

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department -
Reorganisation – Creation of a separate Rural Water Supply Engineering
Service for Rural Water Supply – Orders – Issued.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (SPECIAL.A) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Ms. No.508

Dated: 18.07.2007.

ORDER:

Rural Water Supply is an important development programme of the Government and covers whole state of Andhra Pradesh. Over a period of time, the need for giving a better focus to rural water supply is felt by the Government as still sizable number of villages need to be provided with quality drinking water. Realising this, Government have issued G.O. Ms. No.428, PR & RD Dept dated 11.10.1996 creating separate divisions of Rural Water Supply from PR Division.

2. Vide G.O. Ms. No.15, dated 8th January, 1999 separate rules were notified for Andhra Pradesh Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Engineering Service. There are separate rules for the subordinate services working in the Engineering Division vide GO Ms. No 296 PR RD & Relief (Estt II) Department, dated 20-05-94. Though separate RWS division was created in 1996, the division of PR & RD Engineering Service did not take place to provide necessary focus and importance to this programme. In exercise of powers conferred by Article 309 of the Constitution of India, Government have decided to trifurcate PR & RD Department into Panchayat Raj, Rural Development and Rural Water Supply Departments. Accordingly Panchayat Raj and Rural Development Engineering Service gets bifurcated into Panchayat Raj Engineering Service and Rural Water Supply Engineering Service as per details given below.

1. A new Engineering Department of RWS & Sanitation with headquarters at Hyderabad be formed with immediate effect and it will function under the administrative control of the PR, RD & RWS Department pending further orders.
2. The new Department will be headed by a qualified person to be appointed as Engineer-in-Chief (RWS & Sanitation).
3. Structure of the new department will be worked out subsequently after carrying out detailed study on a scientific basis. The present strength at various levels in the new Department is enclosed at Annexure I.

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4. Additional posts will be sanctioned after detailed analysis is done within the parameters for overall recruitment to be done by the Government at different levels for the year 2007-2008.
5. The present set up of the quality control unit will continue to serve both Panchayat Raj Department and Rural Water Supply Department till further orders.
6. All the existing Rural Water Supply schemes in the Department of PR&RD along with their budgetary provision and staff shall be transferred and brought under the control of the New Department and the Engineer-in-Chief (RWS & Sanitation) is authorized to operate the heads of accounts indicated therein.
7. The Engineer-in-Chief (RWS & Sanitation) is authorized to exercise the powers and functions of the Head of the Department.
8. The Engineer-in-Chief (Panchayat Raj) is requested to transfer all the staff, vehicles, equipment, furniture, records etc in the existing wing of RWS now functioning under his control, to the control of the Engineer-in-Chief (RWS & Sanitation) as soon as the orders of bifurcation are issued.
9. The allocation of staff will be on the basis of the option to be exercised by all the employees including those on deputation/ under suspension/ on leave as per the format enclosed at Annexure-II. In case of any short fall of a staff at any level in the Rural Water Supply department, the allotment will be on the basis of roaster to be followed among the remaining staff who have not given their option for RWS department. All such remaining staff of particular cadre will be arranged as per their existing seniority and then the selection will be done following method of roaster. Roaster point will be decided for each cadre depending on the requirement of the vacancy to be filled up after exhausting the option. A High Power Committee including members of the association will be constituted to oversee the entire process. Detailed illustration is given at Annexure-III.
10. Roaster to be followed for allotment of staff on the basis of present seniority will be subject to revision based on the final seniority decided.
11. Subject to orders that may be passed by the Court in the proceedings pending on the said effective date of allocation in regard to seniority or other matter concerning the service conditions of the personnel subject to the above, the personnel shall cease to be in the previous service after the allocation process is completed.

Till the process of allocation is completed, the personnel will be governed by the composite rules issued vide G.O. Ms. No.15, dated 8.1.1999. The personnel on the effective date of allocation notified for the purpose shall stand allocated to the services of PR & RD or Rural Water Supply, as the case may be, in the manner specified in the Schedule I.

