Annexure I

How to Apply Online

1. **Website:** Candidates should apply only through online mode in the Commission's website viz., www.tnpscexams.in.

2. One Time Registration:

2.1. It is essential for the candidate to register himself / herself first at the One Time Registration (OTR) platform, available on the Commission's website, and then proceed to fill up the online application for the examination. Candidates should register only once in the One Time Registration by paying Rs.150/- as registration fee. Successfully registered One Time Registration is valid for five years from the date of registration.

2.2. During One Time Registration, the candidates should keep ready the scanned image of their photograph, taken within the last 3 months of size 20 KB – 50 KB and saved as "Photograph.jpg" and signature of size 10 KB – 20 KB and saved as 'Signature.jpg'. Both photograph and signature, of 200 DPI resolution, should be saved in a CD / DVD / Pen drive, to upload the same.

2.3. One Time Registration is not an application for any post. It is just a collection of information from the candidates and provides a separate dashboard to each candidate to facilitate the maintenance of their own profile. A candidate should make an online application separately for every examination for which he / she intends to appear.

2.4. A valid e-mail ID and mobile number are mandatory for One Time Registration. E-mail ID and mobile number are to be kept in 'ACTIVE' mode. Every candidate should have his / her email ID and password. No candidate should share his/her e-mail ID, password, mobile number with any other person. In case a candidate does not have a valid personal email ID, he / she should create a new email ID before applying online and must maintain that email account live. Inquiries relating to One Time Registration / online applications will be answered only if the inquiries are received through a registered e-mail ID.

2.5. Linking the Aadhaar number with One Time Registration (OTR) is mandatory for candidates. The information associated with the Aadhaar number including biometrics will be used only for identification purposes and will not be stored or shared. Candidates are requested to give their consent in their respective OTR. The Aadhaar details will be submitted to the Central Identities Data Repository (CIDR) only for authentication. Linking of the Aadhaar number is mandatory for all prospective candidates to create new OTR, renew / access the existing OTR and apply for any recruitment to be notified henceforth.

2.6. Details to be furnished during One Time Registration:

2.6.1. Candidates shall furnish their correct SSLC Register Number and Certificate Number, Month and Year of Passing, Medium of Instruction, and Name of the Board that issued the certificate while registering online. If any detail furnished is found to be wrong, the online application will be rejected at any stage after due process.

2.6.2. Candidates who have more than one SSLC mark sheet, should enter the details available in the mark sheet issued on the final attempt in which he / she had passed the SSLC examination.

2.6.3. Besides details related to SSLC, all other details required in the One Time Registration, shall be furnished without any mistake, as these details shall form the basis of all other details given subsequently by the candidate while filling the online application for each recruitment.

2.7. One-Time Registration (OTR) Edit:

2.7.1. The candidates shall be permitted to edit the details in the OTR whenever required by uploading the supporting documents.

2.7.2. Any changes in the One Time Registration must be made before the submission of the online application since the details furnished in the One Time Registration will be filled in automatically in the online application. Hence, incorrect particulars furnished in the One Time Registration may result in the rejection of online application after due process. Candidates are therefore advised to fill in the One Time Registration particulars carefully and correctly.

2.7.3. The Commission will not be responsible for any consequences arising out of failure on the part of the candidates to adhere to the instructions issued regarding One Time Registration or filling up of online application.

2.7.4. The instructions and illustration regarding One Time Registration are available on the website viz., www.tnpscexams.in.

3. Online Application:

3.1. A candidate who wishes to apply for any post shall click "APPLY" against the post notified on the Commission's website and use the same User ID and Password given for One Time Registration. User ID and Password are to be created by the candidates themselves. In case the candidate forgets the User ID and Password, he/she can retrieve or reset them using the "FORGOT PASSWORD and FORGOT USER ID" options. The Commission will not furnish User ID and Password details to the candidates.

3.2. A candidate already having user ID and password, has to login. The available One Time Registration particulars will be displayed on the screen, including the photograph furnished at the time of One Time Registration, as well as the photographs uploaded with previous online applications. Candidates shall check and confirm the One Time Registration details before proceeding further. Thereafter, the candidates shall fill up additional details required in the specific recruitment application. If any of the One Time Registration details are found to be incorrect, the same should be corrected by clicking on OTR Edit. Changes made in the One Time Registration will be reflected only in online applications to be submitted subsequently.



3.3. Candidates shall upload their photograph taken on or after the date of notification at the time of submission of each and every online application. The photograph should be in colour, of passport size, against a white background and taken in a photo studio. The candidate should be photographed in frontal view showing both ears and part of the neck. The candidate should ensure that the name of the candidate and the date of photography (i.e., on or after the date of notification) are printed at the bottom of the photograph. The face of the candidate as well as his / her name and date of photography should be clearly visible in the photograph of height 4.5 cm (170 pixels) and width 3.5 cm (130 pixels). Of the total height of the photograph, the image of the candidate shall be 3.0 cm (115 pixels) and the candidate's name and date of photography shall be 1.5 cm (55 pixels), as illustrated above. The photograph should be saved in a digital format (in CD / DVD / pen drive / hard drive), ready for uploading.

