

Registration fee i.e., Rs.150/- and it is enough to pay the examination fee alone.

5. Applicants who have made One-Time Registration must pay the prescribed examination fee for this recruitment. (One-Time Registration is only to avail exemption for Registration fee for a period of five years from the date of registration and it will not be considered as prescribed examination fee for this recruitment).
6. Fees once paid, shall not be refunded or adjusted towards any other recruitment under any circumstances.

(For further details regarding the examination fee concession, refer to "Instructions to Applicants").

10. CONCESSIONS

- (i) Concessions in the matter of fees allowed to SCs, SC(A)s, STs, MBCs/DCs, BC(OBCM)s, BCMs, Destitute Widows, Differently Abled Persons, Ex-servicemen, other categories of persons etc., are given in para. 12 of the 'Instructions to Applicants'.
- (ii) Persons claiming concessions referred to above and other claims made in the application have to produce evidence for such claim as and when evidence is called for, otherwise his/her application is liable to be rejected.

Note: In all cases, an ex-serviceman once recruited to a post in any class or service or category, cannot claim the concession under ex-serviceman category for his further recruitment (Section 3(j) of Tamil Nadu Government Servants (Conditions of Service) Act, 2016).

11. SCHEME OF EXAMINATIONS

The selection process comprises three successive stages, viz., (i) Preliminary Examination for selection of applicants for admission to the Main Examination, (ii) Main Examination; and (iii) Viva-Voce Test.

(A) PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION (OBJECTIVE TYPE)(OMR METHOD)

Subject	Duration	Maximum Marks	Minimum Marks for a pass		
			SCs, SC(A)s and STs	MBCs/DCs, BC(OBCM)s and BCMs	Others
PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION (Objective Type)	3 hours	100	30 Marks	35 Marks	40 Marks

b) SCHEME OF PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION:

The Preliminary Examination will consist of one paper containing 100 multiple choice questions based on the syllabus given below. It will be conducted in the forenoon session. The papers will be set in both English and Tamil and each question shall carry one mark; and, **0.25 mark** will be deducted for each incorrect answer. The duration of the Preliminary Examination will be three hours. The Preliminary Examination is conducted for the purpose of short listing the candidates and the marks obtained in the Preliminary Examination shall not be counted for determining the final order of merit of the candidates.

Note:

- (i) No candidate who has secured less than the minimum marks for a pass prescribed for the paper, in the Preliminary Examination will be declared eligible to participate in the Main Examination.
- (ii) The admission of candidates for the main examination will be shortlisted at a ratio not exceeding 10 times of the number of vacancies following the rule of reservation. However, in each reservation group, all the applicants, who secure the same marks as that of the cut-off marks of their reservation groups, shall also be admitted to the Main Examination, though the number of applicants to be admitted to the Main Examination may exceed 1:10 ratio.

c) SYLLABUS FOR THE PRELIMIARY EXAMINATION**PART-A**

The Code of Civil Procedure, 1908

The Negotiable Instruments Act, 1981

The Transfer of Property Act, 1882

The Indian Contract Act, 1872

The Specific Relief Act, 1963

The Constitution of India

The Tamil Nadu Buildings (Lease and Rent Control) Act, 1960 and Tamil Nadu Regulation of Rights and Responsibilities of Landlords and Tenants Act, 2017 (Tamil Nadu Act 42 of 2017)

PART-B

The Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973

The Indian Penal Code, 1860

The Indian Evidence Act, 1872

The Criminal Law (Amendment) Acts

The Criminal Minor Acts (including Information Technology Act, 2000; The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act, 2012).

PART-C

General Knowledge (Degree standard),

Test of Reasoning and Mental ability (S.S.L.C. standard).

Note:-

Minor Acts mentioned in the syllabus are only illustrative and not exhaustive.

(B) MAIN EXAMINATION (DESCRIPTIVE TYPE):-

Subject	Duration	Maximum Marks	Minimum Marks for a pass in each Paper		
			SCs, SC(A)s and STs	MBCs/DCs, BC(OBCM)s and BCMs	Others
1. Translation Paper	3 hours	100	30%	35%	40%
2. Law Paper-I	3 hours	100			
3. Law Paper-II	3 hours	100			
4. Law Paper-III	3 hours	100			
VIVA-VOCE TEST	-	60	18 (for all categories of candidates)		

SYLLABUS FOR THE MAIN WRITTEN EXAMINATION

- (i) Translation Paper: Translation of passages from English to Tamil and from Tamil to English. The passages will be from Pleadings, Depositions, Orders, Judgments and Documents.

- (ii) Law Paper – I: The Code of Civil Procedure, 1908; The Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973; The Indian Evidence Act, 1872; Principles of pleading and the Constitution of India (as Amended).
- (iii) Law Paper – II: Framing of Issues and Writing of Judgments in Civil Cases.
- (iv) Law Paper –III: Framing of charges and Writing of Judgments in Criminal Cases.