12. The provisions of G.O.Ms.No.610 General Administration (SPF-A) Department, dated.30.12.1985 will be strictly adhered to and ratios prescribed maintained. Rule of reservation will also be followed.
13. On allocation to respective services, as the case may be, the individuals will enjoy the same status, pay scale and seniority as in case of composite engineering service. The terms and conditions of the service applicable to the individual from the effective date of allocation notified for the purpose shall not in any way be less beneficial than or those applicable to them immediately before the said effective date. All such personnel shall have continuity of service in all aspects.
14. Normal conditions of deputation from one department to another department will be followed.
15. All benefits of service accrued before the said effective date shall be fully recognized and protected and taken into account for all purposes including the payment of terminal benefits, if eligible.
16. FTA will be admissible for all field functionaries up to the level of Deputy Executive Engineer to provide better mobility.
17. Provision of option will not be applicable to the category of posts which are incidental to specific department.
18. Movement of support staff including ministerial staff and last grade staff will be guided by A.P. Ministerial Service Rules and A.P. Last Grade Service Rules.
19. Suitable amendment to the Special Rules contained in G.O. Ms. No.15 of 1999 and GO Ms No 206, P.R & R.D (Estt -II) Department, dated 20-05-94 and also issue special rules for the newly created Rural Water Supply Engineering Service.
20. All proceedings including the disciplinary proceedings pending against the personnel prior to the allocation shall not abate and may be continued by the Government in the respective department.

- 21 Immediate steps shall be taken by the department to fill up all the existing vacancies in accordance with the rules prescribed.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

J. HARI NARAYAN
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To -

The Special Chief Secretary to Government(RWS), PR&RD Department
The Principal Secretary to Government(PR), PR & RD Department
The Principal Secretary to Government(RD), PR & RD Department
The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, Hyderabad
The Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, Hyderabad.
The Chief Engineer (RWS), Hyderabad.
The Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Employment, Hyderabad.
The Commissioner, Rural Development, Hyderabad.
All Chief Engineers of Panchayat Raj Divisions.
The P S. to Ministers for PR / RWS /Rural Development.
The P S. to all Ministers.
All Departments in Secretariat.
All Heads of Departments
All Chief Executive Officers of Zilla Parishads.
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts, Hyderabad.
The Accountant General (A&E), A.P., Hyderabad.
The Pay and Accounts Officer, Hyderabad.
The Pri. Secretaries/Special Secretaries to Chief Minister
The P S. to Chief Secretary/Pri. Secretary(Poll).
The PR & RD (OP) Department.
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SECTION OFFICER (SC)

Annexure-II
(to G.O.Ms.No.508, Genl.Admn.(Spl.A) Dept., dated 18.07.07)

Circular for seeking option

To

Pursuant to issue of orders regarding bifurcation of PRED, you are hereby invited to exercise your option for final absorption in any one of the Departments in order of preference in the enclosed format.

The employees who are eligible for options are

- All class A employees as described in the GO Ms No 15 PR & RD (Estt III) dated 08-01-1999.
- All class A employees as described in the GO Ms. No 206 PR & RD (Estt II) dated 20-05-1994.

After adjusting all those who give options for RWS, remaining vacancies, if any, will be filled up through a system of roaster.

Cut off date for exercising options has been fixed as -----, You should submit your option to the designated officer by that date positively.

Cadre wise break up of the posts available is given in annexure I

The eligible employees who do not exercise Options or whose form is found unsigned or whose form is not received by the last date would be considered for final absorption in the RWS department through roaster after completing the allotment of employees who have exercised options.

The allotment will be finalized by a Committee on the basis of the option exercised and roaster. In the event of any clarifications with respect to the options criteria and the Option process as mentioned above, the interpretation/ decision of the committee would be final and binding.

Signature:

Name:

Date:

Place:

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Annexure-III
(to G.O.Ms.No.508, Genl.Admn.(Spl.A) Dept., dated 18.07.07)

Roaster System
(Only an example for clarity)

All the numbers indicated are assumptions:

- Total cadre strength for Cadre 'X' in PRED – 45
- Total cadre strength for cadre X in RWS department – 21
- Officials who have given preference for RWS – 10
- Number of posts to be filled up by roaster system - 11
- Number of persons to be put to the roaster system – 35
- In this case every 3rd person will be allotted to RWS department. So the officers at serial number 3, 6, 9 ---- in order of seniority will be allotted to RWS department. (Subject to following rule of reservation and G.O. Ms. No.610)
- The roaster point will be decided for each cadre depending on the remaining number of posts to be filled up after exercising option and the number of persons who have not opted for RWS department.

J.HARI NARAYAN
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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Annexure-I
(to G.O.Ms.No.508, Genl.Admn.(Spl.A) Dept., dated 18.07.07)

Post	Present Strength
Engineer-in-Chief	1
Chief Engineers	2
Superintending Engineers	22
Executive Engineers	52
Dy.Executive Engineers	315
Section Officers	1831

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