



Government of Jammu & Kashmir

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR,  
**J&K SERVICES SELECTION BOARD,**  
Sekhari Bhawan Panma Chowk Jammu  
(www.jkssb.nic.in)

**Sub: - Withdrawing of posts of Horticulture Technician IV advertised vide notification No.01 of 2016 dated 01.06.2016 and 03 of 2016 dated 30.06.2016.**

ORDER No: 641 SSB of 2017

Dated: - 08.11.2017

1) Whereas, vide Advertisement Notice Nos. 2 of 2013, 09 of 2013 and 10 of 2013, applications were invited for various posts including District Cadre posts of Horticulture Technician-IV; and

2) Whereas, during the process of selection, the J&K Services Selection Board called only those candidates for interview, who, in the Written test, secured 40% marks in case of OM category and 35% marks in case of Reserved Categories when the procedure prescribed under Rule 14 of the Jammu and Kashmir Civil Services Decentralization and Recruitment Rules, 2010 was to be followed; and

3) Whereas, the Board had adopted the procedure prescribed under Regulation 28 of the Jammu and Kashmir Services Selection Board (Business and Procedure) Regulations, 2013 (for short 2013 Regulations). For facility of reference, Regulation 28 is quoted here:-

*"28. The candidates securing minimum 40 percent and 35 percent in written test in open and reserved categories respectively or the cut off merit in the ratio of not less than three times and more than five times the number of vacancies to be filled up, whichever is higher, shall be eligible to be called for viva voce.*

*Provided that in case sufficient number of candidates do not fall within the above cut off limit of 40 percent/35 percent of qualifying marks in open/reserved categories respectively, the requirement of calling the candidates in the ratio of 1:3 or 1:5, as the case may be, shall be dispensed with and the number of candidates to be called for interview shall be restricted to the limit of those who have secured the above minimum percentage of marks."*

4) Whereas, aggrieved of non-inclusion in the interview list, some candidates (08 in number) filed several Writ Petitions praying therein to consider the case of the petitioners in accordance with the rules and regulations on the same analogy taken in writ petitions bearing SWP No 2318/2014 and 291/2015; and

5) Whereas, the Hon'ble High Court of Jammu and Kashmir disposed of the writ Petition No. SWP 570/2015 titled Ajjaz Ahmad Dar and Another V. State of J&K connected with the series of Writ Petitions and Ors on 21.08.2017. The operative part of judgment is reproduced below: -

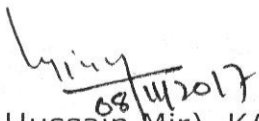
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"(II) On the basis of Written test as conducted while adhering to Rule 14 of the Rules of 2010 the respondent Board shall:

- Consider all the candidates for selection in case number of candidates is less than the posts advertised, subject to satisfaction of other eligibilities;
- Call all the candidates for interview where the number of candidates is more than the posts advertised district-wise but is not more than five times the number of vacancies and then to select the candidates on the basis of their merit subject to satisfaction of other eligibilities;
- In case number of candidates is more than five times the number of vacancies, then in that eventuality the candidates shall be called as against the available posts in the ratio of 1:5 strictly in order of merit as obtained in the written test and thereafter to finalize the selection of the meritorious candidates subject to fulfillment of other eligibility criteria....."

Now, therefore in compliance to Court Order Dated: 21.08.2017, the posts of Horticulture Technician IV advertised vide notification No.01 of 2016 dated 01.06.2016 and 03 of 2016 dated 30.06.2016 details of which are given below are hereby Withdrawn:-

Item No.	Adv. Notice No	Name of the Department	Name of the post	Cadre	OM	RBA	SC	ST	ALC	OSC	Total	Prescribed Qualification
261	03 of 2016	Agriculture Production Department	Horticulture Technician-IV	Anantnag	02	-	-	-	-	-	02	10+2 with one year basic Horticulture Training
299	03 of 2016	Agriculture Production Department	Horticulture Technician-IV	Budgam	-	02	-	-	-	-	02	10+2 with one year basic Horticulture Training
86	01 of 2016	Agriculture Production Department	Horticulture Technician-IV	Pulwama	0	02	-	-	-	-	02	10+2 with one year basic Horticulture Training
149	01 of 2016	Agriculture Production Department	Horticulture Technician-IV	Srinagar	01	-	-	-	-	-	01	Matric with ITI in relevant trade

  
 (Tasaduq Hussain Mir), KAS  
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 J&K Services Selection Board,  
 Jammu.

No. SSB/A-02/2015/ 11599-11602

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