

GAZETTE DATE : 15/12/2023

LAST DATE : 17/01/2024

**CATEGORY NO. 528/2023**

Applications are invited online only through One Time Registration Scheme from qualified candidates for selection to the undermentioned post in Kerala Government Service. Before applying for the post, the candidates shall register as per One Time Registration Scheme through the official website of Kerala Public Service Commission. Candidates who have already registered can apply through their profile.

- 1 Department : Agriculture Development & Farmers Welfare
- 2 Name of Post : Agricultural Assistant Grade II
- 3 Scale of pay : ₹ 27,900-63,700/-
- 4 Number of vacancies : Anticipated Vacancies

The Ranked list of selected candidates published by the Commission in response to this notification shall remain in force for a minimum period of one year provided that the said list will continue to be in force till the publication of a new list after the expiry of the minimum period of one year or till the expiry of three years whichever is earlier. Candidates will be advised from the said list against the above vacancy and vacancies that may be reported to the Commission during the period of currency of the list.

**Note :-** 4% of the vacancies for the post shall be reserved for differently abled candidates with disabilities specified vide GO(P)No.7/2022/SJD dated 28.10.2022.

LINK

[https://www.keralapsc.gov.in/sites/default/files/inline-files/g\\_o\\_p\\_7\\_2022\\_sjd\\_dtd\\_28\\_10\\_2022.pdf](https://www.keralapsc.gov.in/sites/default/files/inline-files/g_o_p_7_2022_sjd_dtd_28_10_2022.pdf)

- 5 Method of appointment : Direct Recruitment.
- 6 Age limit **18-37.** Only candidates born between 02.01.1986 and 01.01.2005 (both dates included) are eligible to apply for this post. Other Backward Communities and SC/ST candidates are eligible for usual age relaxation (for other conditions regarding age relaxations please see Para 2 of the General conditions.)
- 7 **Qualifications** : A: (i) Diploma in Agriculture/Diploma in Organic Agriculture awarded by the Kerala Agricultural University.  
In the absence of qualified hands, under item (i) above  
(ii) Vocational Higher Secondary Certificate in Agriculture

B: Good Physique.

1) **Pre Service Training**

All direct recruits except those who possess any of the certificates accepted as recognised training in agriculture will have to undergo a course of training for 6 months in any of the two centres at Ollukkara and Thaliparamba. Intensive Training will be given in theory as well as practical. At the end of the training period final test in theory, practical and oral will be conducted by the Deputy Director of Agriculture of the District concerned. Those who fail in the first chance will be given two more chances to sit for the test during the period of probation, failing which their probation will be terminated and service dispensed with. The test will be conducted half yearly during the period of probation. After the successful completion of training, the candidates will be appointed as Agricultural Assistants Gr.II on `27900-63700/-

## Note

The following are the Certificates accepted as recognised training in Agriculture.

1. Successful completion of 2 years certificate course in Agricultural Science conducted by Gandhigram Rural Institute, Madurai or by Other Rural Institutes recognised by the Government of India.
  2. Certificate in Agricultural Science awarded by the National Council of Rural Higher Education, Government of India.
  3. Certificate in KGTE of MGTE in Agriculture.
  4. One year training in Agriculture at an Agricultural School or a basic Agricultural School.
- 2) All the direct recruits except those who have got exemption from the training will have to execute a bond agreeing to serve the Government for a period of two years failing which he/she should pay back to Government all the money paid to him/her to all the expenses incurred by the Government for his/her training together with liquidated damages of `300 (PR). The specimen form of the bond to be executed can be had from the Agricultural Department. A sum of A50 (PR) mensum (Vide GO(Ms)No. 407/70/Agri. Dated 23.11.1970) will be paid as stipend during the period of training.
- 3) The Rank and Seniority of candidates selected for the post of Agricultural Assistant will be decided according to their ranks assigned in the advice list of the Public Service Commission, irrespective of whether they need or need not undergo pre service training. But in the case of those who fail to secure a pass after completion of the training in the first chance, their rank and seniority will be revised on the basis of the chances and mark they obtained in the subsequent chances.
- Probation :** Candidates appointed by direct recruitment will be on probation for a period of two years within a continuous period of 3 years.

