



Government of Tamil Nadu

Special Rules for the Tamil Nadu Forest Subordinate Service (Section 12 of Part III B - Tamil Nadu Services Manual Volume III)

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The Tamil Nadu Forest Subordinate Service

(Sec 12 of Part III B - Tamil Nadu Services Manual Volume III)

1. **Constitution** — The service shall consist of the following classes and categories of officers of the Forest Department, namely:-

Class I Category

1. Rangers.
2. Foresters.
3. Forest Guards.
- 3-A. Forest Guard with Driving Licence
4. Forest Watchers.
- 4-A. Forest Watchers Grade – II
5. Forest Apprentices.
6. Mali.

Class II Category

Biologist.

Class III Category-

1. Special Grade Draughting Officer
- 1-A. Senior Draughting Officer.
2. Draughting Officer.
3. Junior Draughting Officer.
4. Assistant Draughtsman.

Class IV Category

1. Post Graduate Assistants.
2. School Assistants.
3. Tamil Pandit.
4. Secondary Grade Teachers.

5. Drawing Master.
6. Physical Training Instructor.
7. Higher Elementary Grade Teachers.
8. Laboratory Assistant.

Class V Category-

1. Drivers of Jeeps / Vans / Estate Car, Staff Car, Wagons and Lorries.
2. Cleaners of Lorries.

Class VI Category-

1. Sandalwood Clerk.
2. Depot Clerk.
3. Permit Clerk.
4. Maistry.
5. Mahout.
6. Cavady.
7. Tally Clerk.

2. Appointment — (a) Appointment to the several classes, categories and grades shall be made as follows: -

Class and Category	Method
(1)	(2)
I 1. Ranger	<p>(1) Appointment of Forest Apprentices in the manner prescribed in rule 9 ; or</p> <p>(2) Omitted.</p> <p>(3) Promotion from among the category of those who have completed the Foresters' course of training in the Tamil Nadu Forestry College; or</p>

Class and Category	Method
(1)	(2)

- (4) Appointment by recruitment by transfer from among the members of the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service in the Forest Department in the manner prescribed in rule 10:

Provided that 45 percent of the vacancies arising in the category of Rangers shall be filled by the Forest Apprentices, 54 percent by promotion among the Foresters, who have completed the Foresters' course of training and 1 percent by transfer of trained members of the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service in the Forest Department.

2. Forester

- (1) Direct recruitment;
- (2) Promotion from among the holders of the post of "Forest Guards and Forest Guard with Driving Licence;"
- (3) Recruitment by transfer from the members of the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service in Forest Department; and
- (4) Promotion from among the holders of the post of Assistant Draughtsman:

Provided that forty percent of the vacancies arising in the category of Foresters shall be filled up by direct recruitment; fifty five percent by

Class and Category	Method
(1)	<p data-bbox="707 304 1418 719"><i>promotion of Forest Guards and Forest Guard with Driving Licence; four percent by recruitment by transfer from the members of the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service working in Forest Department and one percent by promotion from the category of Assistant Draughtsman working in the Forest Department:</i></p> <p data-bbox="707 786 1418 1805"><i>Provided further that 100 vacancies in the category of Foresters shall be divided into five cycles with a number of 20 in each cycle. In every cycle of 20 vacancies, the first eight vacancies shall be filled up by direct recruitment, the nineth vacancy in the first, second, third and fourth cycles (i.e. 9, 29, 49, 69) shall be filled up by recruitment by transfer from the members of the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service working in Forest Department and the nineth vacancy in the fifth cycle (i.e. 89) shall be filled up by promotion from the post of Assistant Draughtsman and the 10th to 20th vacancies in each cycle shall be filled up by by promotion from the common seniority list for the posts of Forest Guards and Forest Guard with Driving Licence, prepared based on the date of joining in the post:</i></p> <p data-bbox="707 1872 1418 1964"><i>Provided also that if a qualified and suitable members of Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service</i></p>

Class and Category	Method
(1)	(2)

working in Forest Department or Assistant Draughtsman or Forest Guards or Forest Guard with Driving Licence are not available for appointment as Forester in the turn allotted for them in the cycle, then the turn shall lapse and the vacancy shall be filled up by direct recruitment.

3. Forest Guard

- (1) Direct recruitment; or
- (2) Promotion from among the holders of the post of Forest Watchers or Forest Watchers Grade - II; or
- (3) Recruitment by transfer from the members of the Tamil Nadu Basic Service in the Forest Department:

Provided that 60% of the vacancies shall be filled up by direct recruitment, 35% by promotion and 5% by recruitment by transfer:

Provided further that if the unit of selection for appointment for the purpose of this rule be twenty, 12 shall be reserved for direct recruitment and 7 shall be reserved for promotion of Forest Watcher and 1 shall be reserved for appointment by recruitment by transfer from the members of the Tamil Nadu

Class and Category	Method
(1)	(2)
	<p><i>Basic Service in Forest Department. Selection for appointment under the rule shall be made in the order of rotation specified below:-</i></p> <p><i>100 vacancies of the category of Forest Guard shall be divided into 5 cycles with a number of 20 in each cycle. In every cycle of 20 vacancies, the first 12 vacancies shall be filled up by direct recruitment, the 13th to 19th vacancies shall be filled up by promotion of Forest Watcher and the 20th vacancy shall be filled up by recruitment by transfer from the members of the Tamil Nadu Basic Service working in Forest Department.</i></p> <p><i>Provided also that if a qualified and suitable Forest Watcher are not available for appointment as Forest Guard in the turn allotted for them in the cycle, then the turn shall lapse and the vacancy shall be filled up by direct recruitment</i></p> <p><i>If qualified and suitable members of Tamil Nadu Basic Service working in Forest Department are not available for appointment in the turn allotted for them in the cycle, the turn shall lapse and the vacancy shall be filled up by promotion from the category of Forest Watchers.</i></p>

3A Forest Guard with Driving Licence Direct recruitment:

Class and Category	Method
(1)	(2)
4. Forest Watchers and Mali	<p>Direct recruitment:</p> <p><i>Provided that preference shall be given as indicated in the order of preference hereunder-</i></p> <p>(a) Ex-servicemen.</p> <p>(b) Members belonging to Jungle Tribes specified in the Annexure.</p> <p>(c) Members belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.</p> <p>(d) Members belonging to the Backward Classes:</p> <p>Provided further that the rule relating to reservation of appointments (General Rule 22) shall apply for appointment to the post of Mali by direct recruitment.</p>
4-A. Forest Watchers Grade - II	From the post of Field Man Grade – II in the Cinchona Department
II Biologist	Direct recruitment.
III 1. Special Grade Draughting Officer	Promotion from among the holders of the post of Senior Draughting Officer.
1A. Senior Draughting Officer	Promotion from Draughting Officer.

Class and Category		Method
(1)		(2)
	2. Draughting Officer	Promotion from Junior Draughting Officer.
	3. Junior Draughting Officer	(1) Direct recruitment; (2) Promotion from Assistant Draughtsman, if they possess the qualifications prescribed for direct recruitment as Junior Draughting Officer or have put in not less than five years of service as Assistant Draughtsman. If they are fully qualified for the posts of Assistant Draughtsman or have put in not less than ten years of service of Assistant Draughtsman.
	4. Assistant Draughtsman	Direct recruitment.
IV	1. Post Graduate Assistant	1) Direct recruitment; or 2) Promotion from any category in Class IV; or 3) By transfer from any other class; or 4) Recruitment by transfer from any other service in the Forest Department, if no qualified and suitable candidate is available in items 1 and 2 above.
	2. School Assistant and Tamil Pandit	(1) Direct recruitment; or (2) Promotion from any category in class IV; or (3) Transfer from any other class or recruitment by

Class and Category		Method	
(1)		(2)	
		transfer from any other service in the Forest Department, if no qualified and suitable candidate is available in items 1 and 2 above.	
	3. Drawing Master	Direct Recruitment.	
	4. Physical Training Instructor	Direct Recruitment.	
	5. Laboratory Assistant	Direct Recruitment.	
V	Drivers of Jeeps, Vans, Wagons, Estate Car, Staff Car and Lorries	(1)	Direct recruitment; or
		(2)	Promotion from the posts of Cleaners of Lorries.
	Cleaners of Lorries	(1)	Direct recruitment; or
		(2)	Recruitment by transfer from the members of the Tamil Nadu Last Grade Service in the Forest Department.
VI	Sandal Wood Clerk, Depot Clerk, Permit Clerk, Maistry.	(1)	Direct recruitment; or
		(2)	Promotion from the post of Forest Watcher.
	Mahout	Promotion from the post of Cavady	
	Cavady, Tally Clerk	Direct recruitment.	

Provided that in making appointments to any of the categories included in class IV, preference shall be given to the following persons in the order given below:-

- 1. Candidates belonging to the Scheduled Tribes and the Scheduled Castes.*
- 2. Candidates belonging to eligible communities specified in Schedule II to Part I of the Tamil Nadu State and Subordinate Services rules other than those referred to under item (1) above.*
- 3. Candidates who converts to Christianity from among the Scheduled Tribes and the Scheduled Castes:*

Provided further that in making appointment to the posts included in category VI, preference shall be given to the following persons in the order indicated below:-

- (a) Ex-Serviceman;*
- (b) Members belonging to Jungle Tribes specified in these rules;*
- (c) Members belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;*
- (d) Members belonging to Backward Classes*

(b) Promotion to the following posts shall be made on ground of merit and ability, seniority being considered only where merit and ability are approximately equal:-

Ranger, Forester, Special Grade Draughting Officer, Senior Draughting Officer, Draughting Officer and Junior Draughting Officer, Secondary Grade Teachers, Drivers of Jeeps, Vans, Wagons, Estate Car, Staff Car and Lorries.

