

NOTIFICATION
Panchayats, Rural Housing and Rural Development Department
Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
Dated the 4th December, 2020.

**Gujarat
Panchayats
Act, 1993.**

No.KP/31/2020/PRR/102019/773/KH:-In exercise of the powers conferred by section 227 read with second proviso to sub-section (5) of section 274 of the Gujarat Panchayats Act,1993 (Guj.18 of 1993) and in supersession of all the rules made in this behalf, the Government of Gujarat hereby makes the following rules. namely :-

1. Short title commencement and application.-

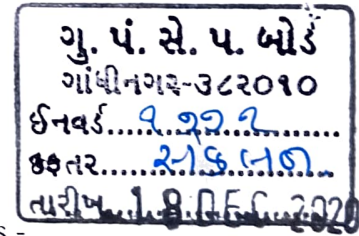
- (1) These rules may be called the Gujarat Panchayats Service (Hindi Language Examination) Rules, 2020.
- (2) They shall come into force from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- (3) They shall apply to all persons recruited to any post in the Panchayat Service.

Class III.

2. Definitions.-

In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires.-

- (a) "Act" means the Gujarat Panchayats Act, 1993 (Guj 18 of 1993);
- (b) "Board" means the Gujarat Panchayat Service Selection Board constituted under section 235 of the Act.
- (c) "Examination" means written Test and Viva Voce Test or Colloquial Test, prescribed in rule 3;
- (d) " Government " means the Government of the State of Gujarat ;
- (e) "Inferior servant" means an employee of the Panchayat service holding any of the posts specified in Schedule I appended to these rules ;



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- (f) "Old Rules" means the Gujarat Panchayat Services (Hindi Language Examination) Rules, 1965;
- (g) "Relevant Examination Rules" means the examination rules prescribed under these rules or, as the case may be, under the old rules;
- (h) "Schedule" means a Schedule appended to these rules.

3. Categories of persons required to pass the examination,-

(1) Every person in the Panchayat Service, to whom these rules apply, shall be required to pass,-

- (a) a written test and Viva voce test in Hindi Language as per Schedule III, if he is a person other than an inferior servant;
- (b) a Colloquial test in Hindi language, if he is an inferior servant;

as hereinafter prescribed, within a period of Three years from the date of joining his first appointment in the Panchayat Service;

Provided that in the case of persons allocated to the Panchayat Service or recruited to the Panchayat Service before the commencement of these rules, the said period of three years shall be counted from the date of the commencement of these rules:

Provided further that the Government may, in deserving cases, extend the said period of three years by one year:

Provided also that a person who has passed the relevant examination under the old rules before the appointed date, shall not be required to pass an examination under these rules.

(2) Nothing in sub-rule (1) shall apply to an employee of the Panchayat Service.-

- (a) whose mother tongue is Hindi, and who has passed SSC examination or any equivalent examination with hindi subject is not required to pass the Hindi examination;
- (b) who has prior to his appointment to the Panchayat Service acquired the required knowledge of Hindi by virtue of his having passed the Secondary School Certificate Examination or an examination recognized by Government as equivalent to or higher than the Secondary School Certificate Examination with Hindi as one of the subjects;
- (c) who has already passed the regional language test in Hindi prescribed by the Government;
- (d) who has been exempted from passing the written test and viva voce test or the colloquial test, as the case may be, under these rules or the old rules.

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule (1) above, categories of posts in the Panchayat Service mentioned in Schedule II appended to these rules, the provisions of clause (b), instead of the provisions of clause (a), of the said sub-rule (1) shall apply on the ground that they are either technical posts or posts held by the inferior servants where only limited knowledge of Hindi language is considered to be sufficient.

4. Penalty for failure to pass examination.-

Subject to the provisions of the foregoing rules, the passing of the written test and viva voce test in Hindi Language Examination or as the case may be the Colloquial test, shall be compulsory. Failure to pass the examination within the prescribed period or in

cases in which the period has been extended, during such extended period, shall result in with holding of the next increment with effect from the date it becomes due:

Provided that the increments so withheld shall stand released with effect from the next due date after the said person passes the examination or is exempted from passing the examination and all the future increments shall accrue as if no increments were withheld.

Explanation - For the purposes of this rule, the date of passing the Hindi Language examination shall be the date on which the result is Officially Published by the authority as may be determined by Government from time to time.

5. Syllabus and standard of Passing marks for the Hindi Language Examination.-

The syllabus and standard of passing marks for the Hindi Language Examination shall be as specified in the Schedule III.

