		

Information Technology course equivalent to "O" level

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			certificate of the Department
			of Electronics Accreditation of
			Computer Course (DOEACC)
			of Government of India; and
			(iii) should have atleast three
			years experience as
			Technical Assistant or
			Statistical Assistant, taken
			together, in the Department of
			Animal Husbandry, Punjab.
3.	Technical Assistant -	Hundred percent -	From amongst the Statistical
			Supervisors (Statistical
			Assistants) who have an
			experience of working as such
			for a minimum period of two
			years.
4.	Statistical Supervisor -	Hundred percent -	From amongst the Junior Field
	(Statistical Assistant)		Investigators, working under
			the control of the Director,
			who have an experience of
			working as such for a
			minimum period of four years.
	III-MINI	STERIAL STAFF (Head Office	e Cadre)
5.	Superintendent -	Hundred percent-	From amongst the Senior
	Grade-II		Assistants who have an
			experience of working as such
			for a minimum period of eight
			years in the Directorate of
			Animal Husbandry, Punjab.
6.	Personal Assistant -	Hundred percent-	From amongst the Senior
			Scale Stenographers, who
			have an experience of working
			as such for a minimum period
			of five years.

percent percent in the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Service) (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, as amended from time to time. Senior Scale In case no Hundred As Stenographer suitable percent Specified in Punjab Civil Services (General and Common from time to time. Stenographer suitable percent Specified in Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) for Services Rules, 1994, as amended from time to time. Civil Conditions of Service) for Services Rules, 1994, as amended from time to time. Tonditions of Service Rules, 1994, as amended from time to time. IV-MINISTERIAL STAFF (Subordinate Office Cadre) Superintendent - Hundred - From amongst the Senion Grade-II percent Assistants who have an experience of working as such for a minimum peric of six years in the Subordi Office cadre. O. Senior Assistant Twenty five Seventy five As specified As specified in the Punjab				,	,	
Senior Scale In case no Hundred As As specified in the Stenographer suitable percent Specified in Punjab Civil Services (General and Common available for Services Rules, 1994, as appointment by and time to time. IV-MINISTERIAL STAFF (Subordinate Office Cadre) D. Superintendent Grade-II percent From amongst the Senior Grade-II percent Assistants who have an experience of working as such for a minimum peric of six years in the Subordi Office cadre. D. Senior Assistant Twenty five Seventy five As specified As specified in the Punjab Civil Services Punjab Civil Services (General amended from time to time. IV-MINISTERIAL STAFF (Subordinate Office Cadre) O. Senior Assistant Twenty five Seventy five As specified As specified in the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, as amended from time to time. IV-MINISTERIAL STAFF (Subordinate Office Cadre) O. Superintendent - From amongst the Senior Assistants who have an experience of working as such for a minimum peric of six years in the Subordi Office cadre. O. Senior Assistant Twenty five Seventy five As specified As specified in the Punjab	1.	Senior Assistant	•	·	in the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, as amended from time	Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, as amended
IV-MINISTERIAL STAFF (Subordinate Office Cadre) Superintendent - Hundred - From amongst the Senior Assistants who have an experience of working as such for a minimum perior of six years in the Subordin Office cadre. O. Senior Assistant Twenty five Seventy five As specified As specified in the Punjal			suitable person is available for appointment by		As Specified in the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, as amended from time	Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, as amended from
Grade-II percent Assistants who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of six years in the Subordi Office cadre. O. Senior Assistant Twenty five Seventy five As specified As specified in the Punjal		I	V-MINISTERIA	AL STAFF (Subo	ordinate Office C	Cadre)
0. Senior Assistant Twenty five Seventy five As specified As specified in the Punjal		•	-		-	experience of working as such for a minimum period of six years in the Subordinar
	0.	Senior Assistant	-	•	-	As specified in the Punjab Civil Services (General and

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				(General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, a amended from time to time.	1
		V- Non-Minist	terial (Subordina	ite Office Cadre)
11.	District Veterinary Inspector	-	Hundred percent	-	From amongst the Senior Veterinary Inspectors or Veterinary Inspectors who have atleast twenty years service, including the service rendered as Senior Veterinary Inspector or Veterinary Inspector.
		VI-INFORMA	TION TECHNO	DLOGY CADRI	E
12.	Assistant Manager (IT)	To be deputed by the Governance Reforms and Public Grievances, Punjab.	To be deputed by the Governance Reforms and Public Grievances, Punjab.	To be deputed by the Governance Reforms and Public Grievances, Punjab.	To be deputed by the Department of Governance Reforms and Public Grievances, Punjab.
13.	Technical Assistant (IT)	To be deputed by the Governance Reforms and Public Grievances, Punjab.	To be deputed by the Governance Reforms and Public Grievances, Punjab.	by the Governance Reforms and Public Grievances, Punjab.	To be deputed by the Department of Governance Reforms and Public Grievances, Punjab.
14.	Superintendent	_	Hundred	_	From the Legal Assistant or
- "	Grade-II (Legal)		percent		Senior Assistants (Legal) who

have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of six years, taken together, or having an experience of atleast twelve years in the Legal cadre in the Department of Animal Husbandry, Punjab.

15. Hundred (i) Should Nil Legal Assistant percent have a degree in law of recognized university; (ii) should have atleast two years experience at the Bar; and (iii) should qualify a competitive test to be conducted by the recruiting authority; and other conditions applicable as per the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions

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				of Service)	
				Rules, 1994,	
				as amended	
				from time	
				to time.	
16.	Senior Assistant	Fifty percent	Fifty percent	(i) Should	From amongst the Clerks
	(Legal)			have a degree	(legal) who have an
				in law of a	experience of working
				recognized	as such for a minimum
				university;	period of four years.
				(ii) should	
				have atleast	
				two years	
				experience	
				at the Bar; and	
				(iii) should	
				qualify a	
				competitive	
				test to be	
				conducted by	
				the recruiting	
				authority;	
				and other	
				conditions	
				applicable as	
				per the Punjab	
				Civil Services	
				(General and	
				Common	
				Conditions	
				of Service)	
				Rules, 1994,	
				as amended	
				from time	
				to time.	

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		Appendix 'C'		
		(See rule 7)		
Serial No.	Designation of the post	Nature of penalty or order	Authority empowered to impose penalty or pass order	Appellate authority
1	2	3	4	5
		I-STATEACCONTS SE	RVICES	
1.	Section Officer (SAS)	(a) Minor penalties and (b) Major penalties	As applicable	As applicable
		II-STATISTICAL CA	DRE	
2.	Statistical Officer	(a) Minor penalties and		
3. 4.	Technical Assistant Statistical Supervisor	(b) Major penalties	Secretary in charge	Minister in charge
	(Statistical Assistant)	NISTERIALSTAFF (He	ad Office Cadro)	
5.	Superintendent Grade-II	(a) Minor penalties and	au Onice Caure)	
6.	Personal Assistant	(b) Major	Secretary	Minister in
7.	Senior Assistant	penalties	in charge	charge
8.	Senior Scale Stenographer			
	IV-MINIS	STERIALSTAFF (Subor	dinate Office Cadre)	
9.	Superintendent Grade-II	(a) Minor penalties and	Secretary in charge	Minister in charge
10.	Senior Assistant	(b) Major penalties		
	V-No	n-Ministerial (Subordinat	te Office Cadre)	
11.	District Veterinary Inspector	(a) Minor penalties and (b) Major penalties	Secretary in charge	Minister in charge
		(0) Major penames		

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	VI-INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CADRE					
12.	Assistant Manager (IT)	(a) Minor penalties and	As applicable	As applicable		
13.	Technical Assistant (IT)	(b) Major penalties				
		VII-Legal Cadı	re			
14.	Superintendent Grade-II (Legal)	(a) Minor penalties and	Secretary in charge	Minister in charge		
15.	Assistant (Legal)	(b) Major penalties				
16.	Senior Assistant (Legal)					

Appendix 'D'

(See rule 8)

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (PERSONNEL POLICIES-1 BRANCH)

Notification

The 4May, 1994

NO. G.S.R.33/Const./Art.309/94.- In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the constitution of India, and all other powers enabling in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules regulating the recruitment and general and common conditions of service of persons appointed to ¹[Group 'A', Group 'B' and Group 'C'] services in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab, namely:-

1. Short title, commencement and application:-

- (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994.
- (2) They shall come into force at once.
- (3) They shall apply to all the posts in ¹[Group 'A', Group 'B' and Group 'C'] services in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab.

2. Definitions.- In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,-

- a) "appointing authority" means an appointing authority specified as such in the Service Rules made under article 309 of the constitution of India in respect of any service or Post in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab;
- b) "Board" means the subordinate Service Selection board, Punjab or any other authority constituted to perform its functions;
- c) "Commission" means the Punjab Public Service Commission;
- d) "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;

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 115/Const./Art.309/Amd.(6)/ 2001, dated 18th December, 2001.