(c) Appointment to the various classes, categories and grades in the service by promotion or by recruitment by transfer shall be made from the list of approved candidates prepared annually on the 15th August (with effect from 22.02.1994) of every year:

Provided that for inclusion in the list of approved candidates every person should possess the prescribed qualifications on the 15th August of the year in which the list is prepared.

2A. Appointment as Forest Watcher — Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule (a) of rule 2, the posts of Forest Watcher shall be filled up from among the Social Forestry Workers, Plot Watchers or the Scheduled Tribes engaged as Anti-Poaching Watchers, who have rendered service as such for a period of not less than ten years in total as on the 1st January of the year in which recruitment to the post of Forest Watcher is made, or the Scheduled Tribe Youths living in forest settlements of Eastern or Western Ghats:

Provided that thirty percent of the total vacancies in the post of Forest Watcher shall be filled up equally from among the Scheduled Tribes engaged as Anti-Poaching Watchers and the Scheduled Tribe Youths living in the forest settlements of Eastern or Western Ghats.

2B. Appointment of Social Forestry Workers and Plot Watchers as Mali.— Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule (a) of rule 2, the posts of Mali shall be filled up from among the persons working as Social Forestry Workers and Plot Watchers on daily wages on 15th October 1982 in the Forest Department.

2C. Appointment of Social Forestry Workers and Plot Watchers as Forest Watchers and Mali from the State level seniority list.— Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule (a) of rule 2, the posts of Forest Watcher and Mali shall be filled up from the State level seniority list of Social Forestry Workers and Plot Watchers. Further appointment to the posts of Forest Watcher and Mali shall be made as per sub rule (a) of rule 2 above only, after all the persons in the said seniority list are appointed.

Explanation.— For the purposes of this sub-rule, sub-rule (a) of rule 4 and the second proviso in column (3) against Forest Watchers and Mali in column (1) in the table under rule 5, State level seniority list means State level seniority list issued in Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Proceedings No. DE3/13427/99, dated

22.12.1999 in pursuance of Govt. Order (Ms.) No. 64 Environment and Forests (FR - 2) Department, dated 08.03.1999.

2D. One unit system. —

(a) One-unit system shall be followed for-

- (i) Promotion of Forest Guards as Foresters;
- (ii) Appointment to the post of Foresters by recruitment by transfer from the members of Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service in Forest Department; and
- (iii) Promotion of Assistant Draughtsman as Foresters.

(b) One-unit system shall be followed for promotion of Forest Watchers as Forest Guards with effect from 06.4.1992.

3. Appointing authority — The appointing authorities shall be as follows:-

Category	Appointing authority
Class I	
1. Rangers	} Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
5. Forest Apprentices	
2. Foresters	} Forest Utilization Officer, Working Plan Officer, District Forest Officer, Wildlife Warden, Deputy Conservator of Forests, Divisional Forest Officer, Assistant Conservator of Forests, Forest Protection Squad, Forestry Extension Officer, Forest Engineer, Trichy and Deputy Directors, as the case may be:
3. Forest Guards	
3A. Forest Guard with Driving Licence	
4. Forest Watchers	
4A. Forest Watchers Grade - II	
6. Mali	
<i>Provided that in the case of appointment by recruitment by transfer of members of the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service in the Forest Department the candidate</i>	

Category	Appointing authority
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should be selected for appointment as Forester by the Conservator of Forests of the Circle concerned.

Class II

Biologist

Forest Utilization Officer, Working Plan Officer, District Forest Officer, Wildlife Warden, Deputy Conservator of Forests, Divisional Forest Officer, Forestry Extension Officer, Forest Engineer, Trichy and Deputy Directors, AAZP and Ambasamudram, as the case may be.

Class III

Special Grade Draughting Officer,
Senior Draughting Officer,
Draughting Officer, Junior
Draughting Officer

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests.

Assistant Draughtsman

District Forest Officers concerned and Chief Personnel Officer for Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai.

Class IV

- (1) Post Graduate Assistant.
- (2) School Assistant
- (3) Tamil Pandit
- (4) Drawing Master
- (5) Physical Training Instructor
- (6) Laboratory Assistant
- (7) Secondary Grade Teacher
- (8) Higher Elementary Grade Teacher

District Forest Officer concerned.

Category	Appointing authority
Class V	
Drivers of Jeeps, Vans, Estate Car, Staff Car and Lorries	Chief Personnel Officer in respect of Drivers and Cleaners of the Motor vehicles in the Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests in respect of Drivers and Cleaners of the Motor vehicles in their office and the Divisional Forest Officer concerned or the Assistant Conservator of Forests having control over the vehicles in their jurisdiction, as the case may be

Class VI

- (1) Sandalwood Clerk
- (2) Depot Clerk
- (3) Permit Clerk
- (4) Maistry
- (5) Mahout
- (6) Cavady
- (7) Tally Clerk

Divisional Forest Officer or District Forest Officer or Forest Engineer or Working Plan Officer or Wildlife Warden or Forest Utilization Officer who is in-charge of the Division concerned

3 - A. Promotion to the post of Draughting Officers —

(1) The entire Forest Department shall be the unit for the purpose of promotion to the post of Special Grade Draughting Officer, Senior Draughting Officer, Draughting Officer and Junior Draughting Officer.

(2) Appointments to the posts of Special Grade Draughting Officer, Senior Draughting Officer, Draughting Officer and Junior Draughting Officer shall be made from a panel of approved candidates found fit for promotion from the Senior

Draughting Officer, Draughting Officer, Junior Draughting Officer and Assistant Draughtsman respectively, drawn up by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests.

Nothing contained in these rules shall adversely affect any person holding the post on the date of issue of these rules.

3 – B. Selection of Foresters, Forest Guards by promotion and recruitment by transfer —

(i) Selection of Foresters and Forest Guards by promotion and recruitment by transfer shall be made by the Regional Committee, which consists of three or four officers, constituted for the purpose by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests for every year. The respective Region falling within the geographical jurisdiction of each territorial circle comprising of various territorial divisions and wildlife units shall be the unit for the above purpose. Separate lists shall be prepared for promotion from posts of Forest Guards, Forest Guard with Driving Licence, Assistant Draughtsman Forest watchers Malis and recruitment by transfer from among the members of the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Services, Tamil Nadu Basic Services in the Forest Department.

(ii) The Selection of Forest Guards, Forest Guard with Driving Licence, Assistant Draughtsman, Forest Watcher, Mali, members of the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service, members of the Tamil Nadu Basic Service in the Forest Department in each region for promotion, or for recruitment by transfer as Foresters or Forest Guards as the case may be, finalised by the Regional Committee concerned. With reference to the recommendation rolls are to be sent by the District Forest Officers, Divisional Forest Officers or Other Unit Officers under whom the Forest Guards, Forest Guard with Driving Licence, Assistant Draughtsman, Forest, Watchers, Malis, members of the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service or, members of the Tamil Nadu Basic Service are working.

(iii) The finalised recommendation rolls shall be sent to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests by the Regional Committee concerned. The Statewide lists so prepared shall be consolidated and be approved by the Principal Chief

Conservator of Forests and it shall be communicated to the individuals in the consolidated list through the officers under whom they are serving.

3-C Selection of Forester, Forest Guards, Forest Guard with Driving Licence and Forest Watcher by direct recruitment.—

Selection of Forester, Forest Guards, Forest Guard with Driving Licence and Forest Watcher by direct recruitment shall be made by the Tamil Nadu Forest Uniformed Services Recruitment Committee. The said Committee, every year and as and when need arises, shall publish notification in leading daily newspapers inviting applications from the eligible candidates as per qualification prescribed for that post by following the rule of reservation for the selection of the said posts by direct recruitment to the estimate of vacancies approved by the Government. On receipt of the applications, the same will be scrutinised and finalised according to their eligibility by the said Recruitment Committee. Based on the written examination, the successful candidates will be called for appearing in walking test, physical standards verification and personality test for final selection. After completion of the selection process, a list of selected candidates shall be approved by the Tamil Nadu Forest Uniformed Services Recruitment Committee and the candidates in the approved list will be allotted to the respective divisions for appointment. After completion of joining formalities, they will be deputed to undergo training and during that period, the pay and allowances admissible to the respective posts will be paid to them from the concerned division in relevant head of account. On successful completion of training, the candidates will complete their probation in the divisions to which they are allotted as per rule 8.

Provided that the appointments of Forest Watchers are made from among the eligible members in the Statewide seniority list of Plot Watchers / Village Social Forestry Workers. Selection of Forest Watchers by direct recruitment shall be made by the Tamil Nadu Forest Uniformed Services Recruitment Committee as detailed above after the Statewide seniority list of Plot Watchers / Village Social Forestry Workers is exhausted.

