

#### **ABSTRACT**

School Education – Recruitment of Secondary Grade Teachers and Graduate Assistants in Government schools – Revised criteria for selection of candidates for appointment to the post of Secondary Grade Teachers and Graduate Assistants in Government schools from among those who have cleared the Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test– Orders- Issued

### **School Education (TRB)Department**

G.O.(Ms).No.71

Dated : 30.05.2014 திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு 2045 விஜய வருடம் வைகாசி 16 Read

- G.O.Ms.No.181, School Education(C2) Department, Dated 15.11.2011
- 2. Government Letter No. 2068/C2/2012-1, Dated 4.2.2012.
- G.O.Ms.No.252, School Education (Q) Department, Dated 05.10.2012
- 4. G.O.Ms.No.244, School Education Department, dated 30.11.2013
- G.O.Ms.No.25, School Education (TRB) Department, Dated 06.02.2014
- G.O.Ms.No.29, School Education (TRB) Department, Dated 14.02.2014
- The Hon'ble High Court of Madras order dated 29.4.2014 in WP No.5590/2014 and other batch cases.

#### ORDER

In the G.O 1<sup>st</sup> read above, the Government have issued orders, designating the Teachers Recruitment Board as the nodal agency for conducting the Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test. In the Government letter second read above, criteria for conducting the Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test has been prescribed. In the said letter among other things the number of questions and maximum marks has been fixed at 150 Multiple Choice Questions of 1 mark each for a total of 150 marks for Paper I and Paper II respectively, and the pass percentage for clearing the Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test was fixed at 60% of the 150 marks (90 marks out of 150 marks).

- 2. In the G.O. third read above, the Government have issued orders fixing the criteria for selection of candidates for appointment to the post of Secondary Grade Teachers and Graduate Assistants in Government schools from among those candidates who have cleared the Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test.
- 3. In the G.O. fifth read above, the Government have issued orders relaxing 5% marks in the Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test (TNTET) to the candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste, Schedule Tribes, Backward Classes, Backward Classes (Muslim), Most Backward Classes, De-notified Communities and Persons with Disability (PWD). In the G.O. sixth read

above, the Government modified the orders issued in the G.O third read above to accommodate the candidates who become eligible due to the relaxation of 5% marks in the Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test.

- 4. One Tmt.P.Jayabharathi and others filed writ petitions in the High Court of Madras, challenging the Government Order G.O.Ms.No. 252, School Education(Q) Department, dated 5.10.2012 which laid down the criteria for selection of candidates for appointment as Secondary Grade Teachers and Graduate Assistants in Government schools from among those who have cleared the Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test, the Government Order G.O.Ms.No.25, School Education (TRB) Department, dated 6.2.2014, which was issued for reducing the cut off marks from 60% to 55% for clearing the Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test for candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribes, Backward Classes, Backward Classes (Muslims), Most Backward Classes, Denotified Communities and Persons With Disabilities (PWD) and the G.O(Ms)No.29, School Education(TRB) Department, dated 14.02.2014.
- 5. On 29.04.2014 the Hon'ble High Court of Madras delivered the judgement in the above writ petitions. Para 92 of the judgement is extracted below:-
  - "92. In the result
  - (1) (i) W.P.Nos.6648 and 10849 of 2014 relating to challenge made in G.O.Ms.No. 25, School Education (TRB) Department dated 6.2.2014 are dismissed. No costs. Consequently connected MPs are closed.
    - (ii) W.P.Nos. 5591, 5680, 5842, 5843, 6361, 7626, 7859, 9008 and 10843 of 2014 wherein the petitioners have prayed for giving retrospective operation of G.O.Ms.NO.25, Education (TRB) Department. Dated 6.2.2014 G.O.Ms.No.29, School Education (TRB) Department, Dated 14.2.2014 to the TET examinations held in the year 2012 are dismissed. No costs. Consequently connected MPs are closed. (iii) W.P.Nos. 2780, 2781, 2782, 4182, 4183, 4184, 5590, 5985, 7146, 7371, 7681, 8354 and 10850 relating to challenge made to G.O.Ms.NO. 252, School Education (Q) Department dated, 5.10.2012 prescribing the method for awarding weightage marks for selection of Secondary Grade Teachers and Graduate Assistants are all allowed and G.O.Ms.NO. 252, School Education (Q) Department dated, 5.10.2012 and G.O.Ms.No.29. School Education (TRB) Department, Dated 14.2.2014 shall stand set aside only in respect of grading method prescribed for awarding weightage marks. No costs. Consequently connected MPs are closed.
    - (iv) W.P.Nos. 7213, 7315, 7316, 7317, 7754, 7755, 7756 and 7757 of 2014 are dismissed. No costs. Consequently connected MPs are closed.
  - (2) The Government is directed to issue a Government Order expeditiously prescribing any other scientific rational methods for awarding weightage marks for Higher Secondary/ D.T.Ed., / D.E.Ed.,/ Degree / B.Ed.,/ TET for Secondary Grade Teachers / Graduate Assistants, as the case of may be and make selection accordingly.