- e) "Government" means the Government of the State of Punjab in the Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms;
- f) "recognised university or institution" means,-
 - any university or institution incorporated by law in any of the State of India; or
 - any other university or institution, which is declared by the Government to be recognised university or institution for the purposes of these rules.
- g) ¹["Service" means any Group 'A' service, Group 'B' service and Group 'C' service constituted in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab as per scales given in the Appendix;]
- h) "Service Rules" means the service rules made under article 309 of the Constitution of India regulating the recruitment and conditions of service other than the general and common conditions of service of persons appointed to any service or post in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab; and
- ²[(i) (i) "War hero" means a defence services personnel, or a para-military forces personnel, who is a bona fide resident of Punjab State and has been killed or discharged from above service on account of disability suffered by him on or after 1st January, 1999, while fighting in a war declared so by the Government of India, in operations in Kargil or any other sector in J & K in the on going conflict with Pakistan or in any other operations which may be notified by the State Government to have been undertaken for preserving the unity and integrity of the Country; or
 - (ii) a defence service personnel or a para-military forces personnel who was a bona fide resident of Punjab State and was posthumously decorated with Param Vir Chakra, Mahavir Chakra or Vir Chakra; provided that,-
 - (a) In exceptional instances, the cases of such War Heroes may also be covered, with the prior approval of the Department of Personnel who through not bona fide residents Punjab State are yet closely connected to the State of Punjab;

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 115/Const./Art.309/Amd.(6)/2001, dated 18th December, 2001.

² Substituted vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 34/Const./Art.309/Amd.(7)/2003, dated 12th July, 2003.

(b) In the case of War Heroes, falling in the category (ii) above, the benefits to be given by the State Government will be restricted only to first generation dependent members/next of the kin.

Note:- The Government reserves the right to include any other category of Awardees for the purpose of providing employment to the category of War Heroes, as may be notified.]

3. Nationality, domicile and character of person appointed to the Service.-

- (1) No person 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 day of 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 and East African Countries of Kenya, Uganda and 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 person belonging to any of the categories (b), (c), (d) and (e) shall be a person in whose favour a certificate of eligibility has been given by the Government of Punjab in the Department of Home Affairs and Justice.

- (2) A person in whose case a certificate of eligibility is necessary may be admitted to an examination or interview conducted by the Commission or the Board, as the case may be, on his furnishing proof that he has applied for the certificate but he shall not be appointed to the service unless the necessary certificate is given to him by the Government of Punjab in the Department of Home Affairs and Justice.
- (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 involving moral turpitude and that he was never dismissed or removed from service of any State Government or of Government of India, or of any Public Sector Undertaking.

4. Disqualification.- No person;-

- (a) who has entered into or contracted a marriage with a person having 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, 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.

5. Age.- ¹[(1) No person shall be recruited to the Service by direct appointment, if he is less than eighteen years or is more than thirty seven years of age in the case of technical and non-technical posts on the first day of January of the year immediately preceding the last date, fixed for submission of applications by the Commission or the Board, as the case may be.]

Provided that where different lower and upper age limits have been specifically prescribed for posts in the Service Rules, these limits shall be made applicable for appointment to such posts:

Provided further that the upper age limit may be relaxed up to forty-five years in the case of persons already in the employment of the ²[Punjab Government, or any Board, Corporation, Commission or Authority under it,] other State Government or the Government of India:

Provided further that in the case of candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes and other Backward Classes, the upper age limit shall be such as may be fixed by the Government from time to time.

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 20/Const./Art.309/Amd.(10)/2010, dated 24th May, 2010.

²Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 85/Const./Art.309/Amd.(19)/2016, dated 20th December, 2016.

- (2) In the case of ex-servicemen, the upper age limit shall be such as has been prescribed in the Punjab Recruitment of Ex-servicemen Rules, 1982, as amended from time to time.
- (3) In the case of appointment on compassionate grounds on priority basis, the upper age, limit shall be such as may be specifically fixed by the Government from time to time.
- ¹[(4) In the case of appointment of a War-hero, who has been discharged from defence services or paramilitary forces on account of disability suffered by him or his widow or dependent member of his family, the upper age limit shall be such as may be specifically fixed by the Government from time to time.]
- ²[5A. Increase in upper age limit.- Notwithstanding anything contained in rule 5, on and with effect from the commencement of the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Amendment Rules, 2010, where in any other Service rules, or in Government instructions, the upper age limit for appointment to any Service or for any category or persons, if different from thirty-five years, it shall be deemed to have been increased by two years.]
- **6. Qualification etc.** Subject to the provisions of these rules, the number and character of posts, method of recruitment and educational qualifications and experience for appointment to a post or posts in a Service and the departmental examination, if any, shall be such as may be specified in the Service Rules made for that Service;

¹{Provided that where appointment of ³[Group 'A' or Group 'B'] non-technical post is offered to a war-hero, who has been discharged from defence services or paramilitary forces on account of disability suffered by him or his widow or dependent member of his family, under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government, the educational qualification to be possessed by such person shall be graduation from a recognised university. Such person who is offered ³[Group 'A' or Group 'B' or Group 'C'] non-technical post, shall not, however, be required to possess experience of technical or non-technical post at the time of his initial appointment.}

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 81/Const./Art.309/Amd.(II)/99, dated 15th November, 1999.

²Rule 5A after rule 5 was inserted vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 20/Const./Art.309/Amd.(10)/2010, dated 24th May, 2010.

³Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 115/Const./Art.309/Amd.(6)/2001, dated 18th December, 2001.

7. Probation.- (1) A person appointed to any post in the service shall remain on probation for a period of ¹[three] years, if recruited by direct appointment and one year if appointed otherwise:

Provided that.-

- (a) any period, after such appointment, spent on deputation on a corresponding or a higher post shall count towards the period of probation;
- (b) in any case of an appointment by transfer, any period of work on an equivalent or higher rank, prior to appointment to the Service, may in the discretion of the appointing authority, be allowed to count towards the period of probation;
- (c) any period of officiating appointment to the Service shall be reckoned as period spent on probation; and
- (d) any kind of leave not exceeding six months, during or at the end of period of probation, shall be counted towards the period of probation.
- (2) If, in the opinion of the appointing authority, the work or conduct of a person during the period of probation is not satisfactory or if he has failed to pass the departmental examination, if any, prescribed in Service Rules within a period not exceeding ²[one] and a half years from the date of appointment, it may,-
 - (a) If such person is recruited by direct appointment, dispense with his services, or revert him to a post on which he held lien prior to his appointment to the Service by direct appointment; and
 - (b) if such person is appointed otherwise-
 - (i) revert him to his former post; or
 - (ii) deal with him in such other manner as the terms and conditions of the previous appointment permit.

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 56/Const./Art.309/Amd.(18)/ 2016, dated 5th September, 2016.

²Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 1/Const./Art.309/Amd.(14)/2015, dated 23rd February, 2015.

- (3) On the completion of the period of probation of a person, the appointing authority may
 - (a) if his work and conduct has in its opinion been satisfactory-
 - confirm such person, from the date of his appointment or from the date he completes his period of probation satisfactorily, if he is not already confirmed; or
 - (ii) declare that he has completed his probation satisfactorily, if he is already confirmed; or
 - (b) if his work or conduct has not been in its opinion, satisfactory or if he has failed to pass the departmental examination, if any, specified in the Service Rules-
 - (i) dispense with his services, if appointed by direct appointment or if appointed otherwise revert him to his former post, or deal with him in such other manner as the terms and conditions of his previous appointment may permit;
 - extend his period of probation and thereafter pass such order as it could have passed on the expiry of the period of probation as specified in sub-rule (1):

¹[Provided that the total period of probation including extension, if any, shall not exceed four years, recruited by direct appointment and three years if appointed otherwise.]

8. Seniority- The seniority inter se of persons appointed to posts in each cadre of a Service shall be determined by the length of continuous service on such post in that cadre of the Service.

Provided that in the case of persons recruited by direct appointment who join within the period specified in the order of appointment or within such period as may be extended from time to time by the appointing authority subject to a maximum of four months from the date of order of appointment the order of merit determined by the Commission or the Board, as the case may be, shall not be disturbed:

Provided further that in case a person is permitted to join the post after the expiry of the said period of four months in consultation with the Commission or the Board, as the case may be, his seniority shall be determined from the date he joins the post:

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 44/Const./Art.309/Amd.(20)/2014, dated 04th October, 2017.

Provided further that in case any person of the next selection has joined a post in the cadre of the concerned Service before the persons referred to in the preceding proviso joins, the person so referred shall be placed below all the persons of the next selection who join within the time specified in the first proviso:

Provided further that in the case of two or more persons appointed on the same date, their seniority shall be determined as follows:-

- (a) a person appointed by the direct appointment shall be senior to a person appointed otherwise;
- (b) a person appointed by promotion shall be senior to a person appointed by transfer;
- (c) in the case of persons appointed by promotion or transfer, the seniority shall be determined according to the seniority of such persons in the appointments from which they were promoted or transferred; and
- (d) in the case of persons appointed by transfer from different cadres their seniority shall be determined according to pay, preference being given to a person who was drawing a higher rate of pay in his previous appointment; and if the rates of pay drawn are also the same, then by their length of service in these appointments and if the length of service is also the same, an older person shall be senior to a younger person:

¹[Provided further that in the case of persons recruited by direct appointment in the same cadre obtaining equal marks during same selection process, their inter-se-seniority shall be determined on the basis of their age. That is, an older person shall be senior to the younger person.]

Note: - Seniority of persons appointed on purely provisional basis or on ad hoc basis shall be determined as and when they are regularly appointed keeping in view the dates of such regular appointment.

