

GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

**Home Department
Secretariat, Chennai-600 009**

NOTIFICATION CALLING FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THE POST OF CIVIL JUDGE

1. Applications are invited by the Government of Tamil Nadu for appointment of 185 posts of **Civil Judge** in the **Tamil Nadu State Judicial Service** to be made by direct recruitment.

2. The distribution of the above said 185 vacancies is as follows :-

Sl. No.	Category	Posts Reserved
1.	General Turn	56
2.	Scheduled Castes	29
3.	Scheduled Castes (Arunthathiyars on preferential basis)	6
4.	Scheduled Tribes	2
5.	Backward Classes (other than Backward Class Muslims)	49
6.	Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities	37
7.	Backward Class Muslims	6
	Total No. of Vacancies	185

i)The reservation in recruitment in respect of differently abled persons is governed by the orders issued in G.O. Ms. No.87, SW & NMP (SW-4) Department, dated 17.7.2008.

ii)The reservation for women shall be as per the rules.

3. QUALIFICATIONS

(A) AGE (As on 01.07.2012) :

(i) For Practising Advocates / Pleaders and Assistant Public Prosecutors -

Minimum Age Limit : 25 Years

Maximum Age Limit : 35 years (For General Category)

: 40 years (For Reserved Categories)

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(ii) For Fresh Law Graduates (For all Categories) -

Minimum Age Limit : 22 Years

Maximum Age Limit : 27 Years

(B) EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION :

Candidates should possess the following or its equivalent qualification on the date of this Notification.

I. For Practising Advocates / Pleaders and Assistant Public Prosecutors:-

(i) Must possess a degree in Law of a University in India established or incorporated by or under a Central Act or a State Act or an Institution recognised by the University Grants Commission or any other equivalent qualification and got enrolled in the Bar Council of Tamil Nadu, and in the case of candidates enrolled in the Bar Councils of other States, they should submit a proof of transfer of their enrolment to the Bar Council of Tamil Nadu;

and

(ii)(a) Must be practising as an Advocate or Pleader in the High Court or Courts Subordinate thereto and must have so practised for not less than 3 years on the date of this Notification.

or

(b) Must be an Assistant Public Prosecutor having not less than 3 years of experience as an Advocate and / or Assistant Public Prosecutor.

Note :

i) In the case of advocates practising in subordinate courts, the certificate in proof of their practice should be obtained from the Presiding Officer of the Court in which the candidate is/has been practising.

ii) The Assistant Public Prosecutors shall produce the certificate issued by the Director/Deputy Director of Prosecution or the Presiding Officer of the court in which he is practising.

iii) In the case of candidates practising in the High Court, such certificate should be obtained from the Registrar (Judicial) at the Principal Seat and the Madurai Bench, as the case may be.

The Certificate should be in the following format :

"Certified that Thiru./Tmt./Selvi..... is practicing as Advocate in this Court for years.

Date: . . .2012

**Signature of the Presiding Officer
with seal."**

II. For Fresh Law Graduates :

- (i) Must be a fresh Law Graduate possessing a Degree in Law from a recognized University as mentioned in Clause-I (i) above;
- (ii) Must be eligible to be enrolled or enrolled as an advocate;
- (iii) Must have secured an overall percentage of
 - (a) 50% Marks in case of open categories;
 - (b) 45% Marks in case of all reserved categories.
- (iv) Must have obtained the Degree of Law within a period of three years prior to the Date of this Notification.

4. SCHEDULE

		Date	Time
(A)	Date of Notification	21.01.2012	-
(B)	Last date of receipt of applications	20.02.2012	5.45 P.M.
(C)	Date of Written Examination		
	1. Translation Paper	24.03.2012	10.00 A.M. to 1.00 P.M.
	2. Law Paper - I	24.03.2012	2.00 P.M. to 5.00 P.M.
	3. Law Paper - II	25.03.2012	10.00 A.M. to 1.00 P.M.
	4. Law Paper - III	25.03.2012	2.00 P.M. to 5.00 P.M.

5. SCHEME OF WRITTEN EXAMINATION (DESCRIPTIVE TYPE) AND VIVA-VOCE

Subject	Duration	Maximum Marks	Minimum Marks for a pass in each Paper		
			SC & ST	MBC/DC, BC	Others
WRITTEN (Descriptive Type)					
1. Translation Paper	3 hours	100	30%	35%	40%
2. Law Paper - I	3 hours	100	30%	35%	40%
3. Law Paper - II	3 hours	100	30%	35%	40%
4. Law Paper - III	3 hours	100	30%	35%	40%
VIVA-VOCE		60	18 (for all categories of candidates)		

Note :

- (i) Candidates, who have secured less than the minimum marks specified above in any paper of the Written Examination are not eligible for Viva-voce. Candidates who have secured less than the minimum marks prescribed for Viva-voce are not eligible for selection.

