

Sub: Establishment - Tamilnadu Public Health Subordinate Services - Drivers of Primary Health Centres governed by Tamilnadu Medical Subordinate Service - transferred to the Office of the Regional Deputy Directors and District Health Officers under Tamilnadu Public Health Subordinate Service - instructions - issued.

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It is observed that the individuals who have been appointed as Drivers in Primary Health Centres under Tamilnadu Medical Subordinate Service are subsequently transferred to the post of Drivers in the Office of the Regional Deputy Directors/ District Health Officers which are governed by Tamilnadu Public Health Subordinate Service. This is not correct since there is no provision to transfer a Government Servant from Tamilnadu Medical Subordinate Service to Tamilnadu Public Health Subordinate Service.

Similarly transfer of a Driver appointed under Tamilnadu Public Health Subordinate Service from the Office of the Regional Deputy Directors/ District Health Officers to the Primary Health Centres against the posts under Tamilnadu Medical Subordinate Service is also irregular and not permissible.

It is also observed that the Regional Deputy Directors and District Health Officers etc. are promoting cleaners and Basic Servants as Drivers. At present there is no provision in the*Rules to promote cleaners and Basic Servants who do not satisfy qualifications like two years experience, Heavy Motor Transport Vehicle Driving licence, pass in III form or VIII Standard prescribed for drivers in rule 5(b) read with Annexure of the Tamilnadu Public Health Subordinate Service rules, extracted below:

Appointment:

1. Promotion from the post of Cleaners OR
2. Recruitment by transfer from among the members of the Tamilnadu Basic Service (in the Office of the Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Regional Assistant Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Health Unit District, Chief Water Analyst, Malaria Officer and other Mofussil Officers under the control of the Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine; OR.
3. Direct recruitment, if no suitable candidate is available by the above methods".

Qualifications:

- i. Must possess a current licence issued by a competent authority of the State Government to drive heavy motor transport vehicles.

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- ii) Must possess experience in driving motor vehicles for a period of not less than two years; and
- iii) Must have passed IIIrd form or VIII standard in a recognised school or must possess the Indian Army Third class English Certificate.

Explanation:

Note: A recognised school shall mean school maintained by or opened with the sanction of the Government of Tamilnadu or to which recognition has been accorded by the Director of School Education, Madras under the Tamilnadu Educational Rules.

Provided that the qualification prescribed in this rule shall not adversely affect any person who holds the post of Driver on 25th November 1974.

(G.O. Ms. No. ~~600~~ Health dt. ~~30.11.78~~).

Further appointment as Drivers from cleaners and Office Assistants with reference to G.O.2217, Health, Indian Medicine, Homeopathy and Family Welfare Department, dated 16-11-88 is also wrong, since Tamilnadu Public Health Subordinate Service rules have not been amended so far.

Therefore the Regional Deputy Directors and District Health Officers are requested to review the irregular appointments and take remedial action, immediately.

The Internal Audit Parties in this Directorate and in the Office of the Regional Deputy Directors should verify during their audit and bring the irregularities to the notice of the Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine.

The receipt of the reference should be acknowledged.

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for Director of Public Health and
Preventive Medicine, Madras.6.

To

- All Regional Deputy Directors of Public Health and Preventive Medicine.
- All District Health Officers.
- All Filaria Officers and Health Educators, Research-cum-Action Project.
- Internal Audit Parties of this Directorate.
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