3-D Physical standards and Endurance test.-

No person shall be eligible for the selection by direct recruitment or recruitment by transfer from the members of the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service or the Tamil Nadu Basic Service and by promotion from among the holders of the posts of Assistant Draughtsman to the post of Forester, Forest Guards, Forest Guard with Driving Licence, Forest Watchers and Malis in the Forest Department unless he possesses the physical standards and passed the endurance test as specified below:-

(a) Physical Standards.-

	Height (cms)	Chest (cms)	
		Normal	Expansion
Male candidates	163	79	05
Female candidates	150	74	05

Provided that in respect of candidates belonging to the Jungle Tribes specified in the Annexure to these Rules, and Scheduled Tribes defined in clause (17) of rule 2 of the Tamil Nadu State and Subordinate Services Rules, the following shall be the minimum height standards , -

Male Candidates	-	152 Cms.
Female Candidates	-	145 Cms.:

Provided further that the persons in the State Level Seniority List of Social Forestry Workers and Plot Watchers with a height of below 163 cms shall also be eligible for appointment as Mali.

(b) Endurance test.- The candidates must successfully undergo a walking test covering the following distance in four hours:-

Male Candidates	-	25 Kms.
Female Candidates	-	16 Kms.

Provided that in respect of direct recruitment candidates selected by the Tamil Nadu Uniformed Services Recruitment Committee, they have to undergo a walking test which will be conducted by the above said Committee. In respect of recruitment by transfer from the members of the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service, Tamil Nadu Basic Service and by promotion from among the holders of the post of Assistant Draughtsman, the Regional Committee will conduct the test and a certificate to this effect must be produced from a Gazetted Forest Officer nominated by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests for the purpose.

(c) The direct recruitment candidate must satisfy a Medical Board in Chennai as to his / her physical fitness and capacity for rough outdoor work in the Forest Department.

3-E Special reservation for outstanding sports persons:- While making appointment to the categories of Foresters, Forest Guards, Forest Guard with Driving Licence and Forest Watchers, by direct recruitment, ten percent of the vacancies shall be filled up by outstanding sports persons, according to the norms as prescribed below:-

Provided that such special reservation for outstanding sports persons shall be within the communal reservation for each category, namely, General Turn, Backward Classes (Other than Backward Class Muslims), Backward Class Muslims, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities, Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Castes (Arunthathiyars on preferential basis) and Scheduled Tribes in the 200 point roster as specified in Schedule-V to the Tamil Nadu Government Servants (Conditions of Service) Act, 2016 (Tamil Nadu Act 14 of 2016):

Provided further that if no qualified and suitable outstanding sports person is available in any category for appointment, then the turn so allotted to the outstanding sports persons in the said category shall lapse and it shall be filled by other eligible candidates by following the roster and by following the order of rotation specified in the Schedule to the Rules.

(a). Criteria for candidature for Sports person:- A candidate applying under 10% sports quota shall be an outstanding sports person, who has represented in the level of Competitions or Tournaments in the recognized sports and games within five years preceding the date of Notification for direct recruitment.

(b). List of Sports / Games (Men and Women)

(i) Track and Field events:-

1. Athletics (including Running, Marathon, Hurdles, Long jump, High jump, Triple jump, Discus throw, Shot put, Javelin throw, Hammer throw).
2. Power lifting.
3. Swimming (Aquatics) (including Freestyle 100 / 50 metres, Back stroke 100/50 metres, Breast stroke 100/50 metres, Butter fly / Medley 50/200 meters).

(ii) Game events:-

1. Badminton
2. Lawn tennis
3. Table tennis
4. Carrom
5. Cricket
6. Golf
7. Snooker
8. Squash
9. Billiards
10. Bridge
11. Chess
12. Football
13. Volleyball
14. Basketball
15. Hockey
16. Kabbadi
17. Rifle shooting
18. Boxing
19. Cycling
20. Fencing
21. Gymnastics
22. Judo
23. Karate-Do
24. Rowing
25. Taekwon do
26. Triathlon
27. Weightlifting
28. Wrestling
29. Handball
30. Sailing

(c). Eligibility:- For being considered as an outstanding sports person under this rule one should have represented, -

- (i) International level Competition where participants are sponsored by National Sports Federation recognized by Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India

(or)

(ii) National level Competition (organized by concerned National Sports Federation recognized by Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India)

(or)

(iii) State level Competition (organized by recognized State Sports Association) and obtained within 3rd position.

(or)

(iv) Inter - University tournaments (organized by All India University Sports Board) and obtained within 3rd position.

(or)

(v) State School teams in the National School Games (organized by School Games Federation of India) and obtained within 3rd position.

(d). Competent authority to award certificates in the recognized level of competitions or tournaments in the sports or games in the prescribed forms:-

Form	Level of Competitions	Competent Authority to Award Certificates
Form - I	International level Competition	The Secretary, The National Federation or National Association duly countersigned by the Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu
Form - II	National level Competition	The Secretary of the National Federation / Secretary of the State Association duly countersigned by the Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu
Form - III	State level Competition	The Secretary of the State Association duly countersigned by the Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu

Form	Level of Competitions	Competent Authority to Award Certificates
Form -IV	Inter - University Tournament	Dean / Director or Registrar or other officer in overall charge of sports of the University duly countersigned by the Vice-Chancellor of the University
Form - V	State School Teams in the National School Games	The Principal / Headmaster of the School as per records of the School duly countersigned by the Joint Director (NSS) Directorate of School Education, Government of Tamil Nadu

The forms are given in Annexure-II to these Rules.

(e). Award of marks in the recognized level of competitions or tournaments in the sports / games:-

Level of Competition / Tournaments (1)	Qualifying Percentage of Marks (2)			
	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Participation
International level competition	100/100	100/100	100/100	90/100
National level competition	90/100	85/100	80/100	75/100
State Level Competition (who have been awarded with the medal or have qualified for first three positions)	75/100	70/100	65/100	--
Inter-University Tournaments (who have been awarded with the medal or have qualified for first three positions)	60/100	55/100	50/100	--
School Teams in the National School Games (who have been awarded with the medal or have qualified for first three positions)	60/100	55/100	50/100	--

In case of any doubt about the status of a tournament, matter may be decided by the Principal Secretary to Government, Youth Welfare and Sports Development Department, Government of Tamil Nadu in consultation with the Principal Secretary to Government, Environment and Forests Department, Government of Tamil Nadu.

3-F. Special Concession for the Transgenders:-

(1) A transgender candidate, who applies as third gender, shall be eligible for appointment in the vacancies reserved for women as well as the vacancies under the general category.

(2) A transgender candidate who applies as female candidate shall produce a self- declaration supported by the Identity card issued by the Tamil Nadu Third Gender Welfare Board and shall be considered against the vacancies reserved for women as well as the vacancies under the general category.

(3) A transgender candidate, who applies as male candidate shall produce a self- declaration supported by the Identity card issued by the Tamil Nadu Third Gender Welfare Board and shall be considered against the vacancies reserved for general category:

Provided that if a transgender candidate applies as male candidate, then the requirement of Physical Measurement Test and Physical Endurance Test prescribed for the male category shall apply. If a transgender candidate applies as female candidate, then the requirement of Physical Measurement Test and Physical Endurance Test prescribed for the female category shall apply. If a transgender candidate applies as third gender, the Physical Measurement Test and Physical Endurance Test prescribed for female candidates shall apply:

Provided further that if a third gender candidate belongs to the jungle tribes specified in the Annexure to these Rules, and the scheduled tribes specified in Part B under Schedule-II of the Tamil Nadu Government Servants (Conditions of Service) Act, 2016 (Tamil Nadu Act 14 of 2016) and possess community certificate

as such, then the requirement of Physical Measurement Test prescribed for the jungle tribes and scheduled tribes category shall apply.

(4) Determination of the Community. -

(a) A third gender candidate, who do not possess any community certificate shall be considered under the Most Backward Class Community.

(b) A third gender candidate who belongs to scheduled caste or scheduled caste Arunthathiyar or scheduled tribe community, and possesses community certificate as such, shall be considered as per the respective community.

(c) A third gender candidate who belongs to a community other than scheduled caste or scheduled caste Arunthathiyar or scheduled tribe and possesses community certificate as such, shall be considered as per the own community or as Most Backward Class Community, whichever is advantageous as per the option and once the individual exercises option for community selection it should be crystallized and this option should not be changed in future."

4. Qualification regarding age —

(a) Save as otherwise provided in sub-rule (b), no person shall be eligible for appointment by direct recruitment to any post, if he has completed the age of 30 years:

Provided that in the case of candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, the age limit shall be increased by five years for appointment as Forester or Forest Guard or Forest Guard with Driving Licence or Junior Draughting Officer by direct recruitment:

Provided further that the age limit for direct recruitment to any class or category shall be increased by three years in the case of candidates belonging to the Backward Classes:

Provided also that the age limit for appointment by direct recruitment to the posts of Drivers of Jeeps, Vans, Wagons, Estate Cars, Staff car and Lorries and Cleaners of Lorries shall be 30 years on the 1st day of July of the year in which the selection for appointment is made:

Provided also that in the case of direct recruitment to the post of Forester, the age limit specified in the sub-rule shall apply as on the 1st day of July of the year in which the selection for appointment is made:

Provided also that in the case of direct recruitment to the post of Mali, the age limit specified above shall not apply to the persons in the state level seniority list of Social Forestry Workers and Plot Watchers:

Provided also that in the case of direct recruitment to the post of Forest Watcher, the age limit specified above shall not apply to the persons in the State level seniority list of Social Forestry Workers and Plot Watchers and to the Scheduled Tribes engaged as Anti-Poaching Watchers.

