

THE ANDHRA PRADESH CHARITABLE AND HINDU RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS AND ENDOWMENTS ARCHACKAS AND OTHER OFFICE HOLDERS AND SERVANTS QUALIFICATIONS AND EMOLUMENTS RULES, 2001

[G.O.Ms.No. 261, Revenue (Endowments-I), dt. 20th May, 2002]

In exercise of the powers conferred under sub-section (3) of Section 35 read with sub-section (1) of Section 153 of the Andhra Pradesh Charitable and Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Act, 1987 (Act No.30/87), the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following rules with immediate effect as the same having been published previously in G.O.Ms.No. 720, Revenue (Endowments-I) Department, dt. 20-11-2001 as required under sub-section (1) of Section 153 of the said Act.

Rules

1. Short title: These rules may be called the Andhra Pradesh Charitable and Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Archakas and other Office holders and Servants qualifications and Emoluments Rules, 2001.

Part I

2. Application: The Rules in this part shall apply to Archakas and other office holders and servants mentioned in Rule 4 and 13 of this part of all the Charitable and Religious Institutions other than Tirumala Tirupathi Devasthanams.

3. Definitions: In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires:-

- (a) 'Competent Authority' means the Commissioner, the Additional Commissioner, the Regional Joint Commissioner, the Deputy Commissioner or the Assistant Commissioner, as the case may be;
- (b) 'Executive Authority' means Executive Officer or the Chairman of the Board of Trustees where there is no Executive Officer and in respect of Maths, Head of the Math.
- (c) 'Income' means the income as calculated under Sec. 65 of the Act.

4. Category of Posts of Archakas under Sections 6(a) and 6(b):—

- (1) There shall be the following categories of Archakas or Pujaries in the Institutions published under Secs. 6 (a) and 6(b) of the Act.

Sl.No.	Category	Name of the Post
1.	I	Pradhana Archaka
2.	II	Upa Pradhana Archaka
3.	III	Mukhya Archaka
4.	IV	Archaka

- (2) In respect of the Institutions published under Section 6(c) of the Act, the remuneration etc., payable to the Archakas or Pujaries in relation to the income shall be as may be decided by the Commissioner.

5. Categories of Archakas in the income range as specified:

- (1) categories of the Archakas to be appointed in the Institutions classified under Section 6(a) and (b) of the Act may be as shown hereunder:—

1. A.P. Gaz., Part I (Ext.) dt. 3-6-2002.

No.	Income Range	Category
(a)	Exceeding Rs. 50,000/- but not exceeding Rs. 5,00,000/-	IV Archaka
(b)	Exceeding 5,00,000/- but not exceeding Rs. 25,00,000/-	III Mukhya Archaka IV Archaka
(c)	Exceeding 25,00,000/- but not exceeding 50,00,000/-	II Upa Pradhana Archaka III Mukhya Archaka IV Archaka
(d)	Exceeding Rs. 50,00,000/-	I Pradhana Archaka II Upa-Pradhana Archaka III Mukhya Archaka IV Archaka

Provided that, it may not be incumbent on the Executive Authority to make appointments to all the categories specified in any class of the institutions.

- (2) the cadre strength of Archakas in respect of the institutions specified in sub-rule (1) shall be fixed in relation to the income, financial viability, necessity and activity level of each institution by the Commissioner from time to time.
- (3) for the purpose of appointing Archakas, the Maths may be classified into 3 categories, income-wise on par with the institutions published under Section 6(a), (b) and 6(c) of the Act respectively.

6. Scale of pay: The scales of pay to the Archakas of different categories shall be as specified in Schedule I to these rules and they may be revised from time to time by the Commissioner.

7. Method of appointment and qualifications: The method of appointment and the qualifications of the Archakas shall be as follows:—

Sl.No.	Category	Name of the post	Method of Appointment	Qualifications	Age
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1.	I	Pradhana Archaka	By promotion from Category-II	Must have passed Archaka Pravara Examination conducted by the Commissioner of Endowments	
2.	II	Upa Pradhana Archaka	By promotion from from Category-III	Must have passed Archaka Pravara Examination conducted by the Commissioner of Endowments	
3.	III	Mukhya Archaka	By promotion from Category-IV	Must have passed the Archaka Pravara Examination conducted by the Commissioner of Endowments	
4.	IV	Archaka	By direct recruitment Or By promotion from the post of Paricharika Or Cook	Must have passed the Archaka Pravara Examination conducted by the Commissioner of Endowments	Must have completed the age of (18) Yrs. & must not have completed the age of (35) Yrs. for direct recruitment

Prescribing of qualifications:

- (1) Every person before appointment as Archaka and above posts shall produce the certificates regarding the qualifications specified in Rule 7 for performing the functions attached to his office.
- (2) In the case of appointment by promotion, the Commissioner may exempt a person from possessing qualifications specified in Rule 7 of these rules provided that if he completed (45) years of age and is well acquainted with Pooja Vidhanam in the said Agama or Sampradayam. If it is found necessary the Commissioner may also require such person to appear for oral test as may be decided by him.

