



ABSTRACT

Sports – 3% reservation in selection for appointment of meritorious sportspersons in the recruitment for identified posts in Government Departments and PSUs – Inclusion of Silambam in 3% Sports Quota – Amendment – Orders – Issued.

YOUTH WELFARE AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT (S1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms) No.46

Dated: 29.10.2021

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Read:

1. G.O.(Ms).No.22, Youth Welfare and Sports Development (S1) Department, Dated 11.10.2018
 2. G.O.(Ms).No.06, Youth Welfare and Sports Development (S1) Department, Dated 20.02.2019.
 3. G.O.(Ms).No.43, Youth Welfare and Sports Development (S1) Department, Dated 28.11.2019.
 4. G.O.(Ms).No.17, Youth Welfare and Sports Development (S1) Department, Dated 21.05.2020
 5. From the Principal Secretary / Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu, letter Rc.No.5060/YI-4/2021, Dated 08.07.2021
 6. From the Principal Secretary / Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu, letter Rc.No.5060/YI-4/2021, Dated 28.09.2021
 7. Recommendation of the High level Committee on 07.10.2021
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ORDER:

In the Government Order first read above, orders have been issued constituting a High Level Committee headed by the Chief Secretary to Government to frame detailed guidelines and modalities for implementation of

reservation for meritorious sportspersons in the recruitment for the posts in Government Departments / Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs).

2. In the Government Order second read above, orders have been issued for allotting 3% quota for eligible sportspersons in the recruitment for the posts identified by the Government and the guidelines and modalities to be adopted in the recruitment as specified therein. It is also ordered to constitute a Selection Committee for Category – II and Category – III posts as given in the Annexure to the said Government Order.

3. In the Government order third read above, it is ordered that in exercise of the powers conferred under section 58 of the Tamil Nadu Government Servants (Conditions of Service) Act, 2016 (Tamil Nadu Act 14 of 2016), three percent reservation shall be provided for meritorious sportspersons for appointments or posts in the services under the State, as specified in the Government Order second read above, without following the communal rotation and by providing an upper age limit of 40 years for such appointment.

4. In the Government Order fourth read above, orders have been issued constituting a Selection Committee headed by the Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/Secretary to Government, Youth Welfare and Sports Development Department for Category II and Category III posts in 3% reservation in Selection for appointment for meritorious Sportspersons in the recruitment for the identified posts in Government Departments as given in the Annexure to the Government order second read above.

5. In the letter fifth read above, the Principal Secretary / Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu has informed that the Silambam or Silambattam is a Weapon based Indian martial art from Tamil Nadu. He has further stated that, well before 40 years, the Government of Tamil Nadu recognized it as one of the State Sports. Some of the initiatives taken by the State Government for the promotion of our traditional game Silambam are as follows:

- Silambam has been included as one of the sports disciplines for consideration under sports quota for admission into professional courses like, Medical, Engineering, Law, etc.,
- Post Graduate Diploma, Diploma and Certificate Courses in Silambam have been included in the curriculum of the Tamil Nadu Physical Education and Sports University.
- Silambam has been included as one of the sports disciplines in the State level School Games conducted by School Education Department of Government of Tamil Nadu since 2008.
- Silambam has got its recognition from the School Games Federation of India by adding it to its list of competitions.

6. In the letter sixth read above, the Principal Secretary / Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu has stated that Government of India have approved inclusion of Silambam under the component

of "Promotion of Inclusiveness through Sports" of the New Khelo India Scheme which will be notified soon. Sports Authority of India (SAI) has also been requested to take necessary action for promotion of Silambam along with other Indigenous games under Khelo India Scheme.

7. He has further stated that the Hon'ble Minister for Environment-Climate Change, Youth Welfare and Sports has announced on the floor of Legislative assembly on 03.09.2021 during the year 2021 – 22 budget session that Initiative is being taken to make Silambam, a pre-historic Indian Martial art developed by Tamilians, as one of the games eligible for recruitment under 3% Sports quota in Government employment.

8. He has further stated that in the Government order second read above, provides 3% sports quota for sportspersons who have won medals in sports disciplines that are part of last Olympics and 4 Non-Olympic sports (Roller Skating, Squash, Kabaddi and Wushu) in competitions conducted after 01.01.2018 and also specify the eligibility criteria for the conditions and Sports disciplines.

9. He has also requested the Government, to include the game of "Silambam" (Stick Fencing) along with Roller Skating, Squash, Kabaddi and Wushu by amending Government Order second read above, in the category of Non-Olympic Games. He has also stated that the performance that is the medals / certificates secured by the sportspersons in the sport of "Silambam" on or after 01.01.2018 may be considered as in case of other games. Similarly, after 31st December, 2022, the achievements made during the last 5 years preceding year of application only to be considered. Accordingly, in the annexure to the Government Order second read above, below the existing entries under para 1 (v) (c), the following entries may be inserted:

"(d) For National and State level Championships, the sports discipline of Silambam (Stick Fencing), would be eligible.

This order hereby made shall come into force from the date of issue of this order."

10. The request of the Principal Secretary / Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu at para 9 above was placed before the High level Committee for including the Sports discipline Silambam (Stick Fencing) as one of the games for the 3% sports quota recruitment in Government Departments / Public Sector Undertakings by amending in the Government Order second read above.

11. The High level Committee has recommended the proposal of Principal Secretary / Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu to include the Sports discipline Silambam (Stick Fencing) as one of the games for the 3% sports quota recruitment in Government Departments / Public Sector Undertakings as specified in para 9 by amending in the Government Order second read above.

12. The Government, after careful examination, have decided to accept the recommendation of the High level Committee and accordingly issue the following amendment:

AMENDMENT

In the annexure to the G.O. (Ms) No.06, Youth Welfare and Sports Development (S1) Department, Dated: 20.02.2019 below the existing entries under para 1 (v) (c), the following entries shall be inserted:

- (d) For National and State level Championships, the sports discipline of Silambam (Stick Fencing), would be eligible.
- (i) The above amendment shall come into force from the date of issue of this order.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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To

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- The Chief Minister's Office, Chennai – 9.
- The Private Secretary to Chief Secretary, Chennai – 9.
- The Chairman/Member, TNUSRB, Chennai.
- The Secretary, Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission, Chennai.
- The Chairman, Teachers Recruitment Board, Chennai.
- All PSUs (through Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu, Chennai – 03.)
- The PAO Chennai/Madurai.
- The Resident Audit Officer, Secretariat, Chennai-9.
- The Special Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minister (Environment-Climate Change and Youth Welfare and Sports Development) Chennai -9.
- The Special Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minister (Law, Courts, Prisons and Prevention of Corruption), Chennai – 9.
- The Special Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minister (Finance and Human Resources Management), Chennai -09
- The Private Secretary to Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Youth Welfare and Sports Development Department, Chennai-9.
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29-10-2024
SECTION OFFICER

