

**GOVERNMENT OF KERALA
ABSTRACT**

Public Services- Departmental tests-Persons already in Service belonging to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Temporary exemption from passing tests –orders issued.

PUBLIC (SERVICES –D) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(p) No. 136/75/PD .

Dated , Trivandrum. 5-7-1975.

Read:- 1. G.O. MS No. 21/PD dated 13-1-1972.
2. G.O. MS No. 22/PD dated 13-1-1972.
3. G.O. MS No. 13/ 74/PD dated 11-1-1974.

ORDER

In the G.O. read as first paper above Government have amended the Kerala State and Subordinate Services rules, 1958 introducing Rule 13 AA the effect that not with standing anythings contained in the rules, the Government may by order exempt for a specified period, any member or members , belonging to a Scheduled Caste or a Scheduled Tribe and already in service , from passing the tests refereed to in rule 13 or rule 13 A of the said rules. In the G.O. read as second paper above , Government have issued orders granting temporary exemption to members already in service belonging to any of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes from passing all tests (Unified and Special or departmental tests) for a period of two years from 13-1-1972. In the G.O.read as third paper above it was ordered that the period of temporary exemption granted to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the G.O. read as second paper above from passing all tests (unified and special or departmental tests) be extended from 13-1-1974 to cover a period during which two tests are held by the Public Service Commission and results thereof published so that each individual gets two chances to appear.

The High Court of Kerala in its judgment dated 19-4-74 on and O.P filed by a Government employees has struck down rule 13AA . Government have filed an appeal in the Supreme Court against the judgment of the High Court . The Supreme Court has stayed the High Court judgment and the appeal is pending. The period of temporary exemption granted in G.O. read as third paper above having expired on 4-6-1975 the date of publication of results of the Departmental tests and Account test. etc. Government have received representations requesting for further extension of the period of temporary exemption granted to Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in service from passing obligatory tests. Government have considered the matter and they are pleased to order that the period of temporary exemption granted to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the G.O.s read as second and third paper above from passing all tests (unified and special or Departmental tests) be extended for one year from the date on which the results of the tests last conducted by the Public Service Commission were published or until the decision of the Supreme Court or the appeal filed by Government is known as which ever is earlier.

By order of the Governor
ZACHARIA MATHEW,
Special Secretary.

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