GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVICES – Horticulture Department – Special Rules for Andhra Pradesh
Horticulture Services – Issued

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (AGRILII) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.776

Dated 15-9-1989

Read also: 2. From the Director of Horticulture Lr.No.F&A(1)234/72, dt.27-2-1984.
7. From the Secretary, A.P.Public Service Commission, Hyderabad Lr.No.235/RR/4/81, dt.5-9-1989.

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ORDER:

A separate Department of Horticulture has been created in the State with effect from 1-1-1982 bifurcating it from the Agriculture Department. Government considered the need for issue of separate rules governing the various posts in the Horticulture Department. They accordingly issue the following Special Rules governing the Gazetted Services of the Department. Nothing in the rules shall affect the appointments made in accordance with the Special and adhoc rules issued in G.O.Ms.No.68, Public Works (VI) Department, dated 3-2-1973, G.O.Ms.No.62, Food and Agriculture (Agri.II) Department, dated 29-1-1985 and G.O.Ms.No.120, Food and Agriculture (Agri.II) Department, dated 25-3-1984, which have since been repealed, prior to the coming into force of these rules.

2. The following notification will be published in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette:-

NOTIFICATION

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 Special Rules for the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Service:

RULES

1. **Short Title:** These rule may be called "The Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Service Rules, 1989".

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2. **Constitution:** The service shall consist of the following categories of posts namely:

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3. **Method of appointment:**

Subject to the other provisions in these rules, the method of appointment for the several categories shall be as follows:

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<td>v.a) By direct recruitment and b) By appointment by transfer of Sub-Assistants, Grade-I &amp; II and Supervisors, Grade-I in the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Subordinate Service.</td>
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<td>vi. By appointment by transfer of Superintendents in the Andhra Pradesh Ministerial Services in the Andhra Pradesh Horticulture Subordinate Service.</td>
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**Note:** Every third vacancy of Asst. Director of Horticulture in a cycle of three vacancies shall be filled up by direct recruitment and the first and second vacancies by promotion from the post of Horticulture Officer.

4. **Reservation of appointments:**

In the matter of direct recruitment to the posts of Assistant Directors of Horticulture and the Horticulture Officers women shall be selected to an extent of at least 30% of posts in each category of O.C., B.C., S.C. and S.T. quota in terms of general Rule-22.A(2).

Provided that if sufficient number of women candidates are not available, such vacancies may be filled up by men candidates.

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10. **Tests:**

Every person appointed by direct recruitment to the post of Assistant Director of Horticulture and Horticulture Officer shall within a period of probation, pass the following tests namely:-

(i) Agriculture Department Test till the Horticulture Department Test is prescribed.

(ii) Accounts Test for Executive Officers.

11. **Transfers and Postings:**

The transfers and postings of persons in categories 4 to 6 shall be made by the Director of Horticulture and the rest shall be by the Government.

12. **Unit of appointment, discharge and reappointment etc., of Probationers/Approved Probationers:**

For the purpose of selection, appointment, discharge of Probationers and Approved Probationers for want of vacancies and their reappointment, confirmation as full members, discharge etc., in respect of all the five categories i.e., 1,2,3,4 and 6 the entire State shall be the unit, while in respect of category-5 viz., Horticulture Officer, the zone shall be the unit, after the category is organized into a zonal cadre.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

K.MADHAVA RAO,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Director of Printing, Stationery and Stores purchase,
A.P., Hyderabad (for publication in the next issue of Andhra Pradesh Gazette)

The Director of Horticulture,
A.P., Hyderabad.

**Copy to:**
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The Law (J) Department
The Women Development and Child Welfare (B) Department
The Stock File/ Spare.

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DESK OFFICER

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5. **Qualifications:**

No person shall be eligible for appointment to the category specified in column(1) of the Annexure to these rules by the method specified in column(2) unless the possesses the qualifications specified in the corresponding entry in column (3) thereof.

6. **Age:**

No person shall be eligible for appointment by direct recruitment if he has completed (28) years of age on the first day of July of the year in which the notification for selection is made.

7. **Minimum Service:**

No person shall be eligible for appointment by transfer or promotion unless he has put in not less than (3) years of service in the category from which promotion or appointment by transfer is made.

8. **Probation:**

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 and every person appointed by promotion or 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:**

   (a) Every person appointed by direct recruitment to the post of Horticulture Officer shall undergo, immediately after appointment, a course of training for six months as per the programme that may be prescribed by the Director of Horticulture.

   (b) Every person appointed by transfer as Horticulture Officer shall undergo a course of training immediately after appointment for a period of three months as per the programme that may be prescribed by the Director of Horticulture.

   (c) Every person appointed as Horticulture Officer by direct recruitment shall before the commencement of training, execute an Agreement Bond that he shall serve the Department for a period of three years after the completion of training referred to in sub-rule(a).

   He will be liable to refund to the Government the pay and allowances or any other remuneration received by him in addition to the amount spent by the Government on his training

   (i) if he fails to serve the Government for a period of three years after the completion of his training for any reason; or

   (ii) if he discontinues the training or is discharged from training course for misconduct or any other reasons.

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<td>5. Horticulture Officer</td>
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