- (3) I am hopeful that the Government will ensure that the selection process is completed and vacancies are filled up at least at the beginning of the next academic year.
- 6. The Government have examined the issue in detail and have decided to cancel the orders issued in G.O.Ms.No.252, School Education (Q) Department, Dated 5.10.2012 and G.O.Ms.No.29, School Education (TRB) Department, Dated 14.02.2014. Accordingly, the Government orders issued in 3<sup>rd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> read above are hereby cancelled.
- 7. The Government now issue revised orders for fixing the weightage and for distributing the weightage marks fixed in the light of the High Court orders as mentioned in para 5 above for selection of candidates for appointment to the post of Secondary Grade Teachers and Graduate Assistants in Government Schools from among those candidates who have cleared the Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test. The weightage of marks and the distribution of weightage of marks be fixed as follows:-

## A) <u>Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test Weightage for Secondary</u> Grade Teachers

(a) There shall be 100 marks in total

(b) The computation of 100 marks will be in the following manner

(i) Higher Secondary Exam : 15 marks (ii) D.T.Ed.,/D.E.Ed.,Exam : 25 marks (iii) Teacher Eligibility Test : 60 marks

The weightage so assigned as indicated in (b) above to be distributed based on the actual percentage of marks obtained by the candidate in the qualifying examinations as shown below:-

Qualifying Examination	Weightage of marks	Percentage of marks obtained in the qualifying examination	Marks assigned
H.Sc.,	15	P%	Px15  100
D.T.Ed.,/ D.E.Ed.,	25	Q%	Q x 25  100
TET	60	R%	R x 60  100
Total	100		XXXX

# B) <u>Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test Weightage for Graduate</u> Assistants

(a) There shall be 100 marks in total

(b) The computation of 100 marks will be in the following manner

(i) Higher Secondary Exam : 10 marks (ii) Degree Exam : 15 marks (iii) B.Ed., Exam : 15 marks (iv) Teacher Eligibility Test : 60 marks The weightage so assigned as indicated in (b) above to be distributed based on the actual percentage of marks obtained by the candidate in the qualifying examinations as shown below:-

Qualifying Examination	Weightage of marks	Percentage of marks obtained in the qualifying examination	Marks assigned
H.Sc.,	10	P%	P x10
			100
Degree	15	Q%	Q x 15
			100
B.Ed.,	45	R%	R x 15
	15		
			100
TET	60	S%	S x 60
			100
Total	100		xxxx

- C) The merit list of the candidates will be arrived at based on (A) above for Secondary Grade Teachers and (B) above for Graduate Assistants. If more than one candidate has the same marks, then preference in selection will be based on the date of birth. (the older person will be given priority)
- D) The Teachers Recruitment Board to adopt the above procedure for appointment of candidates to the post of Secondary Grade Teachers and Graduate Assistants in Government Schools from among those candidates who have cleared the Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test by following the rule of reservation and certificate verification.

(By order of the Governor)

D.Sabitha
Principal Secretary to Government

To

The Chairman, Teachers Recruitment Board,

Chennai-6.

The Director of School Education, Chennai-6.

The Director of Elementary Education, Chennai-6.

The Director of Matriculation Schools, Chennai-6.

The Director of Government Examinations, Chennai-6.

The Special Government Pleader.

High Court, Chennai-108.

The Chief Minister Office, Chennai-9.

The Senior Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minister for School Education, Chennai-9.

The Adi Dravidar and Tribal Welfare Department, Chennai-9.

The Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes & Minorities Welfare Department, Chennai-9.

The Social Welfare & Nutritious Meal Programme Department, Chennai-9.

The Environment and Forest Department, Chennai-9. SC/SF

Copy to:-

G.O(Ms)No.252, School Education Department, dated 5.10.2012.

G.O(Ms)No.25, School Education Department, dated 6.2.2014.

G.O(Ms)No.29, School Education Department, dated 14.02.2014.

G.O.Ms.No.244, School Education Department, dated 30.11.2013.

//Forwarded by Order//

Section Officer