

## HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

### **Instructions to Candidates for Personality Test for the post(s) of Horticulture Development Officer, Class-I (Gazetted) (on trainee basis) in the Department of Horticulture, H.P.**

1. With reference to your application for the post of **Horticulture Development Officer, Class-I (Gazetted) in the Department of Horticulture, H.P.** advertised vide Advertisement No.30/3-2025 dated 26-03-2025, and the Screening Test / Subject Aptitude Test for the said posts conducted on 20-07-2025. Based on the performance in the Screening test / Subject Aptitude Test you have been provisionally admitted for the **Personality Test for the said post which will be held on 17-11-2025 & 18-11-2025** 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 (date and time indicate in e-call letter) at 08:30 A.M. i.e. on the day of Personality Test.
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:-

#### **The Essential Qualifications:**

Matriculation Certificate or its equivalent certificate showing your date of Birth.

M.Sc. Horticulture / Agriculture in any one of the following disciplines/ subjects:-  
Pomology, Fruit Breeding & Genetic Resources, PostHarvest Technology/ Fruit Technology, Floriculture & Land Scaping, Mycology & Plant Pathology / Entomology & Apiculture or Biotechnology, Vegetable Crops, Microbiology. Soil Science & Water Management, Agriculture Economics & Agriculture Statistics, Agriculture Extension, M.Sc. Food Technology, Master of Science (Horticulture) Fruit Science, Master of Science (Horticulture) Vegetable Science, Master of Science (Horticulture) Floriculture and Land scape Architecture, Master of Science (Agriculture) Plant Pathology, Master of Science (Agriculture) Entomology, Master of Science (Agriculture) Nematology, Master of Science (Agriculture), Seed Science and Technology, Master of Science (Agriculture) Soil Science, Master of Science (Agriculture) Agricultural Economics, Master of Science Food Technology, Master of Science Molecular Biology and Biotechnology, Master of Science Microbiology, Master of Science Statistics and Post Graduate Associate ship in Fruit and Vegetable Technology equivalent to M.Sc. Horticulture (Post Harvest Technology) and Master of Science (Agriculture) specialization in Plant Breeding & Genetics.

However, the incumbent should be B.Sc. (Horticulture) in four years degree program.

5. Scheduled Caste / Scheduled Tribe and **latest (valid) Other Backward Class /EWS certificate / BPL certificate with non-SC/ST/OBC 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 Ex-Servicemen category shall bring discharge certificate & other related document issued by the competent authority as a proof of being Ex-serviceman.
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. A latest **Character certificate** issued by the competent Revenue Officer (Tehsildar / NaibTehsildar) on the report of the SHO concerned and also from a responsible officer (Gazetted Officer of Government / Semi Government Organization).
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. Any other certificates of your academic qualifications etc. in support of your eligibility for the post(s) as required in the Commission's advertised vide Advertisement No. 30/3-2025 dated 26-03-2025.

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10. 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. 24-05-2025.
11. Your admission to the Personality Test is purely provisional subject to the verification of your eligibility as per rules / instructions.
12. 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.
13. 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.
14. Besides, your eligibility will be subject to the conditions given in Advertisement No. **30/3-2025 dated 26-03-2025**.
15. No T. A. / D.A. will be paid for appearing in this Personality Test. However, 30 % discount is allowed by the HRTC 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	

16. **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 08.30 A.M. positively. If you fail to report on or before 8:30 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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Secretary  
H.P. Public Service Commission