Provided that the exemption shall be applicable to the first promotion only.

9. Method of Promotion: The promotion from one category to another shall be on the basis of seniority-cum-suitability.

10. Other office holders and servants: The common categories and the qualifications of the posts of other office holders and servants in Charitable and Religious Institutions shall be as shown in the table below:

TABLE

Sl.No.	Name of the Post	Method of Recruitment	Qualifications	Age
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
	Stanacharya: (a) Grade I	By promotion from Grade II		
	(b) Grade II	(i) By direct recruitment (ii) By promotion from Grade III	(i) Must have passed Pravara or equivalent examination of the relevant Agama; (ii) Must possess good knowledge of Sanskrit and the Sampradaya of the concerned institutions; and (iii) Must be able to guide the Archakas in the performance of the daily service, rituals and other festivals and ceremonies.	Must have completed the age of (30) years and must not have completed the age of (38) years for direct recruitment.
	(c) Grade III	By direct recruitment	(i) Must have passed Pravara or equivalent examination of the relevant Agama; (ii) Must possess good knowledge of Sanskrit and the Sampradaya of the concerned institutions; and (iii) Must be able to guide the Archakas in the performance of the daily service, rituals and other festivals and ceremonies.	Must have completed the age of (30) years and must not have completed the age of (38) years for direct recruitment.

NOTE.— (a) Grade I & II: In respect of the temples published under Sec. 6(a) (ii) of the Act and the Executive Officer of the temple is of the cadre of Deputy Commissioner and above;

(b) Grade II and III: In respect of the temples published under Section 6(a) (ii) of the Act and the Executive Officers of the cadre of Assistant Commissioner or 1st Grade Executive Officer as the case may be; and

(c) Grade III: In respect of the temples published under Section 6(b) (ii) of the Act. It shall not be incumbent on the Executive Authority to appoint any grade of Stanacharya unless there is necessity with the specific permission of the Commissioner.

Sl.No.	Name of the Post	Method of recruitment	Qualifications	Age
02.	Vedaparayanadar Grade I	By promotion from Grade II	(i) Must possess a certificate of Patta in (i) Kramantham in sukla or Krishna Yajurveda or (ii) Mulam or Samhitha in Rigveda or Adharvanaveda or (iii) Padantham with Chandegyam in Samaveda issued by Sabhas competent to give certificate, and recognised by the Commissioner.	
	Vedaparayanadar Grade II	By promotion from Grade III	(i) Must possess a certificate of patta in (i) Kramantham in Sukla or Krishna Yajurveda or (ii) Mulam or Samhitha in Rigveda or Adharvana veda or (iii) Padantham with Chandogyam in Samaveda issued by Sabhas competent to give certificate, and recognised by the Commissioner.	
	Vedaparayanadar Grade III	By direct recruitment	(i) Must possess a certificate of patta in moolam in sukla or krishnayajurveda or (ii) Moolam or samhitha in Rigveda or Adharvanaveda or (iii) Padantham with Chandogyam in Samaveda issued by Sabhas competent to give certificate, and recognised by the Commissioner.	Must have completed the age of 18 years and must not have completed the age of 38 years for direct recruitment.

NOTE.— (a) Grade I, Gr. II and Gr. III: In respect of temples published under Section 6(a) (ii) of the Act.
(b) Grade III:- In respect of temples, published under Section 6(b) (ii) of the Act.

