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HOME DEPARTMENT
(LEGAL-II)

AMENDMENT TO THE ANDHRA PRADESH POLICE (FORENSIC SCIENCE LABORATORY) SUBORDINATE SERVICE RULES - INCORPORATING NEW EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS AS PER LATEST SCIENTIFIC DEVELOPMENTS.

[G.O.Ms.No.202, Home (Legal-II), 8th October, 2026]

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article - 309 of the Constitution of India, and of all other powers hereunto enabling, the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following amendments to the Andhra Pradesh Police (Forensic Science Laboratory) Subordinate Service Rules issued in G.O.Ms.No.38, Home (Police-C) Department, dated 02.02.1994 as subsequently amended from time to time:-

AMENDMENTS

In the said Rules,

(1) in rule 3,

(i) for Class A, Category 3, the following shall be substituted, namely,-

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Category (3):		
(a) Laboratory Assistant (Physical)	(i) By promotion of Laboratory Technician with minimum 5 years of service or by Transfer of Photographer in the Forensic Science Laboratory with minimum 3 years of service - 70% of posts. (ii) By direct recruitment - 30% of posts.	Director, Forensic Science Laboratory
(b) Laboratory Assistant (Chemical)	(i) By promotion of Laboratory Technician with minimum 5 years of service or by Transfer of Photographer in the Forensic Science Laboratory with minimum 3 years of service - 70% of posts;	Director, Forensic Science Laboratory
	(ii) By direct recruitment - 30% of posts;	
(c) Laboratory Assistant (Biological)	(i) By promotion of Laboratory Technician with minimum 5 years of service or by Transfer of Photographer in the Forensic Science Laboratory with minimum 3 years of service - 70% of posts; (ii) By direct recruitment - 30% of posts	Director, Forensic Science Laboratory
(ii) for Class B, Category (2) the following shall be substituted, namely,-		
Category (2):		
"Dark Room Assistant"	(i) By transfer of Office Subordinate in the Andhra Pradesh Last Grade Service in the Forensic Science Laboratory - 70% of posts; (ii) By direct recruitment - 30% of posts	Director, Forensic Science Laboratory

(2) In rule 4, for Class A, Category 3, 4 and 5 the following shall be substituted, namely,-

CLASS – A		
Category (3). (a) Laboratory Assistant (Physical)	By Promotion / By Direct Recruitment	i. Must have passed B.Sc. with Physics as one of the subjects or B.E/ B.Tech. in Computer Science and Engineering (CSE), Electronics and Communication Engineering (ECE), Information Technology (IT), or AI or Data Science or Cyber security or B.Sc. in Computers or BCA or B.Sc in Forensic Science with any Physical science or Computer subjects, with not less than 60% marks or equivalent CGPA wherever grading system is followed, from any University in India established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, State Act or Provincial Act or an Institution deemed to be a University under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 or approved by the AICTE or recognized by the University Grants Commission, or possess an equivalent qualification. ii. The candidate shall also pass the Accounts Test for Executive Officers within the prescribed period of probation.
(b) Laboratory Assistant (Chemical)	By Promotion / By Direct Recruitment	i. Must have passed B.Sc. with Chemistry as one of the subjects or B.Sc. in Forensic Science with any chemical science subjects, with not less than 60% marks or equivalent CGPA wherever grading system is followed, from any University in India established or incorporated by or under a Central Act,

		State Act or Provincial Act or an Institution deemed to be a University under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 or recognized by the University Grants Commission, or possess an equivalent qualification. ii. The candidate shall also pass the Accounts Test for Executive Officers within the prescribed period of probation.
(c) Laboratory Assistant (Biological)	By Promotion / By Direct Recruitment	i. Must have passed B.Sc. in Biology/ Botany/ Zoology/ Microbiology/ Biotechnology/ Biochemistry/ Genetics/ Psychology as one of the subjects, or B.Tech in Biotechnology or B.Sc. in Forensic Science with any Biological science subject, with not less than 60% marks or equivalent CGPA wherever grading system is followed, from any University in India established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, State Act or Provincial Act or an Institution deemed to be a University under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 or recognized by the University Grants Commission, or possess an equivalent qualification. ii. The candidate shall also pass the Accounts Test for Executive Officers within

		the prescribed period of probation.
Category (4). Laboratory Technician	By Promotion / By Direct Recruitment	Must have passed B.Sc., with not less than 60% marks or equivalent CGPA wherever grading system is followed, from any University in India established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, State Act or Provincial Act or an Institution deemed to be a University under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 or recognized by the University Grants Commission or its equivalent examination.
Category (5). Laboratory Attendant	By Promotion / By Direct Recruitment	Must have passed Intermediate (10+2) Examination in Science or its equivalent, with not less than 60% marks or equivalent CGPA, wherever the grading system is followed, from a Board of Intermediate Education established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, State Act or Provincial Act, or from any Institution recognized by the Government of India or the Government of Andhra Pradesh as equivalent thereto.

(ii) for Class B, Categories 1 & 2 the following shall be substituted, namely,-

CLASS B		
"Category (1) Photographer"	By Promotion / By Direct Recruitment	i. Must have passed B.Sc., with not less than 60% marks or equivalent CGPA wherever grading system is followed, from any University in India established or incorporated by or under a Central Act,

		State Act or Provincial Act or an Institution deemed to be a University under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 or recognized by the University Grants Commission, or possess an equivalent qualification. ii. Minimum 6 Months Diploma in Photography from any Institution recognized by the Government of India or any State Government
Category (2) Dark Room Assistant	By Transfer / By Direct Recruitment	i. Must have passed the Intermediate (10+2) Examination in Science or its equivalent, with not less than 60% marks or equivalent CGPA, wherever the grading system is followed, from a Board of Intermediate Education established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, State Act or Provincial Act, or from any Institution recognized by the Government of India or the Government of Andhra Pradesh as equivalent thereto. ii. Minimum 6 Months Diploma in Photography from any Institution recognized by the Government of India or any State Government

(3) for rule 5, the following shall be substituted, namely,-

5. AGE: The upper age limit for Direct Recruitment to the posts covered by these Rules shall be 34 years on the 1st July of year in which the notification for selection to the relevant post, category or class or a service is made, subject to the age relaxations admissible under the Andhra Pradesh State and Subordinate Service Rules, 1996, as amended from time to time (read with G.O.Ms.No. 759, GA (Ser.D) Dept., dated:06.10.2007).

(4) **After rule 8, the following shall be added, namely,-**

“ Rule 9 : Reservations:

Social reservations, horizontal reservations and other reservation provisions shall be governed by the Andhra Pradesh State and Subordinate Service Rules, 1996, as amended from time to time, and the Government orders/instructions issued thereunder.

Rule 10:Minimum Service for Promotion/Appointment by Transfer:

No member of the service shall be eligible for promotion or appointment by transfer from a lower category to the next higher category, unless he/she has put in not less than two (2) years of service in such lower category.

Note: Except to the extent specifically amended by these Rules, the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh State and Subordinate Service Rules, 1996 and other rules/orders applicable to the service shall continue to apply.

Savings : Nothing in these rules shall be construed to adversely affect the persons holding such posts on the date of commencement of these rules.”

KUMAR VISHWAJEET,
Principal Secretary to Government.

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