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PUBLIC SERVICES—MINORITY LANGUAGE TEST TO OFFICERS OTHER THAN  
KANNADIGAS AND TAMILIANS—EXEMPTION TO THOSE WHO UNDERWENT  
THE DIPLOMA COURSE IN TAMIL CONDUCTED BY THE STATE INSTITUTE  
OF LANGUAGES KERALA—ORDERS ISSUED

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (SERVICES-D) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Ms. 391/80/GAD.

Dated, Trivandrum, 19th August 1980.

- Read:—(1) G. O. Ms. 290/68/PD dated 12-9-1968.  
(2) G. O. Ms. 94/72/PD dated 3-3-1972.  
(3) G. O. Ms. 190/76/PD dated 21-6-1976.  
(4) Letter No. SP2-6159/79/SIL dated 19-2-1980 from the Director,  
The State Institute of Languages, Kerala.  
(5) Letter No. A11 (1) 14083/80/GW. dated 22-7-1980 from the  
Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission.

ORDER

By the G. O. read as first paper Government introduced a Minority Language Test in Tamil and Kannada, obligatory to the Officers other than Tamilians/Kannadigas, who actually work in the respective language areas. By the G.O. read as second paper the above test was ordered to be discontinued as it was felt that there would be sufficient number of Officers knowing the minority languages in the State to work in the linguistic minority areas. But, subsequently the need for providing alternative arrangements for acquisition of Minority Language qualification by the superseded Officers was brought to the notice of Government and so the minority language test was reintroduced by Government by the G. O. read as third cited.

2. The State Institute of Languages, Kerala is conducting a part time Diploma Course in Tamil. As it was represented that those who passed the above Diploma Examination might be exempted from passing the Minority Language Test in Tamil conducted by the Public Service Commission, Government obtained the full particulars of the Diploma Course conducted by the GPT. 3/3472/MC.

State Institute of Languages, Kerala. They found that this diploma course is of a higher standard than the Minority Language Test in Tamil conducted by the Public Service Commission and therefore proposed to exempt those who have undergone the above Diploma course successfully from passing the Minority Language Test in Tamil. The Public Service Commission agreed with the proposal.

3. In the circumstances, Government order that those who have undergone the Diploma Course in Tamil conducted by the State Institute of Languages, Kerala be exempted from passing the Minority Language Test in Tamil conducted by the Public Service Commission.

By order of the Governor,

E. R. PADMINI,

Additional Secretary to Government.

To

- All Heads of Departments and Offices.
- All Departments (all sections) of the Secretariat.
- The Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission (with C.L)
- The Registrar, High Court of Kerala, Ernakulam (with C.L.)
- The Registrar, University of Kerala/Calicut/Cochin (with C.L.)
- The Registrar, Agricultural University, Trichur (with C.L)
- The Advocate General, Ernakulam (with C.L)
- The Secretary, Kerala State Electricity Board (with C.L)
- The General Manager, Kerala State Road Transport Corporation (with C. L)
- The Secretary to Governor.
- The Private Secretaries to Chief Minister and other Ministers.
- The Under Secretary to Chief Secretary.
- The Accountant General, Kerala.