9. Liability of members of Service to transfer- A member of a Service may be transferred to any post whether included in any other service or not, on the same terms and conditions as specified in rule 3.17 of the Punjab Civil Service Rules, Volume-I, Part I.

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 56/Const./Art.309/Amd.(17)/2016, dated 19th January, 2016.

- **10.** Liability to serve- A member of Service shall be liable to serve at any place, whether within or out of the State of Punjab, on being ordered so to do by the appointing authority.
- 11. Leave, Pension and other matters- In respect of pay, leave, pension and all other matters not expressly provided for in these rules, a member of Service shall be governed by such rules and regulations as may have been or may hereafter be adopted or made by the competent authority.
- **12. Discipline, penalties and appeals-** (1) In the matter of discipline, punishment and appeals, a member of a Service shall be governed by the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970 as amended from time to time.
 - (2) The authority empowered to impose penalties specified in rules 5 of the Punjab Civil Service (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970 and the appellate authority thereunder in respect of the Government employee shall be such as may be specified in the Service Rules.
- **13.** Liability for vaccination and re-vaccination- Every member of a Service shall get himself vaccinated or re-vaccinated when Punjab Government so directs by a special or general order.
- **14.** Oath of allegiance- Every member of a Service, unless he has already done so, shall be required to take oath of allegiance to India and to the Constitution of India as by law established.

¹[14A. Minimum Educational and other Qualifications for appointment to the post of Senior Assistant by –

Direct Appointment	Promotion		
No person shall be given direct appointment to the post of Senior Assistant under the Punjab Government unless he –	From amongst the clerks, who have an experience o		
(i) Possesses the Bachelor's Degree from a recognised University or Institution; and	working as such for a minimum period of		
(ii) Qualifies in the competitive test specified by the appointing authority from time to time; and	3 [four years].		

¹Rule 14A was inserted vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 7/Const./ Art.309/Amd.(15)/2015, dated 15th March, 2015.

²Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 31/Const./Art.309/Amd.(21)/2019, dated 13th September, 2019.

(iii) Possesses at least one hundred and twenty hours course with hands on experience in the use of Personal Computer or Information Technology in Office Productivity applications or Desktop Publishing applications from a Government recognised institution or a reputed institution, which is ISO 9001, certified.

OR

Possesses a Computer Information Technology Course equivalent to 'O' level certificate of Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India.

(2) The person so appointed as Senior Assistant in terms of Provisions of sub-rule (1), shall have, before his appointment, ¹[passed a test in English and Punjabi, respectively,] typewriting on computer to be conducted by the Board or the appointing authority or the Department of Information Technology, as the case may be, at a speed of thirty words per minutes:

Provided that where appointment of Group 'B' non-technical post is offered to a War Hero, who has been discharged from Defense Services or dependent member of his family under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government, the educational qualifications to be possessed by such person shall be Graduate from a recognized University or Institution. However, such person shall not be required to qualify the test in Punjabi type-writing as Provided in sub-rule (2).

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 69/Const./Art.309/Amd.(16)/2015, dated 24th December, 2015.

- ¹[15. Minimum Educational and other qualifications:-
 - (i) No person shall be given direct appointment to the post of Clerk under the Punjab Government unless he possesses the Bachelor's Degree from a recognized University or Institution; and
 - (ii) Possesses at least one hundred and twenty hours course with hands on experience in the use of Personal Computer or Information Technology in Office Productivity applications or Desktop Publishing applications from a Government recognised institution or a reputed institution, which is ISO 9001, certified.

OR

Possesses a Computer information Technology course equivalent to 'O' level certificate of Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India;

(2) The person so appointed as Clerk in terms of the provisions of subrule (1), shall have, before his appointment, ²(passed a test in English and Punjabi, respectively, on computer), to be conducted by the Board or the appointing authority or the Department of Information Technology as the case may be, at a speed of thirty words per minute.".

Provided that where appointment of Group 'C' non-technical post is offered to a War Hero, who has been discharged from Defence Services or department member of his family under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government, the educational qualification to be possessed by such person shall be Graduate form a recognized University or Institution. However, such person shall not be required to qualify the test in Punjabi type-writing as specified in sub-rule (2).]

¹Rule 15 was Substituted, vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 12/Const./ Art.309/Amd.(9)/2009, dated 10th February, 2009.

Rule 15 was amended and sub rule (3) was omitted vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 59/Const./Art.309/Amd.(13)/2011, dated 17th August, 2011.

²Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 69/Const./Art.309/Amd.(16)/2015, dated 24th December, 2015.

¹[15A Minimum Educational and other Qualifications for appointment to the post of Senior Scale Stenographer by-

Direct Appointment

No person shall be given direct appointment to the post of Senior Scale Stenographer under the Punjab government unless he—

- Possesses the Bachelor's Degree from a recognised University or Institution; and
- (ii) Qualifies in a Stenography test in four paras (two in Punjabi and two in English language) containing 250 words each as follows:-
- (a) the passage in Punjabi shall be dictated at a speed of 100 words per minute in Punjabi language required to be transcribed these (at typewriter/computer) at a speed of 20 words per minute; and
- (b) the passage in English shall be dictated at a speed of 60 words per minute in English language required to be transcribed these (at typewriter/computer) at a speed of 12 words per minute.
- (iii) The candidates committing not more than 4% mistakes in aggregate and only if he/she qualifies the stenography test in both the languages shall be considered to have qualified the test for appointment as Senior Scale Stenographer.

Promotion

- (i) From amongst the Junior Scale Stenographers, who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of one year. Provided that if the Junior Scale Stenographer is not available then from amongst the Steno typists, who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of ²[four years]; and
- (ii) Qualifies in a stenography test in four paras (two in Punjabi and two in English language) counting 250 words each as follows:-
- (a) the passage in Punjabi shall be dictated at a speed of 100 words per minute in Punjabi language required to be transcribed these (at typewriter/computer) at a speed of 20 words per minute; and
- (b) the passage in English shall be dictated at a speed of 60 words per minute in English language required to be transcribed these (at

¹Rule 15A was inserted vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 7/Const./ Art.309/Amd.(15)/2015, dated 15th March, 2015.

²Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 31/Const./Art.309/Amd.(21)/2019, dated 13th September, 2019.

(iv) Possesses at least one hundred and twenty hours course with hands on experience in the use of Personal Computer or Information Technology in Office Productivity applications or Desktop Publishing applications from a Government recognised institution or a reputed institution, which is ISO 9001, certified.

OR

Possesses a Computer information Technology course equivalent to 'O' level certificate of Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India.

- typewriter/computer) at a speed of 12 words per minute.
- (iii) The candidates committing not more than 4% mistakes in aggregate and only if he/she qualifies the Stenography test in both the languages shall be considered to have qualified the test for promotion as Senior Scale Stenographer.
- ¹[16. Minimum Educational and other Qualifications for appointment to the post of Steno-typist or Junior Scale Stenographer- No person shall be given direct Appointment to the post of Steno-typist or Junior Scale Stenographer under the Punjab Government, unless he-
 - (a) Possesses Bachelor's Degree from a recognised University or Institution; and
 - (b) Qualifies a test in Punjabi Stenography to be held by the Board or by the appointing authority at a speed specified by the Government from time to time; and
 - (c) Possesses at least one hundred and twenty hours course with hands on experience in the use of Personal Computer Information Technology in Office Productivity applications or Desktop Publishing applications from Government recognised institutions or a reputed institution, which is ISO 9001, certified.

OR

Possesses a Computer information Technology Course equivalent

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No.G.S.R.12/Cons./Art.309/Amd(9)/ 2009 dated 10th February, 2009.

to 'O' level certificate of Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India.]

¹[17. **Knowledge of Punjabi Language** – No person shall be appointed to any post in any service by Direct appointment unless he has passed Matriculation examination with Punjabi as one of the compulsory or elective subjects or any other equivalent examination in Punjabi language, which may be specified by the Government from time to time:

Provided that where a person is appointed on compassionate grounds on priority basis under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government from time to time, the person so appointed shall have to pass an examination of Punjabi language equivalent to Matriculation standard or he shall have to quality a test conducted by the Language Wing of the Department of Education of Punjab Government within a period of six months from the date of his appointment:

Provided further that where educational qualifications for a post in any service are lower than the Matriculation standard, then the person so appointed shall have to pass an examination of Punjabi language equivalent to Middle standard:

Provided further that where a War Hero, who has been discharged from defense services or paramilitary forces on account of disability suffered by him or his widow or dependent member of his family, is appointed under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government, the person so appointed will not be required to possess aforesaid knowledge of Punjabi Language:

Provided further that where a ward of Defence Service Personnel, who is a bona fide resident of Punjab State, is appointed by direct appointment, he shall have to pass an examination of Punjabi Language equivalent to Matriculation Standard or he shall have to qualify a test conducted by the Language Wing of the Department of Education of Punjab Government within a period of two years from the date of his appointment.]