- (ii) The appearance in all the papers at the Written Examinations and for the Viva-voce is compulsory.
 - (iii) The question papers on Law Papers I, II and III will be set both in English and in Tamil. The candidates are given the option of answering the papers either in English or in Tamil.
 - (iv) **SYLLABUS FOR THE WRITTEN EXAMINATION :**
 - a) **Translation Paper**

There will be one translation paper and the candidates will be required to translate passages in English into Tamil and Tamil into English. The passages will be from (1) Depositions, (2) Judgements, and (3) Documents.
 - b) **Law Paper - I**

The Code of Civil Procedure, 1908; The Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973; The Indian Evidence Act, 1872; The Principles of Pleading and The Constitution of India.
 - c) **Law Paper - II**

Framing of issues and writing of Judgments in civil cases;
Framing of charges and writing of Judgements in criminal cases.
 - d) **Law Paper - III**

Alternate Dispute Resolution Mechanism & Techniques;
Legal Services Authority Act;
Plea Bargaining.
 - (v) **Viva-voce**

In the Viva-voce, the candidate's general knowledge, knowledge of law, grasp of procedural laws & principles of law and his/her overall aptitude for selection to the post will be tested.
6. **SCALE OF PAY**
Rs.27700 - 770 - 33090 - 920 - 40450 - 1080 - 44770 per mensem.
7. **GENERAL INFORMATION**
- (A) The rule of reservation relating to appointments applies to the posts.
 - (B) The number of vacancies advertised is only approximate and is subject to modification with reference to the vacancy position at any time before finalisation of selection for Oral Test or selection for appointment, as the case may be.

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(C) If no qualified and suitable women candidates are available for selection against the vacancies reserved for them, those vacancies will be filled up by male candidates belonging to the respective communal categories.

(D) **CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICAL FITNESS :**

Candidates selected for appointment to the post will be required to produce a certificate of physical fitness in the form prescribed for “**Posts other than Executive and Ministerial**”.

The Standard of vision required of the candidates selected for the post is ‘**Standard-III**’ or better. **Standard -III** is as follows :

	Better eye		Worse eye
Distant vision without glasses	6/6	OR	6/9
Distant vision with glasses	6/6		6/12

Candidates with defective vision should produce Eye Fitness Certificate from a qualified eye specialist.

(E) (i) Persons with disability are required to produce, along with the application form, a certificate of physical fitness from a Registered Medical Practitioner not below the rank of Assistant Civil Surgeon to the effect that his/her disability will not render him/her incapable of efficiently discharging the duties attached to the post.

(ii) The High Court reserves the right to refer any such candidate so selected to the Medical Board for certifying their fitness or otherwise to the said post.

(F) In G.O.Ms.No.241, P&AR (K) Department, dated 29.10.2007, the Government have issued orders reserving 3.5 % to BC Muslims within the 30% reservation available for BCs. All the concessions / relaxations available to BC candidates are applicable to BC Muslim candidates also.

Note:

The expression B.C. (i.e. Backward Class) wherever it occurs should be read as B.C. (Other than BCM) and B.C.(Muslim).

8. CENTRES FOR WRITTEN EXAMINATION

Sl. No.	Name of the Centre
1	Chennai
2	Coimbatore
3	Madurai
4	Salem
5	Thanjavur
6	Tiruchirappalli
7	Tirunelveli
8	Vellore
9	Villupuram

Note:

- i) Candidates would be preferably allotted the Centre of Examination on the basis of their residence/place of practice as stated in their application.
- ii) The High Court reserves the right to increase or decrease the number of examination centres and allot/re-allot the candidates to such centres.

9. PROCEDURE OF SELECTION

The selection will be made in two successive stages i.e., (i) Written Examination and (ii) Viva-Voce. The final selection will be made on the basis of the total marks obtained by the candidates at the Written Examination and Viva-Voce taken together subject to the rule of reservation of appointments. Candidates' appearance both in the Written Examination and Viva-Voce and securing the minimum qualifying marks prescribed for both is compulsory for the selection.

10. EXAMINATION FEE

Rs.200/- (Rupees Two Hundred Only) - Non refundable

The examination fee should be paid in the form of a **Demand Draft drawn in favour of the Registrar General, High Court of Madras, payable at Chennai, on or after the date of this Notification** and the same should be enclosed along with the application. Candidates belonging to the SC/ST community are exempted from payment of the examination fee.