6. Arrangement for holding of Hindi Language Examination.-

- (1) The Hindi Language Examination shall be held by the Board twice in a year ordinarily in the month of July and February.
- (2) The arrangements for,-
 - (i) setting of the question paper;
 - (ii) supplying the same to the District Development Officer according to their need;
 - (iii) appointment of examiners: and
 - (iv) declaration of result shall be made by the Board.

7. **Holding of Colloquial Test.-**

The Hindi Language colloquial test shall be held by the District Development Officer of the respective District Panchayat twice in a year by giving at least two months' notice in advance in respect of each test.

The arrangement for appointment of persons to carry out the test and for declaration of result shall also be made by District Development Officer or an Officer not below the rank of Deputy District Development Officer specifically authorized by him.

SCHEDULE I

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| 1. Peon | 2. Peon-cum-Driver |
| 3. Watchman | 4. Naik |
| 5. Pagi | 6. Attendant or Boy Peon |
| 7. Mukadam | 8. Hamal |
| 9. Sweeper | 10. Store Chowkidar |
| 11. Wardman | 12. Wardboy |
| 13. Cleaner | 14. Majdoor |
| 15. Chowkidar | 16. Kotwal |
| 17. Jamadar | 18. Bull Attendant |
| 19. Ward servant | 20. Dresser |
| 21. Fireman | 22. Road Roller Driver |
| 23. Cook | 24. Oilman |
| 25. Plumber | 26. Rest House Keeper |
| 27. Fitter | 28. Bull Dozer Operator |
| 29. Wireman | 30. Mobile Van Driver Operator |
| 31. Boring Operator | 32. Steam Roller Driver |
| 33. Conductor | 34. Driver |
| 35. Road Roller Driver | 36. Tractor Driver |
| 37. Workman | 38. Ayah |
| 39. Trained Dai | 40. Senior Driver |
| 41. Road Grader Driver | 42. Fargo Driver |
| 43. Driver (Ambulance) | 44. Power House Engine Driver |
| 45. Dayan | |

Schedule II

Technical posts requiring limited knowledge of Hindi

- (A) Drivers mentioned in Schedule I. Dressers, Wireman, Oilman, Boring Operator, Bull Dozer operator, Trained Dayan.
- (B) Drivers in Panchayat Service and Class IV employees in Panchayats, Road and Building Department and Health and Family Welfare Department.

SCHEDULE III

The following shall be the syllabus for Lower Standard Examination in Hindi Language for the person other than an inferior Servant.

(1) Paper 1, Hindi(General)

Time:- Three hours.100 marks

(i)	Essay writing	25
(ii)	Translation from English/Hindi to Hindi and vice-versa	25
(iii)	Precis writing	20
(iv)	Grammar	20
(v)	Letter	10

Total 100

Two questions will be set in Grammar. They will be on the correct use of gender, number and tense, synonyms, idioms, changing tense and meaning of the sentence, recognition of correct and incorrect sentence, punctuation marks, etc. and they will be mainly based on text books.

- (2) . **Paper II** (to be answered without the help of books) Marks 100, Time:-three hours

Questions to be set from the prescribed Text Books

(3). Viva voce Test- Comprising Manuscript reading and conversation - Marks 50.

Text Books:-

(i) Std 10. Hindi text book Published by the Gujarat State Board of School Textbooks.

Note- The question paper shall be designed to test the knowledge of Hindi Language and not the knowledge of the contents of text books.

Standard of Passing the Examination:-

- (A) (i). The standard of passing the Hindi Language Examination shall be 35% of maximum number of marks in each paper and viva voce test.
(ii) An unsuccessful candidate who secures 50% or more marks in any paper shall be exempted.
- (B) The standard of passing the Colloquial test shall be 35%, and the Colloquial test shall be 50 Marks.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Gujarat.


(Jaydeep Dvivedi)

Joint Secretary to Government.

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1. The Manager, Government Central Press, Sector-30, Gandhinagar with request to publish the order in part – I- A of Gujarat Government Extra Ordinary Gazette and send 500 copies of the same to the Panchayats, Rural Housing and Rural Development Department , KH-Branch, Block No. 8,5th Floor, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
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- 1 The P.S. to Hon.'ble Minister of state for Panchayats, Rural Housing and Rural Development Department, Swarnim Sankul-2, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar.
- 2 The Development Commissioner, Block no. 16. Dr. Jivaraj Mehta bhavan, Gandhinagar.

- 3 The Secretary, Gujarat Panchayat Service Selection Board, Block No. 2, 5th Floor, Karmyogi Bhavan, Sector-10 A, Gandhinagar.
- 4 All District Development Officer.
- 5 Select file.