GOVERNMENT OF KERALA
Transport (C) Department

NOTIFICATION

G.O.(P)No.3/2020/TRANS

S. R. O. No. 372/2020

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section (2) of the Kerala Public Services Act, 1968(19 of 1968), the Government of Kerala hereby make the following rules to amend the Special Rules for the Kerala Transport Service issued by notification under GO(P)No.91/81/TF&P dated the 5th October,1981 and published as S.R.O No.1164/81 in the Kerala Gazette Extra ordinary No. 792 dated 14th October, 1981, namely:-

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RULES

1. Short title and commencement.- (1) These rules may be called the Kerala Transport Service (Amendment) Special Rules, 2020.

(b) Sub-rule(3) of rule 2 shall be deemed to have come into force on the 8th day of April, 2008, sub-rule (4) of rule 2 shall be deemed to have come into force on the 1st day of April, 2010 and the remaining rules shall be deemed to have come into force on the 23rd day of May, 2011.

2. Amendment of the Rules.- In the Special Rules for the Kerala Transport Service, 1981,-

(1) in rule 2, “Category 1” shall be renumbered as “Category 1a” and before “Category 1a” as so renumbered, the following category shall be inserted, namely:-

“1. Joint Transport Commissioner”;

(2) in rule 3, -

(a) in the Table under sub - rule (a), “Category 1” shall be renumbered as “Category 1a” and before “Category 1a” as so renumbered, the following Category and entry shall, respectively, be inserted, namely:-

“1. Joint Transport Commissioner By Promotion from among Senior Deputy Transport Commissioner. [Category1(a)].”;

(b) in sub-rule (b), after the word and figure “Categories 1”, the word, figure and letter “Category 1a” shall be inserted;

(3) in rule 4, for sub-rule (b), the following sub-rules shall be substituted, namely:-

"(b) Other qualifications.- No person shall be eligible for appointment as Motor Vehicle Inspector by direct recruitment unless he possess the qualifications specified below:-

1. Pass in SSLC or its equivalent

2. (i) A Diploma in Automobile Engineering or Mechanical Engineering awarded by the State Board of Technical Education (3 year course) or any institution recognised by the Central Government or the State Government.

(ii) Any qualification in either of the above disciplines declared as equivalent to the above diplomas by the Central Government or the State
3. Must hold a current valid driving license authorizing him to drive motor cycle, heavy goods vehicle and heavy passenger motor vehicle; and

   **Physical Qualifications**

4. Must be physically fit and shall possess the following minimum physical standards:

   (a) **Height**- 165 cms for male candidates and 152 cms for female candidates.

   (b) **Chest**- 81 cms with a minimum expansion of 5 cms (applicable to male candidates only).

   **Note:**- For candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes or Scheduled Tribes the minimum height shall be 160 cms for male candidates and 150 cms for female candidates.

   (c) **Visual Standards**- Must possess the visual standards specified below without glasses:

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   **Note I:**- (a) Each eye must have a full field of vision.

   (b) Colour blindness, squint or any morbid condition of eye or lids of either eye shall be a disqualification for appointment.

   **Note II:**- The visual standards shall be certified by a Medical Officer not below the rank of an Assistant Surgeon specialized in Ophthalmology of a Government Hospital.

   **Note III:**- Physically handicapped candidates shall not be eligible for applying to the post;

   (c) **Saving.**– Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule(b), the qualifications specified therein shall not be applicable to the category of Motor Vehicle Inspector who entered in the services under the Department prior to the 8th day of April, 2008, the date of publication of the Kerala Transport Subordinate Service Rules, 2008 in the Gazette.”;
(4) in rule 6, for clauses (i) and (ii), and the proviso thereto, the following clauses shall be substituted, namely:

“(i) if recruited direct or appointed by transfer where direct recruitment is one of the methods of appointment, for a total period of two years on duty within a continuous period of three years; and

(ii) if appointed by transfer where direct recruitment is not one of the methods of appointment and if appointed by promotion, for a total period of six months on duty within a continuous period of one year.”;

(5) in rule 9, after the word and figure “Categories 1”, the word, figure and letter “Categories 1a” shall be inserted.

By order of the Governor,

K.R.JYOTHILAL,

Principal Secretary to Government

Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the notification, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

There were two posts of Senior Deputy Transport Commissioner in the Motor Vehicles Department, viz. Senior Deputy Transport Commissioner and Secretary, State Transport Authority and Senior Deputy Transport Commissioner (Tax). The senior most Deputy Transport Commissioner was appointed as the Secretary, State Transport Authority also. The post of the senior most Deputy Transport Commissioner and Secretary, State Transport Authority was later re-designated as Joint Transport Commissioner as per G.O.(MS) No.28/2011/Trans dated 23rd May, 2011 and one more post of Joint Transport Commissioner was created in the Motor Vehicles Department for enforcement as per GO.(MS)No.70/2011/Trans dated 12th December, 2011. As the above posts are not covered by the Special Rules for Kerala Transport Service 1981, these posts are to be included in the said Rules.

The Transport Subordinate Service Rules published vide G.O.(P) No.16/2008/Trans dated 7th April, 2008 and published as S.R.O.No.370/2008 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No.726 dated 8th April, 2008, prescribed the qualifications for the post of Assistant Motor Vehicle Inspector. In the Special Rules for the Kerala Transport Service, 1981, for the Category of Motor Vehicle Inspectors, direct recruitment is envisaged in the absence of suitable candidates for appointment under by transfer appointment from among Assistant Motor Vehicle Inspectors. Hence, the educational qualification, working experience and the physical qualifications prescribed for the post of Assistant Motor Vehicle Inspector stipulated in the Transport Subordinate Service
Rules are prescribed for the post of Motor Vehicle Inspector. Government have also decided to modify the requirement of working experience in considering the minimum qualifications prescribed by the Central Government.

In the selection posts where direct recruitment is not one of the methods of appointment, the period of probation has been reduced to a period of six months duty within a continuous period of one year vide G.O.(P) No.42/2010/P&ARD dated 20th December, 2010. Hence, this has to be included in the Special Rules.

The notification is intended to achieve the above objects.