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CO-OPERATION, FOOD AND CONSUMER PROTECTION DEPARTMENT

Re-issues the Special Rules for the category of Driver (Motor Vehicle) in Co-Operative Department in class LV in the Tamil Nadu General Subordinate Service.

[G.O. Ms. No. 57, Co-operation, Food and Consumer Protection (CL2), 11th August 2026, ஆடி 26, பராபவ, திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு–2057.]

No. SRO B-44/2026.— In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby re-issues the special Rules for the Category of Driver (Motor Vehicle) in Co-operative Department in Class LV in the Tamil Nadu General Sub-ordinate Service (Section 13 in Volume III) of the Tamil Nadu Services Manual 2016:-

RULES.

1. Constitution.- This class shall consist of the Driver (Motor Vehicles) in the Co-operative Department.

2. Appointment:- Appointment to the post shall be made (i) by direct recruitment; or (ii) by recruitment by transfer from any other service; or (iii) for special reasons, by transfer from any other class.

3. Reservation of Appointments:- The principle of reservation of appointments as provided in section 27 of the Tamil Nadu Government Servants (Conditions of Service) Act, 2016 (Tamil Nadu Act 14 of 2016) shall apply to appointment to the post by direct recruitment.

4. Appointing Authority:- The appointing authority to the post in the offices specified in column (1) of the Table below shall be as specified in the corresponding entries in column (2) thereof:-

TABLE

Post *(1)*	*Appointing authority* *(2)*
1. Driver (Motor Vehicles) in the Office of the Registrar of Cooperative Societies.	Personal Assistant to the Registrar of Co-operative Societies / Personnel Officer.
2. Driver (Motor Vehicles) in the Office of the Additional Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Chennai and the other Regional Joint Registrars.	Deputy Registrar of Co-operative Societies in the office concerned. Provided that in the regions where the post of Deputy Registrar is not sanctioned in the office of the Joint Registrar of Cooperative Societies, the Deputy Registrar of Co-operative Societies (Public Distribution System) in the concerned regions shall be the appointing authority.
3. Driver (Motor Vehicles) in the Office of the Deputy Registrar of Co-operative Societies (Public Distribution System).	Deputy Registrar of Co-operative Societies (Public Distribution system) concerned.

5. Qualifications.— (a) Age:- No person shall be eligible for appointment to the post by direct recruitment if he has completed or will complete thirty years of age on the first day of July of the year in which the vacancy is notified:

Provided that on and from 13th September, 2021 till 12th September, 2026, the maximum age limit for appointment to the post by direct recruitment shall be 32 (thirty two) years.

(b) Other qualifications.- No person shall be eligible for appointment to the post by the methods specified in column (2), unless he possess the qualifications specified in column (3) thereof :-

TABLE

Category (1)	*Method of appointment* (2)	*Qualification* (3)
Driver (Motor Vehicles)	i. By Direct Recruitment ii. By recruitment by transfer iii. By transfer	(a) Must have passed the SSLC; (b) Must possess a current motor vehicle licence issued under the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Central Act 59 of 1988) and the rules made thereunder; and (c) Must possess an elementary knowledge of auto mechanism as is required by a Driver, in the opinion of the appointing authority.

6. Probation.- (a) Every person appointed to the post by direct recruitment shall from the date on which he joins duty be on probation for a total period of two years on duty within a continuous period of three years.

(b) Every person appointed to the post by recruitment by transfer shall from the date on which he joins duty be on probation for a total period of one year on duty within a continuous period of two years.

7. Transfer.- (i) The Additional Registrar of Chennai and the Joint Registrar of the regions shall be the authority competent to transfer the Drivers (Motor Vehicles) from the jurisdiction of one appointing authority to that of another within their respective regions.

(ii) The Additional Registrar (Finance & Banking) working in the Office of the Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Chennai shall be the authority competent to transfer the Drivers (Motor Vehicles) from the jurisdiction of one Joint Registrar of the region to that of another.

8. Preparation of annual list of approved candidates. For the purpose of drawing up of the annual list of approved candidates for appointment to the post by recruitment by transfer or by transfer, the crucial date on which a candidate should be qualified shall be 1st December of the panel year.

P. AMUDHA,
Additional Chief Secretary to Government.

HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

Amendments to the Fundamental Rules

[G.O. Ms. No. 53, Human Resources Management (FR-III), 25th August 2026,
ஆவணி 8, பராபவ, திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு–2057.]

No. SRO B-45/2026.—In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 read with Article 313 of the Constitution of India and of all other powers hereunto enabling, the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following amendments to the Fundamental Rules:-

AMENDMENTS.

In the said Rules, in rule 101, under the heading 'Instructions under Rule 101(a)-Maternity Leave', in Instruction 1,-

(1) for the first, second and third provisos, the following provisos shall be substituted, namely:-

"Provided that the maternity leave for a period not exceeding 365 days referred to in clauses (i) and (ii) above shall be granted to a married woman Government servant having less than three surviving children;

Provided further that in the case of a married woman Government servant having three or more surviving children, maternity leave on full pay shall be granted for a period not exceeding twelve weeks, which may spread over from the pre-confinement rest to post confinement recuperation at the option of the Government servant";

(2) in Explanation 2, for the expression "two", the expression "three" shall be substituted;

(3) for Explanation 3, the following Explanation shall be substituted, namely:-

"Explanation 3.- The women Government servants who proceeded on maternity leave prior to 25.08.2026 and continued to be on that leave on or after that date shall also be eligible for maternity leave for a period not exceeding 365 days".

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Principal Secretary to Government.

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