

PART I

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

*LINGUISTIC MINORITIES – SAFEGUARDS – RECRUITMENT TO PUBLIC SERVICES-
LANGUAGE TEST IN MALAYALAM –REDUCED MINIMUM AND AGGREGATE MARKS FOR
PASS IN THE TEST-FIXED-ORDERS ISSUED.*

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (RULES) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(P) No. 142/86/ GAD.

Dated, Trivandrum, 30th April 1986.

- Read:-
1. G.O.(Ms) No. 597/PD dated 1-9-1965.
 2. G.O.(Ms) No. 142/66/PD dated 31-3-1966.
 3. G.O.(P) No.381/78/GAD dated 16-6-1978.
 4. G.O.(P) No.356/82/GAD dated 3-11-1982.
 5. G.O.(p) No. 164/86/GAD dated 31-5-1984.
 6. Letter No. AV (1) 35827/84/GW dated 13-12-1984 from the Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission, Trivandrum.

ORDER

In the read as Ist paper above Government ordered that whenever recruitment tests are conducted by the Kerala Public Service commission in Malayalam, option shall be given to all candidates to take the tests in one of the languages viz, Tamil, Kannada, Hindi or English. The selected candidates who had taken the tests in languages other than Malayalam will be required to pass a language test in Malayalam for completion of their probation. The syllabus for the Languages Test in Malayalam was prescribed by the Government as per the G.O read as 2nd paper above. The syllabus of the test was simplified as per the G.O's 3rd, 4th and 5th cited. As per the existing orders the syllabus prescribed for the second class language test is as follows:

Written (Part A) – Translating an easy passage of English prose relating to Indian Subjects which contains no words that have not familiar equivalents in Malaayalam. (The passage may be of VII Standard).

Part B:-

Conversing with accuracy and fluency in Malayalam

Maximum	Minimum marks for a pass	Duration
Written		
Part I 100	40	45 minutes
Viva		
Voce		
Part B 100	50	15 minutes.

The Kerala Public Service commission in their letter read above3 has reported to Government that even the standard of the test has been lowered to some extent, candidates residing in linguistic minority areas especially in Kasaragod area still find it difficult to find through the test. The Commission has expressed the view that a reduction in the percentage of marks now insisted for a pass Parts A and B of the test will be of much help to mitigate the hardship now being experienced by the candidates and have advised Government to fix an aggregate minimum of 35% ie 70 marks out of 200 for both the parts taken together with a separated minimum of 30% in each part.

Governments have considered the advice of the Commission in all the aspects. Government accept the advice of the Commission in this matter and are pleased to fix in modification of the orders issued in the G.O 4th paper cited , that an aggregate minimum of 35% ie. 70 marks out of 200marks for both the parts taken together with a separate minimum of 30% in each part (Parts “A” & “B”) will suffice for a pass in the language test in Malayalam.

By order of the Governor,

M.G.VELAPPAN NAIR,
Additional Secretary to Government.

To

The Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission. (with C.L)
All Heads of Departments and Offices.(with C.L)
The Registrar, High Court of Kerala, Ernakulam (with C.L)
The Registrar, High court of Kerala, Trivandrum.
The Registrar, Gandhiji University, Kottayam (with C.L)
The Registrar, University of Cochin, Cochin (with C.L)
The Registrar, University of Calicut, Calicut (with C.L)
The Registrar, University of Agricultural University, Trichur. (with C.L)
The Secretary, Kerala State Electricity Board, Trivandrum (with C.L)
The General Manager, K.S.R.T.C, Trivandrum.
All Departments of the Secretariat.
The Commissioner for Linguistic Minorities, 40, Amarnath Jha Marg.Allahabad-2
The Assistant Commissioner for Linguistic Minorities, 108, Gengu Reddy Road,
Egmore, Madras.
The Under Secretary to Chief Secretary.
The director of Public Relations, Trivandrum.
