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ASSAM PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
Jawaharnagar, Khanapara, Guwahati-781022

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Website for Online Application System: <https://apscrecruitment.in>

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No.65PSC/E-11/2021-22

Dated Guwahati, the 27th December, 2021

Assam Public Service Commission invites application from Indian Citizens as defined in Articles 5 to 8 of the Constitution of India for the post of Forest Rangers in the Assam Forest Service under Environment & Forests Deptt. under the provision of Rule (2)(i) of "I- Rules for appointment to the Class of Rangers" given in para 4 of Chapter- I of Assam Forest Manual Volume-II and thereafter for undergoing in-service Certificate Course of training in Forestry under the provision of the Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment & Forest- Entrance and Training Rules (Revised) ,2004 for Forest Ranger Officers vide Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment & Forests F. No. 3- 17/99- RT (II) dated 21-06-2004 as notified in Gazette of India on 22-07-2004 vide Ministry of Environment & Forests (RT Division) notification No. GSR. 465 (E), dtd 21-07-2004, in any Forestry Training College/ Institute, as specified by Govt. of India.

1. **Name of the Post:** Forest Ranger in the Assam Forest Service under Environment & Forests Deptt., Assam

2. **Online Application :-** Start Date From : 28.12.2021
End Date : 27.01.2022
Last Date for submission of fees : 30.01.2022

3. **No. of Posts:** -50 (Fifty)

Name of the Service/Post	Open category		Reserved for OBC/MOBC		Reserved for SC		Reserved For STP		Reserved For STH		Reserved for EWS		Grand Total		Post reserved for PWBD & Type of Disability
	Total	RFW	Total	RFW	Total	RFW	Total	RFW	Total	RFW	Total	RFW	Total	RFW	
Forest Ranger	35	11	5	1	1	0	2	0	2	0	5	1	50	13	Nil

*Reservation as per draft advertisement received from Government against total numbers of posts in the cadre.

4. **Scale of Pay:** - Pay scale + Grade Pay + Other allowances as admissible to the Assam State Government employees from time to time (per month).

Pay scale	Grade Pay	Pay band
Rs. 22,000/- to 97,000/-	Rs.10,300/-	P.B. -3

5. **Minimum standards for height and chest girth for a candidate shall be as under:-**

	Height (cm)	Chest girth (cm)	
		Normal	Expansion
Male candidate:	163	79	05
Female candidate:	150	74	05

The following minimum height standard will be allowed in case of candidates belonging to Scheduled Tribes and races who are residing in Assam such as Assamese, Bhutanese, Garhwalis, Gorkhas, Kumaonis, Ladakhese, Mizo, Naga, Nepalese, Sikkimese and those from Arunachal Pradesh, Lahaul & Spiti, Meghalaya:

Male candidate:	152 cm
Female candidate:	145 cm

6. **Educational Qualification:**

- Applicant must possess Bachelor's Degree (or equivalent) in Science or Engineering of any recognized University with at least one of the following subjects:-
 - Agriculture
 - Botany
 - Chemistry
 - Computer Applications/ Computer Science

- v. Engineering (Agriculture/ Chemical/ Civil/ Computer/ Electrical/ Electronics/ Mechanical)
- vi. Environmental Science
- vii. Forestry
- viii. Geology
- ix. Horticulture
- x. Mathematics
- xi. Physics
- xii. Statistics
- xiii. Veterinary Science
- xiv. Zoology

7. Age:

The candidates should not be less than 21 years of age and not more than 38 years of age as on 01-01-2021. The upper age limit is relaxable as under:-

- (i) By 5 years for SC/ST(P)/ST(H) candidates of Assam i.e. upto 43 years.
- (ii) By 3 years for OBC/MOBC candidates of Assam i.e. upto 41 years as per Govt. Notification No. ABP. 6/2016/9 dated Dispr the 25th April 2018.

The age limit of the candidates will be calculated on the basis of the **Matriculation /HSLC Admit Card** issued by a recognized Central/State Board/Council which is to be uploaded while filling up the online application. No other document shall be accepted.

