## 1.2 Tamil Nadu Panchayat Development Service – Rules for Joint Director/Deputy Director/Divisional Development Officer

Rural Development & Local Administration Department

G.O. (Ms) No. 586

Dated : 12.04.1984 Read :

G.O.(Ms).No.585 Rural Development and Local Administration dated : 12.4.84.

#### ORDER

In the Government Order read above, Government have ordered the constitution of Tamil Nadu Panchayat Development Service covering the post of Joint Director of Rural Development, Deputy Director of Rural Development and Divisional Development Officer. The Government now issue the rules for the Tamil Nadu Panchayat Development Service.

2. The appended Notification will be published in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette.

(By order of the Governor)

H.B.N. SHETTY COMMISSIONER & SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

### **NOTIFICATION I**

In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, and in supersession of the Rural Development and Local Administration Department Notifications S.R.O.No.A-547 of 1969, dated the 30th May 1969, published at page 549 of Part V of Fort St. George Gazette, dated the 13th August 1969, S.R.O.No.A-119 of 1972, dated the 27th December 1971, Published at page 141 of Part V of Tamil Nadu Government Gazette, dated the 9th February 1972, S.R.O.No.A580 of 1972 dated the 2nd June 1972, published at page 823 of Part V of the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette, dated the 28th June 1972, S.R.O.No.A-875 of 1972, dated the 27th September 1972 published at pages 1207-1208 of Part V of Tamil Nadu Government Gazette, dated 25th October 1972 and S.R.O.No.A-678 of 1976, dated the 11th November 1976, published at Part III-Section1(b) of the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette dated the 1st December 1976, the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following Special Rules for the Tamil Nadu Panchayat Development Service which will form Section 39 in Volume II of the Tamil Nadu Service Manual, 1969.

The Special Rules hereby made shall be deemed to have come into force on the 1st June 1979.

Section 39 – THE TAMILNADU PANCHAYAT DEVELOPMENT SERVICE

1. Constitution – The Service shall consist of the following categories of Officers, namely:-

Category 1. Joint Director of Rural Development

Category 2. Deputy Director of Rural Development

Category 3. Divisional Development Officer.

**Explanation 1.** – "Deputy Director of Rural Development" shall mean and include Principal, Rural Extension Training Centre and State Institute for Rural Development.

**Explanation 2.** – "Divisional Development Officer" shall mean and include Personal Assistant and Additional Personal Assistant to the Director of Rural Development, Personal Assistants (Panchayat Development) to the Collectors, Vice Principals in Rural Extension Training Centre and State Institute for Rural Development and Lecturers in State Institute of Rural Development.

2(a) Appointment: - Appointment to the posts specified in Column (1) of the Table below shall

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be made by the methods specified in the corresponding entries in column (2) therein.

Posts	Methods of Appointment		
(1)	(2)		
Joint Director of	By promotion from among the holders of the post of Deputy		
Rural Development	Director of Rural Development.		
Deputy Director of	By promotion from among the holders of the post of Divisional		
Rural Development	Development Officer.		
Divisional	(a) By recruitment by transfer from among the holders of the post		
Development Officer	of Block Development Officer in Panchayat Development Subordinate Service;		
	(b) By recruitment by transfer from among the holders of the post		
	of Section Officer in Secretariat in the Tamil Nadu General		
	Service; and		
	(c) By direct recruitment.		
	Provided that every fifth vacancy in a cycle of five		
	regular vacancies shall be filled by recruitment by transfer		
	from among the holders of the post of Section Officer of the Secretariat.		
	Provided further that when for any such turn, a Section		
	Officer of the Secretariat is not available, the turn shall lapse		
	and the vacancy shall be filled by the method specified in item (a) above.		
	Provided also that twenty five per cent of the regular		
	vacancies occurring in a year shall be filled by direct		
	recruitment.		

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- (b) **Promotions:-** Promotions shall be made on grounds of merit and ability, seniority being considered only where merit and ability are approximately equal.
- (c) Reservation of appointment:- The rule relating to reservation of appointment (General Rule 22) shall apply for appointment to the post of Divisional Development Officer by direct recruitment.

