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Health and Family Welfare (C) Department

NOTIFICATION

G. O. (P) No. 351/2014/H&FWD.

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 12th December, 2014.

S. R. O. No. 794/2014.—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 2 of the Kerala Public Service Act, 1968 (19 of 1968), and in supersession of Notification issued under G. O. (P) No. 290/98/H&FWD, dated 8th October, 1998 and published as S.R.O. No. 903/98 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 1623 dated 12th October, 1998, the Government of Kerala hereby make the following Special Rules for the Kerala Public Health Nursing Service, namely:—

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RULES

1. *Short title and commencement.*—(1) These Rules may be called the Kerala Public Health Nursing Services Special Rules, 2014.

(2) They shall come into force at once.

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

Category 1.—Maternal and Child Health Officer.

Category 2.—District Public Health Nurse.

Category 3.—Public Health Nursing Tutor.

3. *Method of Appointment.*—Appointment to the various categories shall be as follows:—

<i>Category</i>	<i>Method of appointment</i>
(1)	(2)
1. Maternal and Child Health Officer	(i) By promotion from category 2. (ii) In the absence of qualified hands under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
2. District Public Health Nurse	(i) By promotion from category 3. (ii) In the absence of qualified hands under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
3. Public Health Nursing Tutor	(i) By promotion from Public Health Nursing Supervisor. (ii) In the absence of qualified hands under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.

4. *Qualification.*—No person shall be eligible for appointment to the categories mentioned in Column (1) of the Table below by the methods of appointment specified in column (2) unless he/she possesses the qualifications prescribed in corresponding entry in column (3) thereof.

TABLE

<i>Category</i>	<i>Method of appointment</i>	<i>Qualification</i>
(1)	(2)	(3)
1. Maternal and Child Health Officer	(a) By Promotion	<p>1. <i>General</i>:—(a) SSLC</p> <p>(b) Degree in Nursing issued by a recognized University in India and recognized by the Indian Nursing Council.</p> <p>2. <i>Technical</i>:—Auxiliary Nurse Midwifery Certificate (revised course of 18 months duration) issued by the Kerala Nurses and Midwives Council or its equivalent qualification.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OR</p> <p>Auxiliary Nurse Midwifery Certificate/Auxiliary Nurse Midwifery Certificate (revised course) issued by an authority recognized by the Indian Nursing Council.</p> <p>3. Registration with the Kerala Nurses and Midwives Council.</p> <p>4. Health Supervisors Training Course of six months.</p> <p>5. Two years experience as District Public Health Nurse.</p>

(1)	(2)	(3)
(b) By Direct Recruitment	<p><i>Note:—</i>Those who have passed Degree in Nursing issued by a recognized University in India and recognized by Indian Nursing Council need not possess the Technical qualification prescribed in item 2 and 4".</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Degree in Nursing issued by a recognized University in India and recognized by Indian Nursing Council. 2. Registration with the Kerala State Nurses and Midwives Council. 3. Five years experience in Nursing in Government Hospital or in an institution recognized by the Government. 	
2. District Public Health Nurse	(a) By Promotion	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>General:—</i>(a) SSLC (b) Degree in Nursing issued by a recognized University in India and recognized by the Indian Nursing Council.

(1)	(2)	(3)
		2. <i>Technical</i> :—Auxiliary Nurse Midwifery Certificate (revised course of 18 months duration) issued by the Kerala Nurses and Midwives Council or its equivalent qualification.
		OR
		Auxiliary Nurse Midwifery Certificate/Auxiliary Nurse Midwifery Certificate (revised course) issued by an authority recognized by the Indian Nursing Council.
		3. Registration with the Kerala Nurses and Midwives Council.
		4. Health Supervisors Training Course of six months.
		5. Two years experience as Public Health Nursing Tutor.
(b) By Direct Recruitment		<i>Note</i> :—Those who have passed Degree in Nursing issued by a recognized University in India and recognized by Indian Nursing Council need not possess the Technical qualification prescribed in item 2 and 4".

