

Government of West Bengal
Department of Forests
Aranya Bhavan, Block – LA-10A, Sector III, Salt Lake City, Kolkata- 700098

NOTIFICATION

No. 522-For dated 1st March, 2016: In exercise of the power conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution of India, the Governor, in supersession of earlier rules on the subject, is pleased hereby to make the following rules regulating recruitment to the post of Forest Guard and Head Forest Guard under the Forest Department, Government of West Bengal:-

Rules

1. **Short title and commencement :**

(1) These rules may be called **West Bengal Services (Recruitment of Forest Guard and Head Forest Guard) Rules, 2015.**

(2) They shall come into force at once.

PART-A

Name of the Post: Forest Guard;

1. **Definitions:-**

- i. 'Commission' means West Bengal Staff Selection Commission;
- ii. 'Directorate' means the Directorate of Forests, Government of West Bengal;
- iii. 'direct recruitment' means personnel recruited to the post as a result of a competitive examination for the purpose;
- iv. 'Sanctioned Strength' means the total number of posts sanctioned by the State Government.

2. **Appointing Authority:** Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Directorate of Forests, Government of West Bengal.

3. **The method of and the qualification required for recruitment to the post of Forest Guard under the Directorate of Forests, Government of West Bengal shall be as follows:-**

(1) **Method of recruitment :**

- (i) **by direct recruitment** to 2/3rd of the total sanctioned posts on the basis of a written examination followed by Personality Test to be conducted by the West Bengal Staff selection Commission; and
- (ii) **by promotion** to 1/3rd of the total sanctioned posts amongst Madhyamik Passed (or its equivalent) confirmed Group 'D' employees of the Directorate of Forests, Government of West Bengal who have completed at least 8 years' continuous service as Group 'D' employees in any unit/units under the Directorate of Forests, Government of West Bengal;

(2)

(2) The physical criteria for the eligible departmental candidates shall be as follows:

(a) Physical Standard :

(i) For Male Candidate:

Sl No.	Class	Height (in cm)	Chest Girth (fully expanded) (in cm)	Chest Expansion (in cm)
1	Candidates of all categories (except Gorkhas, Garwalies , Rajbanshis, and Scheduled Tribes)	163	84-89	5
2	Gorkhas, Garwalies , Rajbanshis, and Scheduled Tribes.	152.5	79-84	5

(ii) For Female Candidate:

Sl No	Class	Height (in cm)	Chest Girth (fully expanded) (in cm)	Chest Expansion (in cm)
1	Candidates of all categories (except Gorkhas, Garwalies , Rajbanshis, and Scheduled Tribes)	150	79-84	5
2	Gorkhas, Garwalies , Rajbanshis, and Scheduled Tribes	145	74-79	5

(b) Physical Efficiency Test :

Category	Distance to be walked (in Km)	Time limit for completing the distance (in Hour)
Men	25 (twenty five)	4 (four)
Women	16 (sixteen)	4 (four)

4. Educational Qualification for direct recruitment :

- Candidate must be a citizen of India;
- Candidates must pass Madhyamik Examination or its equivalent from West Bengal Board of Secondary Education or any recognized Institution.

5) **Age:** Candidates must be between eighteen years and thirty two years of age on the 1st day of January of the year of Advertisement. Provided that the upper age limit is relaxable in the case of candidates belonging to the categories of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Backward Classes, Ex-servicemen and other specified category as per existing orders/ rules of Government of West Bengal.

