GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

General Education - Guidelines to conduct K-TET- IV- approved-Orders issued.

GENERAL EDUCATION (J) DEPARTMENT


Read:-
(2) Letter.No.Prog IV/689/2012/SCERT dated, 29.10.12 from the Director, SCERT.

ORDER

Government are pleased to approve the guidelines appended to this Government Order developed by SCERT to conduct K-TET- IV in the State.

(By Order of the Governor)

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Section Officer
Kerala
Teacher Eligibility Test

K-TET; IV

Guideline

Government of Kerala
Department of Education

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STATE COUNCIL OF EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH AND TRAINING  
(SCERT; KERALA)

GUIDELINES

KERALA TEACHER ELIGIBILITY TEST - IV  
(K-TET; IV)

[For Language Teachers in Arabic, Hindi, Sanskrit, Urdu, (Up to Upper Primary Level), Specialist Teachers & Physical Education Teachers]

The implementation of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act 2009 requires the recruitment of a large number of teachers across the country in a time bound manner. It also directs the States to ensure that quality requirement for recruitment of teachers is not diluted at any cost. It is therefore necessary to ensure that persons recruited as teachers possess the essential aptitude and ability to meet the challenges of teaching at all levels of schooling.

In accordance with the provisions of sub-section (1) of section 23 of the RTE Act, the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) had vide Notification dated 23rd August, 2010 laid down the minimum qualifications for a person to be eligible for appointment as a teacher in classes I to VIII. Qualifying in the Teacher Eligibility Test is made mandatory to ensure that persons recruited as teachers possess the essential aptitude and ability to meet the challenges of teaching at all levels.

Accordingly, Government of Kerala has issued orders for the conduct of Teacher Eligibility Test in Kerala vide G.O (P) No. 70/12/G.Edn, Dated: 01.03.2012 and G.O (Ms) No. 205/12/G.Edn. Dated: 25.06.2012

A person to be eligible for appointment as a teacher in any of the schools approved by the Department of General Education, Government of Kerala has to qualify the Teacher Eligibility Test conducted by the State.

This test will be conducted by Pareeksha Bhavan, Kerala in accordance with the guidelines published by State Council of Educational Research and Training; Kerala (SCERT;Kerala) and such other Rules/ Regulations/ Instructions/ Policies laid down by the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE)/ Department of General Education/ Govt. of Kerala.
KERALA TEACHER ELIGIBILITY TEST – IV

For Language Teachers in Arabic, Hindi, Sanskrit, Urdu, (Up to Upper Primary Level), Specialist Teachers and Physical Education Teachers it was decided that the educational qualifications as delineated in the KERALA EDUCATION ACT AND RULES are eligible to appear for K-TET IV.

For Teachers of Art Education, Craft Education, Work Education, the existing eligibility norms prescribed by the State Government shall be applicable till such time the NCTE lays down the minimum qualification in respect of such teachers.

All individuals who possess the minimum educational qualifications etc. as delineated in the KERALA EDUCATION ACT AND RULES are eligible to appear for K-TET IV.

This test will be for the category of candidates who intends to be a teacher up to Upper Primary classes and fulfills the minimum qualifications. (For Specialist Teachers & Physical Education Teachers the Eligibility Test is applicable up to High School level)

MINIMUM QUALIFICATION:

K-TET IV is for:

- Those who have acquired qualifications for the posts of Language Teachers of Arabic, Hindi Sanskrit & Urdu, (Up to Upper Primary Level), Specialist Teachers & Physical Education Teachers as mentioned in Chapter XXXI of the KERALA EDUCATION ACT AND RULES.

Note: Candidates, who have acquired Certificate/ Diploma/ Degree in teaching in any subject, and are approved by Universities/ NCTE/ Board of Examinations/ Govt. of Kerala, are eligible to apply for K-TET IV.

Relaxation of Minimum marks for SC/ST Candidates

Candidates belonging to SC/ST categories and differently-abled candidates will be granted a relaxation of 5% marks in the minimum marks prescribed for the eligibility to appear for the K-TET: 4 – 2012. The minimum requirement of a pass in Second class for the qualifying examination, shall not be applicable in such cases.

Candidates belonging to OBC & OEC categories will be granted a relaxation of 3% marks in the minimum marks prescribed for the eligibility to appear for the K-TET: 4
Age Limit
No age limit is prescribed for candidates appearing for the K-TET 4 – 2012.

SCHEME/STRUCTURE AND CONTENT:
There will be only one paper in this category. All questions will be Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) each carrying one mark with four alternatives out of which one answer will be correct.

- No. of MCQs – 150
- Total marks – 150
- Duration of Examination: one-and-a-half hours.

Structure and Content of the Paper: (CATEGORY - 3: PAPER – IV Upper primary School Teacher)

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NATURE AND STANDARD OF QUESTIONS:

- The test items on Child Development, Pedagogy & Teaching Aptitude will focus on educational psychology of teaching and learning, relevant to the age group of 06-14 years. They will focus on understanding the characteristics, needs and psychology of diverse learners, interaction with learners and the attributes and qualities of a good facilitator of learning.

- The test items for language (Malayalam/English/ Tamil/ Kannada) will focus on the proficiency related to the medium of instruction.
• The test items in subject specific areas will focus on the pedagogical understanding, concepts and problem solving abilities of these subjects.

• The syllabus for special subjects will be published by SCERT in the website of SCERT www.scert.kerala.gov.in

• The test items shall be evenly distributed over different divisions of the syllabus of that subject as prescribed for classes I - VIII by the SCERT; Kerala

• The questions in the test will be based on the topics of the prescribed syllabus published by the SCERT; Kerala for classes I - VIII but their difficulty standard as well as linkages could be up to Secondary level.