(b) (i) No person shall be eligible for appointment as Forest Apprentice if, he has not completed 18 years of age or has completed or will have completed 30 years of age on the 1st day of April of the year in which the selection for admission to the Northern Forest Ranger's College, Dehradun is made or to the Tamil Nadu Forest Academy is made:

Provided that in the case of candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes / Denotified Communities and Destitute Widows of all castes, the maximum age limit shall be 35 years:

Provided further that in the case of Ex-servicemen, the maximum age limit shall be 37 years irrespective of castes.

(ii) A person who has been discharged from any of the defence services, namely, the Army, the Navy or the Air Force shall be eligible for appointment by direct recruitment as Foresters if he has not completed thirty five

years and as Forest Guard, Forest Guard with Driving Licence and Forest Watcher if after deducting the period of his service in such service he has not completed the age of thirty five years and as Forest Guard if after deducting the period of his service in such service, he has not completed the age of thirty years.

(iii) Persons discharged from any of the defence services, namely, the Army, the Navy or the Air Force, shall be eligible for appointment by direct recruitment as Junior Draughting Officer if after deducting the period spent in such service has not completed the age of thirty years.

(iv) No member of the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service and from the cadre of Assistant Draughtsman in the Forest Department shall be eligible for selection for appointment as Forester, if he has completed 35 years of age. (for Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes, Denotified Communities, Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, age limit 37 years)

(v) A Reserve Watcher shall be eligible for appointment by direct recruitment as Forest Guard.

Provided that-

- (1) he has not completed 35 years of age.
- (2) he was appointed as Reserve Watcher before he has completed the age of thirty years.
- (3) he has put in continuous service of at least five years as Reserve Watcher immediately preceding the date of first appointment as Forest Guard; and
- (4) he is declared medically fit.

(vi) A Reserve Watcher thus appointed by direct recruitment as Forest Guard under sub-rule (v) shall be eligible to draw the pay which he was drawing in the post of Reserve Watcher on the date of his first appointment as Forest

Guard or the minimum of the time scale of the post of Forest Guard, whichever is higher.

(vii) No member of the Tamil Nadu Basic Service in the Forest Department shall be eligible for appointment as Forest Guard, if he has completed 45 years of age.

(viii) No person shall be eligible for appointment to the posts specified in categories 1 to 8 in class IV by direct recruitment, if he has completed or will complete the age of thirty five years on the first day of July of the year in which the selection for appointment is made:

Provided that in respect of appointment by promotion, the maximum age limit shall be forty years.

5. Other qualifications.— No person shall be eligible for appointment to the class, category and grade specified in column (1) and by the method specified in column (2) of the table below, unless he possesses the qualifications specified in the corresponding entries in column (3) thereof:-

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
Class I		
Ranger	Promotion of Foresters on completion of Rangers' training	1) Must possess the minimum general educational qualification specified in the Schedule I to the General rules; 2) Must have completed successfully a course of training for Foresters in a State Forestry Training School:
<i>Provided that it shall not be necessary in the case of those persons who were appointed as Foresters on or before the 20th February</i>		

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
		<p>1964;</p> <p>3) Must have served as Forester for a period of not less than eight years in the case of Foresters who have successfully completed the Rangers course of Training in the Southern Forest Rangers' College, Coimbatore or Northern Forest Rangers' College, Dehra Dun; and</p> <p>4) Must have passed the following Departmental tests, namely:-</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(a) Forest Law; and</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(b) Office Procedure and Accounts.</p> <p>5) A Forester selected as Ranger by promotion should undergo training for a period of at least one year in the Forest Rangers College, before being so appointed as Ranger.</p>
	<p>Recruitment by transfer of members of the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service in the Forest Department</p>	<p>(i) Must possess the qualification prescribed in this rule for recruitment of Forest Apprentices;</p> <p>(ii) Must be full member or approved probationer in the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service in the Forest Department; and</p> <p>(iii) Must have passed the following Departmental tests namely:-</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">(a) Forest Law; and</p>

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
		(b) Office Procedure and Accounts.
Foresters	Direct recruitment	<p>(a) A Bachelor's Degree in Science or Engineering in any one of the following subjects of any University recognised by the University Grants Commission:—</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Agriculture (2) Animal Husbandry (3) Botany (4) Chemistry (5) Computer Applications / Computer Science (6) Engineering (All Engineering subjects including Agricultural Engineering) (7) Environmental Science (8) Forestry (9) Geology (10) Horticulture (11) Marine Biology (12) Mathematics (13) Physics (14) Statistics (15) Veterinary Science (16) Wildlife Biology (17) Zoology

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
		<p>(b) (i) Must be not less than 163 centimeters in height;</p> <p>(ii) Must be not less than 79 centimeters round the chest on full expiration; and</p> <p>(iii) Must have a chest expansion of not less than 5 centimeters on full inspiration.</p>
	<p>Recruitment by transfer from the members of Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service in the Forest Department; or promotion from among the holders of the post of Assistant Draughtsman.</p>	<p>(a) A Bachelor's degree;</p> <p>(b) (i) Must be not less than 163 centimeters in height;</p> <p>(ii) Must be not less than 79 centimeters round the chest on full expiration; and</p> <p>(iii) Must have a chest expansion of not less than 5 centimeters on full inspiration.</p> <p>(c) Candidates recruited and appointed by transfer from the members of the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service in the Forest Department shall be deputed for training to the Foresters Training College at the earliest possible date after appointment as Forester.</p> <p>(d) Must be an approved probationer or full member.</p>
	<p>Promotion of Forest Guards or Forest Guard with Driving</p>	<p>(a) Must possess the Minimum General Educational qualification specified in the</p>

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
	Licence	<p>Schedule to the General Rules and must have rendered satisfactory service in the cadre of Forest Guard or Forest Guard with Driving License, as the case may be, for a period of not less than eight years</p> <p>(b) Must have successfully completed a course of training in the Tamil Nadu Forestry College, Vaigai Dam, if he had not already undergone such training.</p>
Forest Guard	(i) Direct recruitment	<p>(1) A pass in Higher Secondary Course (plus two) with Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Zoology or Botany as one of the subjects:</p> <p><i>Provided that this qualification shall not be necessary in respect of candidates belonging to the Jungle Tribes specified in the Annexure and also in the case of those who were appointed as Reserve Watchers on or before 11.10.1982:</i></p> <p>Provided further that those who were appointed as Reserve Watchers on or after the 11th October 1982 but prior to the 12th November 1987 must possess a pass in VIII standard or its equivalent in a recognized school:</p> <p>Provided also that those who were</p>

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
		<p>appointed as Forest Watcher on or after 13.11.1987 must possess the minimum general educational qualification.</p> <p>Explanation. — Recognized School shall mean a school maintained by or opened with the sanction of Government of Tamil Nadu or to which recognition has been accorded by the Director of School Education, Chennai under the Tamil Nadu Educational Rules;</p> <p>(2) Must be not less than 163 centimeters height;</p> <p>(3) Must be not less than 79 centimeters round the chest on full expiration;</p> <p>(4) Must have a chest expansion of not less than 5 centimeters on full inspiration.</p> <p><i>The qualifications prescribed in item (2) above shall not be required in respect of candidates belonging to the jungle tribes specified in the Annexure.</i></p>
(ii) Promotion of Forest Watcher or Forest Watcher Grade - II	(i)	A pass in VIII standard in a recognized school in the case of those who were appointed as Forest Watchers on or after 11.10.1982 (i.e. from 11.10.1982 to 12.11.1987);

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
		(ii) Minimum general educational qualification in the case of those who were appointed as Forest Watcher on or after 13.11.1987: <i>Provided that this qualification shall not be applicable to the Mali, who were appointed from among the Social Forestry Workers and Plot Watchers and to the Forest Watcher, who were appointed from among the Social Forestry Workers, Plot Watchers and Scheduled Tribes engaged as Anti-Poaching Watchers.</i>
	(ii – a) - Promotion of Malis	Must possess the physical qualifications prescribed for direct recruitment to the category of Forest Watchers
	Recruitment by transfer from the members of the Tamil Nadu Basic Service in Forest Department.	(i) Must possess the minimum general educational qualification; and (ii) Must possess the physical qualifications prescribed for direct recruitment.
Forest Guard with Driving Licence	Direct recruitment	(i) A pass in Higher Secondary Course (plus two) with Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Zoology or Botany as one of the subjects; (ii) Must possess a valid driving licence issued by the Competent Transport Authority; (iii) Must possess a certificate from a reputed firm or company to the effect

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)

that the candidate possess experience in driving of Light Motor Vehicles / Heavy Motor Vehicles for a period of not less than three years after getting the driving licence;

- (iv) Must possess basic knowledge about the general mechanism of automobiles;
- (v) Must possess first aid certificate issued by the recognized organization in Tamil Nadu; and
- (vi) Must be certified to possess the visual standard specified below without glasses.

