



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA
Higher Education (A) Department
NOTIFICATION

G.O. (P) No.51/2003/H.Edn. Thiruvananthapuram, 13th May 2003.

S.R.O.No.516/2003.—In exercise of the powers conferred by subsection (1) of section 2 of the Kerala Public Services Act, 1968 (19 of 1968), the Government of Kerala hereby make the following Special Rules for the Kerala State Central Library Service, namely :—

RULES

1. *Short title and commencements.*—(1) These rules may be called the Kerala State Central Library Service Rules, 2003.

(2) They shall come into force at once.

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

Category 1 State Librarian

Category 2 Deputy State Librarian

Category 3 Librarian Grade I

3. Appointment to the various categories of posts mentioned in column (1) of the Table below shall be made by the method specified in column (2) thereof :—

TABLE

Category	Method of appointment
(1)	(2)
1 State Librarian	(i) By promotion from category 2 Deputy State Librarian. (ii) In the absence of suitable candidates under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.

(1)	(2)
2. Deputy State Librarian	(i) By promotion from Category 3 Librarian Grade I (ii) In the absence of suitable candidate under item (i) above, by direct recruitment.
3. Librarian Grade I	(i) By transfer from the category of Librarian Grade II in the Kerala State Central Library Subordinate Service. (ii) In the absence of suitable candidates under item (i) above by direct recruitment.

4. *Appointing Authority.*—The appointing authority in respect of all the categories in the service shall be the Government.

5. *Qualification regarding age.*—No person shall be eligible for appointment by direct recruitment, if he has not completed 18 years of age. For category I (State Librarian) the maximum age limit will be 45 years. For Category II (Deputy State Librarian) the maximum age limit will be 40 years. For category III (Librarian Grade I) the maximum age limit will be 35 years as on the 1st day of January of the year in which applications are invited with usual relaxation in case of SC/ST and other backward classes.

6. *Other Qualifications.*—No person shall be eligible for appointment to any of the categories specified in column (i) by the method specified in column (2) of the Table below, unless he possesses the qualifications prescribed in the corresponding entry in column (3) thereof:—

TABLE

Category	Method of appointment	Qualifications
(1)	(2)	(3)
State Librarian	(a) By promotion	Degree in any subject and Masters Degree in Library and Information Science. A doctorate in Library Science from a recognised University shall be considered as an additional qualification.
	(b) By direct recruitment	(i) Degree in any subject acquired after a regular course of study from a recognised University and Masters Degree in Library & Information Science acquired after a

(2)

(3)

Deputy
State
Librarian

- (a) By promotion

By direct
recruitment.

regular course of study from a recognised University. A doctorate in Library Science from a recognised University shall be considered as an additional qualification.

(ii) Seven years experience as Librarian in an Established Library.

In the absence of qualified hands, the post of State Librarian can be filled by promotion.

Degree in any subject and Masters Degree in Library & Information Science.

Librarian
Grade I

- (a) By transfer

(b) By direct
recruitment.

(i) Degree in any subject one acquired after a regular course of study from a recognised University and Masters Degree in Library & Information Science acquired after a regular course of study from a recognised University.

(ii) Five years experience as Librarian in an Established Library.

Bachelors Degree in any subject and Masters Degree in Library & Information Science.

(i) Degree in any subject one acquired after a regular course of study from a recognised University and Masters Degree in Library & Information Science acquired after a regular course of study from recognised University.

(ii) Three years experience as Librarian in an Established Library.

Note :—Appointment to Categories of State Librarian Deputy State Librarian and Librarian Grade I shall be made from a select list.

Explanation :— The term 'Established Library' means,

- (i) any Library attached to a Government Department or Government Institution

OR

- (ii) any Library of a University, Court of Commission;

OR

- (iii) any Library attached to a body or institution or undertaking under the control of the Government.

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

8. *Probation.*—Any person appointed to any of the category shall, from the date on which he joins duty, be on probation,—

- (i) if appointed by direct recruitment or by transfer from any other service for a total period of two years on duty within a continuous period of three years; and
- (ii) if appointed by promotion, for a total period of one year on duty within a continuous period of two years.

9. *Test.*—Every person appointed to any of the categories shall within the period of probation pass the Account Test (Lower) or Executive Officers Test conducted by the Kerala Public Service Commission.

By order of the Governor,

K. MOHANDAS,

Principal Secretary to Government.

Explanatory Note

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

The Special Rules for the posts in the Public Library (State Central Library) have not been issued so far, Government now propose to issue Special Rules for the posts by prescribing qualifications, method of appointment etc.

This notification is intended to achieve the above object.