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REVENUE DEPARTMENT
(SERVICES-II)

“THE TELANGANA GRAMAPALANA OFFICER SUBORDINATE SERVICE RULES, 2026”.

[GO.Ms.No.32, Revenue (Services-II), 12th February, 2026.]

In exercise of the powers conferred under the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Telangana hereby makes the following Rules, namely:-

RULES

1. Short Title:- These rules shall be called "The Telangana Grama Palana Officer Subordinate Service Rules, 2026".

2. Constitution:- The service shall consist of the following category of post, namely,-

Category: Grama Palana Officer (GPO)

3. Method of Appointment:- Subject to the other provisions in these rules, the method of appointment of the post of Grama Palana Officer shall be as follows:-

(1) By Direct Recruitment;

(2) By transfer from erstwhile VROs who have been redeployed into various other departments, as well as former VRAs who have been regularized and absorbed into regular posts in the cadre of Junior Assistant / Record Assistants.

4. Qualification:-

Category	Method of appointment	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
Grama Palana Officer (GPO)	(2) By Direct Recruitment	Must possess the Bachelors Degree of any University in India established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, Provincial Act or a State Act or the Institutions recognized by the University Grants Commission or an equivalent qualification.
	(2) By transfer from erstwhile VROs who have been redeployed into various other departments, as well as former VRAs who have been regularized and absorbed into regular posts in the cadre of Junior Assistant / Record Assistants	Must possess the Bachelors Degree of any University in India established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, Provincial Act or a State Act or the Institutions recognized by the University Grants Commission or an equivalent qualification (OR) Must possess an intermediate pass certificate issued by the Board of Intermediate Education, Telangana, with five years of service in the cadre of the erstwhile VROs or VRAs who absorbed on regular service as Record Assistant / Junior Assistants who were already deployed.

Note: Every person appointed by transfer from erstwhile VROs who have been redeployed into various other departments, as well as former VRAs who have been regularized and absorbed into regular posts in the cadre of Junior Assistant/Record Assistants, the pay scale shall be same as which is being drawn by the applicant in the present post.

5. Reservations:- Rule 22 and Rule 22-A of the Telangana State and Subordinate Service Rules, 1996, as amended from time to time, shall be applicable for the Direct Recruitment.

6. Age:- Unless otherwise specified, no person shall be eligible for Direct recruitment of the post of Grama Palana Officer, if he / she is less than 18 years of age and if he/she has completed 34 years of age as on the first day of July of the year in which the notification for selection is made to the post or as per the rules / orders issued thereon by the Government from time to time:

Provided that the age relaxation of five years is applicable in respect of SCs/STs in the case of direct recruitment as per G.O.Ms.No.45, G.A (Ser.D) Dept., Dt:31.03.2022 or as per the orders issued thereon by the Government from time to time shall apply in this regard.

7. Minimum Service:- No person shall be eligible for appointment by transfer or promotion to the post of Grama Palana Officer unless he/she is an approved probationer and has put in not less than two years of service in the category from which promotion or transfer is made.

8. Probation:- (i) Every person appointed by direct recruitment shall be on probation for a total period of two years on duty within a continuous period of three years;

(ii) every person appointed by promotion or appointed by transfer shall be on probation for a total period of one year on duty within a continuous period of two years from the date on which one commences probation.

9. Training and Tests:- (1) Every person appointed to the service shall undergo training as per the requirements of the duties to be performed by him/her including field visit for such duration as prescribed by the competent authority from time to time.

(2) every person appointed by direct recruitment shall before the commencement of training, execute an agreement bond that he/she shall repay to the Government, the pay and allowances and any other remuneration received by him/her in addition to the amount spent by the Government on his/her training,-

- (a) If he/she fails to serve the Government for a period of three years after completion of his/her training for any reason;
- (b) If he/she discontinue the training or is discharged from training course for misconduct or for any other reason; or
- (c) If he/she secure any other employment elsewhere other than under the State Government.

(3) every person appointed to the Grama Palana Officer on direct recruitment shall pass the tests in the following subjects within a period of two years from the date of appointment:-

- (a) Powers and duties of Grama Palana Officer
- (b) Village manual of Accounts and
- (c) Survey for Revenue purposes

Provided that a person who does not acquire the qualifications prescribed above shall be discharged from service.

(4) The period of training shall count for purpose of probation and increments.

10. Seniority:- (1) In the case of persons appointed by Direct Recruitment, the seniority of a person in service category shall, unless he has been reduced to a lower rank as a punishment be determined by the date of his first appointment to such service, category.

(2) In the case of persons appointed by transfer from erstwhile VROs, who have been redeployed into various other departments, as well as former VRAs, who have been regularized and absorbed into regular posts in the cadre of Junior Assistant /Record Assistants, their seniority in category of service shall become from the date of regular appointment as erstwhile VRO and date of regularization and absorption into regular posts in the cadre of Junior Assistant / Record Assistant in respect of former VRAs respectively:-

Provided that in the case of persons appointed by transfer from former VRAs, if the date of regularization and absorption into regular posts in the cadre of Junior Assistant / Record Assistant is same, the rank in screening-cum-eligibility test shall be taken as criteria for arriving seniority.

Provided further that in the case of former VRAs, persons who get same rank in screening-cum-eligibility test, the date of birth shall be taken criteria for arriving seniority.

11. Appointing Authority:- The District Collector concerned shall be the appointing authority.

12. Disciplinary authority:- The District Collector is the disciplinary authority for the category of post specified in these rules.

13. Unit of appointment:- For purpose of recruitment, appointment, discharge for want of vacancy, re-appointment, seniority, promotion, transfer and posting and appointment as full member the unit of appointment for category, the district is the unit of appointment.

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