		Right Eye	Left Eye
(1)	Distant Vision	6/6	6/6
	Near Vision	0.5	0.5
(Snellen)			

- (2) Each eye must have full field of vision
- (3) Colour blindness, squint or any morbid condition of the eyes or lies of either eye shall be deemed to be a disqualification
- (4) Lasik / Laser Surgery / Excimer Laser Surgery underwent by the candidate is either of the eye shall be deemed to be a disqualification
- (5) A certificate from the District Government Head Quarter Hospital should be obtain to effect that the vision of the candidates conforms in the above

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
		standard
Forest Watcher	Direct recruitment	<p>(a) No person shall be eligible for appointment unless he possesses the minimum general educational qualification:</p> <p>(b) Provided that the persons in the State level seniority list of Social Forestry Workers and Plot Watchers and Scheduled Tribes engaged as Anti- Poaching Watchers with ability to read and write in Tamil shall be eligible for appointment as Forest Watcher.</p> <p>(c) Must be not less than 163 centimeters height;</p> <p>(d) Must be not less than 79 centimeters round the chest on full expiration;</p> <p>(e) Must have a chest expansion of not less than 5 centimeters on full inspiration:</p> <p><i>Provided that the qualification regarding the height prescribed above, shall not be required in respect of candidates belonging to the jungle tribes specified in the Annexure.</i></p>
Forest Apprentices	Direct recruitment	<p>(1) (a) Must possess a Bachelor's degree in Forestry or its equivalent degree of any recognized University; or</p> <p>(b) Must possess a Bachelor's degree or its equivalent degree of any</p>

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)

recognized university in any one of the following subjects: -

- (1) Agriculture
- (2) Animal Husbandry
- (3) Botany
- (4) Chemistry
- (5) Computer Applications / Computer Science
- (6) Engineering (all Engineering subjects including Agricultural Engineering)
- (7) Environmental Science
- (8) Geology
- (9) Horticulture
- (10) Marine Biology
- (11) Mathematics
- (12) Physics
- (13) Statistics
- (14) Veterinary Science
- (15) Wildlife Biology
- (16) Zoology

provided that if candidates with the qualification referred to in item (a) are not available for selection, candidates with qualification referred to in item (b) will be considered for selection”.

- (2) The minimum standards for height and chest girth for candidates must be —

Category	Method	Qualification		
(1)	(2)	(3)		
		Height (cms)	Chest (cms)	
			Normal	Expansion
		Male candidates	163	84 05
		Female candidates	150	79 05

Provided that in respect of candidates belonging to the Jungle Tribes specified in the Annexure in Tami Nadu Forest Subordinate Service Rules and Scheduled Tribes specified in Part B of Schedule II in Tamil Nadu State and Subordinate Services Rules, rule 2 (17) in Part I in the said services the following height standard shall be allowed:-

- (a) Male candidates 152 centimeters;
- (b) Female candidates 145 centimeters.

- (3) A candidate before he/she is finally selected will be required to undergo a physical test consisting of a walk over 25 Kms. and 16 Kms. to be completed in four hours by male and female candidates, respectively. A certificate to this effect must be produced from a Gazetted Forest Officer nominated

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
		by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests on his behalf.
		(4) The candidate must satisfy a Medical Board in Chennai as to his/her physical fitness and capacity for rough outdoor work in the Forest Department.
Mali	Direct recruitment	<p>No person shall be eligible for appointment unless he possess the minimum general educational qualification:</p> <p><i>Provided that the educational qualification prescribed above shall not apply to the Social Forestry Workers and Plot Watchers who were working on daily wages in the Forest Department on and from the 15th October 1982:</i></p> <p><i>Provided further that the persons in the State level seniority list of Social Forestry Workers and Plot Watchers with ability to read and write Tamil shall be eligible for appointment as Mali.</i></p>

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
Class II		
Biologist	Direct recruitment	<p>(i) Must possess M.Sc. degree in Zoology or Wildlife Biology in second class;</p> <p>(ii) Experience in research in Wildlife or Biology in a recognized University for a period of not less than one year:</p> <p><i>Provided that other things being equal, knowledge of photography with a research outlook shall be desirable qualification</i></p>
Class III		
Junior Draughting Officer	Direct recruitment	<p>(A) Must hold the degree in Engineering (Civil or Mechanical) from any University or Institute recognized by the University Grants Commission for purpose of its grant or must hold the diploma in Engineering (Civil or Mechanical) of the College of Engineering, Guindy or must have passed in Sections A and B of the A.M.I.E (Ind) examination in the following subjects with practical experience in General Engineering works for a period of not less than one year.</p> <p>Properties and strength of materials of Elementary Structure, Theory of structures [Papers-(a) and (b) under Section (A)] Hydraulics and Hydraulics Machinery,</p>

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
		<p>Geology, Sanitary Engineering [papers (f)(j) and (m) under section (B)] or must have obtained the Licenciate Civil Engineering Diploma issued by the Technological Diploma Examination Board; or</p> <p>(B) (i) Must have obtained the certificate granted by the College of Engineering, Guindy on the completion of the course prescribed for Lower Subordinates for Draughtsman; and</p> <p>(ii) Must have practical experience as Assistant Draughtsman for a period of 2 years; or</p> <p>Must have passed the special examination for Group Certificates in Building Drawing prescribed for Draughtsman in the Government Technical Examination; or The National Trade Certificate of Draughtsman (Civil) awarded by the National Council for Training in Vocational Trades, Government of India:</p> <p><i>Provided that persons possessing the diploma will be considered for appointment only when suitable candidates possessing the Licenciate Civil Engineering diploma are not available.</i></p>

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
Assistant Draughtsman	Direct recruitment	<p>A pass in Government Technical Examination Lower Grade in Geometrical Drawing, Building Drawing and Estimation of free hand outline and model drawing; or</p> <p>A completed Secondary School Leaving Certificate (S.S.L.C) issued under the authority of Government of Tamil Nadu with not less than 30% of marks each in:-</p> <p>(a) General Science, Engineering and Drawing.</p> <p>(b) Applied Science and Practical under Engineering taken as special subject in the bifurcated course in Secondary Schools.</p>
Class IV		
Post Graduate Assistant	Direct recruitment; or promotion; or transfer; or recruitment by transfer	<p>(i) A Master's degree of a University in the State or a Master's degree of equivalent standard in the subject in respect of which recruitment is made:</p> <p><i>Provided that other things being equal preference shall be given to those who have studied the same subject in which he/she has obtained the Post Graduate degree, main subject under Part III in the Bachelor's degree level:</i></p> <p><i>Provided further that persons holding the certificate issued by the University of</i></p>

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
		<p><i>Madras for having undergone the Certificate course in Science and Humanities for graduate teachers in high schools shall be considered for appointment as Teachers in the subject relating to Science and Humanities:</i></p> <p><i>Provided also that for appointment to certain subjects in which Master's degree are not awarded, persons possessing Master's degree in other subjects as may be considered by the Director of School Education, shall be considered; and</i></p>
		<p>(ii) B.T or B.Ed. degree of University in the State or a teaching degree of equivalent standard.</p>
School Assistant	Direct recruitment; or promotion; or transfer; or recruitment by transfer	<p>(i) A degree of any University in the State with such subjects or language taken under the different parts as may be considered necessary; and</p> <p>(ii) B.T. or B.Ed. degree.</p> <p><i>Preference shall be given to the persons who possess the M.Ed. degree.</i></p>
Tamil Pandit	Direct recruitment; or Promotion; or Transfer; or Recruitment by	<p>(i) A degree of any University in the State in the language in respect of which recruitment is made or must possess a completed Secondary School Leaving Certificate;</p>

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
	transfer	<p>(ii) Must possess a title of oriental learning conferred by University in the State in the language in respect of which recruitment is made; and</p> <p>(iii) Must possess a trained Teachers' Certificate of the Secondary Grade or a Senior Grade Basic Trained Teachers' Certificate or successful completion of the Pandits' Training Course of the Diploma in Teaching awarded by the Annamalai University.</p>
Drawing Master	Direct recruitment	A Technical Teachers' Certificate of the Higher Grade in Drawing.
Physical Training Instructor	Direct recruitment	<p>(i) A Teachers' Certificate in Physical Education Higher Grade awarded on or after the year 1938 by the Government of Tamil Nadu; or</p> <p>(ii) Physical Education Teachers' Certificate (Higher Grade) awarded by the Government of Tamil Nadu.</p> <p>Among others being equal, preference shall be given to Ex-service man</p>
Laboratory Assistant	Direct recruitment	<p>A Pass in the Higher Secondary Examination with Science subject:</p> <p><i>Provided that preference shall be given to the persons who have studied the qualifications through Tamil medium and that in the absence of</i></p>

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
		<i>such qualified Tamil medium persons, persons who have studied in English Medium shall be considered for appointment</i>

Class V

Drivers of Jeeps, Van, Wagon, Estate Car, Staff Car and Lorry

Direct recruitment; or promotion from Cleaners of Lorries; or recruitment by transfer from the members of Tamil Nadu Last Grade Service in the Forest Department

- (1) Must possess a driving license issued by the competent Transport Authority of the Government of Tamil Nadu.
- (2) In the case of Lorry Drivers must possess endorsement to drive heavy Transport vehicles.
- (3) In the case of vehicles other than lorry must possess experience in driving motor vehicles for a period of not less than three years after getting the driving license supported by a certificate from a responsible person of office of the Forest Department in that effect

