20. The Andhra Pradesh Tribal Health Service Rules  

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In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following Adhoc Rules for the Andhra Pradesh Tribal Health Service:

Rule 1. Short title :- These Rules may be called the Andhra Pradesh Tribal Health Service Rules.

Rule 2. Constitution :- The Service shall consist of the following categories of posts namely:

(i) Civil Surgeons
(ii) Deputy Civil Surgeons
(iii) Civil Assistant Surgeons

Rule 3. Method of Appointment :- The method of appointment and the appointing authority for the various categories shall be as follows:

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| 1. Civil Surgeon      | (i) By probation from the category of Deputy Civil Surgeon.  
                        | (ii) If suitable candidates is not available by the above method, by transfer from the category of Deputy Civil Surgeons in A.P. Medical and Health Services. | Government |
| 2. Deputy Civil Surgeon | (i) By promotion from the category of Civil Assistant Surgeons  
                            | (ii) If suitable candidate is not available by the above method by transfer from the category of Civil Assistant Surgeon included in Andhra Pradesh Medical and Health Services. | Government |
| 3. Civil Assistant Surgeon | By direct recruitment | Director of Health |

Note :- A member of Tribal Health Service shall be eligible for absorption into the Andhra Pradesh Medical and Health Services after putting in a minimum service of 5 (five) years of duty (excluding the period spent on deputation for higher studies etc.). The seniority, consequent on absorption into Andhra Pradesh Medical and Health Services shall be protected.

Rule 4. Qualifications :

1. Civil Surgeon  
   Must possess the following Qualifications :
   MBBS Degree or an equivalent qualification as entered in the Schedule to the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956, as subsequently amended;

2. Deputy Civil Surgeon  
   Must possess the MBBS Degree or an equivalent qualification as entered in the Schedule to the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 as subsequently amended;

3. Civil Assistant Surgeon  
   Must have obtained MBBS Degree or an equivalent qualification as entered in the Schedule to the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956, as subsequently amended.
Rule 5. **Age** :- No person shall be eligible for direct recruitment to the post of Civil Assistant Surgeon, if he/she has completed the age of 35 years on the first day of July of the year in which the notification for selection is made.

Rule 6. **Minimum service** :- No person shall be eligible for appointment by promotion or transfer unless he is an approved probationer and has put in not less than three years of service in the category from which promotion or appointment by transfer is made.

Rule 7. **Probation** :- Every person appointed shall be on probation for a period of two years on duty within a continuous period of three years, if recruited direct and for a period of one year on duty within a continuous period of two years, if recruited by transfer or by promotion.

Rule 8. **Training** :- Every person appointed by direct recruitment shall undergo the training, if any prescribed.

Rule 9. **Tests** :- Every person appointed to any of the posts included in the service shall pass the Account Test for Executive Officers within the period of probation.

Rule 10. **Preference in appointment** :- In the matter of direct recruitment, other things being equal preference shall be given to Schedule Tribe Candidates.

Rule 11. **Private practice** :- No member of the service shall engage in private practice.