NOTE-I: The candidates applying for the Post should ensure that they fulfill all the eligibility conditions for recruitment to the Post. If on verification at any time before or after the Interview, it is found that they do not fulfill any of the eligibility conditions; their candidature for the Post will be cancelled by the Commission.

8. APPLICATION FEES:

Under the Digital India initiative by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India, APSC has decided to launch its Online Recruitment portal with the help of CSC-SPV, a MeitY approved organization, which will charge a processing fee of Rs. 30.00/- + 18% tax = Rs.35.40/- from each candidate.

Sl. No	Category	Application fee (Rs)	Processing Fee Charged by CSC-SPV (Rs)	Taxable amount on processing fee (@18%)	Total Amount (Rs)
1.	General/EWS	250	30	5.40	285.40
2.	SC/ST/OBC/MOBC	150	30	5.40	185.40
3.	BPL	Nil	30	5.40	35.40

- a) Applications without the prescribed fee would not be considered and summarily rejected. No representation against such rejection would be entertained.
- b) BPL Candidates must upload BPL certificate for claiming application fee relaxation.
- c) **Fee once paid shall not be refunded under any circumstance nor can the fee be held in reserve for any other examination or selection.**

EWS

EWS candidates must upload Income & Assets certificate of the family issued by the officer not below the rank of Circle Officer as per provision of Para 5 of Govt. OM No.ABP.07/2019/4, dated 10-04-2019. Kindly, refer to the Govt. OM No.ABP.07/2019/16 dated 31-12-2019. Candidates may download the specimen copy of EWS Certificate on www.apsc.nic.in under "**Forms & Downloads**".

SC/ST/OBC

Candidates claiming reservation in SC, ST or OBC category, they must upload certificate in support of his/her claim from competent authority of the State of Assam. The certificate must be obtained within the closing date of online application and no claim in this regard will be entertained afterwards.

9. HOW TO APPLY

- 1. Applicants are required to apply online through APSC's recruitment website. No other means/ mode of application will be accepted and the Application will be summarily rejected.

2. Applicants who have not registered yet, in Online Recruitment Portal of APSC are first required to go to the APSC's recruitment website <https://apscrecruitment.in> and register themselves by clicking on 'Register Here' link.
3. CANDIDATES ARE ADVISED TO REGISTER WITH VALID AND ACTIVE E-MAIL ADDRESS IN THE ONLINE APPLICATION, AS ALL CORRESPONDENCE WILL BE MADE THROUGH E-MAIL BY THE COMMISSION. INTERVIEW SCHEDULE AND REQUIREMENTS WITH REGARD TO COPIES OF CERTIFICATES TO BE SUBMITTED IN RESPECT OF CLAIMS MADE IN THE ONLINE APPLICATION, WILL BE INTIMATED TO THE CANDIDATES THROUGH THE WEBSITE OF THE COMMISSION IN DUE COURSE OF TIME.
4. After creating an account, applicants need to login with the credentials.
5. After login, applicant will be able to see the live advertisements of APSC in 'Apply Section'.
6. The applicants are advised to read the eligibility criteria and other relevant details carefully before applying for the advertisement. Mandatory fields in the online form are marked with * (asterisk) sign.
7. Applicant can click on 'Apply' to fill up the application form.
8. Candidates must submit the details of documents like Certificate No., Issue date, Issuing authority and upload the documents/certificates (whenever asked for) in support of the claims made by them in the Application Form like, Date of Birth, Experience, Qualification(s) etc. or any other information, in **pdf/jpeg** file in such a way that the file size does not exceed **200 KB** and is legible when a printout taken. For that purpose, the applicant may scan the documents/certificates in **200 dpi grey scale**.
9. Document details submitted in the online application form will be verified at the time of Personal Viva-Voce Interview.
10. An applicant is required to upload the scanned images of his/her recent photograph and signature in JPG/JPEG format.
 - a. Size of the photograph (passport size) (Max size–200 KB)
 - b. Size of the signature (Max size–200 KB)
11. Applicant should carefully fill all the information as asked in the application form and click on the declarations checkbox to enable the 'Preview' button before final submission.
12. Applicants must ensure all relevant fields in the application are filled in correctly before final submission, since editing/cancellation after final submission will not be allowed.
13. After previewing the details filled in by the applicant he/she can either click 'Submit' for final submission or click 'Cancel' button for necessary corrections before final submission of the Application Form.
14. On completion of form submission applicant has to pay application fee along with processing fee as applicable.
15. Application fee once paid by the applicant will not be refunded.
16. In case of failure of the payment applicant should click on button '**Validate Payment**' to verify the payment from bank. In instances of double debit i.e. amount debited twice for the same transaction, the bank will automatically refund the fee to the applicant within 5-7 working days.
17. On successful completion of your complete application, an auto-generated email message will be sent on your registered email-id.
18. Applicant's application will not be considered if fee is not paid for that application.
19. Applicant may also fill their online form through Common Service Centers. Applicants without debit card/Internet banking may visit nearest CSCs.
20. The applicants are advised to submit only single Online Recruitment Application for the post; however, if somehow, if he/she submits multiple Online Recruitment Applications for the post, then he/she must ensure that Online Recruitment Application with the higher "Application Number" is complete in all respects including fee. The applicants, who submit multiple Online Recruitment Applications, should note that only the Online Recruitment Application with higher "Application Number" shall be entertained by the Commission and fee paid against one "Application Number" shall not be adjusted against any other "Application Number".
21. After submitting the Online Application, the candidates are required to take out a print out of the finally submitted Online Recruitment Application and retain the hardcopy of the Online Application Form.
22. The candidates are advised to submit the Online Recruitment Application well in advance without waiting for the closing date.
23. For any payment related issues, one can reach the following helpdesk numbers –
GRAS Helpline (Telephonic):**1800-212-11-88-66** (From **10:00 AM to 6:00 PM** on all working days)
GRAS Helpdesk- <https://assamegras.gov.in/helpdesk/>
 1. Click '**Submit a ticket**' Click '**Payment Related**'

