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**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**  
**DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE**

No. 1580-FT/O/1E-17/2015EX

Dated : Howrah, the 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2017

**NOTIFICATION**

In exercise of the power conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution of India and in supersession of all earlier notifications on the subject-matter, the Governor is pleased hereby to make, with immediate effect, the following rules regulating the recruitment to the posts of Sub-Inspector and Lady Sub-Inspector of Excise under the Finance Department, Government of West Bengal: —

*Rules*

The method of, and the qualifications required for, the recruitment to the posts of Sub-Inspector and Lady Sub-Inspector of Excise under the Finance Department, Government of West Bengal, shall be as detailed below: —

- (1) method of recruitment :
- (a) 50% of the posts (both permanent and temporary) to be filled up by selection (direct recruitment) on the basis of qualifying the preliminary examination which will act as screening examination (for direct recruitment) followed by the physical measurement test, physical efficiency test, final combined competitive examination and personality test, to be conducted by the West Bengal Police Recruitment Board (WBPRB), on inviting applications from the eligible candidates through open advertisement;
  - (b) 50% of the posts to be filled up by promotion from the confirmed Assistant Sub-Inspectors of Excise who—
    - (i) have completed 3 years of qualifying service as Assistant Sub-Inspector of Excise;
    - (ii) possesses working knowledge of English, Law and Accounts; and

(iii) have shown exceptional ability.

*Note* – The willing and eligible Assistant Sub- Inspectors of Excise shall have to qualify the departmental examination alongwith the viva voce test to be conducted by the Appointing Authority for promotion to the post of Sub-Inspector of Excise;

(2) Qualifications for direct recruitment : The candidate—

- (a) must be an Indian citizen;
- (b) must have a bachelor's degree in any discipline from a recognized university or its equivalent;
- (c) must be able to speak, read and write in Bengali or Nepali. Candidates who have studied Bengali or Nepali either as a language or as a medium of instruction at the *Madhyamik* or at a higher level, are eligible to apply for the posts as knowledge of regional language is essential for day to day functioning and for maintenance of law and order. Candidates who otherwise do not fulfil this eligibility criteria but have declared themselves to be proficient in Bengali or Nepali shall be tested for the knowledge of regional language during the personality test. Candidates not able to fulfil the eligibility criteria shall be disqualified thenceforth;
- (d) must have a minimum physical measurement as mentioned below:—

Sl. No.	Name of the post	Category	Height (in cm)	Chest (in cm)	Weight (in kg)
1.	Sub- Inspector of Excise	Candidates of all categories (except Gorkhas, Rajbansis and Scheduled Tribes)	167	79 cm with a minimum expansion of 0.5 cm.	51.50
		Gorkhas, Rajbansis and Scheduled Tribes	160	76 cm with a minimum expansion of 0.5 cm.	50.00
2.	Lady Sub- Inspector of Excise	Candidates of all categories (except Gorkhas, Rajbansis and Scheduled Tribes)	160		45.00
		Gorkhas. Rajbansis and Scheduled Tribes	155		45.00

(e) must qualify the following physical efficiency tests —

Sl. No.	Name of post	Test
1.	Male candidates for the post of Sub-Inspector of Excise	Long distance run – 800 metres in three minutes.
2.	Female candidates for the post of Lady Sub-Inspector of Excise	Long distance run - 400 metres in two minutes.

