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S. R. O. No. 50/2026

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 2 of the Kerala Public Services Act, 1968 (19 of 1968) and in supersession of the Special Rules for the Kerala State Water Transport Subordinate Service (Operation Wing) issued by notification under G.O.(P)No. 151/75/PW dated 18th August, 1975 and published as S.R.O. No.717/75 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No.475 dated 18th August, 1975 and the Kerala State Water Transport Subordinate Service (Repairs and Maintenance Wing) issued by notification under G.O.(P)No.81/88/PW&T dated 29th December, 1988 and published as S.R.O.No.11/89 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No.13 dated 3rd January,



1989 and in supersession of all existing rules and orders on the subject, the Government of Kerala hereby make the following Special Rules for the Kerala State Water Transport Subordinate Services, namely:-

RULES

1. **Short title and commencement.**- (1) These rules may be called the Kerala State Water Transport Subordinate Service Special Rules, 2025.

(2) These rules shall come into force at once.

2. **Constitution.**- The service shall consist of the following categories of officers, namely:-

(a) **Operation Wing**

Category 1. Assistant Traffic Superintendent

Category 2. Station Master Grade I

Category 3. Checking Inspector Grade I

Category 4. Checking Inspector Grade II

Category 5. Checker /Station Master Grade II

Category 6. Boat Master

Category 7. Boat Syrang

Category 8. Boat Driver

Category 9. Boat Lascar Grade I

Category 10. Boat Lascar Grade II

(b) **Repairs and Maintenance Wing**

Category 1. Foreman

Category 2. Store Keeper

Category 3. Chargeman

Category 4. Smithy Chargeman

Category 5. Mechanic

Category 6. Time Keeper

Category 7. Charge man (Carpenter)

Category 8. Fitter Grade 1

Category 9. Blacksmith Grade 1

Category 10. Armature Winder

Category 11. Pattern Maker

Category 12. Assistant Chargeman (Carpenter)



- Category 13. Moulder
 Category 14. Assistant Storekeeper
 Category 15. Chargeman (Caulker)
 Category 16. Fitter Grade II
 Category 17. Pump Operator
 Category 18. Black Smith Grade II
 Category 19. Battery Charger
 Category 20. Upholsterer
 Category 21. Carpenter
 Category 22. Sheet Metal Worker
 Category 23. Machinist
 Category 24. Electrician
 Category 25. Welder
 Category 26. Turner
 Category 27. Caulker
 Category 28. Painter
 Category 29. Repair Assistant
 Category 30. Oil Supplier
 Category 31. Fibre Fabricator

3. **Method of Appointment.** - Appointment to the categories specified in column (2) of the TABLE below shall be made by the method of appointment specified against it in column (3) thereof, namely:-

TABLE

(a) Operation Wing

Sl No (1)	Category (2)	Method of Appointment (3)
1	Assistant Traffic Superintendent	(i) By promotion from qualified Station Master Grade I/Checking Inspector Grade I in State Water Transport Department on the basis of combined seniority in the feeder category.



		(ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
2	Station Master Grade I	(i) By promotion from qualified Checking Inspector Grade II in State Water Transport Department. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
3	Checking Inspector Grade I	(i) By promotion from qualified Checking Inspector Grade II in State Water Transport Department. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
4	Checking Inspector Grade II	(i) By promotion from qualified Checker/ Station Master Grade II in the State Water Transport Department on the basis of Combined Seniority in the feeder category. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
5	Checker /Station Master Grade II	(i) By promotion from qualified Boat Master in the State Water Transport Department. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
6	Boat Master	(i) By promotion from qualified Boat Syrang/ Boat Driver in the State Water Transport Department from a combined seniority list. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by promotion from qualified Boat Lascar Grade I in the State water Transport Department. (iii) By direct recruitment. Note:- The ratio between promotion and direct



		recruitment shall be 2 :1
7	Boat Syrang	(i) By promotion from qualified Boat Lascar Grade I in the State Water Transport Department. (ii) By direct recruitment. Note:- The ratio between items (i) and (ii) above shall be 1:1.
8	Boat Driver	(i) By promotion from qualified Boat Lascar Grade I having a Boat Driver License and in their absence, from qualified Boat lascar Grade II having a Boat Driver License. (ii) By direct recruitment. <u>Note</u>:- The ratio between items (i) and (ii) above shall be 1:1.
9	Boat Lascar Grade I	(i) By promotion from Boat Lascar Grade II in the State Water Transport Department. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
10	Boat Lascar Grade II	By direct recruitment