3.	Saptha Sath and Sreevidya Parayanadara Grade I Grade II	By promotion from Grade II By direct recruitment	(i) Must be proficient in Sreevidya Paraya and Upasaka certified by reputed Peetham recognised by the Commissioner. (ii) Must have completed the age of (20) years and must not have completed the age of (30) years.
4.	(a) Adhyapaka	(i) By direct recruitment (ii) By promotion from Prabandha Parayanadar	Must possess a certificate of Nalayara Divya Prabhandham granted (a) TTD Vedapatasala or (b) any Vedanta acharya peetam recognised by the Commissioner. Must have completed the age of (35) years and must not have completed (38) years of age. Must possess a certificate of Nalayara Divya Prabhandham granted by (a) Tirumala Tirupathi Devasthanams Vedapatasala or (b) any Vedanta acharya peetam recognised by the Commissioner.
	(b) Prabandha Parayanadar	By direct recruitment	(i) Must possess a certificate of Nalayara Divya Prabhandham granted by (a) Tirumala Tirupathi Devasthanams Vedapatasala or (b) any Vedanta Acharya Peetam recognised by the Commissioner. (ii) Must have completed the age of (20) years and must not have completed the age of (30) years.
5.	Thevaram recitor Grade I Thevaram recitor Grade II	By promotion from Grade II By direct recruitment	Should be well versed in reciting thevaram. Should be well versed in reciting thevaram. Must have completed the age of (20) years and must not have completed (38) years.
6.	Paricharaka or such other designations	By direct recruitment	Duties attached to which are purely for assistance in the performing of religious worship or conduct of rituals in the sanctum and sanctorum. Must have completed the age of (18) years and must have not completed the age of (38) years.
7.	(a) Cook	By promotion from Assistant Cook	Must be proficient in preparation of Nyvedyam and Prasadam according to the relevant agama sampradayam.

11. Emoluments:— The emoluments payable to different posts other than those mentioned in Schedule-I shall be as specified in Schedule-II of these rules subject to revision by the Commissioner from time to time. The emoluments are payable from out of the incomes of the respective temples.

12. Allowances:— The rates of Dearness Allowance/House Rent Allowance and City compensatory Allowance to the posts specified in Schedules I and II shall be on par with the Rules rates payable to the secular employees from time to time.

13. Rectification of anomalies:— The Commissioner shall have power to rectify the anomalies, if any in the fixation of pay etc., that may arise in respect of the office holders and servants who are governed by these rules.

14. Conditions of service of office holders and servants:— The rules relating to the conditions of service of office holders and servants of Charitable and Religious Institutions or Endowments other than Tirumala Tirupathi Devasthanams framed under sub-section (4) of Sections 35 and 39 shall apply to the Archakas, other office holders and servants in respect of matters other than those expressly provided herein.

15. Powers of Commissioner:— The Commissioner may relax the upper age limit in favour of any person for being appointed to the posts specified in Schedule I and II of these rules in such manner as may appear to him just and equitable.

Schedule I (See Rule 6)

Sl.No.	Nomenclature of Archakas	Existing pay scales	Proposed pay scales
01.	Pradhana Archaka	3000-70-3560-80-4200-90-4920-100-5520	6350-200-7150-250-8400-300-9900-350-11650-450-13000
02.	Upa Pradhana Archaka	2500-60-2980-70-3440-80-4080-90-4620	5000-150-5300-170-6150-200-7150-250-8400-300-9900-350-10600
03.	Mukhya Archaka	2000-50-2400-60-2880-70-3440-80-3920	4190-120-4550-150-5300-170-6150-200-7150-250-8400-300-8700
04.	Archaka / Abhishekam Purohit	1400-30-1640-40-1960-50-2300-60-2730	3290-80-3450-100-3950-120-4550-150-5300-170-6150-200-6550

Note 1: The word "Purohit" includes any Purohit performing the Abhishekham, Vratams, Marriages and Upanayanams of the individuals and vahana poojas etc.

Note 2: The nomenclature of Upa-mukhya Archaka has since been deleted he shall be called Archaka carrying the proposed pay scale shown against the Archaka.

Schedule II (See Rule 10)

Sl.No.	Nomenclature of Archakas	Existing pay scales	Proposed pay scales
1.	Sthanacharya Grade I	2500-60-2980-70-3440-80-4080-90-4620	7150-250-8400-300-9900-350-11650-540-13000
	Grade II	2000-50-2400-60-2880-70-3440-80-3920	6350-200-7150-250-8400-300-9900-350-11650-450-13000
	Grade III	1600-40-1920-50-2320-60-2800-70-3220	5000-150-5300-170-6150-200-7150-250-8400-300-9900-350-10600
2.	Saptha Sati & Sreevidya, Parayanadar Adhyapaka Thevaram Rectlor - Grade I	2000-50-2400-60-2880-70-3440-80-3920	4190-120-4550-150-5300-170-6150-200-7150-250-8400-300-8700

Schedule II (See Rule 10) (Contd.)