(1)	(2)	(3)
3. Public Health Nursing Tutor	(a) By Promotion	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Degree in Nursing issued by a recognized University in India and recognized by Indian Nursing Council. 2. Registration with the Kerala State Nurses and Midwives Council. 3. Three years experience in Nursing in a Government Hospital or in an institution recognized by Government.
		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>General</i>.—SSLC 2. <i>Technical</i>.—Auxiliary Nurse Midwifery Certificate (revised course of 18 months duration) issued by the Kerala Nurses and Midwives Council or its equivalent qualification.
		OR
		<p>Auxiliary Nurse Midwifery Certificate/Auxiliary Nurse Midwifery Certificate (revised course) issued by an authority recognized by the Indian Nursing Council.</p>
		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Registration with the Kerala Nurses and Midwives Council. 4. Health Supervisors Training Course of six months. 5. Two years experience as Public Health Nursing Supervisors.

(1)	(2)	(3)
	(b) By Direct Recruitment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Degree in Nursing issued by a recognized University in India and recognized by Indian Nursing Council. 2. Registration with the Kerala Nurses and Midwives Council. 3. Two years experience in Nursing in Government Hospitals or in an institution recognized by the Government.

Note—1. Health Workers Training Certificate issued by the Kerala Nurses and Midwives Council will be accepted as an equivalent qualification of the technical qualification prescribed for promotion category candidates.

2. In the case of candidates belonging to Scheduled Tribes, General Educational qualification will be relaxed and a pass in Standard VIII shall be sufficient subject to the condition that the relaxation will be allowed only in the absence of fully qualified Scheduled Tribe candidates and to the extent necessary for filling up the quota reserved for Scheduled Tribe candidates alone.

3. In respect of candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste and Other Backward Classes the general educational qualification will be relaxed as 'Completed SSLC Course' (failed candidates are also eligible) subject to the condition that the relaxation will be allowed only to the extent necessary to fill up the quota reserved for Scheduled Castes and Other Backward Classes and in the absence of qualified candidates in the Scheduled Castes and Other Backward Classes respectively.

5. *Qualification regarding age*.—No person shall be eligible for appointment by direct recruitment to any of the posts if he/she has not completed 18 years of age and has completed 40 years of age on the 1st day of January of the year in which application for appointment are invited with usual relaxation allowable to the candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes.

6. *Appointing Authority.*—Appointing authority for category 1 and 2 shall be the Government and the Director of Health Service shall be the appointing authority for the category 3.

7. *Reservation of appointment.*—General Rules 14 to 17 in Part II of the Kerala State and Subordinate Service Rules, 1958 shall apply to the appointment by direct recruitment.

8. *Probation.*—Every person appointed to any of the categories shall from the date on which he joins duty be on probation:

(a) if appointed by direct recruitment, for a total period of two years on duty within a continuous period of three years; and

(b) if appointed by promotion, for a period of one year on duty within a continuous period of two years.

By order of the Governor,

DR. K. ELLANGOVAN,
Secretary to Government.

Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the notification, but is intended to achieve its general purport.)

The Government of Kerala issued Special Rules for the Kerala Public Health Nursing Services, 1998 vide G. O. (P) No. 290/98/H&FWD, dated 8th October, 1998 and published as S. R. O. No. 903/98 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No. 1623 dated 12th October, 1998. The Hon'ble High Court in its judgement dated 14th March, 2007 in O. P. No. 30387/2001 has struck down the Special Rules for the posts of Maternal Child Health Officer and District Public Health Nurse in the said Special Rules as it does not prescribe Degree in Nursing also as a qualification for appointment to these post by promotion and directed Government to frame a fresh Special Rules in this regard in accordance with the direction of the Court.

Therefore, Government have decided to issue new rules superseding the Special Rules for the Kerala Public Health Nursing Services, 1998, in compliance with judgement of the Hon'ble High Court.

This notification is intended to achieve the above object.

To

Head of the Department

All Departments and all Sections of Secretariat.

District Medical Officers.

Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission (with C.L).

The Registrar, High Court of Kerala, Ernakulam (with C.L).

The Accountant General (Accounts and Entitlements), Kerala
Thiruvananthapuram (with C.L.).

The Principal Accountant General (Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram
(with C.L.)

The Advocate General (with C.L).

The Secretary to Governor.

The Deputy Secretary to Chief Secretary.

General Administration (S.C.) Department.

Recognized Service Organisations of Junior Public Health Nurses
(Through DHS).