**3.** Qualifications:- No person shall be eligible for appointment to the posts specified in column (1) of the Table below by the methods specified in the corresponding entries in column (2), unless he possesses the qualifications specified in the corresponding entries in column (3) thereof.

Posts (1)	Methods of Appointment (2)	Qualifications (3)
Joint Director of Rural Development	By Promotion	Must have rendered service in the category of Deputy Director of Rural Development for a period of not less than two years.
Deputy Director of Rural Development	By Promotion	Must have rendered service in the category of Divisional Development Officer for a period of not less than two years.
Divisional Development Officer	a. By recruitment by transfer from among the holders of the post of Block Development Officer in the Tamil Nadu Panchayat Development Subordinate Service.	Must have rendered service in the category of Block Development Officer for a period of not less than two years.
	<ul> <li>By recruitment by transfer from among the holders of the post of Section Officer in the Secretariat in the Tamil Nadu General Service.</li> </ul>	Must have served as Section Officer in Secretariat in the Tamil Nadu General Service for a period of not less than two years and must have rendered service as Block Development Officer for a period of not less than two years on tenure basis.
	c. By direct recruitment	<ul> <li>a. Must not have completed 28 years of age on first day of July of the year in which the selection for appointment is made:</li> <li>Provided that candidates belonging to any of the Scheduled Caste Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes, may be appointed if they have not completed 33 years of age;</li> </ul>
		(b) Must possess a degree: Provided that, other things being equal, preference shall be given to holders of any of the following qualifications:
		<ul> <li>(i) Post Graduate degree in Rural Services of the Gandhigram Rural Institute, Madurai district.</li> <li>(ii) Post graduate degree or diploma</li> </ul>
		in Extension; (iii) Post graduate degree or diploma in Sociology.

**4. Probation:-** (a) Every person appointed to the post of Divisional Development Officer by direct recruitment shall, from the date on which he joins duty, be on probation for a total period of two years on duty within a continuous period of three years.

(b) Every person appointed to the post of Divisional Development Officer by recruitment by transfer shall, from the date on which he joins duty be on probation for a total period of one year on duty within a continuous period of two years.

**5. Tests:-** Every person appointed to the post of Divisional Development Officer by direct recruitment shall, within the period of his probation, pass the Departmental Test for Officers of Panchayat Development Department and the Panchayat Development Account Test conducted by the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission.

**6. Training:-** (a) Every person appointed to the service shall undergo the training prescribed by the Government from time to time.

(b) The Divisional Development Officer appointed by direct recruitment or recruitment by transfer shall undergo the Foundational Course-B for a period of three weeks at the Civil Service Training Institute, Bhavanisagar or any other centre that may be specified by Government and pass the test conducted at the end of the training. The passing of the above test shall be a precondition for declaration of probation. The period of training undergone shall count for probation and increment.

**7. Preparation of annual list of approved candidates:-** For the purpose of drawing up of the annual list of approved candidates for appointment to the posts, by recruitment by transfer or by promotion, the crucial date on which the candidates should be qualified shall be the first March of the year in which the list is prepared.

### NOTIFICATION II

In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following amendment to the Special Rules for the Tamil Nadu General Service (Section 16 in Volume II of Tamil Nadu Service Manual, 1969).

2. The amendments hereby made shall be deemed to have come into force on the 1st June 1979.

### AMENDMENTS

In the said Special Rules,-

(1) in Part I, -

- (a) the expression "Class XVII" and the entry thereunder shall be omitted;
- (b) the expression "Class XXX" and the entry thereunder shall be omitted;
- (2) in Part II,-
  - (a) the expression "Class XVII-Personal Assistant to the Director of Rural Development and Personal Assistant (Panchayat) to the Collector" and the rules there under shall be omitted;
  - (b) the expression "Class XXX Deputy Director of Rural Development" and the rules there under shall be omitted.