- (3) age for direct recruitment : must not be less than twenty years and not more than —  
twenty-seven years as on the first day of January of the year of advertisement. The upper age-limit shall be relaxable in case of the candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and the Other Backward Classes as per the extant rules of the State
- (4) appointing authority : The Excise Commissioner, West Bengal.
- (5) plan of examination : Competitive examination and tests for the recruitment to the posts of Sub-Inspector and Lady Sub-Inspector of Excise, shall be held as follows:—
- (i) **Preliminary examination :** The preliminary examination shall be held on General Studies, Logical and Analytical Reasoning and Arithmetic (multiple choice - objective type questions) and shall carry full marks of 200 (100 marks in General Studies having 50 questions, 50 marks in Logical and Analytical Reasoning having 25 questions and 50 marks in Arithmetic having 25 questions). The duration of the examination being 1 Vi hours. The preliminary examination shall be a screening test for selection of candidates for the physical measurement test and physical efficiency test. The West Bengal Police Recruitment Board (WBPRB) shall be the competent agency to prescribe for minimum cut off marks for each category and posts taking into account the number of vacancies proposed to be filled up in each category and post.
- The marks obtained by the candidate in the preliminary examination shall not be counted for the purpose of determining the final merit list. The syllabus for preliminary examination shall be as mentioned herein after;
- (ii) **Physical Measurement Test (PMT) and Physical Efficiency Test (PET) :** The Physical Measurement Test (PMT) as specified in clause (d) of rule (2) relating to the height, weight and chest of the candidates qualified in the preliminary examination shall be taken followed by the Physical Efficiency Test (PET) of the eligible candidates as specified in clause (e) of rule (2). The qualified candidates of PMT shall be eligible to appear in the Physical Efficiency Test. This test shall be conducted by the West Bengal Police Recruitment Board (WBPRB) at the venues selected by the Board for the purpose. The qualified candidates of both physical measurement test and physical efficiency test shall be eligible to appear in the final combined competitive examination;
- (iii) **Final Combined Competitive Examination :** The final combined competitive examination consists of three papers of conventional type of questions, namely:—
- (a) Paper I: General Studies and Arithmetic for 100 marks (50 marks for General Studies, 25 marks for Logical and Analytical Reasoning and 25 marks for Arithmetic) of two hours duration;
- (b) Paper II: English for 50 marks of one hour duration;
- (c) Paper III: Bengali/Nepali/Hindu/Urdu for 50 marks of one hour duration.

The written examination for all these three papers of the final combined competitive examination, shall be held on the same day at selected centres to be decided by the West Bengal Police Recruitment Board (WBPRB). The syllabus for final combined competitive examination shall be as mentioned herein after.

- (iv) **Personality Test** : Full Marks – 30 (minimum pass marks for the personality test will be 08).

A limited number of candidates selected merit wise on the basis of the results of final combined competitive examination will be called on to appear at the Personality Test. Candidates who have not studied Bengali or Nepali as a language or a medium of instruction at the Madhyamik or at a higher level, but declared themselves proficient in Bengali or Nepali will be tested for the knowledge of Bengali or Nepali at the time of Personality Test.

The West Bengal Police Recruitment Board (WBPRB) shall have the discretion to fix qualifying marks in all or any of the three papers and also in the aggregate of three papers in the final combined competitive examination as mentioned after:—

#### **Syllabus for the examination**

1. Paper I: Preliminary examination and Final Combined Competitive Examination General Studies and Arithmetic—
  - (a) General Studies: Questions will be set to test the general knowledge of candidates in different spheres;
  - (b) Logical and Analytical Reasoning: Questions will be set to test the logical and analytical ability of the candidates; and
  - (c) Arithmetic: Questions will be set on the basis of syllabus of *Madhyamik* examination of the West Bengal Board of Secondary Education.
2. Paper II: Final Combined Competitive Examination  
 Paper II : English – Questions may be asked on all or any of the following items:—
  - (a) drafting of a report from the points or materials supplied;
  - (b) translation from Bengali or Nepali, as the case may be, to English;
  - (c) condensing of a prose passage (summary or thesis);
  - (d) correct use of words, correction of sentences, use of common phrases, synonyms and antonyms.
3. Paper III : Final Combined Competitive Examination  
 Paper III : Bengali/Nepali/Hindi/Urdu. Questions may be asked on all or any of the following items:—
  - (a) drafting of a report from the points or materials supplied;
  - (b) translation from English to Bengali/Nepali/Hindi/Urdu, as the case may be;
  - (c) condensing of a prose passage (summary thesis); and
  - (d) grammar.

By order of the Governor,

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