Explanation I.— The expression responsible person or officer of the Forest Department shall mean the appointing authority for the

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
		<p>category of Drivers of Jeeps, Vans, Station Wagons in the Forest Department.</p> <p>Explanation II.— In the case of direct recruits to the posts of Drivers who are not departmental candidates, a certificate from any reputable firm or company to the effect that he possesses experience in driving Motor Vehicles for period of not less than three years after getting the driving licence should be obtained.</p> <p>(4) Must possess an elementary knowledge of general mechanism of automobiles.</p> <p>(5) Must have a height of 160 centimeters.</p> <p>(6) Must possess a First Aid Certificate; and</p> <p>(7) Must possess clear eyesight</p>
Cleaners of Lorries	Direct recruitment	<p>(1) Must be acquainted with Motor Mechanism for a period of not less than two years.</p> <p>(2) Must possess clear eyesight.</p> <p>(3) Must have a height of 160 centimeters</p>
<p>Class VI</p> <p>Sandalwood Clerk, Depot Clerk, Permit Clerk, Maistry Tally Clerk</p>	Direct recruitment	<p>Must possess the minimum general educational qualification</p>

Category	Method	Qualification
(1)	(2)	(3)
Mahout	Promotion from the post of Cavady	(i) Able to read and write in Tamil (ii) Must have had experience in training elephants for a period of not less than two years; and (iii) Must have a minimum Chest measurement of 70 cms; with an expansion of not less than 5 cms
Cavady	Direct recruitment	

6. Tests for Foresters promoted as Rangers. — Omitted.

7. Preferential treatment in making appointment of Rangers, Foresters, Forest Guards, Forest Guard with Driving Licence and Draughting Officers. —

(a) For direct recruitment as Rangers, Foresters, Forest Guards, Forest Guard with Driving Licence and Forest Watchers other things being equal preference shall be given to persons who have been discharged from the Army Services (Land Force).

(b) For direct recruitment as Junior Draughting Officer, Drivers of Jeeps, Vans, Wagons, Estate Car, Staff car and Lorries, Cleaners of Lorries and Forest Watchers preference shall be given to persons who have been discharged from any of the Defence Services namely the Army, the Navy or the Air Force, who possess the prescribed qualifications.

8. Probation — Every person appointed to a category or class shall, from the date on which he joins duty, be on probation in such category or class for a total period of two years on duty within a continuous period of three years:

Provided that this rule shall not apply to Forest Apprentices or to such of them as are appointed as Ranger or the Ranger promoted from the category of Forester subject to the condition that they have completed their probation in the category of Forest Guards, Forest Guard with Driving Licence or Forester, as the case may be:

Provided further that a person to any category in class IV shall, within the period of his probation acquired to the satisfaction of the appointing authority proficiency in one of the crafts approved by the State Government. If he fails to acquire such proficiency within the prescribed time he shall not be entitled to increments other than the first increment in the time scale of pay applicable to him unless and until he acquires such proficiency. Such ineligibility to draw increments shall not have the effect of postponing his future increments after he has acquired such proficiency:

Provided also that this requirement of special qualification shall not apply to persons who have been trained in a Basic Training School or under any Scheme of training of which Craft Training is an integral part:

Provided also that every person appointed to category 4 and 6 in class I shall be on probation for a total period of one year on duty within a continuous period of two years:

Provided also that every person appointed to any category in class V shall be on probation for a total period of one year on duty within a continuous period of two years.

8A. Seniority.— For appointment as Ranger, the seniority of a candidate who completes the Rangers' training satisfactorily at the Forest College, shall be determined solely by his rank in the pass list of the College, as notified by the Principal, Forest College after the final examination.

8B. Securities.—Where the State Government have, by general or special order directed that the holder of any specified post shall deposit security for the due faithful performance of his duties, no person shall be eligible for appointment to any such post whether by direct recruitment or by recruitment by transfer or by

promotion, unless he deposits security to such amount as may be specified in such general or special order:

Provided that this rule shall not apply to a person who has a lien on a permanent post.

9. Special provision for Forest Apprentices —

(a) Candidates who may be ultimately required to fill vacancies arising in the permanent cadre of Rangers may be recruited to the service as Forest Apprentices.

(b) The rule of reservation of appointment (General Rule 22) shall apply to the appointment of Forest Apprentices.

(c) (i) A person selected for appointment as Forest Apprentice may be deputed to the Northern Forest Rangers' College, Dehra Dun and Southern Rangers' College, Coimbatore and he shall pass a written and oral test to be conducted by the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission from the date on which he joins duty, he shall be on probation for a total period of 3 years.

(ii) Such person shall, during first year of his probation undergo preliminary training in a Forest Division for about eight weeks to have a forestry background before joining the College. During the period of training he shall draw a stipend of Rs.125/- a month and Travelling Allowance at the rate admissible under the Tamil Nadu Travelling Allowances Rules for journeys on tour.

(iii) (1) If such a person completes the preliminary training satisfactorily, he shall be deputed to the Rangers' College, Dehra Dun or to the Southern Forest

Rangers' College, Coimbatore for a period of not less than 18 months.

A Forest Apprentice deputed to the Northern Forest Rangers' College, Dehra Dun or Southern Forest Rangers' College, Coimbatore is eligible at the rates admissible under the Tamil Nadu Travelling Allowance Rules for journeys on tour.

If, for want of a seat in the Northern Forest Rangers' College, Dehra Dun or in the Southern Forest Rangers' College, Coimbatore, a person who has completed the preliminary training satisfactorily cannot be deputed to any of these Colleges immediately after the completion of his preliminary training, he shall be treated as a Forester from the date of completion of the preliminary training to the date of his deputation to one of these Colleges.

- (2) If during the course or at the end of his preliminary training he is considered unsuitable by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, he shall not be eligible for deputation to the Northern Forest Rangers' College, Dehra Dun or to the Southern Forest Rangers' College, Coimbatore for further training and his probation shall be terminated.
- (3) A Forest Apprentice shall draw a stipend of minimum of the basic pay of Rs. 2,000/- a month during the period of his training in the Northern Forest Rangers' College, Dehra Dun or in the Southern Forest Rangers' College, Coimbatore.

- (4) A Forest Apprentice shall be granted an interest free advance of Rs.2,200/- for the purchase of compulsory initial equipment, out of which a sum of Rs.1,200/- shall be given as outright grant and the balance amount of Rs.1000/- shall be treated as interest free loan which will be recovered in 50 installments at Rs. 20/- commencing from the first pay drawn as Ranger on completion of training at the College. He will also be paid travelling allowance at the Government of India rates for the journeys performed while on training in the College.
- (5) A Forest Apprentice shall execute a bond with two sureties for Rs.9000/- and also a separate agreement in such form as may be prescribed by the State Government from time to time undertaking to serve the said Government in the Forest Department for a period of five years after successfully completing his training at the Northern Forest Rangers' College, Dehra Dun or the Southern Forest Rangers' College, Coimbatore.
- (iv) If such person has completed the training at one of the Colleges satisfactorily, he shall forthwith be appointed as Ranger. If no vacancy, officiating or substantive, in the permanent cadre of Ranger exists, he may until such time as vacancy in the cadre arises, be appointed as a Forester.
- (v) A Forest Apprentice who has satisfactorily completed his probation in accordance with this sub-rule shall, for the purpose of the General rules regarding appointment as full members, be treated as approved probationer for the category of Rangers.

(vi) When no officiating or substantive vacancy in the category of Ranger exists, Forest Apprentices who have satisfactorily completed their probation shall, until any vacancy arises, be appointed as Foresters.

(d) The provisions of clauses (iv) and (v) of sub-rule (c) shall apply to "Probationary Foresters" required to the service in 1932 and 1935 in accordance with the rules in force at the time to fill ultimately vacancies arising in the permanent cadre of Rangers.

(e) A Forest Apprentice shall within the period of his probation pass the departmental tests in Law and Office Procedure and Accounts.

10. Recruitment by transfer of the members of the ministerial service in the Forest Department as Rangers.—

(a) Selection of members of the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service in the Forest Department for deputation to Rangers' Course in the Forest College shall be made by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests. No member of the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service in the Forest Department shall be eligible for selection for deputation to the Rangers' Course unless he is within the upper age limit prescribed for recruitment of Forest Apprentices.

(b) A person so selected shall soon after his selection undergo a walking test and shall appear for the qualifying examination prescribed for admission to the College.

(c) (i) Such person shall undergo preliminary training for about eight weeks in a Forest Division to have a forestry background before joining the College.

(ii) If such person completes the preliminary training satisfactorily, he shall be deputed to the College for training for a period of not more than two years.

(iii) During the period of his preliminary training and for the journeys to and from the College, he shall be paid travelling allowance under the Tamil Nadu Travelling Allowance Rules.

(iv) If, for want of a seat in the College, a person who has completed preliminary training cannot be deputed to the College immediately after completion of his training, he shall revert to the post he would have held in the Ministerial Service but for his selection for deputation, from the date of completion of the preliminary training to the date of his deputation to the College.