Note:-

- (i) The question papers on Law Papers I, II and III will be set both in Tamil and English. Except the Translation paper all other papers shall be answered by the candidates either in English or Tamil, but not partly in Tamil or in any other language. Answer sheets written partly in English and partly in Tamil will not be evaluated but will be invalidated.
- (ii) The candidate should appear for all the four papers in the Main Written Examination for his answer sheets to be evaluated and in case the candidate absents himself for one or more papers, the papers attended will not be evaluated.
- (iii) The candidate who has secured less than the minimum marks prescribed for each paper in the Main Examination shall not be eligible for Viva Voce Test.
- (iv) The candidate shall strictly adhere to the instructions given while appearing for the Preliminary and Main Examination conducted by the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission. In case of any deviation, the answer sheets of the candidates concerned will be invalidated.
- (v) It is made clear to the candidates that quoting the principle laid down or reiterated in any citation would be enough and details of citation shall not carry any extra weightage. Further quoting of wrong citation may be detrimental to candidates.
- (vi) Any representation by the candidate, for changing the dates of examination/selection process, change of examination centre, for relaxation of conditions mentioned in the advertisement or examination related directions or guidelines or minimum marks or qualifications/requirements etc. or for revaluation, shall not be entertained.

- (vii) All the directions/instructions/guidelines and formats issued regarding examination shall be treated as part of the advertisement.
- (viii) Candidates for Viva-Voce test will be shortlisted from the successful candidates in the Main written examination in the ratio of 1:2 or 1:3 with reference to the number of vacancies as specified in "Instructions to Applicants" under the heading "Procedure of Selection" .

(C) VIVA-VOCE TEST

Viva-voce test shall be for sixty (60) marks and candidates of all categories shall obtain minimum 18 marks for a pass in the Viva-voce.

1. The object of viva-voce test is to assess the suitability of the candidate for the cadre by judging the mental alertness, general knowledge, knowledge of law, grasp of procedural laws and principles of law, clear and logical exposition, balance of judgment, skills, attitude, ethics, power of assimilation, power of communication, character, suitability and intellectual depth, the like of the candidate, his/her tact and ability to handle various situations in the Court, Administrative and Management Skills.
2. Candidates of all categories who have obtained the minimum pass mark 18 in the viva-voce test alone are eligible for being considered for the selection.
3. The marks secured by a candidate in the Viva Voce Test shall be added to the total marks secured by him/her in the Main examination.
4. Since 'Character' and 'Suitability' of a Candidate are of utmost importance for being considered, for appointment to the Tamil Nadu State Judicial Services as Civil Judge, the character and suitability of the candidate would be enquired into and verified by the Competent Authority.

12. PREPARATION OF SELECTION LIST

Selection of candidates shall be made on the basis of Total Marks obtained by the candidates in the Main Written Examination & Viva-Voce.

Note:

In the case of candidates who are convicted, acquitted, discharged, proceedings against whom are quashed, further proceedings closed under section 258 Cr.P.C., investigation stopped under section 167 (5) Cr.P.C., proceedings closed under section 468 Cr.P.C., their suitability is subject to the final approval of the High Court before their appointment.

13. TRAINING, TEST, CONFIRMATION AND PROBATION

Training:

Every person appointed to the category of Civil Judge shall undergo training for a minimum period of twelve months as may be prescribed by the High Court of Madras.

Tests:

Every person appointed to the category of Civil Judge by direct recruitment shall, within the period of probation, pass the Account Test for Executive officers.

14. CENTRE FOR EXAMINATION

(A) CENTRES FOR PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION:-

Sl. No.	Name of the Centre	Centre Code	Sl. No.	Name of the Centre	Centre Code	Sl. No.	Name of the Centre	Centre Code
1.	Chennai	0100	4.	Tiruchirappalli	2500	7.	Thanjavur	1900
2.	Madurai	1000	5.	Tirunelveli	2600	8.	Vellore	2700
3.	Coimbatore	0200	6.	Salem	1700	9.	Villupuram	2800

(B) CENTRE FOR MAIN EXAMINATION AND VIVA-VOCE:-

Main Written Examination and Viva-Voce will be held at Chennai only.

Note:-

- (i) Request for change of venue will not be entertained under any circumstances (For further details refer "Instructions to Applicants").
- (ii) The Commission reserves the right to increase or decrease the number of examination centres and to re-allot the applicants accordingly.
- (iii) Applicants should appear for the Preliminary/Main examination / Certificate Verification/ Viva Voce Test at their own expenses.

15. NO OBJECTION CERTIFICATE / INFORMATION TO THE EMPLOYER

No Objection Certificate obtained from appropriate authority shall be produced at the time of Certificate Verification. Failure to produce the certificate will lead to rejection of candidature.