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GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE CIVIL SECRETARIAT ITANAGAR

NOTIFICATION

The 8th October, 2025

No. AGRI/E(SR)-1/2015-16.—In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the constitution of India, the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh is pleased to make the following rules further to amend the Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture Service (APAS) Rules, 2005, namely: -

- 1. **Short title and commencement :** (i) These rules may be called the Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture Service (APAS) (Amendment) Rules 2025.
 - (ii) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Arunachal Pradesh Gazette.
- 2. **Amendment to the Principal Rules:** In the principal Rules, notified vide NO.AGRI/E-97/98 dated 2nd June, 2005,the following shall be amended: -
 - (i) In Rule 4 of the Principal Rules for the existing entries, the following entries shall be substituted "4. Composition of Service:-

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		GRADE	CLASSIFICATION		
		(1)	(2)		
1.	Administrative Grade				
	1.	Director (Agriculture)	Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture		
	2.	Director Agriculture Marketing	Service Group 'A' Gazetted, Non - Ministerial.		
		Pay in the Pay Matrix L–13 ₹ 123100–215900 PM			
2.	Sele	ection Grade			
	1.	Joint Director Agriculture	Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture		
	2.	Joint Director (Plant Protection)	Service Group 'A' Gazetted,		
	3.	Joint Director (Multiple Cropping Project)	Non - Ministerial.		
		Pay in the Pay Matrix L-12 ₹ 78800–209200 PM			
3.	Ser	nior Grade			
	1.	Deputy Director (Agriculture Information)			
	2.	Deputy Director (Plant Protection)			
	3.	Deputy Director (Agriculture Marketing)			
	4.	Agronomist			
	5.	District Agriculture Officer	Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture		
	6.	District Training Officer	Service Group 'A' Gazetted,		
	7.	Seed Production Officer	Non - Ministerial.		
	8.	Seed Testing Officer			
	9.	Farm Manager, Sonajuli			
	10.	Principal, GTC Pasighat			
	11.	Project Officer MCP Basar			
		Pay in the Pay Matrix L -11 ₹ 67700 – 208700 PM			

	GRADE	CLASSIFICATION
	(1)	(2)
4.	APAS Entry Grade	
	Sub-Division Agriculture Officer	
	2. Entomologist	
	3. Entomologist cum Nematologist	
	4. Plant Pathologist	
	5. Peripatetic Training Officer	
	6. Junior Seed Analyst	
	7. Assistant Soil Chemist	Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture
	8. Senior Technical Assistant	Service Group 'A' Gazetted, Non - Ministerial.
	9. Research Officer	
	10. Instructor, GTC Pasighat	
	11. Peripatetic Training Officer (L)	
	12. Subject Matter Specialist.	
	 Agriculture Development Officer / Agriculture Development Officer (Plant protection) 	
	Pay in the Pay Matrix L-10 ₹ 56100-177500 PM	

Note: The posts in the Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture Service, Administrative Grade, Selection Grade, Senior Grade and the Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture Service Entry Grade shall be classified as Group -'A' Gazetted posts.

(ii) In Rule - 6 of the Principal Rules for the existing entries, the following entries shall be substituted: -

Appointment to Administrative Grade: The regular officers of Selection Grade of Agriculture Service Cadre (Joint Director) who have rendered not less than 5 (five) years of regular service in the Grade shall be promoted to the posts of Administrative Grade, failing which by promotion from the regular officers of Selection Grade of Agriculture Service Cadre (Joint Director) who have rendered combined regular service of 10 years in the post of Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture Service Senior Grade. Further failing which by promotion from the regular officers of Selection Grade of Agriculture Service Cadre (Joint Director) who have rendered combined regular service of 15 years calculated from the date of entry in Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture Service and are included in the select list for Administrative Grade list prepared under Rule – 13.

(iii) In Rule 7 of the Principal Rules for the existing entries, the following entries shall be substituted: -

Appointment to Selection Grade: The regular officers of Senior Grade (Deputy Director (AI)/ Deputy Director (Plant Protection) / Deputy Director (Agriculture Marketing) / Agronomist / District Agriculture Officer / District Training Officer/Farm Manager / Seed Testing Officer/ Principal GTC / Project Officer MCP / Seed Production Officer) who have rendered not less than 5 years of regular service in the Grade shall be promoted to the Selection Grade, failing which by promotion from the regular officers of Senior Grade of Agriculture Service Cadre who have rendered combined regular service of 10 years in the post of Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture Service (Entry Grade) and are included in the select list prepared under Rule 13 '.