(b) Repairs and Maintenance Wing

Sl No (1)	Category (2)	Method of Appointment (3)
1	Foreman	(i) By promotion from qualified chargeman in the State Water Transport Department. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by promotion from qualified Smithy Chargeman in the State Water Transport Department. (iii) In the absence of qualified persons under items (i) and (ii) above, by promotion from qualified Chargeman



		(Carpenter) in the State Water Transport Department. (iv) In the absence of qualified persons under items (i), (ii) and (iii) above, by promotion from qualified Chargeman (Caulker) in the State Water Transport Department. (v) In the absence of qualified persons under items (i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) above, by direct recruitment.
2	Storekeeper	(i) By promotion from qualified Assistant Storekeeper/ Armature Winder in the State Water Transport Department on the basis of a combined seniority list. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
3	Chargeman	(i) By promotion from qualified Mechanic in the State Water Transport Department. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
4	Smithy Chargeman	(i) By promotion from qualified Blacksmith Grade I in the State Water Transport Department. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by promotion from Blacksmith Grade II in the State Water Transport Department. (iii) In the absence of qualified persons under items (i) and (ii) above, by direct recruitment.
5	Mechanic	(i) By promotion from qualified Fitter Grade I in the State Water Transport Department. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
6	Timekeeper	(i) By promotion from qualified Moulder/ Upholsterer/ Machinist/ Welder/ Turner/ Painter in the State Water Transport Department on the basis of a combined seniority list.



		(ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
7	Chargeman (Carpenter)	(i) By Promotion from the category of qualified Pattern Maker and Assistant Chargeman (Carpenter) in the State Water Transport Department on the basis of a combined seniority list. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
8	Fitter Grade I	(i) By promotion from qualified Fitter Grade II in the State Water Transport Department. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
9	Blacksmith Grade I	(i) By promotion from qualified Blacksmith Grade II in the State Water Transport Department. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
10	Armature Winder	(i) By promotion from qualified Battery Charger and Electrician in the State Water Transport Department on the basis of a combined seniority list. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
11	Pattern Maker	(i) By promotion from qualified Carpenter in the State Water Transport Department. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
12	Assistant Chargeman (Carpenter)	(i) By promotion from qualified Carpenter in the State Water Transport Department. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
13	Moulder	By direct recruitment.
14	Assistant Store	(i) Appointment by transfer from qualified Machinist/



	Keeper	Turner/Welder in the State Water Transport Department on the basis of a combined seniority list. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment. Note:-Appointment by transfer shall be made from a combined seniority list prepared from among eligible persons in Machinist, Turner and Welder in the State Water Transport Department. By Transfer shall be effected as contemplated in Rule 27 of the Kerala State and Subordinate Service Rules 1958 considering seniority.
15	Chargeman (Caulker)	(i) By promotion from qualified Caulker in the State Water Transport Department. ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
16	Fitter Grade II	By direct recruitment
17	Pump Operator	(i) By promotion from qualified Repair Assistant in the State Water Transport Department. (ii) By transfer from the qualified Boat Lascars in the State Water Transport Subordinate Service Operation Wing. Note:- Ratio of 1:1 shall be maintained between items (i) and (ii) above. In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) qualified persons from item (ii) shall be considered and vice versa. (iii) In the absence of qualified persons under items (i) and (ii) above, by direct recruitment.
18	Blacksmith Grade- II	By direct recruitment.
19	Battery Charger	By direct recruitment.
20	Upholsterer	By direct recruitment.
21	Carpenter	By direct recruitment



22	Sheet Metal Worker	By direct recruitment.
23	Machinist	By direct recruitment.
24	Electrician	By direct recruitment.
25	Welder	By direct recruitment.
26	Turner	By direct recruitment.
27	Caulker	By direct recruitment.
28	Painter	By direct recruitment.
29	Repair Assistant	(i) Appointment by transfer from qualified Part-time contingent employees in State Water Transport Department. (ii) In the absence of qualified persons under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
30	Oil Supplier	By direct recruitment.
31	Fibre Fabricator	By direct recruitment.