2. Fill-in your payment related details. Click '**Submit ticket**'

Bank - For any bank related issue we suggest applicants to contact their respective bank branches.

24. For any other issues related to online application form you can contact the following-

Email: cceapsc@gmail.com

Contact No: 1800-572-23-43 (From **10:00 AM** to **5:00 PM** on all working days)

POINTS TO NOTE:

1. The candidates before applying for the post(s)/service(s) should ensure that they fulfill all the eligibility conditions. Their admission at all the stages of selection in which they are admitted by the Commission will be purely provisional and under scrutiny, subject to their satisfying the prescribed eligibility conditions. If on verification at any time or any stage before or after the Main/Written Examination, Walking Test and Medical Examination and Interview Test, it is found that they do not fulfill any of the eligibility conditions; their candidature for the post(s)/service(s) will be cancelled by the Commission.
2. It is for the candidates themselves to see whether they satisfy the prescribed physical requirement (physical standard) and whether he/she is eligible to apply where Examination of physical standard is conducted by the State Govt. before making any appointment.
3. No request for withdrawal of candidature received from a candidate after he/she has submitted his/her application will be entertained under any circumstances.
4. At any stage of the selection process no candidate shall be allowed to change his/her category (of caste etc)/sub-category/sub-categories as claimed by him/her in the original application form/online application form submitted to the Commission.
5. The candidates who furnish wrong, erroneous or incorrect information in their application form may be disqualified from appearing for any post before the Commission up to a period to be specified by the Commission.
6. In case of detection of any false declaration / statement made by any applicant, his/her application will be rejected and will also be penalized as per prevailing Rules/Law. If in any case, submission of false material facts with a view to hoodwinking the Commission is detected even after the recommendation is made, the Commission may refer the matter to Government for taking necessary action.
7. The candidates shall have to produce identity proof like Pan Card, Driving License, Passport, Current ID card issued by the educational institutions, Voter ID Card, Aadhar Card (wherever applicable) at the time of Screening/Written test and Viva- Voice/ Interview.
8. The date for determining the eligibility of all candidates in every respect shall be the closing date for submitting the Online Recruitment Application on the website <http://www.apscrecruitment.in>, unless specifically mentioned in the recruitment advertisement.
9. In respect of equivalent clause in Essential Qualifications, if a candidate is claiming a particular qualification as equivalent qualification as per the requirement of advertisement, then the candidate is required to produce order/letter in this regard, indicating the Authority (with number and date) under which it has been so treated otherwise the Online Recruitment Application is liable to be rejected.
10. Candidates must, if required, attend a personal interview at such place, as may be fixed by the Commission. The Commission does not defray the traveling or other expenses of candidates summoned for interview.
11. Candidates must be in sound bodily health. They must, if selected be prepared to undergo such medical examination and satisfy such medical authority as Government may require.
12. Candidates will be informed of the final result in due course through APSC website/News paper and any interim enquiries about the result are therefore, unnecessary and will not be attended to. The Commission do not enter into correspondence with the candidates about reasons for their non selection for interview/appointment.
13. Canvassing in any form will disqualify a candidate.

