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TEACHERS RECRUITMENT BOARD

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TAMIL NADU TEACHER ELIGIBILITY TEST

FOR WORKING TEACHERS - 2026
NOTIFICATION

Applications are invited for Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test (TNTET), Paper - I and Paper - II only from the eligible working Teachers who are appointed on or before 01.09.2025 as SGT, BT Assistant and other Equivalent cadre Teachers on Time Scale/Consolidated/Part-time pay under the Directorate of School Education / Directorate of Elementary Education / Most Backward Class Department / Adi-Dravida Welfare Department / Tribal Welfare Department / Chennai Corporation / Coimbatore Corporation / Madurai Corporation / Forest Department / Differently Abled Department / Other Departments, Government, Government Aided and Unaided Recognized Private Schools of State Board and Other Boards etc., in Tamil Nadu for the year 2026 through online mode only till 10.04.2026.

Teachers Recruitment Board has been permitted to notify and conduct Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test for currently working Teachers.

[G.O.(Ms).No.231, School Education (TRB) Department, dated:13.10.2025]

1. Important Dates - TNTET for Working Teachers:

Date of Notification	:	13-02-2026
Commencement of submission of online Application	:	18-02-2026
Last date for submission of online Application	:	10-04-2026
Edit Option	:	11-04-2026 to 13-04-2026
Date of Examination – TNTET Paper I	:	04-07-2026 FN (Tentative)
Date of Examination – TNTET Paper II	:	05-07-2026 FN (Tentative)

2. Eligibility to Write Teacher Eligibility Test for Working Teachers (2026)

Working Teachers who are appointed on or before 01.09.2025 as SGT, BT Assistant and other equivalent cadre Teachers on Time Scale/Consolidated/Part-time pay of Government / Government Aided / Recognized Private schools in Tamil Nadu.

3. Educational Qualification for TNTET Paper-I and TNTET Paper-II:

1. Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test for Working Teachers shall be conducted to the Secondary Grade Teachers / BT Assistants / BRTEs / Other equivalent cadre posts and the Special Education Teachers (IEDSS) who are working on Time scale/Consolidated/Part-time of pay under the Government and Government Aided Schools.

2. The Secondary Grade Teachers / BT Assistant Teachers working under self – finance unit of Aided Schools and Unaided Recognized Private Schools are also eligible for this Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test.

3. The Educational qualifications defined under the Special Rules for the Tamil Nadu School Educational Subordinate Services and mentioned in the G.O.(Ms).No.13,School Education [SE3(1)] Department, dated:30.01.2020 for the Secondary Grade Teachers / BT Assistants / BRTEs / Other equivalent cadre posts; the educational qualifications for the Special Education Teachers (IEDSS) mentioned in the

G.O.(Ms).No.144,School Education [SE3(2)] Department, dated:17.06.2025; the educational qualifications defined under the Special Rules for the Tamil Nadu Elementary Education Subordinate Services mentioned in the G.O.(Ms).No.12,School Education [EE1(1)] Department, dated:30.01.2020 and all the educational qualifications defined for the appointment of Teachers by the NCTE.

4. Qualified serving teachers who opt for promotion shall also apply.

4. Structure and content:

TNTET Paper I
(For Secondary Grade Teachers/Primary School Headmasters/Other Equivalent Posts)

Sl. No	Content (All Compulsory)	MCQs	Marks	Medium
i	Child Development and Pedagogy (relevant to the age group of 6 – 11 years)	30	30	*Tamil/English
ii	Language-I Tamil/Telugu/Malayalam/Kannada/Urdu	30	30	
iii	Language II – English	30	30	
iv	Mathematics	30	30	*Tamil/English
v	Environmental Studies	30	30	*Tamil/English
	Total	150	150	

* For Sl.No. i, iv and v candidate has to select the option for Medium of Question Paper as either Tamil or English.

Note: -

i. Child Development and Pedagogy will focus on Educational Psychology of Teaching and Learning, relevant to the age group of 6 – 11 years. They will focus on understanding the characteristics and needs of diverse learners, interaction with learners and the attributes and qualities of a good facilitator of learning.

ii. Language I will focus on the proficiencies related to the Medium of Instruction. The candidate has to choose any one of the languages mentioned in Sl.No. (ii) above in Paper-I table.

iii. Language II English will focus on the elements of language, communication and comprehension abilities.

iv. Mathematics and Environmental Studies will focus on the concepts, problem solving abilities and pedagogical understanding of these subjects.

v. The questions in the Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test Paper I will be based on the topics of the prescribed syllabus of the State for Classes I – V, but the standard, as well as linkages will be up to the Secondary Stage.