4 Qualifications.- No person shall be eligible for appointment to the categories specified in column (2) of the TABLE below by the method of appointment specified in column (3) unless the person possesses the qualifications prescribed in the corresponding entry in column (4) thereof, namely:

TABLE

Sl No (1)	Category (2)	Method of Appointment (3)	Qualifications (4)
(a) Operation Wing			
1	Assistant Traffic Superintendent	(i)By promotion	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification



			(ii) Minimum eight years of service in the Operation Wing of the State Water Transport Department. (iii) Regular/ Full Member/Approved Probationer of the service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	Pass in Plus Two or its equivalent qualification
2	Station Master Grade I	(i) By promotion	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification (ii) Minimum one year service as Checking Inspector Grade II in the State Water Transport Department. (iii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	Pass in Plus Two or its equivalent recruitment qualification.
3	Checking Inspector Grade I	(i) By promotion	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Minimum one year service as Checking Inspector Grade II in the State Water Transport Department. (iii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	Pass in Plus Two or its equivalent qualification
4	Checking Inspector Grade II	(i) By promotion	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Minimum one year service as Checker /Station Master Grade II in the State Water Transport Department.



			(iii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification.
5	Checker /Station Master Grade II	(i)By promotion	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	SSLC or its equivalent qualification.
6	Boat Master	(i)By promotion from Boat Syrang/ Boat Driver	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Must possess a valid Boat Master License or Second Class Master License [Certificate of competency as Second Class Master (Form No.26, Rule 43(2) of KIV rules 2010)] issued by Chief Examiner IWT as specified under Kerala Inland Vessels Rules, 2010. (iii) Must have satisfactorily completed probation as Boat Syrang or Boat Driver in the State Water Transport Department. (iv) Regular/Full Member/ Approved Probationer of the service.
		(ii) By promotion from Boat Lascar Grade-I	(i) Must possess a valid Boat Master License or Second Class Master License [Certificate of competency as Second Class Master (Form No.26, Rule 43(2) of KIV rules 2010)] issued by Chief Examiner IWT as specified under the Kerala Inland Vessels Rules, 2010. (ii) Minimum two years of service as



			Boat Lascar in the State Water Transport Department. (iii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the service.
		(iii) By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Must Possess a valid Boat Master License or Second Class Master Licence [Certificate of Competency as Second Class Master(Form No.26, Rule 43(2) of KIV rules 2010)] issued by Chief Examiner IWT as specified under the Kerala Inland Vessels Rules, 2010.
7	Boat Syrang	(i)By promotion	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Must possess valid Syrang License issued by an authority specified under the Kerala Inland Vessels Rules, 2010. (iii) Minimum two years of service as Boat Lascar in State Water Transport Department. (iv) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification (ii) Must possess valid Syrang License issued by an authority specified under the Kerala Inland Vessels Rules, 2010/ Mercantile Marine Department (MMD) licenses.
8	Boat Driver	(i) By promotion	(i) National Trade Certificate in Diesel Mechanic or Mechanic Motor Vehicles or



			its equivalent qualification. (ii) Must possess valid Driver License issued by an authority specified under the Kerala Inland Vessels Rules, 2010. (iii) Minimum one year service as Boat Lascar in State Water Transport Department. (iv) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or equivalent qualification. (ii) National Trade Certificate in Diesel Mechanic or Mechanic Motor Vehicles or equivalent qualification. (iii) Must possess valid Driver License issued by an authority specified under the Kerala Inland Vessels Rules, 2010.
9	Boat Lascar Grade I	(i) By promotion	(i) Must have satisfactorily completed probation as Boat Lascar Grade II in State Water Transport Department. (ii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in VIII standard. (ii) Must possess valid Lascar or Syrang or Boat Master or Boat Driver License issued by an authority specified under the Kerala Inland Vessels Rules, 2010.
10	Boat Lascar Grade II	By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in VIII standard. (ii) Must possess valid Lascar or Syrang or Boat Master or Boat Driver License issued by an authority specified under the