¹Rule 17 was Substituted vide Punjab Government Notification No.G.S.R.97/Const./ Art.309/Amd.(5)/2001 dated 4th September 2001

¹[18. Promotion to Ground 'A' and Group 'B' Services

- (1) (a) For promotion to the post as Head of Department would be decided strictly on the basis of merit-cum-seniority as per the instructions issued by the Government from time to time. The minimum bench mark for promotion for such post would be' Very Good'. The officer who is graded as 'Outstanding' would supersede the officer graded as 'Very Good'.
 - (b) For promotion to post falling in Group 'A' other than Head of Department, the minimum benchmark will be 'Very Good' as per as instructions issued by the Government from time to time. There shall be no supersession on the basis of merit.
 - (c) For promotion to post falling in Group 'B', the minimum benchmark will be 'Good' and there shall be no supersession on the basis of merit.
- (2) **Debarring for consideration for promotion of a Government employee who refuses to accept promotion** In the event of refusal to accept promotion by a member of a service, he shall be debarred by the appointing authority from consideration for promotion for all the consecutive chances which may occur in future within a period of two years from the date of such refusal to accept promotion:

Provided that in a case where the appointing authority is satisfied that a member of a service has refused to accept promotion under the circumstances beyond his control, it may exempt such a member for reasons to be recorded therefor in writing from the operation of this rule.]

19. Power to relax - Where the government is of the opinion that it is necessary to expedient so to do, it may by order, for reasons to be recorded in writing, relax any of the provisions of these rules with respect to any class or category of persons.

Provided that the provisions relating to educational qualifications and experience, if any, shall not be relaxed.

- **20. Over riding effect-** The provisions of these rules shall have effect notwithstanding anything contrary contained in any rules for the time being in force for regulating the recruitment and conditions of service for appointment to public service and posts in connection with the affairs of the State.
- **21. Interpretation** If any, question arises as to the interpretation of these rules, the Government shall decide the same.

¹ Rules 18 was Substituted vide Punjab Government Notification NO.G.S.R.117/Const./ Art309/Amd.(7)/2001, dated 18th December, 2001

"APPENDIX"

(See rule 2)

Group 'A': Posts in initial entry revised scales of pay having a maximum of Rs.11,660 or more; Provided that all existing Class I posts irrespective of the monetary limits of the pay scales shall be placed in Group 'A'.

Group 'B': Posts in initial entry revised scales of pay with maximum ranging between Rs. 10,640 to 11,659;

Group 'C': Posts in initial entry revised scales of pay with maximum ranging between Rs. 5,160 to 10,639;

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Appendix was inserted vide Punjab Government Notification NO.G.S.R.115/Const./ Art.309/Amd.(6)/2001, dated 18th December, 2001

PART III

GOVERNEMENT OF PUNJAB

DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, FISHERIES AND DAIRY DEVELOPMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 11th May, 2021

No. G.S.R. 44/Const./Art. 309/2021.- In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, and all other powers enabling in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules, regulating the recruitment and conditions of service of the persons appointed to the Punjab Animal Husbandry (Group-C) Service, namely:-

RULES

- 1. Short title, commencement and application.- (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Animal Husbandry (Group-C) Service Rules, 2021.
 - (2) They shall come into force on and with effect from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
 - (3) They shall apply to the posts specified in Appendix 'A'.
- 2. **Definitions.-** (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,-
 - (a) 'Appendix' means an appendix appended to these rules;
 - (b) 'Director' means the Director Animal Husbandry, Department Punjab;
 - (c) 'Government' means the Government of the State of Punjab in the Department of Animal Husbandry, Fisheries and Dairy Development; and
 - (d) 'Service' means the Punjab Animal Husbandry (Group-C) Service.
 - (2) The words and expressions used, but not defined in these rules, shall have the same meaning as respectively assigned to them in the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994.
- **3. Number and character of posts.-** The Service shall comprise the posts specified in Appendix 'A':

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

- **4. Appointing authority.-** All appointments to the Service shall be made by the Director.
- **5. Pay of members of the Service. -** The members of the Service shall be entitled to such scales of pay, as may be authorized by the Department of Finance from time to time. The scales of pay, at present, in force in respect of the members of the Service, are given in Appendix 'A'.
- **6. Method of appointment, qualifications and experience.** (1) All appointments to the Service shall be made in the manner specified in Appendix 'B':

Provided that if no suitable candidate is available for appointment to the Service by promotion or by direct appointment, the appointment to the Service may be made by transfer of a person holding an analogous post under the State Government or Government of India.

- (2) No person shall be appointed to a post in the Service, unless he possesses the qualifications and experience, as specified against that post in Appendix 'B'.
- (3) Appointment to the Service by promotion shall be made on senioritycum-merit basis, but no person shall have any right to claim promotion on the basis of seniority alone.
- 7. **Discipline, punishment and appeal.** (1)In the matters of discipline, punishment and appeal, the members of the Service shall be governed by the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970, as amended from time to time.
 - (2) The authority empowered to impose penalties as specified in rule 5 of the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970, and the appellate authority thereunder in respect of the member of the Service against an order as specified in rule 15 of the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970, shall be as per Appendix 'C'.

- 8. Application of the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994.- (1) In respect of the matters, which are not specifically provided in these rules, the members of the Service shall be governed by the provisions of the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, as amended from time to time.
 - (2) The Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, at present in force, are contained in Appendix 'D'.
- 9. Repeal and savings.- The Punjab Animal Husbandry Class III (Ministerial) Service Rules, 1988 and the Punjab Animal Husbandry (Non-Ministerial) Class III Service Rules, 1992, in so far as they are applicable to the members of the Service, are hereby repealed:

Provided that any order issued or any action taken under the rules, so repealed, shall be deemed to have been issued or taken under the corresponding provisions of these rules.

10. Interpretation.- If any question arises as to the interpretation of these rules, the Government in consultation with the Department of Personnel and the Department of Finance, shall decide the same.

APPENDIX 'A'

[See rules 1(3), 3 and 5]

Serial No.	Designation of the post	Number of posts		posts	Scale of pay (Pay Band +	Scale of pay (in rupees) for
		Perma- nent	Tempo- rary	Total	Grade Pay) (in rupees)	the member of Service recruited on or after 17.07.2020
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		I-MIN	ISTERIA	AL STAFF (He	ad Office Cadre)	
1.	Junior Scale Stenographer	3	-	3	10300-34800+3600	29,200/-
2.	Steno-typist	1	-	1	10300-34800 + 3200	21,700/-
3.	Clerk	39	-	39	10300-34800 + 3200	19,900/-
4.	Restorer	2	-	2	5910-20200+2400	-
5.	Driver	6	-	6	5910-20200 + 2400	To be filled through outsourcing.
		II-MINIST	TERIAL	STAFF (Subor	rdinate Office Cadre)	
6.	Junior Scale Stenographer	10	-	10	10300-34800+3600	29,200/-
7.	Steno-typist	20	-	20	10300-34800 + 3200	21,700/-
8.	Clerk	135	-	135	10300-34800 + 3200	19,900/-
9.	Driver	53	-	53	5910-20200 + 2400	To be filled through outsourcing.
			Ш	-LEGAL CAD	RE	
10.	Clerk (Legal)	7	-	7	-	19,900/-
	IV	- NON MIN	ISTERL	AL STAFF (St	ubordinate Office Cadre)	
11.	Veterinary Inspector	2010	-	2010 (Out of the above posts, 87 posts of	10300-34800+3600	29,200/-

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				Veterinary		
				Inspectors,		
				who have		
				years		
				experience		
				of working as	S	
				such, will be		
				Senior		
				Veterinary		
				Inspectors.		
12.	Poultry Inspector	7	-	7	10300-34800 + 3600	Scale of pay to be defined in concurrence with the Department of Finance, Punjab prior to recruitment.
13.	Senior Laboratory Technician	2	-	2	5910-20200 + 2800	-
14.	Junior Field Investigator	26	-	26	5910-20200 + 2400	-
15.	Milk Recorder	22	-	n	5910-20200+2400	Scale of pay to be defined in concurrence with the Department of Finance, Punjab prior to recruitment.
16.	Livestock Supervisor	4	-	4	5910-20200 + 2400	-Do-
17.	Machine Operator	2	-	2	5910-20200+2400	-Do-
18.	Auto Clave Operator/ Machine Operator	2	-	2	5910-20200+2400	-Do-

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19.	Enumerator / Computer / Puncher	26	-	26	5910-20200+1900	-Do-
20.	Poultry Store-keeper	1	-	1	5910-20200+1900	-Do-
21.	Incubator Operator	1	-	1	5910-20200+1900	-Do-
22.	Laboratory Technician	25	-	25	5910-20200+1900	19,900/-
23.	Laboratory Assistant	103	-	103	5910-20200+1900	Scale of pay to be defined in concurrence with the Department of Finance, Punjab prior to recruitment.
24.*	Electrician/ Electrician-Cum- Liquid Nitrogen Plant Operator / Hot Air Oven Operator	7	-	7	5910-20200+1900	-
25.*	Tractor Driver	5	-	5	5910-20200+2400	-
26.*	Radiographer	1	-	1	5910-20200+2400	-
27.*	Horseman	1	-	1	5910-20200+1900	-
28.*	Cattle Catcher	3	-	3	5910-20200+1900	-
29.*	Pump House Mechanic	1	-	1	5910-20200+1900	-
30.*	Refrigerator Mechanic	1	-	1	5910-20200+1900	-
31.*	Film Projector Operator	1	-	1	5910-20200+1900	-
32.*	Tubewell Operator	3	-	3	5910-20200+1900	-

Note:-*Posts are declared as dying cadre as per Council of Ministers' decision dated 30.12.2020.