• QUALIFYING MARKS: 60%

• NEGATIVE MARKING: There will not be any negative marking.

SYLLABUS

Details of Syllabus of the K-TET IV will be published by the SCERT; Kerala in the websites of SCERT; Kerala (www.scert.kerala.gov.in) and the Pareeksha Bhavan; Kerala (www.keralapareekshabhavan.in)

IMPORTANT NOTE

1. Candidates who have completed the course (Degree/ diploma/ certificate) and awaiting exam results which is required for eligibility as mentioned in these guidelines are also eligible to apply for the test. Their candidature by the appointing authority, however, shall be considered only when they have acquired the minimum qualification.

2. After qualifying ‘K-TET IV’, the candidates will acquire the eligibility in respect of having qualified ‘K-TET’. However, such K-TET qualified candidates will need to satisfy all eligibility requirements as per State Recruitment Rules in order to become qualified for getting recruited as teacher of respective category in any of the schools.

SCHEDULE OF EXAMINATION (Tentative)

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The date, time and other details will be published in the exam notification issued by Pareeksha Bhavan as per the directions from the Govt.

LANGUAGE/MEDIUM OF QUESTION PAPERS
All questions except those concerning language subjects, shall be bilingual i.e. Malayalam and English.

FREQUENCY OF CONDUCT OF K-TET, NUMBER OF AVAILABLE ATTEMPTS TO APPEAR AND VALIDITY PERIOD OF K-TET CERTIFICATE:

(i) The K-TET for the above said category will be conducted twice in a year.
(ii) The Validity Period of K-TET IV qualifying certificate for appointment shall be seven years from the date of passing K-TET.
(iii) There is no restriction on the number of attempts a person can take for acquiring a K-TET: IV Certificate.

WEIGHTAGE AND IMPROVEMENT OF PERFORMANCE

(i) A person who scores 60% or more in the K-TET IV exam shall be considered as K-TET IV pass and weightage shall be given to the K-TET in the recruitment process. However, qualifying the K-TET would not confer a right on any person for recruitment/employment as it is only one of the eligibility conditions for appointment. In addition, the candidate will have to fulfill other additional qualifications/conditions prescribed from time to time as per State Recruitment Rules, while applying for the said post.

(ii) A person who has qualified K-TET may also appear again for improving his/her score.

EXAMINATION CENTRES
Pareeksha Bhavan, Kerala reserves the right to identify examination centre anywhere in the State of Kerala. The examination centres will be announced after inviting applications from the candidates. Provision will be there in the application form to opt a district/ education district.
APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Prospectus can be downloaded from the websites of Pareeksha Bhavan (www.keralapareekshabhavan.in). Application should be submitted through online. However, after online submission of application a hard copy of the same shall be sent to Pareeksha Bhavan along with the necessary supporting documents. Details of the procedure shall be given in the 'Instructions to the Candidates'.

FEE FOR APPLICATION (EXAM FEE)

Application fee / Exam fee K-TET IV is Rs. 500/- (Rupees five hundred only); Fee for reserved categories such as SC/ST and differently-abled categories is Rs.250/- each (Rupees two hundred and fifty only).
The candidates have to pay the Exam Fee/ Application Fee in favour of the Director, SCERT, Kerala in the SB account (Ac. No. 67186142559 Kerala TET) maintained by SCERT in the State Bank of Travancore payable at Poojapura, Thiruvananthapuram.

ADMIT CARD

- The Admit Card for all the eligible candidates will be available in the website of Pareeksha Bhavan from the date which will be announced later in leading dailies and in the website of Pareeksha Bhavan (www.keralapareekshabhavan.in)
- No candidate will be admitted to the Examination centre unless he/she produces the valid Admit Card.
- Furnishing of false, wrong or inaccurate information may lead to cancellation of test results, forfeiture of degree and even prosecution in appropriate cases.

The details of marks and the eligibility status secured by the candidates appeared for K-TET will be published in the website of Pareeksha Bhavan. Those who are eligible to be declared as successful shall have to produce the required documents for verification and for the issue of certificate.

FOR BLIND CANDIDATES

The following shall be the criteria for blind candidates:

(1). Blind Candidates should approach the Secretary, Pareeksha Bhavan, Poojappura, Thiruvananthapuram along with necessary documents at least one
week before the commencement of examination, so that writers/scribes could be arranged for them. Such blind candidate shall also be required to bring with him/her a panel of writers containing two persons duly recommended by the Head of Institution/School along with two latest passport size photographs of the writer/ scribe. A student studying in Higher Secondary classes in a school recognized and affiliated will be considered eligible to work as writer for blind candidates. (2) An extra time of 20 minutes shall be allowed in one hour answering and fraction thereof.

AWARD OF CERTIFICATE

Those candidates who are declared qualified will be awarded a certificate by Kerala Pareeksha Bhavan, Poojappura, Thiruvananthapuram on behalf of Govt. of Kerala, after verification of the documents produced by the candidates. The statement of marks of all the candidates appearing in TET shall be made available on the website of Pareeksha Bhavan.

NOTIFICATION

Notifications containing the time schedule and other related matters of TET 2012 will be issued by the Pareeksha Bhavan, Poojappura, Thiruvananthapuram. The same will be intimated to the public through all print and electronic media.

NOTE

Candidates are advised to keep a watch on website of Pareeksha Bhavan www.keralapareekshabhavan.in for changes in prospectus, etc. if any.

NB

Any change or modification in the guidelines is subject to the orders of the Govt. of Kerala or the decisions of the K-TET EXAM BOARD.