			Kerala Inland Vessels Rules, 2010.
(b)Repairs and Maintenance Wing			
1	Foreman	(i) By promotion	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Must have two years of service as Chargeman or Smithy Chargeman or Chargeman (Carpenter) or Chargeman (Caulker) in State Water Transport Department. (iii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the Service
		(ii) By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Diploma in Mechanical or Marine or Automobile Engineering from an institution recognized by the AICTE/ State/ Central Government. (iii) Two years experience in a supervisory capacity in Government approved Marine Engineering Workshop.
2	Storekeeper	(i) By promotion	(i) National Trade Certificate in Mechanic Motor Vehicle or Electrician or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Two years experience in State Water Transport Department as Assistant Storekeeper/Armature Winder. (iii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the Service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Diploma in Mechanical or



			Automobile Engineering from an institution recognized by the AICTE /State / Central Government. (iii) Three years experience in Stores and Materials control preferably store items such as marine diesel spare parts, electrical goods, hardware items etc. in a Government/Quasi-Government/Public Sector Undertakings/ registered Private Sector Undertakings. or Experience in Government Department or Government Undertaking or Quasi-Government Organizations in handling stores materials for not less than two years.
3	Chargeman	(i) By promotion	(i) Five years of service in the Dock and Repair Section including two years service as Mechanic in State Water Transport Department. (ii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the Service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification (ii) Diploma in Mechanical/ Automobile/ Marine Engineering from an institution recognized by the AICTE /State / Central Government. (iii) One year experience in a supervisory capacity in Government approved Marine Engineering Workshop.
4	Smithy Chargeman	(i) By promotion	(I) Two years service as Blacksmith Grade I or Blacksmith Grade II in the



			State Water Transport Department. (ii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the Service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Diploma in Mechanical or Automobile Engineering from an institution recognized by the AICTE /State / Central Government. (iii) Two years of experience in Government approved Marine Diesel Engine Workshop.
5	Mechanic	(i) By promotion	(i) One year service in State Water Transport Department as Fitter Grade I. (ii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the Service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	National Trade Certificate in the trade of Mechanic Motor Vehicle or its equivalent qualification or pass in VHSE in the trade of maintenance and repairs of Automobiles.
6	Timekeeper	(i) By promotion	(i) Two years of service as Upholsterer or Moulder or Machinist or Welder or Turner or Painter in the Repairs and Maintenance Wing of the State Water Transport Department. (ii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the Service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	(i) Any degree from a UGC recognized University or a National Institute established by the Government of India or Institute established by the Government



			of Kerala.
7	Chargeman (Carpenter)	(i) By promotion	(i) One year service in State Water Transport Department as Pattern Maker/ Assistant Chargeman (Carpenter). (ii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the Service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) National Trade Certificate in the Trade of Carpenter or its equivalent. (iii) Five years experience in Government approved boat building yard.
8	Fitter Grade I	(i) By promotion	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Two years service in State Water Transport Department as Fitter Grade II. (iii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the Service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	(i) National Trade Certificate in the trade of Mechanic Motor Vehicle or its equivalent. (ii) Two years experience in government approved workshop.
9	Blacksmith Grade I	(i) By promotion	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Two years service in State Water Transport Department as Blacksmith Grade II. (iii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the Service.