TNTET Paper II
(For BT Assistants/Middle School Headmasters/Other Equivalent Posts)

Sl.No	Content	MCQs	Marks	Medium
i	Child Development and Pedagogy relevant to the age group of 11-14 years (Compulsory)	30	30	*Tamil/English
ii	Language-I Tamil/Telugu/Malayalam/Kannada/ Urdu (Compulsory)	30	30	
iii	Language II - English (Compulsory)	30	30	
iv	a) For Mathematics and Science Teacher: Mathematics and Science or b) For Social Science Teacher: Social Science or c) For Any other Subject Teacher either iv (a) or iv (b)	60 (MCQs of one mark each)	60	*Tamil/English
	Total	150	150	

* For Sl.No. i and iv candidate has to select the option for Medium of Question Paper as either Tamil or English.

Note: -

i. Child Development and Pedagogy will focus on Educational Psychology of Teaching and Learning, relevant to the age group of 11- 14 Years. They will focus on understanding the characteristics, needs and psychology of diverse learners, interaction with learners and the attributes and qualities of a good facilitator of learning.

ii. Language-I will focus on the proficiencies related to the medium of instruction. The candidate has to choose any one of the languages mentioned in Sl. No.(ii) above in Paper II table.

iii. Language II - English will focus on the elements of language, communication and comprehension abilities.

iv. Mathematics and Science / Social Science will focus on the concepts, problem solving abilities and pedagogical understanding of these subjects.

vi. The questions in the Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test Paper-II will be based on the topics of the prescribed syllabus of the State for Classes VI-VIII, but the standard, as well as linkages will be up to the Higher Secondary (Senior Secondary) Stage.

[G.O. (Ms). No.181, School Education (C2) Department,   Dated: 15.11.2011]

5. Examination Fee:

i. The Examination fee is Rs.600/- for each application for all the candidates except SC, SCA, ST and Differently Abled Persons. For SC, SCA, ST and Differently Abled Persons the examination fee for each application is Rs. 300/-. Since the examination fee for each application is different for various categories, candidates are advised to enter the correct Community / Category of Disability. Once the payment is made, it will not be refunded.

ii. Separate applications have to be submitted for Paper-I and Paper-II along with separate fees.

iii. SMS alert regarding successful payment will be sent to the registered mobile number of the candidate.

iv. Online payment to be made only through Payment Gateway. (Net banking / Credit Card / Debit Card)

v. Offline payments in any form, including Demand Draft /Postal order etc., will not be accepted.

vi. Failure to pay the prescribed fee on time along with the online application will result in rejection of the application after due process.

vii. Fee remitted shall not be refunded or adjusted for future test / examination under any circumstances.

viii. If a candidate pays the fee for more than one time the amount will not be refunded.

6. Scheme of Examination:

Number of questions   : 150 Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs)

Duration of Examination: 3 Hours

Mode of Examination   : Objective type - OMR Based

Subject	Total No. of Questions	Duration	Maximum Marks	Minimum Qualifying Marks		
				For General Category	For BC, BCM, MBC/ DNC and PWD	For SC, SCA and ST
TNTET Paper – I	150	3 Hours	150	60% or 90 Marks	50% or 75 Marks	40% or 60 Marks
TNTET Paper – II	150	3 Hours	150	60% or 90 Marks	50% or 75 Marks	40% or 60 Marks

[G.O.(Ms)No.23, School Education (TRB) Department, dated: 28.01.2026]

Note:

Candidates who have secured the marks as mentioned in the above table in the TNTET Paper-I / TNTET Paper-II will be issued with Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test Paper-I / Paper-II Eligibility Certificate respectively.

7. Written Examination:

i. The date, time and centre for the Written Examination will be given in the Hall Ticket. The Hall Tickets for the eligible candidates will be uploaded by the TRB on its official website. The candidates are advised to refer to the Teachers Recruitment Board's Website (http://www.trb.tn.gov.in) and download the Hall Tickets separately.

ii. Hall tickets shall not be sent to the candidates separately through offline.

iii. No written communication will be sent to the candidate individually.

iv. The decision of the Teachers Recruitment Board on the eligibility of the candidate to appear for the examination will be final.

8. Centre for Examination:

Examination will be held in all districts. The details of examination centre will be given in the hall ticket. Candidates should appear for the examination at their own expenses. The Board reserves the right to allot any examination centres to the candidates.