- Note**
1. Rule 10 a(ii) of part II of KS&SSR is applicable.
  2. In addition to the qualifications prescribed in the notification, the qualifications recognized by executive orders, or standing orders of Government as equivalent to a qualification specified for a post, in the Special Rules and such of those qualifications which pre-suppose the acquisition of the lower qualification prescribed for the post, shall also be sufficient for the post. The copy of the Government orders declaring equivalent/higher qualifications shall be produced as and when required by the Commission.
  3. The Degrees/Diplomas awarded by UGC approved Universities or Institutions established through an act passed by the Parliament / State Legislative Assembly in accordance with the condition laid down in GO(Ms)No.526/PD dated 17.07.1965 are acceptable for appointment in Government Services.  
[https://www.keralapsc.gov.in/sites/default/files/inline-files/circular\\_12\\_18\\_1.pdf](https://www.keralapsc.gov.in/sites/default/files/inline-files/circular_12_18_1.pdf)

## 8 Mode of submitting Application:-

- (a) Candidates must register as per 'ONE TIME REGISTRATION' with the Official Website of Kerala Public Service Commission [www.keralapsc.gov.in](http://www.keralapsc.gov.in) before applying for the post. Candidates who have registered can apply by logging in to their profile using their User-ID and password. Candidates must click on the '**Apply Now**' button of the respective posts in the Notification Link to apply for the post. The photograph uploaded should be one taken after 31.12.2013. Those candidates who have created new profile from 01.01.2022 onwards should upload their photograph taken within six months. Name of the candidate and the date of photograph taken should be printed legibly at the bottom portion of the Photograph. The photograph once uploaded meeting all requirements shall be valid for 10 years from the date of uploading. There is no change in other instructions regarding the uploading of photographs. No application fee is required. Candidates are responsible for the correctness of the personal information and secrecy of password. Before the final submission of the application on the profile candidates must ensure correctness of the information in their profile. They must quote the User-ID for further communication with the Commission. Application submitted is provisional and cannot be deleted or altered after submission. **Candidates are advised to keep a printout or soft copy of the online application for future reference. Candidates can take the print out of the application by clicking on the link 'My applications' in their profile. All correspondence with the Commission, regarding the application should be accompanied with the print out of the application.** The application will be summarily rejected if non-compliance with the notification is found in due course of processing. Original Documents to prove qualification, experience, age, community etc. have to be produced as and

when called for. The profile correction made by the candidates themselves or through the office of the KPSC on request after the last date fixed for the receipt of applications will not be reflected in the application. Such correction will come into effect only on the date on which correction have been made.

- (b) If a Written/OMR/Online Test is conducted as part of this selection, candidates shall submit a confirmation for writing the examination through their One Time Registration profile. Such candidates alone can generate and download the Admission Tickets prior to 15 days of Test. The applications of candidates who do not submit confirmation within the stipulated period, will be rejected absolutely. The periods regarding the submission of confirmation and the availability of Admission Tickets will be published in the Examination Calendar itself. Information in this regard will be given to the candidates in their respective profiles and in the mobile phone number registered in it.
- (c) Candidates who have AADHAAR card should add AADHAAR Card as I.D Proof in their profile.

**9 Special Instructions to candidates**

- (a) In the case of difference in Caste/Community claimed in the application and that entered in SSLC book, the candidate shall produce a Gazette Notification in this regard, along with Non Creamy Layer Certificate/Community Certificate at the time of certificate verification.
- (b) Candidates are required to acquaint themselves with the instructions given in the notification as Part II, General Conditions before submitting application for the post. Applications which are not submitted in accordance with the terms and conditions laid down in the General Conditions are liable to be rejected.
- (c) Appropriate disciplinary action as per Rule 22 of the Kerala Public Service Commission Rules of Procedure shall be initiated against those candidates who submit applications with bogus claims of qualification regarding education, experience etc. and are liable to be disqualified for being considered for a particular post or debarment from applying to the Commission either permanently or for any period or the invalidation of their answer scripts or products in a written/practical test or the initiation of criminal or other proceedings against them or their removal or dismissal from office or the ordering of any other disciplinary action against them if they have already been appointed, or any one or more of the above.

**10** Last date for receipt of applications:- **17.01.2024**, Wednesday upto 12.00 midnight.

**11** **Address to which applications are to be sent :** [www.keralapsc.gov.in](http://www.keralapsc.gov.in)

(For details including Photo, ID card etc refer the General conditions given in Part II of the Gazette Notification).

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