GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Department - Andhra Pradesh Rural Water Supply Engineering Sub-Ordinate Service Rules, 2008 – Amendments – Notification - Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT [Estt.II] DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.163 Dated:31.10.2026

Read the following:

1. G.O.Ms.No.77, PR&RD (Estt.II) Department, Dt.17.03.2012.
2. G.O.Ms.No.45, General Administration (SPF&MC) Department, dated:20.04.2026, published in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette, Part-I Extraordinary No. 197, Amaravati, dated:20.04.2026.
3. G.O.Ms.No.138, General Administration (SPF&MC) Department, Dt.24.07.2026.
4. From the Engineer-In-Chief, RWS&S, AP., e-file No. PRR06/215/2026-SO&B-ECRWSSPRR06/215/2026-SO&B-ECRWSS Dated: 30.09.2026, (Computer No.3440663).
5. From the Secretary, APPSC, AP, Vijayawada, Letter No. GAD 03-APPS0RR / 114 /2026-RRS Dated:21-10-2026.

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ORDER :-

In the G.O. 1st read above, Government have issued Andhra Pradesh Rural Water Supply Engineering Sub-Ordinate Service Rules, 2008.

2. In accordance with order of President of India vide S.O 5777 (E), Dated:15.12.2025 and in supersession of the Andhra Pradesh Public Employment (Organization of Local cadres and Regulation of Direct Recruitment) order, 1975. the State Government have republished the Andhra Pradesh Public Employment (Organization of Local cadres and Regulation of Direct Recruitment) Order, 2025 and came into force with effect from 15.12.2025.

3. In the G.O. 3rd read above, the Government have issued orders organizing the classes of posts/civil posts under the administrative control of the Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Department, A.P., into different local cadres, viz., District and Zone cadres. In the said G.O., it was directed that, consequent upon the organization of posts, the District and Zone, as the case may be, shall constitute separate units for the purposes of appointment, direct recruitment, discharge, seniority, promotion, transfer, and other service matters in terms of Paragraph 5(1) of the Presidential Order, 2025. The Appointing Authorities have been specified in respect of the said organized posts and reservation to local candidates in respect of direct recruitment of the posts has been specified as ninety-five percent. It was further directed, therein, to make suitable amendments to the relevant Service Rules in conformity with the approved scheme of organization of local cadres.

4. In the reference 4th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Department submitted proposals to the Government for issuing necessary amendments to the Service Rules.

5. After careful examination of the proposal of the Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Department, A.P., Government have decided to make necessary amendments to Andhra Pradesh Rural Water Supply Engineering Subordinate Service Rules, 2008.

6. The following Notification will be published in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette:

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Andhra Pradesh, hereby makes the following amendment to the Andhra Pradesh Rural Water Supply Engineering Subordinate Service Rules, 2008 issued in G.O.Ms.No.77, PR & RD (Estt.II) Department, dated:17.03.2012.

The Notification shall be deemed to have come into force with effect on and from 24.07.2026.

(P.T.O)

AMENDMENTS

In the said rules,

(1) In Rule 3 (b), for the entries at Sl.No.6 and 7, the following shall be substituted, namely:

	Class and Category	**Appointing Authority**
	(1)	**(2)**
6.	Class-A, Category-6, Technical Assistant (formerly Tracer)	Unit Officer - Superintending Engineer
7.	Class-A, Category-7, Printing Technician (formerly Blue Print Operator)	Superintending Engineer /District RWS Engineering Officer

(2) for Rule 7, the following shall be substituted, namely:

"**7. Minimum Service for promotion/Appointment by Transfer**: No member of the service shall be eligible for promotion or appointment by transfer from a lower category, to the next higher category, unless he/she has put in not less than two (2) years of service in such lower category."

(3) In Rule 11, for the existing Table, the following Table, shall be substituted:

	Class and Category	**Unit of Appointment**
	(1)	**(2)**
1	Class (1) Assistant Engineer	**Zone-I:** Comprising Srikakulam, Vizianagaram, Parvathipuram Manyam, Visakhapatnam & Anakapalli Districts. **Zone–II:** Comprising Alluri Sitarama Raju, East Godavari, Kakinada & Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Konaseema Districts. **Zone–III:** Comprising West Godavari, Eluru, NTR & Krishna Districts. **Zone–IV:** Comprising Guntur, Palnadu, Bapatla, Prakasam & Sri PottiSriramulu Nellore Districts. **Zone–V:** Comprising Tirupati, Chittoor, Annamayya & YSR Kadapa Districts. **Zone–VI:** Comprising Nandyal, Ananthapuramu, Kurnool & Sri Sathya Sai Districts.
3	Class (3) Technical Officer	
4	Class (4) Assistant Technical Officer	
5	Class (5) Junior Technical Officer	
6	Class (6) Technical Assistant (formerly Tracer)	
8	Class (8) Junior Water Analyst	
9	Class (9) Sample Collector	
7	Class (7) Printing Technician (formerly Blue Print Operator)	**District.**

In the said rules,

Under Class-(A) along with corresponding entries in these Rules shall be omitted and the following categories wherever occur in these Rules, shall be substituted, namely;

Sl No	**For the post of (Present Designation)**	**Change in nomenclature (re-Designation)**
1	Draughtsman, Grade -I(Category-3)	Technical Officer
2	Draughtsman, Grade -II(Category-4)	Assistant Technical Officer
3	Draughtsman, Grade –III(Category-5)	Junior Technical Officer
4	Tracer (Category-6)	Technical Assistant
5	Blue Print Operator (Category -7)	Printing Technician

Note 1: The Unit of Appointment specified in Column (2) of the Table above shall constitute a separate unit for the purposes of appointment, recruitment, discharge, seniority, promotion, transfer, and other service matters in terms of Paragraph 5(1) of the Presidential Order, 2025.

Note 2: The extent of reservation in favor of local candidates in direct recruitment to the categories of posts to be filled by direct recruitment shall be ninety-five percent (95%), as specified in the Presidential Order, 2025.

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

KANTILAL DANDE
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

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