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The existing certificates of disability issued under the Persons with Disabilities Act 1995 (since repealed) shall continue to be valid for the period specified therein.

The candidates with benchmark disabilities (PwBD) may note that they must select the appropriate PwBD sub-category i.e. LD/ HI/ VI/MD, while filling the application form as per their certificate of disability issued by the competent authority. No subsequent change of PwBD sub-category will be allowed under any circumstances. Such candidates shall have to furnish the requisite certificate from the competent authority as declared in the application form at the time of document verification.

3. अप्रेंटिस अधिनियम 1961 के अनुसार न्यूनतम शैक्षणिक/तकनीकी योग्यता / Minimum Academic/Technical Qualification as per the Apprentices Act 1961:

a) फ्रेशर श्रेणी / Fresher Category:-

Sl.No	Trade	Academic Qualification
1	Fitter, Painter & Welder	Should have passed 10 th Class (with a minimum of 50% aggregate marks) under 10, +2 System of education or its equivalent.
2	Medical Laboratory Technician (Radiology, Pathology, Cardiology)	Should have passed 12 th Class (with a minimum of 50% aggregate marks) under 10, +2 system of education with Physics, Chemistry and Biology.

b) एक्स-आईटीआई श्रेणी / Ex.ITI Category:-

Sl.No	Trade	Academic/Technical Qualification
1	Fitter, Machinist, MMV, Turner, Diesel Mechanic, Carpenter, Painter, Welder(G&E), Wireman, Advance Welder, Plumber, Draughtsman (Civil), Instrument Mechanic , Mech.R&AC , Gas Cutter, MMTM & Structural Welder.	Should have passed 10 th Class (with a minimum of 50% aggregate marks) under 10 +2 System of education or its equivalent and passed ITI Course in the relevant trade in Government recognized ITI and should possess certificate issued by the National Council for Vocational Training or State Council for Vocational Training in the respective trade.
2	Electrician	Should have passed 10 th Class (with a minimum of 50% aggregate marks) under 10 +2 System of education with Science as one of the subjects or its equivalent and passed ITI Course in the relevant trade in Government recognized ITI and should possess certificate issued by the National Council for Vocational Training or State Council for Vocational Training in the respective trade.
3	Electronics Mechanic	Should have passed 10 th Class (with a minimum of 50% aggregate marks) under 10 +2 System of education with Science (Physics and Chemistry) and Mathematics or its equivalent and passed ITI Course in the relevant trade in Government recognized ITI and should possess certificate issued by the National Council for Vocational Training or State Council for Vocational Training in the respective trade.

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4	Secretarial Assistant & Stenographer (English)	Passed 12th class examination under 10+2 system of education or its equivalent and passed ITI Course in the relevant trade in Government recognized ITI and should possess certificate issued by the National Council for Vocational Training or State Council for Vocational Training in the respective trade.
5	Information and Communication Technology System Maintenance	Passed 10th class examination under 10+2 system of education and passed ITI Course in the relevant trade in Government recognized ITI and should possess certificate issued by the National Council for Vocational Training or State Council for Vocational Training in the respective trade.
6	COPA/PASSA	Should have passed 10 th Class (with a minimum of 50% aggregate marks) under 10 +2 System of education & National Trade Certificate issued by National Council for Vocational Training in "Computer Operator and Programming Assistant"

Note: i) Minimum 50% marks in Xth std is not applicable for SC/ST/PwBD Candidates.
ii) Course Completed Act Apprentices, Engineering Graduate or Diploma Holder or Vocational Certificate holder who had training or job experience for a period of one year or more, after the attainment of these qualifications are NOT eligible to be engaged as trade apprentice under the Act Apprentice Rules 1992.

4. प्रशिक्षण की अवधि / PERIOD OF TRAINING:-

a) फ्रेशर श्रेणी/ Fresher Category:

Sl No.	Trade	Period of Training
1	Welder	1 Year 3 months
2	Fitter & Painter	2 Years
3	Medical Laboratory Technician (Cardiology ,Radiology & Pathology)	1 Year 3 months

b) एक्स-आईटीआई श्रेणी/ Ex.ITI Category:

In respect of Ex.ITI candidates, rebate in the duration of training will be given as per the Schedule-I of Apprentices Rules 1992, as amended time to time.