APPENDIX'B'

			(See rule 6)							
Serial No.	Designation of the post	Percentage of	Percentage of appointment by		Qualification and experience for appointment by					
		Direct appointment	Promotion	Direct appointment	Promotion					
1	2	3	4	5	6					
	I-MINISTERIAL STAFF (Head Office Cadre)									
1.	Junior Scale Stenographer	Fifty percent	Fifty percent	As specified in the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, as amended from time to time.	From amongst the Stenotypist (s) of Head Office cadre who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of four years and who qualify a test in Stenography in Punjabi and English languages to be conducted by the Director at a speed of hundred and sixty words per minute respectively to be transcribed at a speed of twenty and fifteen words per minute respectively (eight percent mistakes to be ignored).					
2.	Steno-typist	Fifty percent	Fifty percent	As specified in the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994,	From amongst the Clerks of Head Office cadre who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of four years and who qualify a test in stenography in Punjabi language to be conducted by the Director at a speed of eighty words per minute to be					

				as amended from time to time.	transcribed at a speed of fifteen words per minute (eight per cent mistakes to be ignored).
3.	Clerk	Eighty five percent	Fifteen percent	As specified in the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, as amended from time to time.	From amongst Group 'C' employees whose scale of pay is less than that of a Clerk or Group 'D' employees, who have an experience of working on any Group 'C' post or Group 'D' post or both for a minimum period of five years in the Directorate of Animal Husbandry, Punjab, who are Matriculates or its equivalent with Punjabi and qualify a type test in Punjabi and English on computer at a speed of thirty words per minute to be conducted by the Director.
4.	Restorer	-	Hundred percent	-	From amongst Group 'D' employees working in the Directorate of Animal Husbandry, Punjab, who are Matriculates or its equivalent with Punjabi and who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of five years in Head Office cadre.
5.	Driver	Hundred percent	-	(i) Light Vehicle Driving License; and	These posts will be filled through outsourcing.

(ii) Knowledge
of Punjabi
language
up to Middle
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				language	
				up to Middle	
				standard.	
		II- Ministerial	Staff (Subordin	ate Office Cadr	e)
6.	Junior Scale Stenographer	Fifty percent	Fifty percent	As specified in the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, as amended from time to time.	From amongst the Stenotypist(s) of Subordinate Office cadre who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of four years and who qualify a test in Stenography in Punjabi and English languages to be conducted by the Director at a speed of hundred and sixty words per minute respectively to be transcribed at a speed of twenty and fifteen words per minute respectively (eight percent mistakes to be ignored).
7.	Steno-typist	Fifty percent	Fifty percent	As specified in the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, as amended from time to time.	From amongst the Clerks of Subordinate office cadre who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of four years and who qualify a test in stenography in Punjabi language to be conducted by the Director at a speed of eighty words per minute to be transcribed at a speed of fifteen words per minute (eight per cent mistakes to be ignored).

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8.	Clerk	Eighty five	Fifteen percent	•	From amongst Group 'C'
		percent		in the Punjab	employees whose scale of pay
				Civil	is less than that of a Clerk or
				Services	Group 'D' employees, who
				(General and	have an experience of working
				Common	on any Group 'C' post or Group
				Conditions	'D' post or both for a minimum
				of Service)	period of five years in the
				Rules, 1994,	Subordinate Office cadre and
				as amended	other institutions of the Animal
				from	Husbandry Department,
				time to time.	Punjab who are Matriculates
					or its equivalent with Punjabi
					and qualify a type test in
					Punjabi and English on
					computer at a speed of thirty
					words per minute to be
					conducted by the Director.
9.	Driver	Hundred	-	(i) Light	These posts will be filled
		percent		Vehicle	through outsourcing.
				Driving	
				License;	
				and	
				(ii) Knowledge	;
				of Punjabi	
				language	
				up to Middle	
				standard.	
			III-Legal Cadre	;	
10.	Clerk (Legal)	Hundred	-	(i)Should have	-
	-	percent		a degree in	
		=		law of a	
				recognized	
				university or	
				-	

institution;

(ii) Should

qualify a

competitive

test to be

conducted

by the

recruiting

authority; and

(iii) Should

qualify a type

test in Punjabi

and English

to be

conducted

by the

recruiting

authority at

the speed of

thirty words

per minute

or at such

speed as

may be

specified

by the Punjab

Government

from time

to time and

other

conditions

applicable

as per the

Punjab Civil

Services

(General and

Common

Conditions

of Service)

Rules, 1994,

as amended

from

time to time.

IV - Non Ministerial Staff (Subordinate Office Cadre)

11. Veterinary Hundred Inspector percent

(i) 10 + 2 with

Physics, Chemistry

and Biology

subjects from

a recognized

University/

Board;

and

(ii) Should

possess a

diploma in

Veterinary

Science and

Animal Health

Technology of

two years

duration or its

equivalent

from any

recognized

university:

Provided that

the candidates

who are

currently

		(VISK 22, 1943 SAKA)						
				enrolled in				
				diploma in				
				Veterinary				
				Science and				
				Animal Health				
				Technology or				
				the candidates				
				who have				
				obtained				
				diploma in				
				Veterinary				
				Science and				
				Animal Health				
				Technology				
				with 10+2 in				
				Biology/Math,				
				Physics,				
				Chemistry and				
				English, shall				
				also be eligible				
				for				
				appointment to				
				the post of				
				Veterinary				
				Inspector.				
12.	Poultry Inspector	Eighty five percent	Fifteen percent	(i) B.Sc. with From amongst the Poultry Zoology as Store-keepers, who have one of the an experience of working Subjecs. as such for a minimum or period of five years.				
				B.Sc. Zoology; and (ii) One year training				

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				course or	
				diploma	
				related with	
				Poultry from	
				any	
				recognized	
				university.	
13.	Senior Laboratory Technician	-	Hundred percent	-	From amongst the Laboratory Technicians, who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of four years.
14.	Junior field	-	Hundred	-	From amongst Enumerators,
	Investigator		percent		Computers, Punchers and Milk Recorders, who have an
			(i) Fifty percent from		•
			Enumerators,		experience of working as such for a minimum period
			Punchers,		of four years.
			Computers; and	1	or rour years.
			_		
			(ii) Fifty percent	į	
			from Milk		
			Recorders.		
15.	Milk Recorder	Hundred	-	(i) Should	-
		percent		possess a	
				Bachelor's	
				degree in	
				Economics or	
				Statistics or	
				Mathematics	
				or Commerce;	
				and	
				(ii) Should	
				Possess at	

least one

hundred and

twenty hours

course with

hands on

experience in

the use of

Personal

Computer or

Information

Technology in

Office

Productivity

applications or

Desktop

Publishing

applications

from a

Government

recognized

institution or a

reputed

institution,

which is ISO

9001, Certified.

Or

Possess a

Computer

Information

Technology

course

equivalent to

"O" level

certificate of

the

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			Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India.
16.	Livestock	Hundred -	(i) 10+2 with -
	Supervisor	percent	Physics,
			Chemistry and
			Biology
			subjects from a
			recognized
			University/
			Board;
			and
			(ii) Should
			possess
			diploma in
			Veterinary
			Science and
			Animal Health
			Technology of
			two years
			duration or its
			equivalent
			from any
			recognized
			University:
			Provided that
			the candidates
			who are
			currently

enrolled in

diploma in

Veterinary

Science and

Animal Health

Technology or

the candidates

who have

obtained

diploma in

Veterinary

Science and

Animal Health

Technology

with 10+2 in

Biology/Math,

Physics,

Chemistry and

English, shall

also be eligible

for

appointment to

the post of

Livestock

Supervisor.

17. Machine Operator Hundred percent

(i) Matric or

10+2; and

(ii) Two years

certificate in

Refrigeration

from an

Industrial

Training

Institute;

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				(iii) Persons
				having
				experience in
				air
				conditioning,
				refrigeration or
				cold storage
				will be given
				preference.
				•
18.	Auto Clave Operator/	Hundred	-	(i) Matric or
	Machine Operator	percent		10+2; and
				(ii) Two years'
				Certificate in
				Mechanical
				Trade from an
				Industrial
				Training
				Institute;
				(iii)Persons
				with
				knowledge of
				running and
				maintenance
				of bulk
				sterilizer,
				electrical or
				steam heaters
				in the case of
				Auto Clave
				Operators will
				given
				preference.
19.	Enumerator/	Hundred	-	(i) Should -
	Computer/Puncher	percent		possess a
				*

Bachelor's

degree in

Economics or

Statistics or

Mathmatics or

Commerce;

and

(ii) Should

possess at least

one hundred

and twenty

hours course

with hands on

experience in

the use of

Personal

Computer or

Information

Technology in

Office

Productivity

applications or

Desktop

Publishing

applications

from a

Government

recognized

institution or a

reputed

institution,

which is ISO

9001, Certified.

