

**HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Instructions to Candidates for Personality Test for the post(s) of Range Forest Officer, Class-II (Gazetted) (on contract basis) in the Department of Forests, H.P.**

**Note:-** Candidates are advised to follow SOPs / guidelines issued by the Government of Himachal Pradesh (in the Department of Revenue Disaster Management Cell) and guidelines issued by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India from time to time with regard to COVID-19 pandemic.

1. That you have been declared qualified in the Physical Standard and Walkover Test held on **01-06-2022** for the **post(s) of Range Forest Officer, Class-II (Gazetted) (on contract basis) in the Department of Forests, H.P. advertised vide Advertisement No. 7-I/3-2021 & 7-II/3-2021 dated 23-03-2021 and Subsequent Corrigendum dated 22-04-2021** and after security of documents, you have been provisionally admitted to the said post(s) and now the Personality Test for these post(s) will be held on **16-07-2022** in the office of the Himachal Pradesh Public Service Commission, Nigam Vihar Shimla-171002.
2. That you should ensure your presence in the H.P. Public Service Commission on the day of Personality Test for verification of documents before appearing in the Personality Test at **08:30 A.M.**
3. The fact that you have been invited for Personality Test does not confer any right on you for selection against the post.
4. Please bring original Degree and Result-cum-Detailed Marks Certificates/ Sheet along with attested copies of the following documents with you:-
  - (i) Matriculation certificate or orther equivalent certificate showing your **date of birth**.
  - (ii) **Essential Qualifications:-**

**Bachelor's Degree (or equivalent) Certificate in Science or Engineering from any recognized University with at least one of the following subjects:-**

(i) Agriculture (ii) Botany (iii) Chemistry (iv) Computer Applications / 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.

Provided that the candidates belonging to General Category can avail 6 chances to appear in the examination. There shall be no limit for the candidates belonging to SCs/STs/OBCs categories: Provided further that a government servant who is holding substantive/ officiating appointment in Himachal Pradesh shall be eligible to appear in the examination if he possess at least Bachelor's degree of any recognized university or equivalent with atleast one of the above mentioned subjects, subject to 6 chances in case of candidate belonging to General category and with no limit for SCs/STs/OBCs candidates. These chances will be inclusive of chances they might have availed as a direct candidate:

Provided further that only those candidates who qualify the written test will be called for the physical test and the number of candidates called for physical test will be five times the number of vacancies.

5. **Scheduled Caste / Scheduled Tribe and latest (valid) Other Backward Class certificate and Economically Weaker Section Certificate on the prescribed form, if you belong to any of these categories.** The S.C. / S.T / O.B.C. certificate should be based on **parental basis**. The candidates belonging to OBC of H.P. / EWS category are required to produce valid / latest certificate which should not be more than 01 years old at the time of Personality Test alongwith an affidavit duly attested by the authority authorized under the Indian Oath Act stating that his / her status has not been changed and he / she is not excluded from category of OBC on account of being covered under creamy layer. **The Candidates belonging to Ex-Servicemen category shall bring discharge certificate & other related document issued by the competent authority as a proof of being Ex-Serviceman. Similarly, candidate belonging to PWD (Person With Disability) of H.P. (having not less than 40% disability) should also bring proof / latest certificate issued by the competent authority.**

6. “No Objection Certificate” from your present employer in case working on regular basis in Government /Semi Government Organization. **Without N.O.C. you will not be allowed to appear before the Personality Test Board and no further time will be allowed to produce N.O.C.**
7. Latest **Character certificate** from a responsible Officer (Gazetted Officer of Government / Semi Government Organization) and **other Character certificate** from Head of the Institution last attended or any other Gazetted Officer.
8. You should download **Attestation Form** through the link provided in the Personality Test Call Letter and bring it with you duly filled in all respect and also **bring two (extra) passport size recent photographs duly attested by the same authority who attests your Attestation Form** on the day of Personality Test.
9. **Ward of Ex-Serviceman Certificate issued by a competent authority along with a latest affidavit duly attested by the authority authorized under the Indian Oath Act to the effect that no person in the family has been rehabilitated through employment against the posts reserved for Ex-Servicemen under the Government of Himachal Pradesh.**
10. Any other certificates of your academic qualifications etc. in support of your eligibility for the post as required as per Commission’s Advertisement No. **7-I/3-2021 & 7-II/3-2021.**
11. **Your eligibility in terms of Essential Qualification(s) and experience etc. shall be reckoned as on the closing date (last date) for submission of online recruitment applications i.e. 19-04-2021. 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).**
12. Your admission to the Personality Test is purely provisional subject to the verification of your eligibility as per rules / instructions.
13. Onus of proving that you are eligible for the post is on you only. If the date of notification / declaration of result is not indicated in the certificate / degree / marks list, the date of issue of certificate / degree / marks list shall be deemed as date of acquiring essential qualification.
14. If you fail to produce any of the certificates mentioned above, which is necessary to determine your eligibility and/or you are found ineligible vis-à-vis qualifications, you will not be allowed to appear before the Personality Test Board and no further time will be allowed to produce any document.
15. Besides, your eligibility will be subject to the conditions given in **Advertisement No. 7-I/3-2021 & 7-II/3-2021.**
16. No T. A. / D.A. will be paid for appearing in this Personality Test. However, 30% discount is allowed by the H.R.T.C. in ordinary buses only for attending the Personality Test as per communication received from HRTC and discount will be applicable for only three days i.e. one day before and after the Personality Test for to & fro journey.

From		To		Conductor’s signature with date	

Please bring the call letter when you come for the Personality Test. The Personality Test will be held on the scheduled date even if the day is later on declared holiday by the Government.

Note:- (i) You are advised to report in the Commission's office on scheduled date at **08.30A.M** positively. If you fail to report on or **before 9.00 A.M.** you will be marked as absent.

(ii) NO ELECTRONIC GADGET / MOBILE PHONE / PENDRIVE / BLUETOOTH ANY OTHER COMMUNICATION / ELECTRONIC DEVICE IS ALLOWED DURING THE PERSONALITY TEST. THEREFORE, THE CANDIDATE SHOULD ENSURE THAT THEY ARE NOT IN POSSESSION OF ANY KIND OF SUCH DEVICES BEFORE THEY ENTER THE PREMISES.

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