		(ii) By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) National Trade Certificate in the Trade of Blacksmith or its equivalent qualification.
10	Armature Winder	(i) By promotion	(i) Two years service in the State Water Transport Department as Battery Charger or Electrician. (ii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the Service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	(i) SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) National Trade Certificate in the trade of Electrician or its equivalent qualification.
11	Pattern Maker	(i) By promotion	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Two years service in State Water Transport Department as Carpenter. (iii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the Service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) National Trade Certificate in the trade of Pattern making/Carpentry or its equivalent qualification.
12	Assistant Chageman (Carpenter)	(i) By promotion	(i) Three years service as Carpenter in the Repairs and Maintenance Wing of the State Water Transport Department. (ii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the Service.
		(ii) By direct	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent



		recruitment	qualification. (ii) National Trade Certificate in the Trade of Carpentry.
13	Moulder	By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) National Trade Certificate in the trade of Moulder or its equivalent qualification.
14	Assistant Storekeeper	(i) By Transfer	(i) Three years service in State Water Transport Department as Machinist or Turner or Welder. (ii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the Service.
		(ii) By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) ITI in Mechanic Motor Vehicle or its equivalent qualification. (iii) One year experience in stores and materials control, preferably store items such as Marine Diesel Engine spare parts, electrical goods, hardware items etc, in a Governmentt/ Public Sector Under taking/ Registered private sector undertaking. or Experience in Government Department or Government Under takings or Quasi Government Organizations in handling stores materials for not less than one year. Note: The experience should be one obtained after acquiring ITI in Mechanic Motor Vehicle or its equivalent qualification.
15	Chargeman (Caulker)	(i) By	(i) Five years service as Caulker in State



		promotion	Water Transport Department. (ii) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the Service.
		(ii)By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Five years experience as Caulker in Government approved boat building yard.
16	Fitter Grade II	By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) National Trade Certificate in the trade of Mechanic Motor Vehicle or its equivalent qualification.
17	Pump Operator	(i)By promotion	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Three years service as Repair Assistant in the Repairs and Maintenance Wing of the State Water Transport Department. (iii) Proficiency in operating pumps. (iv) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the Service. Note: The proficiency of the candidate shall be assessed in a practical test conducted by the State Water Transport Department.
		(ii)By transfer	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Five years service as Boat Lascar in the Operation Wing of the State Water Transport Department. (iii) Proficiency in operating pumps. Note: The proficiency of the candidate shall be assessed in a practical test



			conducted by the State Water Transport Department. (iv) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the Service.
		(iii)By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Proficiency in operating pumps. Note: The proficiency of the candidate shall be evaluated in a practical test conducted by the Kerala Public Service Commission.
18	Blacksmith Grade -II	By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) ITI in the trade of Blacksmith or its equivalent qualification.
19	Battery Charger	By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) National Trade Certificate in the trade of electrician or its equivalent qualification.
20	Upholsterer	By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) National Trade Certificate in the trade of Upholstery. (iii) In the absence of candidates possessing the qualification under item (ii) above, Experience Certificate proving three years of experience in Upholstery works issued by a Government /Quasi Government/ Public Sector Undertaking or Registered Private Sector Undertaking.



			Note: Proficiency of the candidate shall be evaluated by a Practical Test, conducted by the Kerala Public Service Commission.
21	Carpenter	By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) National Trade Certificate in the trade of Carpentry. or Broad Based Basic Training and Advanced Module in the appropriate trade under centers of Excellence.
22	Sheet Metal Worker	By direct recruitment	(i) A pass in Technical High School Leaving Certificate Examination with specialization in the appropriate trade. or (a) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent (b) National Trade Certificate in the appropriate trade/ Pass in KGCE examination in the appropriate trade/Pass in VHSE in the appropriate trade. (ii) One year experience in sheet metal work from a registered workshop.
23	Machinist	By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) National Trade Certificate in the trade of Machinist or Turner. or Broad Based Basic Training and Advanced Module in the appropriate trade under centers of Excellence.
24	Electrician	By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent



			qualification. (ii) National Trade Certificate in the trade of Electrician. or Broad Based Basic Training and Advanced Module in the appropriate trade under centers of Excellence.
25	Welder	By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) National Trade Certificate in the trade of Welder. or Broad Based Basic Training and Advanced Module in the appropriate trade under centers of Excellence.
26	Turner	By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) National Trade Certificate in the trade of Turner. or Broad Based Basic Training and Advanced Module in the appropriate trade under centers of Excellence.
27	Caulker	By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) Three years experience as Caulker in a Government approved boat building yard.
28	Painter	By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) National Trade Certificate in the trade of painting.
29	Repair Assistant	(i) By transfer	(i) Three years service in State Water Transport Department as Part Time