OR

Possess a

		()	7 1 SK 22, 1943 S	DAKA)
				Computer
				Information
				Technology
				course
				equivalent to
				"O" level
				Certificate of
				the
				Department of
				Electronics
				Accreditation
				of Computer
				Course
				(DOEACC) of
				Government of
				India.
20.	Poultry Store-	Hundred	-	(i) B.Sc. with -
	keeper	percent		Zoology as one
	1	1		of the subjects.
				OR
				B.Sc. Zoology;
				and
				(ii) Minimum
				six months
				training course
				related with
				Poultry from
				any recognized
				university.
21.	In author on On anotan	Hundard		
21.	Incubator Operator	Hundred	-	(i)Matric - Second
		percent		Division or
				10+2 with
				Physics and Chemistry,
				and

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				(ii)Two years Industrial Training Institute Course in Electrical trade.	
22.	Laboratory Technician	Fifty percent	Fifty percent	(i)B.Sc. Biology, Microbiology/ Biotechnology from a recognized University; and (ii) Should possess at least one hundred and twenty hours course with hands on experience in the use of Personal Computer or information Technology in Office Productivity applications or Desktop Publishing applications from a	st

23.

Laboratory

Assistant

Fifty

percent

Fifty

percent

Government recognized institution or reputed institution, which is ISO 9001, certified. Or Possess a Computer Information Technology course equivalent to "O" level certificate of the Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India. (i) 10+2 with From amongst the Laboratory Physics, Attendants (re-designated as Chemistry **Multipurpose Veterinary** and Biology/ Workers) who are Mathematics Matriculates with Physics and from a Chemistry, as one of the recognized subjects and who have an

University or experience of working as

such for a minimum period

Board; and

		•		
				(ii) Should of four years.
				possess a
				diploma in
				Medical
				Laboratory
				Technology of
				two years from
				a recognized
				University.
				Or
				Should have
				obtained
				diploma in
				Medical
				Laboratory
				Technician of
				three years
				from a
				recognized
				University
				after passing
				Matriculation
				with Science
				examination
				followed by
				one year work
				experience
				after diploma
				on or before
				publication of
				these rules.
_	Electrician/	Hundred	-	(i) Matric or -
	Electrician-Cum-	percent		10+2;
	Liquid Nitrogen			and

Plant Operator /		(ii) Two years
Hot Air Oven		electrician
Operator		certificate
		from an
		Industrial
		Training
		Institute;
		(iii) Persons
		having one
		year
		experience in
		the
		maintenance
		or repairing of
		electrical
		goods of fans
		machinery or
		knowledge of
		handling and
		working of
		Industrial
		ovens will be
		given
		preference.
Tractor Driver	Hundred -	(i) Should -
	percent	be able to
		read and write
		Punjabi
		Language;
		(ii) Should Possess a valid
		tractor driving licence; and
		(iii) Should

				have	
				knowledge	
				of tractor	
				repairs.	
26.	Radiographer	Hundred	-	(i) Matric with	-
		percent		Physics and	
		F		Chemistry	
				from	
				recognized	
				institute;	
				and	
				(ii) Two years'	
				Diploma in	
				Radiographer	
				from	
				recognized	
				institute.	
27.	Horseman	Hundred	-	(i) Matric;	-
				and	
				(ii)Proficiency	
				in horse riding	
28.	Cattle Catcher	Hundred	-	(i)Matric;	-
		percent		Preference	
				will be given	
				to Ex-service-	
				man.	
29.	Pump House	Hundred	-	(i) Matric;	-
	Mechanic	percent		and	
				(ii) One year	
				experience in	
				handling of	
				tubewells or	
				handling of	

	_			pump
				machines.
30.	Refrigerator	Hundred	_	(i) Matric -
50.	Mechanic	percent		with Physics
	Wicemanic	percent		and Chemistry
				or 10+2 with
				Physics and
				Chemistry; and
				(ii) Two
				years'
				Certificate in
				Air
				Conditioning or
				Refrigeration
				from an
				Industrial
				Training
				Institute.
31.	Film Projector	Hundred	_	(i) Matric or -
01,	Operator	percent		10+2; and
		F		(ii) Should
				possess a license of
				Cinematography
				Operator;
				(iii) Persons
				having
				practical
				experience in
				film projecting
				will be given
				preference.
32.	Tubewell Operator	Hundred	-	(i)Matric; -
		percent		and

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(ii)	One year
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in h	andling
of tu	bewells
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mac	hines.

Appendix 'C' (See rule 7)

Serial	Designation of	Nature of penalty	Authority empowered	Appellate
No.	the post	or order	to impose penalty or	authority
			pass order	
1	2	3	4	5
	I-N	Ministerial Staff (Head Of	ffice Cadre)	
1.	Junior Scale Stenographer	(a) Minor penalties		
		and		
2.	Steno-typist	(b) Major	Director	Secretary
3.	Clerk	penalties		in charge
4.	Restorer			
5.	Driver			
	II-Mir	nisterial Staff (Subordinat	e Office Cadre)	
6.	Junior Scale Stenographer	(a) Minor penalties		
		and		
7.	Steno-typist	(b) Major	Director	Secretary
8.	Clerk	penalties		in charge
9.	Driver			
		III- Legal Cadre		
		(a) Minor penalties		
10.	Clerk Legal	and		
		(b) Major penalties	Director	Secretary in
				charge

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$IV\!-\!Non\,Ministerial\,Staff\,(Subordinate\,Office\,Cadre)$

11.	Veterinary Inspector			
12.	Poultry Inspector			
13.	Senior Laboratory Technician			
14.	Junior field Investigator			
15.	Milk Recorder			
16.	Livestock Supervisor			
17.	Machine Operator	(a) Minor penalties		
18.	Auto Clave Operator/ Machine Operator	and		
19.	Enumerator/Computer/ Puncher	(b) Major penalties	Director	Secretary in charge
20.	Poultry Store-keeper			
21.	Incubator Operator			
22.	Laboratory Technician			
23.	Laboratory Assistant			
24.	Electrician/Electrician-Cum- Liquid Nitrogen Plant Operator / Hot Air Oven Operator			
25.	Tractor Driver			
26.	Radiographer			
27.	Horseman			
28.	Cattle Catcher			
29.	Pump House Mechanic			
30.	Refrigerator Mechanic			
31.	Film Projector Operator			
32.	Tubewell Operator			

Appendix 'D' (See rule 8)

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (PERSONNEL POLICIES-1 BRANCH)

Notification

The 4May, 1994

NO. G.S.R.33/Const./Art.309/94.- In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the constitution of India, and all other powers enabling in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules regulating the recruitment and general and common conditions of service of persons appointed to ¹[Group 'A', Group 'B' and Group 'C'] services in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab, namely:-

1. Short title, commencement and application:-

- (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994.
- (2) They shall come into force at once.
- (3) They shall apply to all the posts in ¹[Group 'A', Group 'B' and Group 'C'] services in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab.

2. Definitions.- In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,-

- a) "appointing authority" means an appointing authority specified as such in the Service Rules made under article 309 of the constitution of India in respect of any service or Post in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab;
- b) "Board" means the subordinate Service Selection board, Punjab or any other authority constituted to perform its functions;
- c) "Commission" means the Punjab Public Service Commission;
- d) "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;

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 115/Const./Art.309/Amd.(6)/ 2001, dated 18th December, 2001.

- e) "Government" means the Government of the State of Punjab in the Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms;
- f) "recognised university or institution" means,-
 - any university or institution incorporated by law in any of the State of India; or
 - any other university or institution, which is declared by the Government to be recognised university or institution for the purposes of these rules.
- g) ¹["Service" means any Group 'A' service, Group 'B' service and Group 'C' service constituted in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab as per scales given in the Appendix;]
- h) "Service Rules" means the service rules made under article 309 of the Constitution of India regulating the recruitment and conditions of service other than the general and common conditions of service of persons appointed to any service or post in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab; and
- ²[(i) (i) "War hero" means a defence services personnel, or a para-military forces personnel, who is a bona fide resident of Punjab State and has been killed or discharged from above service on account of disability suffered by him on or after 1st January, 1999, while fighting in a war declared so by the Government of India, in operations in Kargil or any other sector in J & K in the on going conflict with Pakistan or in any other operations which may be notified by the State Government to have been undertaken for preserving the unity and integrity of the Country; or
 - (ii) a defence service personnel or a para-military forces personnel who was a bona fide resident of Punjab State and was posthumously decorated with Param Vir Chakra, Mahavir Chakra or Vir Chakra; provided that,-
 - (a) In exceptional instances, the cases of such War Heroes may also be covered, with the prior approval of the Department of Personnel who through not bona fide residents Punjab State are yet closely connected to the State of Punjab;

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 115/Const./Art.309/Amd.(6)/2001, dated 18th December, 2001.

² Substituted vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 34/Const./Art.309/Amd.(7)/2003, dated 12th July, 2003.

(b) In the case of War Heroes, falling in the category (ii) above, the benefits to be given by the State Government will be restricted only to first generation dependent members/next of the kin.

Note:- The Government reserves the right to include any other category of Awardees for the purpose of providing employment to the category of War Heroes, as may be notified.]

3. Nationality, domicile and character of person appointed to the Service.-

- (1) No person 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 day of 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 and East African Countries of Kenya, Uganda and 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 person belonging to any of the categories (b), (c), (d) and (e) shall be a person in whose favour a certificate of eligibility has been given by the Government of Punjab in the Department of Home Affairs and Justice.

- (2) A person in whose case a certificate of eligibility is necessary may be admitted to an examination or interview conducted by the Commission or the Board, as the case may be, on his furnishing proof that he has applied for the certificate but he shall not be appointed to the service unless the necessary certificate is given to him by the Government of Punjab in the Department of Home Affairs and Justice.
- (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 involving moral turpitude and that he was never dismissed or removed from service of any State Government or of Government of India, or of any Public Sector Undertaking.