3.4. If the photograph is not available in a digital format, a passport-size photograph showing the image of the candidate along with the name of the candidate and the date of photography printed at the bottom, in the same dimensions as specified above, may be pasted on a plain white paper and scanned to obtain a resolution of 200 DPI. The image should then be cropped to show only the

photograph of size 20KB–50KB saved as "Photograph.jpg" and uploaded. The entire sheet of white paper on which the photograph is pasted should not be scanned / uploaded. Photographs taken using cellular phones, selfies, photocopies (Xerox) of photographs, photographs taken during family functions, at tourist places, or against a backdrop of plants or buildings should not be uploaded. Photographs of nature, wildlife, buildings, etc. shall not be uploaded. In case of uploading an inappropriate photograph, in violation of the aforementioned instruction, the application is liable to be rejected after due process.

3.5. Before uploading of signature, the candidate shall draw a box of dimension 6.0 x 2.0 cm (230 pixels x 75 pixels) on white paper and sign within the box, using a blue or black ink pen. The paper should then be scanned to obtain a resolution of 200 DPI. The image should then be cropped to show only the box with the signature, of size 10 KB –20KB, and saved as "Signature.jpg" and uploaded.

3.6. Clear images of the photograph and the signature should be uploaded in the correct dimensions, size, and format. Failure to upload/upload clear images of the photograph and signature will result in the rejection of the online application after due process.

3.7. Examination Centres:

3.7.1. While applying online, candidates shall be permitted to choose two district centres as their preference for the Written Examination. Candidates shall be allotted a venue in one of these two district centres. However, candidates with benchmark disability, shall be permitted to choose only one district centre and shall be allotted a venue in that district centre.

3.7.2. Candidates must appear for the examination at the venue they have been allotted, as mentioned in the memorandum of admission (hall ticket). Request for change of examination centre will not be permitted.

3.7.3. The Commission reserves the right to increase or decrease the number of examination centres and to re-allot the candidates accordingly. The Commission also reserves the right to allot a candidate to the nearby centre, if he / she could not be accommodated in the centres opted by the candidate.

S.No.	Name of the Centre	Code	S.No.	Name of the Centre	Code
1.	Chennai	0101	11.	Salem	1701
2.	Coimbatore	0201	12.	Thoothukudi	2401
3.	Erode	0601	13.	Tiruchirappalli	2501
4.	Kancheepuram	0701	14.	Tirunelveli	2601
5.	Nagercoil	0801	15.	Tiruppur	3201
6.	Karur	0901	16.	Vellore	2701
7.	Madurai	1001	17.	Virudhunagar	2901
8.	Namakkal	1201			
9.	Pudukkottai	1501			
10.	Ramanathapuram	1601			

3.7.4. The written examination will be held at the centres given below:

3.8. Application Preview:

3.8.1. Candidates should carefully fill in the details in the online application at the appropriate places and click on the 'SAVE AND PROCEED' button at the end of each page of the application. Before pressing the 'SAVE AND PROCEED' button, candidates are advised to verify each particular field in the application.

3.8.2. Candidates can edit/add/delete any information while filling the online application. Before finally submitting the application, candidates will be given the option of seeing a preview of their application. As soon as a candidate clicks the button meant for preview, an SMS will be sent to the registered mobile number, informing the availability of such a preview in the registered email ID provided by the candidate.

3.8.3. Once the candidate desires to make modifications based on the preview arrangement as indicated in the paragraph above, he/she may re-open the application and make necessary modifications using the Edit option and make the final submission of the corrected application, before the last date prescribed for submission of the online application. It is the responsibility of the candidate to carefully check the details available in the preview and make suitable corrections, if any, in the application / OTR before final submission. The candidate will be solely responsible for any non-rectification or non-submission of the application.

3.8.4. An individual is considered to have applied for a recruitment, if and only if, he / she finally submits the application, by clicking the 'SUBMIT' button. The mere availability of a preview shall not be tantamount to "having applied" for a particular recruitment.

3.9. Examination Fee:

3.9.1. The examination fee of Rs. 200 (Rupees Two hundred only) should be paid at the time of submitting the online application for this recruitment, unless exemption of fee is claimed.

3.9.2. For every additional subject paper opted by the candidate in the online application Rs.200 for each subject paper should be paid additionally. Further, if the candidate withdraws one or more subject paper(s) then the fee already paid by the candidate will not be refunded.

3.9.3. Candidates belonging to special categories can avail of exemption from paying examination fees as per eligibility criteria. For further details refer to Annexure II of this Notification.

3.9.4. The total number of free chances availed, will be calculated based on claims made in previous applications. The number of free chances availed by the candidate may be verified by the Commission at any stage of the selection process. In case a candidate makes a false claim for exemption from payment of the application fee by suppressing information regarding his/her previous application(s), his / her candidature shall be rejected after due process and he / she shall be debarred for a period of one year, from appearing for examinations conducted by the Commission.

3.9.5. Candidates are directed to carefully choose the option "Yes" or "No" regarding availing of the fee concession. The choice made, cannot be modified or edited after successful submission of the online application. Candidates are advised in their own interest, to keep an account of the number of times fee concession has been availed, irrespective of the information displayed in the <Application History> of the candidate dashboard.

3.9.6. An application (irrespective of the post applied for) claiming fee concession will operate to exclude one chance from the number of free chances allowed. Candidates who have availed the maximum number of free chances permitted / candidates who do not wish to avail of the fee concession / candidates who are not eligible for fee concession shall choose the option "No" against the query regarding fee concession. Such candidates shall thereafter pay the requisite fee through the prescribed mode of payment.

3.9.7. Failure to pay the prescribed fee in time, along with the online application, will result in the rejection of the application after due process.