10. DOCUMENTS/CERTIFICATES TO BE PRODUCED AT THE TIME OF INTERVIEW.

The hardcopy of the online application and the following Original Documents/Certificates along with **Self-attested** copies and other items specified in the Intimation Letter./Admit Card for interview are to be produced at the time of interview, failing which the candidate would not be allowed to appear in the Interview:-

- a) Matriculation/10th Standard/HSLC Admit Card/Pass Certificate issued by Central/State Board clearly indicating Date of Birth in support of their claim of age.
- b) Certificates & Mark sheets of all examinations from HSLC onwards up to the level of qualifying examination.

- c) Degree/Diploma certificate along with mark-sheets pertaining to all the academic years as proof of educational qualification claimed. In the absence of Degree/Diploma certificate, provisional certificate along with mark sheets pertaining to all the academic years will be accepted.
- d) Experience certificates, whenever specifically mentioned in the advertisement (The experience column of the online application form should be filled as and when specifically mentioned in the advertisement/online application form)
- e) Caste certificate in Assam Govt. format by candidate seeking reservation as SC/ST/OBC/MOBC, from the competent authority indicating clearly the candidate's Caste, the Act/Order under which the Caste is recognized as SC/ST/OBC/MOBC and the village/town the candidate is ordinarily a resident of.
- f) BPL certificate/EWS certificate in Assam Govt. Format (wherever necessary)
- g) **Persons already in Regular Government service, whether in permanent or temporary capacity other than casual/ad-hoc/daily wages/hourly paid/contract basis are however required to submit a declaration that they have informed in writing to their Head of Office/Department that they have applied for the post..**
- h) The candidates will have to submit Declaration Form-A, related to the Assam Public Services (Application of Small Family norms in Direct Recruitment) Rules, 2019 published vide Notification No:ABP.69/2019/17 dated Dispur, the 6th November/2019 which may be downloaded from the official website of APSC www.apsc.nic.in (Forms & Downloads Section)
- i) Documentary support for any other claim(s) made.

NOTE I: Date of birth mentioned in Online Recruitment Application is final. No subsequent request for change of date of birth will be considered or granted. No document other than the HSLC or Class X Board Examination Admit Card/Pass Certificate, in which the date of birth is recorded, will be accepted by the Commission for determination of age.

NOTE II: Candidates are warned that they should not furnish any particulars that are false or suppress any material information in filling up the application form. Candidates are also warned that they should in no case correct or alter or otherwise tamper with any entry in a document or its attested/certified copy submitted by them nor should they submit a tampered/fabricated document. If there is any inaccuracy or any discrepancy between two or more such documents or their attested/certified copies, an explanation regarding this discrepancy should be submitted.

