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PART I—Orders and Notifications by the Governor of West Bengal, the High Court, Government Treasury, etc.

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
Land & Land Reforms and Refugee, Relief & Rehabilitation Department
Establishment Branch, Nabanna
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NOTIFICATION

No. 1201-Estt./1E-02/2020 -Apptt dated the 29th March, 2023.- In exercise of the power conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution of India, the Governor is pleased hereby to make the following rules regulating absorption and recruitment to the Basic Grade posts of the West Bengal Land Reforms Service, 2023, constituted under this Department Notification No. 1200-Estt./1E-02/2020-Apptt dated 29th March,2023 published in the *Kolkata Gazette Extraordinary* dated the 29th March,2023 :-

Rules

1. **Short title and commencement.**— (1) These rules may be called the West Bengal Land Reforms Service (Absorption and Recruitment) Rules, 2023.
(2) These Rules shall come into force from the date of its publication in the *Official Gazette*.
2. **Definitions** — In these Rules, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context, —
 - (a) "**Appointing Authority**" in relation to posts of the West Bengal Land Reforms Service shall be the Governor ;
 - (b) "**Commission**" means the Public Service Commission, West Bengal ;
 - (c) "**Government**" means the Government of West Bengal ;
 - (d) "**Service**" means the West Bengal Land Reforms Service.
3. **Method of absorption and Recruitment by Selection.**— (1) For the first three years after constitution of the West Bengal Land Reforms Service, the eligible Officers in the rank of Special Revenue Officer, Grade-II as per current Gradation List of SRO-II, shall be absorbed and upgraded to the Basic Grade post of the said

Service, on the basis of recommendation of the Public Service Commission, West Bengal, subject to availability of vacancy and fulfillment of required benchmark of ACR/SAR, Integrity Certificate and Vigilance Clearance, as stated in Rule 10 and Rule 12 of the West Bengal Land Reforms Service Rules, 2023.

(2) From the 4th (Fourth) year of the constitution of the West Bengal Land Reforms Service, 2023 :-

- (a) 20% of the vacancy as on 1st January of every year shall be filled up directly by selection on the basis of results of the West Bengal Civil Service (Exe.) etc. Examination for Group-A posts and services conducted by the Public Service Commission, West Bengal ;

Note : Two years probation shall be mandatory for the direct recruited Officers in the West Bengal Land Reforms Service. The said Officers should pass the departmental examination after completion of the probation period of two years.

- (b) Not more than 80% of the vacancy in entry level of the said Service shall be filled up by promotion, in consultation with the Public Service Commission, West Bengal from the feeder posts, i.e., Special Revenue Officer, Grade-II, provided they have completed 8 (eight) years of service as Revenue Officer (West Bengal Sub-ordinate Land Reforms Service, Grade-I) and Special Revenue Officer, Grade-II taken together.

4. **Qualifications and age for Direct Recruitment.**— For appointment to the West Bengal Land Reforms Service, the qualifications and age shall be same, as prescribed for the candidates for the West Bengal Civil Service (Exe.) Etc. Examination for Group-A posts and services conducted by the Public Service Commission, West Bengal.
5. **Repeal and Saving.**— Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules, the persons appointed on regular basis or substantively to the posts covered under these rules, prior to coming into force of these rules, shall be deemed to have been validly appointed under these rules.

By order of the Governor,

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Secretary to the Government of West Bengal*