(d) If he fails to pass the walking test or the qualifying examination mentioned in clause (b) or if during or at the end of his preliminary training, he is considered by the Chief Conservator of Forests as unsuitable for deputation he shall not be eligible for further training or for deputation to the College, as the case may be and shall be reverted to the post he would have held in the Ministerial Service but for his selection for deputation.

(e) During the period of his preliminary training and his training at the Forest College, he will draw the pay admissible to him as a member of the Tamil Nadu Ministerial Service plus a deputation allowance of 20% of his grade pay or Rs.300/- per mensem whichever is more.

(f) He shall be paid an outright equipment grant of Rs.2,200/- for the purchase of compulsory initial equipment and travelling allowance of the Government of India rates for the journeys performed while on training in the College.

(g) He shall, before he is deputed to the College, execute a bond with two sureties for Rs.1,000/- and also a separate agreement, in such forms as from time to time be prescribed by the State Government, undertaking to serve the said Government in the Forest Department for a period of five years after successfully completing his training at the College.

- (h) (i) If such person has completed his training at the College satisfactorily, he shall forthwith be appointed as Ranger.
- (ii) If no vacancy officiating or substantive, in the permanent cadre of Ranger exists, he shall, until such time as a vacancy in the cadre occurs, be reverted to the post he would have held but for his deputation.
- (iii) Such person shall within the period of his probation pass the Departmental Tests in Law and Office Procedure and Accounts:

Provided that in the case of Rangers appointed prior to the 6th December 1966 they shall pass the tests before they reach the sixth stage in the time scale of pay.

11. Deputation of Foresters to Rangers Course of Training in Rangers' College.—

(a) Selection of Foresters for deputation to the Rangers' Course of Training at the Southern Forest Rangers' College, Coimbatore or the Northern Forest Rangers' College, Dehra Dun shall be made by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests.

(b) Foresters who are selected for undergoing training in the Rangers' course must have passed the P.U.C. or H.S.E. followed by a course in the pre-professional / pre-technological course or a pass in the first year examination in the degree course of a recognized University of its equivalent with two or more of the following subjects, namely:- Botany, Zoology, Geology, Chemistry, Physics, Maths, Statistics or Agricultural or Engineering Technology in Civil, Mechanical, Electrical or Chemical:

Provided that in the case of Foresters category 2 of class I, the Scheduled Castes or the Scheduled Tribes or the Backward Classes the age limit shall be increased by 5 years:

Provided further that in the case of Ex-Servicemen the maximum age limit shall be 37 years irrespective of the caste.

(c) A person selected shall be an approved probationer.

(d) A person so selected shall soon after his selection qualify himself by successfully completing the examination prescribed for admission to the College.

(e) During the period of his training in the college, he shall draw the pay admissible to him as Forester plus a deputation allowance of 20% of his grade pay or Rs.300/- per mensem whichever is higher.

(f) A person so deputed to the College shall be granted an outright grant of Rs.2,200/- for the purchase of compulsory initial equipment. He shall also be paid travelling allowance at the Government of India rates for the journeys performed while on training in the College.

(g) He shall, before he is deputed to the College execute a bond with two sureties for Rs.3,000/- and also a separate agreement in such form as from time to time be prescribed by the State Government, undertaking to serve the said Government in the Forest Department for a period of not less than five years after successfully completing his training at the College.

(h) Subject to the provisions of rule 8 if such a person has completed his training at the College satisfactorily, he shall be appointed as Ranger:

Provided that if no vacancy officiating or substantive exists, he shall until such time as a vacancy in the cadre occurs occupy the post which he would have held but for his deputation.

(i) Any person who has been deputed to the College and who fails to complete the course of training satisfactorily may be deputed to another course of training for one year if his conduct is otherwise satisfactory.

No person shall be allowed to undergo the training for more than two years.

12. Postings and transfers.— Postings and transfer of members of the service shall be made-

- (i) From one circle to another, by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests.
- (ii) From one division to another within a circle or within a division in the case of Rangers, by the Conservator of Forests concerned; and
- (iii) Within a division, by the officer in-charge of that division except in the case of Rangers.

13. Uniform.—Drivers of Jeeps, Vans, Wagons, Estate Car, Staff Car and Lorries and Cleaners of Lorries, Foresters, Forest Guards, Forest Guard with Driving Licence, Forest Watchers, Forest Watchers Grade – II, Forest Apprentices and Mali shall be entitled to uniform and accoutrements in accordance with the scale and subject to the conditions which may be prescribed from time to time by the State Government.

Annexure – I

(referred to in rule 5 against Forest Guards)

Jungle Tribes

- 1) Anandan
- 2) Badaga
- 3) Bagata
- 4) Chenchu
- 5) Domba (Dombo)
- 6) Gadaba
- 7) Gond
- 8) Irulars
- 9) Jatapu
- 10) Kada (Kadan)
- 11) Kani (Kaniyan)
- 12) Karumbalan
- 13) Kattunaicken
- 14) Kondh
- 15) Konda dora
- 16) Kota
- 17) Koya
- 18) Kudibi
- 19) Kurichan
- 20) Kurumba
- 21) Madugar or Medavar
- 22) Maduva
- 23) Malasar
- 24) Malayalee

(Residents of –

- (a) Javadies in North Arcot District
- (b) Yelagiris in North Arcot District

- (c) Kalroyans in South Arcot District
- (d) Pachamalai hills in Salem District
- (e) Chitteris in Salem District
- (f) Kalroyans in Salem District
- (g) Shervaroys in Salem District
- (h) Pachamalai hills in Tiruchirappalli District.

- 25) Marathi (of South Kanara district)
- 26) Mavilan
- 27) Melakudi or Kudiyan
- 28) Paniyan
- 29) Panu (Pano)
- 30) Polayan (Pulayan)
- 31) Poroga (Poroja)
- 32) Savara
- 33) Sholagar
- 34) Toda
- 35) Vettuvan
- 36) Kondakapu
- 37) Konda Reddi
- 38) Lingadhari Koya
- 39) Mannedhora
- 40) Reddi Dhora

Annexure - II
[See rule 3-E (d)]

FORM - I

(for representing India in an **International Competition** in one of the recognized Games / Sports mentioned in rule 3-E (b))

NATIONAL FEDERATION / NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF _____

Certificate to meritorious sportsmen for employment to Group B and C Service under the Forest Department of Tamil Nadu

Certified that Thiru/Tmt/Selvi Son / Wife / Daughter of Thiru and resident of (complete address) represented India in the game / event of in competition / Tournament held at fromto Certified that is recognized **International competition** in category.

The position obtained by the individual / team in the above said International Competition / Tournament was The Certificate is being given to Thiru / Tmt / Selvi Son / Wife / Daughter of Thiru whose date of birth is on the basis of record available in the office of National Federation/National Association of

Place -----
Date -----

Signature -----
Name -----
Designation -----
Name of the Federation/National Association -----
Address -----
Seal -----

Note : This Certificate will be valid only when signed personally by the Secretary, National Federation/National Association duly countersigned by the Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu.

FORM - II

(for representing a State in India in an **National Level Competition** in one of the recognized Games/Sports mentioned in rule 3-E (b))

STATE ASSOCIATION OF _____ IN THE GAME _____ OF _____

Certificate to meritorious sportsmen for employment to Group B and C Service under the Forest Department of Tamil Nadu

Certified that Thiru/Tmt/Selvi Son/Wife/Daughter of Thiru and resident of (complete address) represented the State of Tamil Nadu in the game / event of in competition / Tournament held at from to

Certified thatis recognized **National Level Competition** in the category. The position obtained by the individual/team in the above said National Competition/Tournament was The Certificate is being given to Thiru / Tmt / Selvi Son / Wife / Daughter of Thiru whose date of birth is on the basis of record available in the office of National Federation/National Association of

Place -----
Date -----

Signature -----
Name -----
Designation -----
Name of the Federation/National Association -----
Address -----
Seal -----

Note : This Certificate will be valid only when signed personally by the Secretary of the National Federation/Secretary of the State Association duly countersigned by the Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu.

FORM - III

(for representing **State level Competition** in one of the recognized Games/Sports mentioned in rule 3-E (b))

STATE FEDERATION / STATE ASSOCIATION OF

Certificate to meritorious sportsmen for employment to Group B and C Service under the Forest Department of Tamil Nadu

Certified that Thiru/Tmt/Selvi Son/Wife/Daughter of Thiru and resident of (complete address) won the medal in State Games of Tamil Nadu in the game / event of in competition / Tournament held at from to Certified that is recognized **State level Competition** in the category.

The position obtained by Thiru/Tmt/Selvi who was part of (name of team) in the State/Inter-university/School Games Competition/Tournament. The (individual/team) qualified for the first three positions. In case of field and track event the performance of (individual) in the category was seconds/meters/kgs (units).

The position obtained by the individual/team in the above said State Competition/Tournament was The Certificate is being given to Thiru/Tmt/Selvi Son/Wife/Daughter of Thiru whose date of birth is on the basis of record available in the office of State Federation/State Association of

Place -----
Date -----

Signature -----
Name -----
Designation -----
Name of the Federation/ State
Association -----
Address -----
Seal -----

Note : This Certificate will be valid only when signed personally by the Secretary of the State Association duly countersigned by the Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu.

FORM IV

(For representing in the Inter-University Competition in one of the recognized Inter University Games/sports mentioned in rule 3-E (b)).