11. METHOD OF SELECTION:

The selection of candidates for recruitment to the post will consist of the following:

(A) Written Examination: 600 Marks(4 Papers)

Subject	Type of Examination	Marks	Duration
English (Essay, Precis writing etc.)	Conventional essay type	100	3 Hrs
General Knowledge	OMR	100	2 Hrs
Optional Subject-I	-Do-	200	2 Hrs
Optional Subject-II	-Do-	200	2 Hrs

Candidates have to choose any two of the following optional subjects (One paper each subject)

- i. Agriculture
- ii. Botany
- iii. Chemistry
- iv. Computer Applications/ Computer Science
- v. Engineering
(Agricultural/ Chemical/ Civil/ Computer/ Electrical/ Electronics/ Mechanical)
- vi. Environmental Science
- vii. Forestry
- viii. Geology
- ix. Horticulture
- x. Mathematics
- xi. Physics
- xii. Statistics
- xiii. Veterinary Science
- xiv. Zoology

(The standard of these subjects shall be that of a Bachelor's Degree)

Note: No candidate shall be allowed to take more than one subject from the following groups:

- i. **Agriculture, Agricultural Engineering & Veterinary Science.**
- ii. **Chemistry & Chemical Engineering.**
- iii. **Computer Applications/ Computer Science & Computer Engineering.**
- iv. **Electrical Engineering & Electronics Engineering.**
- v. **Mathematics & Statistics.**

(B) Candidates who qualify the written examination must pass a Walking Test covering a distance of 25 km for Male Candidates and 16 km for Female Candidates within 4 (four) hours on foot followed by a medical examination by the Medical Board and those candidates found fit in the above will be required to produce a health certificate signed by the Medical Board in the form prescribed in Article 49 of the Civil Service Regulation of the corresponding Rules in the supplementary rules testifying the candidate's sound hearing and general physical fitness for rough outdoor work in the Forest Department and to the fact that he bears on his body the marks of successful vaccination.

(C) **Interview: 75 Marks**

The Candidates who pass the Walking test (after qualifying the written examination) and found fit in the medical examination will be called for interview.

12. (i) The candidates recommended by the Commission shall be appointed as Forest Ranger on probation by the State Government and will be required to join in any of the colleges as directed on the 1st day of commencement of the course for undergoing 18 (eighteen) months training Course for Forest Rangers and the period under training shall be treated as on probation.
- (ii) An officer on probation on joining in the College to undergo the 18 (eighteen) months training Course for Forest Rangers shall abide by the Entrance and Training Rules (Revised) 2004 for Forest Range Officers notified by the Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests.
- (iii) If any officer on probation fails to obey standing order and directions issued by the College authority in addition to the general rules as laid down in the Entrance and Training Rules (Revised) 2004 for Forest Range Officers for smooth conduct of the training course and if found involved in any untoward activities, will be liable for disciplinary action as per prevalent rules.
- (iv) On successful completion of 18 (eighteen) months course for Forest Rangers at State Forest Service College, the officer on probation will be awarded Certificate in Forestry and will join in duty as Forest Rangers in Assam Forest Service on being directed by the Govt. of Assam, Environment & Forest Department.
- (v) An officer on probation failing to obtain Certificate in Forestry at the end of 18 (eighteen) months is liable to be withdrawn from the college and all the expenses incurred by the Govt. for his education during 18 (eighteen) months will be recovered from him, his parents, or guardian or surety.
- (vi) The officer on probation will have to execute an agreement and a Bond with two sureties for a sum of Rs.6,00,000/- for the bond or such other amount prescribed by Govt. binding themselves to work diligently during the period of training and to serve the Govt. of Assam.
- (vii) Besides they will have to deposit a sum of Rs.6000/- as caution money or any other amount as fixed by Govt. in the post office pledged as security to the Principal of the concerned training College/ Institute within 15 (fifteen) days of their admission to the college as required under Rule 43 of the Rules of the Certificate course in Forestry.
- (a) The officer on probation while undergoing 18 (eighteen) months course at any training college, as decided by the Govt. will draw their pay and allowance for the period of 18 (eighteen) months commencing from the date of joining the college to the date of completion of the 18 (eighteen) months course subject to satisfactory progress.
 - (b) The Grade Pay, D.A. or any other amount subject to revision by the Government.

Centre of Examination: The written examination will be held at **Guwahati**.

The list of candidates whose applications are found valid or rejected after scrutiny will be made available in the Assam Public Service Commission's website (www.apsc.nic.in) showing grounds of rejection in due course.

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