			Contingent employee. (ii) The person shall possess good physique. Note: Shall produce a medical fitness certificate to prove good Physique from a medical practitioner not below the rank of an Assistant Surgeon. (iii) Proficiency in swimming two meter deep inside and upto a distance of fifty metre in water bodies shall be ascertained in a practical test conducted by State Water Transport Department. (iv) Regular/Full Member/Approved Probationer of the Service.
		(ii)By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in SSLC or its equivalent qualification. (ii) The person shall possess good physique. Note: Shall produce a medical fitness certificate to prove good Physique from a medical practitioner not below the rank of an Assistant Surgeon. (iii) Proficiency in swimming two meter deep inside and upto a distance of fifty metre in water bodies shall be ascertained in a practical test conducted by the Kerala Public Service Commission. <u>Note</u> :- Differently Abled persons are not eligible for appointment to this category.
30	Oil Supplier	By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in VIII standard. (ii) Three years of experience as Oil Supplier in authorized fuel sales outlet.



31	Fibre Fabricator	By direct recruitment	(i) Pass in S.S.L.C or its equivalent qualification. (ii) ITI certificate in the trade of Turner/Fitter/ Carpenter/Moulder. (iii) One year certificate course in Fibre Reinforced Plastic Processing after attaining the above qualifications.
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5. Appointing Authority.- The appointing authority in respect of all categories of posts shall be the Director, State Water Transport Department.

6. Reservation of Appointment.- The rules for reservation of appointment contained in General rules 14 to 17 in Part II of the Kerala State and Subordinate Services Rules, 1958 shall apply to appointments by direct recruitment.

7. Age.- No person shall be eligible for appointment by direct recruitment to any of the posts if the person has not completed 18 years of age or has completed 36 years of age on the first day of January of the year in which the notification inviting application for the post is published, with usual relaxation for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes, but in any case upper age shall not exceed 50 (fifty) years.

8. Probation.- (1) Every person appointed to any of the categories shall be on probation from the date of joining duty.

(i) if appointed by direct recruitment or by transfer through the Kerala Public Service Commission or by transfer to a category to which 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.

(ii) if appointed by transfer to a category to which direct recruitment is not one of the methods of appointment or by promotion, for a total period of one year on duty within a continuous period of two years.

Note: Experience should be one obtained after acquiring the basic qualification.

(2) For declaration of probation in respect of category 7 and 8 namely Boat Syrang and Boat Driver under the heading 'Operation Wing' under rule 2(a), those persons who possess Mercantile Marine Department Syrang License and Mercantile Marine Department Driver License shall obtain Syrang License and Driver License respectively as per the Kerala Inland Vessels Rules, 2010.

9. (1) Provided that the qualifications prescribed in these rules in respect of any category shall not apply to a person who has held or is holding such post on a regular basis on the date of commencement of these rules.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules, the amendments made to qualifications prescribed for posts included in these rules, shall not be applicable to the Rank lists in force or



to be published for those posts, in response to notifications already issued by the Kerala Public Service Commission before the date of commencement of these rules and to all vacancies of those posts reported or to be reported, either till the expiry of the said Ranked lists, or till the publication of a fresh Rank list for the said posts which ever is earlier.

By order of the Governor,

P.B. NOOH, IAS,
Special Secretary to Government.

Explanatory Note

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

The Special Rules for the Kerala State Water Transport Subordinate Service (Operating Wing) was issued under G.O.(P)No. 151/75/PW. dated 18th August, 1975 and published as S.R.O No. 717/75 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 475 dated 18th August, 1975. The Special Rule for the Kerala State Water Transport Subordinate Service (Repairs and Maintenance Wing) was issued under G.O. (P)No.81/88/PW&T. dated 29th December, 1988 and published as S.R.O. No.11/89 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No.13 dated 3rd January, 1989. The Government have decided to bring in common Special Rules in supersession of the said existing rules and orders in this regard.

The notification is intended to achieve the above object.