4. Disqualification.- No person;-

- (a) who has entered into or contracted a marriage with a person having 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, 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.

5. Age.- ¹[(1) No person shall be recruited to the Service by direct appointment, if he is less than eighteen years or is more than thirty seven years of age in the case of technical and non-technical posts on the first day of January of the year immediately preceding the last date, fixed for submission of applications by the Commission or the Board, as the case may be.]

Provided that where different lower and upper age limits have been specifically prescribed for posts in the Service Rules, these limits shall be made applicable for appointment to such posts:

Provided further that the upper age limit may be relaxed up to forty-five years in the case of persons already in the employment of the ²[Punjab Government, or any Board, Corporation, Commission or Authority under it,] other State Government or the Government of India:

Provided further that in the case of candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes and other Backward Classes, the upper age limit shall be such as may be fixed by the Government from time to time.

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 20/Const./Art.309/Amd.(10)/2010, dated 24th May, 2010.

²Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 85/Const./Art.309/Amd.(19)/2016, dated 20th December, 2016.

- (2) In the case of ex-servicemen, the upper age limit shall be such as has been prescribed in the Punjab Recruitment of Ex-servicemen Rules, 1982, as amended from time to time.
- (3) In the case of appointment on compassionate grounds on priority basis, the upper age, limit shall be such as may be specifically fixed by the Government from time to time.
- ¹[(4) In the case of appointment of a War-hero, who has been discharged from defence services or paramilitary forces on account of disability suffered by him or his widow or dependent member of his family, the upper age limit shall be such as may be specifically fixed by the Government from time to time.]
- ²[5A. Increase in upper age limit.- Notwithstanding anything contained in rule 5, on and with effect from the commencement of the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Amendment Rules, 2010, where in any other Service rules, or in Government instructions, the upper age limit for appointment to any Service or for any category or persons, if different from thirty-five years, it shall be deemed to have been increased by two years.]
- **6. Qualification etc.** Subject to the provisions of these rules, the number and character of posts, method of recruitment and educational qualifications and experience for appointment to a post or posts in a Service and the departmental examination, if any, shall be such as may be specified in the Service Rules made for that Service;

¹{Provided that where appointment of ³[Group 'A' or Group 'B'] non-technical post is offered to a war-hero, who has been discharged from defence services or paramilitary forces on account of disability suffered by him or his widow or dependent member of his family, under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government, the educational qualification to be possessed by such person shall be graduation from a recognised university. Such person who is offered ³[Group 'A' or Group 'B' or Group 'C'] non-technical post, shall not, however, be required to possess experience of technical or non-technical post at the time of his initial appointment.}

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 81/Const./Art.309/Amd.(II)/99, dated 15th November, 1999.

²Rule 5A after rule 5 was inserted vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 20/ Const./Art.309/Amd.(10)/2010, dated 24th May, 2010.

³Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 115/Const./Art.309/Amd.(6)/2001, dated 18th December, 2001.

7. Probation.- (1) A person appointed to any post in the service shall remain on probation for a period of ⁴[three] years, if recruited by direct appointment and one year if appointed otherwise:

Provided that.-

- (a) any period, after such appointment, spent on deputation on a corresponding or a higher post shall count towards the period of probation;
- (b) in any case of an appointment by transfer, any period of work on an equivalent or higher rank, prior to appointment to the Service, may in the discretion of the appointing authority, be allowed to count towards the period of probation;
- (c) any period of officiating appointment to the Service shall be reckoned as period spent on probation; and
- (d) any kind of leave not exceeding six months, during or at the end of period of probation, shall be counted towards the period of probation.
- (2) If, in the opinion of the appointing authority, the work or conduct of a person during the period of probation is not satisfactory or if he has failed to pass the departmental examination, if any, prescribed in Service Rules within a period not exceeding ³[one] and a half years from the date of appointment, it may,-
 - (a) If such person is recruited by direct appointment, dispense with his services, or revert him to a post on which he held lien prior to his appointment to the Service by direct appointment; and
 - (b) if such person is appointed otherwise-
 - (i) revert him to his former post; or
 - (ii) deal with him in such other manner as the terms and conditions of the previous appointment permit.

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 56/Const./Art.309/Amd.(18)/ 2016, dated 5th September, 2016.

²Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 1/Const./Art.309/Amd.(14)/2015, dated 23rd February, 2015.

- (3) On the completion of the period of probation of a person, the appointing authority may
 - (a) if his work and conduct has in its opinion been satisfactory-
 - (i) confirm such person, from the date of his appointment or from the date he completes his period of probation satisfactorily, if he is not already confirmed; or
 - (ii) declare that he has completed his probation satisfactorily, if he is already confirmed; or
 - (b) if his work or conduct has not been in its opinion, satisfactory or if he has failed to pass the departmental examination, if any, specified in the Service Rules-
 - (i) dispense with his services, if appointed by direct appointment or if appointed otherwise revert him to his former post, or deal with him in such other manner as the terms and conditions of his previous appointment may permit;
 - (ii) extend his period of probation and thereafter pass such order as it could have passed on the expiry of the period of probation as specified in sub-rule (1):

¹[Provided that the total period of probation including extension, if any, shall not exceed four years, recruited by direct appointment and three years if appointed otherwise.]

8. Seniority- The seniority inter se of persons appointed to posts in each cadre of a Service shall be determined by the length of continuous service on such post in that cadre of the Service.

Provided that in the case of persons recruited by direct appointment who join within the period specified in the order of appointment or within such period as may be extended from time to time by the appointing authority subject to a maximum of four months from the date of order of appointment the order of merit determined by the Commission or the Board, as the case may be, shall not be disturbed:

Provided further that in case a person is permitted to join the post after the expiry of the said period of four months in consultation with the Commission or the Board, as the case may be, his seniority shall be determined from the date he joins the post:

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 44/Const./Art.309/Amd.(20)/2014, dated 04th October, 2017.

Provided further that in case any person of the next selection has joined a post in the cadre of the concerned Service before the persons referred to in the preceding proviso joins, the person so referred shall be placed below all the persons of the next selection who join within the time specified in the first proviso:

Provided further that in the case of two or more persons appointed on the same date, their seniority shall be determined as follows:-

- (a) a person appointed by the direct appointment shall be senior to a person appointed otherwise;
- (b) a person appointed by promotion shall be senior to a person appointed by transfer;
- (c) in the case of persons appointed by promotion or transfer, the seniority shall be determined according to the seniority of such persons in the appointments from which they were promoted or transferred; and
- (d) in the case of persons appointed by transfer from different cadres their seniority shall be determined according to pay, preference being given to a person who was drawing a higher rate of pay in his previous appointment; and if the rates of pay drawn are also the same, then by their length of service in these appointments and if the length of service is also the same, an older person shall be senior to a younger person:

¹[Provided further that in the case of persons recruited by direct appointment in the same cadre obtaining equal marks during same selection process, their inter-se-seniority shall be determined on the basis of their age. That is, an older person shall be senior to the younger person.]

Note: - Seniority of persons appointed on purely provisional basis or on ad hoc basis shall be determined as and when they are regularly appointed keeping in view the dates of such regular appointment.

9. Liability of members of Service to transfer- A member of a Service may be transferred to any post whether included in any other service or not, on the same terms and conditions as specified in rule 3.17 of the Punjab Civil Service Rules, Volume-I, Part I.

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 56/Const./Art.309/Amd.(17)/2016, dated 19th January, 2016.

- **10. Liability to serve-** A member of Service shall be liable to serve at any place, whether within or out of the State of Punjab, on being ordered so to do by the appointing authority.
- 11. Leave, Pension and other matters- In respect of pay, leave, pension and all other matters not expressly provided for in these rules, a member of Service shall be governed by such rules and regulations as may have been or may hereafter be adopted or made by the competent authority.
- **12. Discipline, penalties and appeals-** (1) In the matter of discipline, punishment and appeals, a member of a Service shall be governed by the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970 as amended from time to time.
 - (2) The authority empowered to impose penalties specified in rules 5 of the Punjab Civil Service (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970 and the appellate authority thereunder in respect of the Government employee shall be such as may be specified in the Service Rules.
- **13.** Liability for vaccination and re-vaccination- Every member of a Service shall get himself vaccinated or re-vaccinated when Punjab Government so directs by a special or general order.
- **14.** Oath of allegiance- Every member of a Service, unless he has already done so, shall be required to take oath of allegiance to India and to the Constitution of India as by law established.

¹[14A. Minimum Educational and other Qualifications for appointment to the post of Senior Assistant by –

Direct Appointment	Promotion
No person shall be given dir post of Senior Assistant under unless he –	
(i) Possesses the Bache recognised University o	Institution; and a minimum period of
(ii) Qualifies in the competition appointing authority fro	1

¹Rule 14A was inserted vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 7/Const./ Art.309/Amd.(15)/2015, dated 15th March, 2015.

²Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 31/Const./Art.309/Amd.(21)/2019, dated 13th September, 2019.

(iii) Possesses at least one hundred and twenty hours course with hands on experience in the use of Personal Computer or Information Technology in Office Productivity applications or Desktop Publishing applications from a Government recognised institution or a reputed institution, which is ISO 9001, certified.