(iv) In Rule 8 and 9 of the Principal Rules for the existing entries, the following entries shall be substituted: -

Appointment to Senior Grade: The regular officers of the Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture Service (APAS) Entry Grade who have rendered not less than 5 years of regular service in the Grade and are included in the list for Senior Grade prepared under Rule-13.

(v) In Rule, 10 and 11 of the Principal Rules for the existing entries, the following entries shall be substituted: -

Appointment to Entry Grade: Recruitment to the Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture Service (APAS) Entry Grade in Rule -10 and Sub- Rule (i) of Rule -11 of the principal rules, 80% of the regular vacancies in the Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture Service Entry Grade (Agriculture Development Officer) shall be filled by direct recruitment from the candidate possessing educational qualification of B. Sc. Agriculture Degree from a recognized University and on the basis of the result of a competitive examination held by the Arunachal Pradesh Public Service Commission (APPSC) as per Schedule - II for this purpose as amended from time to time.

- 1. Every Direct recruit to the Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture Service entry Grade shall initially be appointed on probation, the period of probation being 2 years from the date of appointment.
- 2. Every person other than a direct recruitment shall, when first appointed to Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture Service Entry Grade be on 'trial' for a period of 2(two) years from the date of appointment.
- 3. The period of probation or trial specified in Rule-17 may, if the appointing authority deems fit be extended or curtailed in any case, but the total period of extension of probation or trial shall not, save where it is necessary by reason of any departmental or legal proceeding pending against the officer, exceed 1 (one) year.
- 4. During probation or trial, member of the service may be required to undergo such training and to pass such tests as the State Government may from time to time prescribed.

In Schedule-I of the Principal Rules, for the existing entries, the following entries shall be substituted:

SI. No.		Name of post (s)	No. Post (s)	Pay in pay Matrix		
(1)		(2)	(3)	(4)		
1.	Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture Service (Administrative Grade)					
	1.	Director (Agriculture)	2	Level- 13 ₹1,23,100-2,15,900 pm		
	2.	Director (Agriculture Marketing)				
2.	APAS (Selection Grade)					
	1.	Joint Director (Agriculture)				
	2.	Joint Director (Plant Protection)	3	Level-12		
	3.	Joint Director (MCP)		₹ 78,800-2,09,200 pm		
3. APAS (Senior Grade)						
	1.	Deputy Director (Development/ Agriculture Information/Marketing)	3			
	2.	Agronomist	4			
	3.	District Agriculture Officer	22			
	4.	District Training Officer	4			
	5.	Farm Manager (Sonajuli)	1	Level- 11		
	6.	Seed Production Officer	1	₹ 67,700-2,08,700 pm		
	7.	Project Officer (Multiple Cropping Project), Basar	1			
	8.	Seed Testing Officer	1			
	9.	Principal (Gram Sevak Training Center) Pasighat	1			
		-	Total : 38 Nos.			
4.	Aruna	Arunachal Pradesh Agriculture Service Entry Grade (APAS)				
	1.	Sub-Divisional Agriculture Officer	17			
	2.	Peripatetic Training Officer	7			
	3.	Plant Pathologist	1			
	4.	Entomologist	1			
	5.	Entomologist-cum-Nematologist	1			
	6.	Assistant Soil Chemist	1	Level-10		
	7.	Junior Seed Analyst	1	₹ 56,100 - 1,77,500 pm		
	8.	Senior Technical Assistant	1			
	9.	Research Officer	4			
	10.	Subject Matter Specialist	3			
	11.	Instructor(GTC/PP/Soil Science)	9			
	12.	Agriculture Development Officer/ADO (PP)	179			
			Total: 268			

Note : The Principal Rules were published in the Gazette of Arunachal Pradesh vide Notification No. AGRI/ E-97-98 Dated 2nd June, 2025.

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	Itanagar.