Certificate to meritorious sportsmen for employment to Group B and C Service under the Forest Department of Tamil Nadu

Certified that Thiru / Tmt / Selvi Son / Wife / Daughter of Thiru Resident of student of represented the University of in the game/event of in Inter University Competition/Tournament held at from to Certified that is recognized **Inter university Competition** in the category.

The position obtained by Thiru/Tmt/Selvi_..... who was part of? (name of the team) in the State/Inter-university School Games Competition/Tournament. The (individual/team) qualified for the first three positions. In case of field and track event the performanceof (individual) in the category was seconds/meters/kgs (units).

The position obtained by the individual/team in the above said inter university Competition/Tournament was..... The Certificate is being given to' Thiru/Tmt/Selvi Son/Wife/Daughter of Thiru whose date of birth is on the basis of record available in the office of Dean of Sports or Officer in overall charge of sports in the University of

Place -----
Date -----

Signature -----
Name -----
Designation -----
Name of the University-----

Address -----
Seal -----

Note : This Certificate will be valid only when signed personally by Dean / Director/
Registrar or other officer in overall charge of sports of the University duly
countersigned by the Vice-Chancellor of the University.

FORM-V

**(For representing in the State School Teams in the National School Games
/sports mentioned in rule 3-E (b)).**

DIRECTORATE OF SCHOOL EDUCATION OF THE STATE OF TAMIL Nadu

**Certificate to meritorious sportsmen for employment to Group B and C Service
under the Forest Department of Tamil Nadu**

Certified that Thiru/Tmt/Selvi Son/Wife/Daughter of
Thiru student of (Complete address) represented
the State School Team in the game/event of in
the National School Games for schools held at from
..... to Certified that _____ is
recognized National School Competition in the _____ category.

The position obtained by Thiru/Tmt/Selvi who was part of
..... (name of the team) in the State Inter-
university/School Games Competition/Tournament. The
..... (individual/team) qualified for the first three positions. In case of
..... field and track event the performance of
..... (individual) in the category was
seconds/meters/kgs (units).

The position obtained by the individual/team in the above said
Competition/Tournament was The Certificate is being given to
Thiru/Tmt/Selvi Son/Wife/Daughter of Thiru whose
date of birth is on the basis of record available in the
School.

Place -----
Date -----

Signature -----
Name -----

Designation -----
Address -----
Seal -----

Note: This Certificate will be valid only when signed personally by the Principal / Headmaster of the school as per records of the School duly countersigned by the Joint Director (NSS), Directorate of School Education, Government of Tamil Nadu.

The Schedule

(See Rule 3-E)

General Turn

Rotation	Turn
1, 6, 11, 16, 21, 26, 31, 36, 41, 46, 51, 56, 61, 66, 71, 76, 81, 86, 91, 96	31, 65, 98, 129, 165, 198
2, 7, 12, 17, 22, 27, 32, 37, 42, 47, 52, 57, 62, 67, 72, 77, 82, 87, 92, 97	27, 59, 91, 121, 155, 189
3, 8, 13, 18, 23, 28, 33, 38, 43, 48, 53, 58, 63, 68, 73, 78, 83, 88, 93, 98	21, 51, 85, 115, 148, 181
4, 9, 14, 19, 24, 29, 34, 39, 44, 49, 54, 59, 64, 69, 74, 79, 84, 89, 94, 99	11, 45, 79, 109, 141, 175
5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 , 50 , 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100	5, 39, 71, 103, 135, 169, 200

Backward Classes (other than Backward Class Muslims)

Rotation	Turn
1, 11, 21, 31, 41, 51, 61, 71, 81, 91	38, 74, 114, 149, 190
2, 12, 22, 32, 42, 52, 62, 72, 82, 92	24, 64, 104, 140, 178
3, 13, 23, 33, 43, 53, 63, 73, 83, 93	14, 54, 90, 128, 168
4, 14, 24, 34, 44, 54, 64, 74, 84, 94	4, 44, 80, 118, 154, 194
5, 15, 25, 35, 45, 55, 65, 75, 85, 95	30, 68, 108, 144, 180

Rotation	Turn
6, 16, 26, 36, 46, 56, 66, 76, 86, 96	18, 58, 94, 134, 170
7, 17, 27, 37, 47, 57, 67, 77, 87, 97	8, 47, 84, 120, 160, 197
8, 18, 28, 38, 48, 58, 68, 78, 88, 98	34, 70, 110, 147, 184
9, 19, 29, 39, 49, 59, 69, 79, 89, 99, 100	20, 60, 97, 138, 174

Backward Class Muslims

Rotation	Turn
1, 11, 21, 31, 41, 51, 61, 71, 81, 91	15
2, 12, 22, 32, 42, 52, 62, 72, 82, 92	99
3, 13, 23, 33, 43, 53, 63, 73, 83, 93	188
5, 15, 25, 35, 45, 55, 65, 75, 85, 95	78
6, 16, 26, 36, 46, 56, 66, 76, 86, 96	158
8, 18, 28, 38, 48, 58, 68, 78, 88, 98	40
9, 19, 29, 39, 49, 59, 69, 79, 89, 99	130

Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities

Rotation	Turn
In every Rotation	46, 96, 146, 196

Scheduled Castes

Rotation	Turn
In every Rotation	62,126,192

Scheduled Caste (Arunthathiyars on Preferential Basis)

Rotation	Turn
1, 6, 11, 16, 21, 26, 31, 36, 41, 46, 51, 56, 61, 66, 71, 76, 81, 86, 91, 96	2
2, 7, 12, 17, 22, 27, 32, 37, 42, 47, 52, 57, 62, 67, 72, 77, 82, 87, 92,	132
4, 9, 14, 19, 24, 29, 34, 39, 44, 49, 54, 59, 64, 69, 74, 79, 84, 89, 94, 99	66

Scheduled Tribes

Rotation	Turn
5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80, 85, 90, 95, 100	150

Note:

The Principal Rules. i.e., Special Rules for the Tamil Nadu Forest Subordinate Service was published in Sec 12 (Part III B), Volume III of Tamil Nadu Service Manual, 2016 with incorporation of all amendments made up to 31st August 2012. The following amendments were issued subsequently and published in Tamil Nadu Government Gazette;

- (1) Govt. Order (Ms.) No. 140, Environment and Forests (FR-2) Department, dated 13th Oct 2009. *(Published in pages 1-2; Part III—Section 1(b) of Tamil Nadu Government Gazette Extra Ordinary No 270 of 2009, dated 14th Oct 2009)*
- (2) Govt. Order (Ms.) No. 118, Environment and Forests (FR-2) Department, dated 20th Aug 2010. *(Published in page 122; Part III—Section 1(b) of Tamil Nadu Government Gazette No 35 of 2010, dated 08th Sep 2010)*
- (3) Govt. Order (Ms.) No. 206, Environment and Forests (FR-2) Department, dated 13th Aug 2012. *(Published in page 72; Part III—Section 1(b) of Tamil Nadu Government Gazette No 36 of 2012, dated 12th Sep 2012)*
- (4) Govt. Order (Ms.) No. 42, Environment and Forests (FR-2) Department, dated 12th March 2014. *(Published in page 40; Part III—Section 1(b) of Tamil Nadu Government Gazette No 13 of 2014, dated 02nd Apr 2014)*
- (5) Govt. Order (Ms.) No. 76, Environment and Forests (FR-2) Department, dated 10th July 2014. *(Published in pages 70-74; Part III—Section 1(b) of Tamil Nadu Government Gazette No 30 of 2014, dated 06th Aug 2014)*
- (6) Govt. Order (Ms.) No. 134, Environment and Forests (FR-2) Department, dated 10th Dec 2014. *(Published in page 144; Part III—Section 1(b) of Tamil Nadu Government Gazette No 50 of 2014, dated 31st Dec 2014)*
- (7) Govt. Order (Ms.) No. 35, Environment and Forests (FR-2) Department, dated 29th Feb 2016. *(Published in pages 40-41; Part III—Section 1(b) of Tamil Nadu Government Gazette No 12 of 2016, dated 23rd Mar 2016)*
- (8) Govt. Order (Ms.) No. 42, Environment and Forests (FR-2) Department, dated 29th Feb 2016. *(Published in page 42; Part III—Section 1(b) of Tamil Nadu Government Gazette No 12 of 2016, dated 23rd Mar 2016)*
- (9) Govt. Order (Ms.) No. 110, Environment and Forests (FR-2-I) Department, dated 03rd Aug 2018. *(Published in pages 100 - 106; Part III—Section 1(b) of Tamil Nadu Government Gazette No 33 of 2018, dated 15th Aug 2018)*

- (10) Govt. Order (Ms.) No. 125, Environment and Forests (FR-2-I) Department, dated 12th Sep 2018. (*Published in page 72; Part III—Section 1(b) of Tamil Nadu Government Gazette No 40 of 2018, dated 03rd Oct 2018*)
- (11) Govt. Order (Ms.) No. 17, Environment and Forests (FR-2-II) Department, dated 01st Feb 2019. (*Published in page 22; Part III—Section 1(b) of Tamil Nadu Government Gazette No 9 of 2019, dated 27th Feb 2019*)
- (12) Govt. Order (Ms.) No. 24, Environment and Forests (FR-2-I) Department, dated 26th Feb 2019.