Sl.No.	Nomenclature of Archakas	Existing pay scales	Proposed pay scale
3.	Saptha Sati & Sreevidya, Parayanadar - Grade II	1600-40-1920-50-2320-60-2800-70-3220	3290-80-3450-100-3950-120-4550-150-5300-170-6150-200-6550
4.	Prabhandha Parayandar Thevaram Rectlor-Grade II	1600-40-1920-50-2320-60-2800-70-3220	3290-80-3450-100-3950-120-4550-150-5300-170-6150-200-6550
5.	Partcharaka or such other designations	1200-25-1300-30-1450-40-1650-50-1900-60-2200	2870-60-3050-80-3450-100-3950-120-4550-150-5300-170-5470
6.	Cook	1200-25-1300-30-1450-40-1650-50-1900-60-2200	3290-80-3450-100-3950-120-4550-150-5300-170-6150-200-6550
7.	Assistant cook	1000-20-1080-25-1205-30-1355-35-1530-40-1750	2870-60-3050-80-3450-100-3950-120-4550-150-5300-170-5470
8.	Sannayl & Dolu -Grade I	2500-60-2980-70-3440-80-4080-90-4620	3450-100-3950-120-4550-150-5300-170-5470
9.	Sannayl & Dolu - Grade II	2000-50-2400-60-2880-70-3440-80-3920	2870-60-3050-80-3450-100-3950-120-4550-150-5300-170-5470
10.	Sruthi and Thalam	1400-30-1640-40-1960-50-2300-60-2730	2550-50-2750-60-3050-80-3450-100-3950-120-4550

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A.P., Hyderabad.

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Ref: 1) G.O.Ms.No.512, Rev(Endts.I) Dept., dt: 02.08.2004.
2) G.O.Ms.No.91, Rev(Endts.I) Dept., dt: 15.01.2005.

A copy of the GO 2nd cited is herewith communicated to all the subordinate Officers of the Department as noted in the address entry for information and necessary action.

The Regional Joint Commissioners, Deputy Commissioners and Assistant Commissioners of Endowments Department are requested to communicate the said GO (2nd cited) to all the concerned Executive Authorities under their jurisdiction without fail.

(By order of the Commissioner)

Encl: G.O.Ms.No.91, Rev(Endts.I) Dept.,
dt: 15.01.2005.

Sd/-K.Ramachandra Mohan
Assistant Commissioner (HO)

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K. Ramachandra Mohan
Superintendent

To

- 1) All the Regional Joint Commissioners including the Executive Officers of Regional Joint Commissioner cadre institutions.
- 2) All the Deputy Commissioners including the Executive Officers of Deputy Commissioner cadre institutions.
- 3) All the Assistant Commissioners including the Executive Officers of Assistant Commissioner cadre institutions.
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Endowments Department - Rules - Amendment to Andhra Pradesh Charitable and Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Archakas and Other Office Holders and Servants Qualifications and Emoluments Rules, 2001 - Final Notification - Orders - Issued.

REVENUE (ENDOWMENTS.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.91

Dated : 15.01.2005

Read the following

- 1) G.O.Ms.No 261, Revenue(Endts.I) Department, dated: 20.05.2002.
- 2) From the Commissioner, Endowments Department, Lr.No N2/68071/97-2, dt: 28.08.2002 and 28.02.2004.
- 3) G.O.Ms.No 512, Revenue(Endts.I) Department, dt: 02.08.2004.
- 4) From the Commissioner, Endowments Department, Lr.No N2/68071/97, dt: 30.11.2004.

ORDER:

The following notification will be published in the Extraordinary Issue of the Andhra Pradesh Gazette dated 24th January, 2005.

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 134 read with sub-section (1) of Section 153 of the Andhra Pradesh Charitable and Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Act, 1967 (A.P. Act No 30/1967), the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby makes the following amendment to the Andhra Pradesh Charitable and Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowments Archakas and Other Office Holders and Servants Qualifications and Emoluments Rules, 2001 issued in G.O.Ms.No.261, Revenue(Endts.I) Department, dated: 20.05.2002 and published in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette Part-I Extraordinary No.249, dated 3rd June, 2002 and the same having been previously issued in G.O.Ms.No 512, Revenue(Endts.I) Department, dt: 02.08.2004 and published in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette Part-I Extraordinary, dated: 06.08.2004 as required under sub-section (1) of Section 153 of the said Act.

AMENDMENT

In the said Rules, in Schedule II, against the Serial No.1, in Column "Nomenclature of Archakas" after the word 'Sthanacharya', the words 'and Vedaparayanadar' shall be added.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

J.P. MURTHY
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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