OR

Possesses a Computer Information Technology Course equivalent to 'O' level certificate of Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India.

(2) The person so appointed as Senior Assistant in terms of Provisions of sub-rule (1), shall have, before his appointment, ¹[passed a test in English and Punjabi, respectively,] typewriting on computer to be conducted by the Board or the appointing authority or the Department of Information Technology, as the case may be, at a speed of thirty words per minutes:

Provided that where appointment of Group 'B' non-technical post is offered to a War Hero, who has been discharged from Defense Services or dependent member of his family under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government, the educational qualifications to be possessed by such person shall be Graduate from a recognized University or Institution. However, such person shall not be required to qualify the test in Punjabi type-writing as Provided in sub-rule (2).

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 69/Const./Art.309/Amd.(16)/2015, dated 24th December, 2015.

¹[15. Minimum Educational and other qualifications:-

- (i) No person shall be given direct appointment to the post of Clerk under the Punjab Government unless he possesses the Bachelor's Degree from a recognized University or Institution; and
 - (ii) Possesses at least one hundred and twenty hours course with hands on experience in the use of Personal Computer or Information Technology in Office Productivity applications or Desktop Publishing applications from a Government recognised institution or a reputed institution, which is ISO 9001, certified.

OR

Possesses a Computer information Technology course equivalent to 'O' level certificate of Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India;

(2) The person so appointed as Clerk in terms of the provisions of subrule (1), shall have, before his appointment, ²(passed a test in English and Punjabi, respectively, on computer), to be conducted by the Board or the appointing authority or the Department of Information Technology as the case may be, at a speed of thirty words per minute."

Provided that where appointment of Group 'C' non-technical post is offered to a War Hero, who has been discharged from Defence Services or department member of his family under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government, the educational qualification to be possessed by such person shall be Graduate form a recognized University or Institution. However, such person shall not be required to qualify the test in Punjabi type-writing as specified in sub-rule (2).]

Rule 15 was amended and sub rule (3) was omitted vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 59/Const./Art.309/Amd.(13)/2011, dated 17th August, 2011.

¹Rule 15 was Substituted, vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 12/Const./ Art.309/Amd.(9)/2009, dated 10th February, 2009.

²Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 69/Const./Art.309/Amd.(16)/2015, dated 24th December, 2015.

¹[15A Minimum Educational and other Qualifications for appointment to the post of Senior Scale Stenographer by-

Direct Appointment

Promotion

No person shall be given direct appointment to the post of Senior Scale Stenographer under the Punjab government unless he—

- (i) Possesses the Bachelor's Degree from a recognised University or Institution; and
- (ii) Qualifies in a Stenography test in four paras (two in Punjabi and two in English language) containing 250 words each as follows:-
- (a) the passage in Punjabi shall be dictated at a speed of 100 words per minute in Punjabi language required to be transcribed these (at typewriter/computer) at a speed of 20 words per minute; and
- (b) the passage in English shall be dictated at a speed of 60 words per minute in English language required to be transcribed these (at typewriter/computer) at a speed of 12 words per minute.
- (iii) The candidates committing not more than 4% mistakes in aggregate and only if he/she qualifies the stenography test in both the languages shall be considered to have qualified the test for appointment as Senior Scale Stenographer.

- i) From amongst the Junior Scale Stenographers, who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of one year. Provided that if the Junior Scale Stenographer is not available then from amongst the Steno typists, who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of ²[four years]; and
- (ii) Qualifies in a stenography test in four paras (two in Punjabi and two in English language) counting 250 words each as follows:-
- (a) the passage in Punjabi shall be dictated at a speed of 100 words per minute in Punjabi language required to be transcribed these (at typewriter/computer) at a speed of 20 words per minute; and
- (b) the passage in English shall be dictated at a speed of 60 words per minute in English language required to be transcribed these (at

¹Rule 15A was inserted vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 7/Const./ Art.309/Amd.(15)/2015, dated 15th March, 2015.

²Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R. 31/Const./Art.309/Amd.(21)/2019, dated 13th September, 2019.

(iv) Possesses at least one hundred and twenty hours course with hands on experience in the use of Personal Computer or Information Technology in Office Productivity applications or Desktop Publishing applications from a Government recognised institution or a reputed institution, which is ISO 9001, certified.

OR

Possesses a Computer information Technology course equivalent to 'O' level certificate of Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India.

- typewriter/computer) at a speed of 12 words per minute.
- (iii) The candidates committing not more than 4% mistakes in aggregate and only if he/she qualifies the Stenography test in both the languages shall be considered to have qualified the test for promotion as Senior Scale Stenographer.
- ¹[16. Minimum Educational and other Qualifications for appointment to the post of Steno-typist or Junior Scale Stenographer- No person shall be given direct Appointment to the post of Steno-typist or Junior Scale Stenographer under the Punjab Government, unless he-
 - (a) Possesses Bachelor's Degree from a recognised University or Institution; and
 - (b) Qualifies a test in Punjabi Stenography to be held by the Board or by the appointing authority at a speed specified by the Government from time to time; and
 - (c) Possesses at least one hundred and twenty hours course with hands on experience in the use of Personal Computer Information Technology in Office Productivity applications or Desktop Publishing applications from Government recognised institutions or a reputed institution, which is ISO 9001, certified.

OR

Possesses a Computer information Technology Course equivalent

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No.G.S.R.12/Cons./Art.309/Amd(9)/ 2009 dated 10th February, 2009.

to 'O' level certificate of Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India.]

¹[17. **Knowledge of Punjabi Language** – No person shall be appointed to any post in any service by Direct appointment unless he has passed Matriculation examination with Punjabi as one of the compulsory or elective subjects or any other equivalent examination in Punjabi language, which may be specified by the Government from time to time:

Provided that where a person is appointed on compassionate grounds on priority basis under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government from time to time, the person so appointed shall have to pass an examination of Punjabi language equivalent to Matriculation standard or he shall have to quality a test conducted by the Language Wing of the Department of Education of Punjab Government within a period of six months from the date of his appointment:

Provided further that where educational qualifications for a post in any service are lower than the Matriculation standard, then the person so appointed shall have to pass an examination of Punjabi language equivalent to Middle standard:

Provided further that where a War Hero, who has been discharged from defense services or paramilitary forces on account of disability suffered by him or his widow or dependent member of his family, is appointed under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government, the person so appointed will not be required to possess aforesaid knowledge of Punjabi Language:

Provided further that where a ward of Defence Service Personnel, who is a bona fide resident of Punjab State, is appointed by direct appointment, he shall have to pass an examination of Punjabi Language equivalent to Matriculation Standard or he shall have to qualify a test conducted by the Language Wing of the Department of Education of Punjab Government within a period of two years from the date of his appointment.]

¹Rule 17 was Substituted vide Punjab Government Notification No.G.S.R.97/Const./ Art.309/Amd.(5)/2001 dated 4th September 2001

¹[18. Promotion to Ground 'A' and Group 'B' Services

- (1) (a) For promotion to the post as Head of Department would be decided strictly on the basis of merit-cum-seniority as per the instructions issued by the Government from time to time. The minimum bench mark for promotion for such post would be' Very Good'. The officer who is graded as 'Outstanding' would supersede the officer graded as 'Very Good'.
 - (b) For promotion to post falling in Group 'A' other than Head of Department, the minimum benchmark will be 'Very Good' as per as instructions issued by the Government from time to time. There shall be no supersession on the basis of merit.
 - (c) For promotion to post falling in Group 'B', the minimum benchmark will be 'Good' and there shall be no supersession on the basis of merit.
- (2) **Debarring for consideration for promotion of a Government employee who refuses to accept promotion** In the event of refusal to accept promotion by a member of a service, he shall be debarred by the appointing authority from consideration for promotion for all the consecutive chances which may occur in future within a period of two years from the date of such refusal to accept promotion:

Provided that in a case where the appointing authority is satisfied that a member of a service has refused to accept promotion under the circumstances beyond his control, it may exempt such a member for reasons to be recorded therefor in writing from the operation of this rule.]

19. Power to relax - Where the government is of the opinion that it is necessary to expedient so to do, it may by order, for reasons to be recorded in writing, relax any of the provisions of these rules with respect to any class or category of persons.

Provided that the provisions relating to educational qualifications and experience, if any, shall not be relaxed.

- **20. Over riding effect-** The provisions of these rules shall have effect notwithstanding anything contrary contained in any rules for the time being in force for regulating the recruitment and conditions of service for appointment to public service and posts in connection with the affairs of the State.
- **21. Interpretation** If any, question arises as to the interpretation of these rules, the Government shall decide the same.

¹ Rules 18 was Substituted vide Punjab Government Notification NO.G.S.R.117/Const./ Art309/Amd.(7)/2001, dated 18th December, 2001

"APPENDIX"

(See rule 2)

Group 'A': Posts in initial entry revised scales of pay having a maximum of Rs.11,660 or more; Provided that all existing Class I posts irrespective of the monetary limits of the pay scales shall be placed in Group 'A'.

Group 'B': Posts in initial entry revised scales of pay with maximum ranging between Rs. 10,640 to 11,659;

Group 'C': Posts in initial entry revised scales of pay with maximum ranging between Rs. 5,160 to 10,639;

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Appendix was inserted vide Punjab Government Notification NO.G.S.R.115/Const./ Art.309/Amd.(6)/2001, dated 18th December, 2001