5. वृत्तिका की दर / RATE OF STIPEND:

Sl No.	Category	Stipend
1	Fresher's - X std	Rs.8200/- (per month)
2	Fresher's - 12 th std	Rs.9600/- (per month)
3	Ex-ITI	Rs.9600/- (per month)

- (i) During the second year of apprenticeship training, there shall be an increase of 10 per cent in the prescribed minimum stipend amount and further 15 per cent increase in the prescribed minimum stipend amount during the third year of apprenticeship training.
- (ii) In the case of National or State Certificate holder, the period of training already undergone by him or her in a school or other institution recognized by the National council or state council, shall be taken into account for the purpose of determining the minimum payable rate of stipend.

6. आयु सीमा / AGE LIMIT (as on date of notification):

- i) The candidates should have completed 15 years of age and should NOT have completed 22/24 years for Freshers/Ex-ITI, MLT respectively.
- ii) The Upper age is relaxable upto **3 years for OBC-(NCL), 5 years for SC/ST candidates and 10 Years for Person with Benchmark Disability (PwBD).**
- iii) PwBD reservation for OBC and SC/ST will have an additional relaxation in upper age limit concurrently with the 10 years relaxation.

PwBD - UR & EWS	10 Years
PwBD + OBC-(NCL)	13 Years (10 years for PwBD + 3 years for OBC)
PwBD + SC/ST	15 Years (10 years for PwBD + 5 years for SC/ST)

- a. Candidates who want to avail the benefit of reservation of SC/ST, must produce his/her Caste Certificate issued by appropriate authority at the time of Document Verification. Similarly the candidates, who want to avail the benefit of reservation of OBC, must produce **OBC with Non-Creamy Layer certificate** issued by appropriate authority valid for the current year and also Self-Declaration form regarding current status of Non-Creamy Layer at the time of Document Verification. Otherwise they will be considered as 'UR' only, with age limit pertaining to UR
- b. Candidates who want to avail the benefit of reservation must produce a Disability certificate issued by Competent Authority (i.e Medical Board constituted by the Central or State Government).

7. एंगेजमेंट का तरीका / MODE OF ENGAGEMENT:

The selection will be on the basis of Merit List prepared in respect of all the eligible candidates who apply against the Notification. The Merit List will be prepared by the Committee nominated for this purpose by following the procedure mentioned as under:

- a) **Fresher Category** :- Marks obtained in Matriculation will be converted for 200 and merit list will be drawn based on the converted marks duly ensuring Minimum 50% in aggregate marks in Matriculation.
- b) **Ex.ITI** :- Marks obtained in Matriculation will be converted to 100 marks (duly ensuring Minimum 50% marks in aggregate) + ITI marks duly converted to 100. Total marks put together will be calculated for 200 marks and merit list will be drawn based on the converted marks giving equal weight age to both.
- c) **MLT** :- Marks obtained in Higher Secondary (with Physics, Chemistry, Maths & Biology) will be converted for 200 and merit list will be drawn based on the converted marks duly ensuring Minimum 50% in aggregate marks in Matriculation.

- 7.1 a) **Candidates qualified in 10th/12th Std during 2019-2020 shall submit the marks statement from the school as per the instructions given by Department of Education, TN vide letter 34462/PD1/E/2021 Dated:14-06-2021 and TN GO No.262 Dated:01-07-2021**

For candidates possessing Xth through General Education Department, Government of Kerala the grades is classified on nine-point scale. Administration will take midpoint of range of grades obtained by the candidates. After obtaining midpoints of all the attempted subjects according to grades awarded, percentage will be calculated treating each subject is out of 100 marks as there is no standard method or multiplying factor for calculation of average of matriculation for such Boards.