11. ENCLOSURES TO BE SENT ALONG WITH APPLICATION

A. All candidates applying for the post are required to send with the application form, self-attested xerox copies of the following testimonials (Originals to be produced at the time of Viva-voce) :

- (i) Certificate showing the proof of Date of Birth
- (ii) S.S.L.C. / H.S.C. Certificates
- (iii) Degree Certificates (Basic Degree / Law Degree)
(including certificate in proof of qualification in Tamil language)
- (iv) Community Certificate (in case of Reserved Categories) issued by the competent authority
- (v) Disability Certificate (wherever applicable) issued by the competent authority
- (vi) Three copies of the latest passport size photographs

B. For practising Advocates /Pleaders / Assistant Public Prosecutors :
In addition to certificates mentioned in (A),

- (i) Enrolment Certificate from the Bar Council of Tamil Nadu.

or

Proof of transfer of enrolment to the Bar Council of Tamil Nadu
(Applicable only to candidates enrolled in the Bar Councils of other States)

- (ii) Certificate in the format mentioned above to show that he/she has been practising as an Advocate or Pleader in the High Court or Courts Subordinate thereto and that he/she has so practised for not less than 3 years on the date of this Notification.

or

Certificate in such format to show that he/she is an Assistant Public Prosecutor having not less than 3 years of Experience as an Advocate and/or APP on the date of this Notification.

C. For Fresh Law Graduates :

In addition to certificates mentioned in (A),

- (i) Bar Council Enrolment certificate or a certificate issued by the Bar Council of Tamil Nadu to the effect that he/she is eligible to be enrolled as an Advocate.

(ii) Consolidated Statement of Marks or Statement of Marks for all Semesters.

(iii) In the case of Open Categories, evidence to show that he/she has secured an overall percentage of 50% marks in acquiring the Law Degree and in case of other reserved categories 45% marks.

12. EMPLOYMENT CERTIFICATE

Candidates who are working as Assistant Public Prosecutors are required to produce a certificate to that effect issued by the Government.

13. CONCESSION

Rule 53 of the General Rules for the Tamil Nadu State and Subordinate Services shall not apply for this recruitment.

14. ISSUE OF APPLICATION FORMS

Candidates should apply only in the prescribed format which is given hereunder, in A-4 size sheet, which is also available on the website "<http://www.tn.gov.in/departments/home.html>" and any deviation therefrom will result in summary rejection of the application.

15. RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS

The filled-in applications along with Demand Draft towards Examination Fee (other than exempted candidates) and all the enclosures mentioned hereinabove should reach the office of the Principal Secretary to Government, Home Department, Fort St. George, Chennai-600 009 by 5.45 p.m. on or before 20.02.2012.

Incomplete applications and applications without Demand Draft (for applicable candidates) and without the prescribed enclosures would be summarily rejected and no communication will be issued and no further correspondence in this regard will be entertained.

16. TRAINING, EMOLUMENTS, ETC.

The persons selected to the post shall undergo training for a period of twelve months and shall, within the period of probation, pass the Account Test for Executive Officers. During the training period, they shall be entitled to the minimum time scale of pay and annual increment applicable to the said post. If they pass the Account Test for Executive Officers before the completion of one year of service, they shall be eligible to draw the first increment in advance from the date, following the date of passing such examination.

Note: Canvassing in any form will result in disqualification of the candidate.

Secretariat, Chennai-600 009.
Dated : 21.01.2012

Principal Secretary to Government,
Home Department

THE PRESCRIBED FORMAT OF THE APPLICATION FORM IS GIVEN BELOW

APPLICATION FOR THE POST OF CIVIL JUDGE

Affix passpost
size photograph
with signature

1.Name of the Candidate (in BLOCK LETTERS) :

2.Father's / Husband's Name :

3.Date of Birth and Age as on 01.07.2012 :

4.Gender :

5. Nationality & Religion :

6. Permanent address :

7. Address for Communication :

8. Academic Qualification :

9. Examination(s) passed in Tamil Medium
or English Medium :

10.Date of Enrolment as an Advocate :

11.Number of years of standing at the Bar
(The period of suspension of the Bar
if any, should be stated) :

12.Community [SC/ST/ MBC and DC/ BC
(other than BC Muslims) / BC Muslims /
Others] with name of the Caste :

13.Mother Tongue :

14.Native Place / District :

15.Place of Practice :

16.Whether the applicant is involved/convicted :
in any case

17.Whether the applicant has come to the :
adverse notice of the Bar Council/Police

18.Whether the applicant has been debarred/ :
rusticated by any University

19. Do you claim reservation under the :
Physical Disability category
If yes, specify category (Blind/Deaf/Ortho) :
Whether "Scribe" is required :

20. Details of Examination fee paid :
[D.D. No., Date, Name of Bank & Branch]

21. Particulars of previous/present employment :
(if any)

DECLARATION

I, _____, do hereby declare that all the facts and information stated above are true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I signed this on the _____th day of _____ 2012.

Place:

Date:

Signature of the applicant

Enclosures:-

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- 10.
- 11.

Signature of the applicant