9. Scribes:

Differently Abled candidates / Visually Impaired candidates / eligible Orthopedically Impaired candidates will be allowed assistance of scribes based on the claims made in the online applications and submission of Disability Certificate / Medical Board Certificate.

10. Examination Results:

The Qualified list of Candidates in Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test Paper – I and Paper – II will be published in the website of Teachers Recruitment Board viz. http://www.trb.tn.gov.in.

11. How to Apply:

i.   Candidates should apply only through online mode in the TRB website (http://www.trb.tn.gov.in) No other mode of application will be entertained.

ii.   Use separate application for TNTET Paper-I and TNTET Paper-II with separate fees.

iii. Candidates must upload the Service Certificate as given in Annexure-I without fail.

iv.   Candidates should upload their recent passport size colour photograph (Jpg/Jpeg/Png format of size 40-60 KB) and signature (Jpg/Jpeg/Png format of size 20-40 KB) separately. Service Certificate (Annexure-I), Community Certificate and all necessary educational qualification certificates should be uploaded in pdf format of size 250-300 KB. The online application uploaded without the candidate's photograph, signature, all Certificates will be summarily rejected. No correspondence in this regard will be entertained.

v.   A valid e-mail id and Mobile Number are mandatory for registration and e-mail id should be kept active till the declaration of results as all future

communication will be sent to the registered mobile number and registered email id only.

vi. All the particulars mentioned in the online application including name of the candidate, Test Paper applied, communal category, date of birth, address and all other fields will be considered as final. Candidates are requested to fill the online application form with utmost care and caution as no correspondence regarding change of details will be entertained. Incomplete or defective applications shall be summarily rejected.

vii. The online application can be submitted till 10.04.2026 after that the Online link will be disabled.

viii. Candidates have to go through all the instructions thoroughly and fill up the application carefully and upload the documents. Candidates are fully responsible for the details given in the online application and documents submitted along with the application. No further correspondence or representation shall be entertained.

ix. Candidates should upload the required Documents/Certificates for proof in respect of all the claims made in the application with reference to this Notification at the time of submission of Online application itself. If the following required Documents / Certificates are not uploaded by the Candidates, while applying, his / her application will be rejected after due process:

x. The following Original Certificates and Mark Statements to be uploaded in the portal along with the Online application:

   i. 10th/ SSLC.

   ii. 12th/ Higher Secondary Course or its equivalent.

   iii. Diploma in Teacher Education / Diploma in Elementary Education / Diploma in Teacher Education (Special Education)

   iv. B.El.Ed., 4 Years or its equivalent.

      a. Consolidated Marksheet/ Mark Sheets for all semesters in a single pdf

      b. Degree Certificate or Provisional Certificate

   v. 4 - Year Integrated course B.A./B.Sc.Ed., or B.A.Ed./ B.Sc.Ed.,

      a. Consolidated Marksheet/ Mark Sheets for all semesters

in a single pdf

        b. Degree Certificate or Provisional Certificate

vi. U.G. Degree in the relevant subject or its equivalent

        a. Consolidated Marksheet/ Mark Sheets for all semesters in a single pdf

        b. Degree Certificate or Provisional Certificate

vii. B.Ed., / Special B.Ed., Degree or its equivalent and other qualifications for IEDSS as mentioned in G.O.(Ms). No.144, School Education [SE3(2)] Department, dated:17.06.2025

        a. Consolidated Marksheet / Mark Sheets for all semesters in a single pdf

        b. Degree Certificate or Provisional Certificate

viii. Community Certificate

ix. Differently Abled Certificate

x. Service Certificate (Annexure - I)

12. Action against candidates found guilty of misconduct:

Candidates are warned that they should not furnish false particulars or suppress any material information while filling the application form. Candidates are also warned that they should in no case attempt to alter or otherwise tamper with any entry in a document or submit details based on tampered/ fabricated document. If there is any inaccuracy or any discrepancy, in the application form, it will not be considered.

Without prejudice to criminal action/ debarment from writing TRB's examination wherever necessary, candidature will be summarily cancelled at any stage of the process in respect of candidates found to have indulged in any of the following:

i.   In possession of mobile phone & accessories, Bluetooth devices and other electronic gadgets within the premises of the Examination Centres, whether in use or in switched off mode and in person or otherwise.

ii.   Involved in malpractices.

iii.   Using unfair means in the examination hall.

iv. Canvassing in any form will be a disqualification.

v. Obtaining support for his/ her candidature by any means.

vi. Impersonate/procuring impersonation by any person.

vii. Submitting fabricated documents or documents which have been tampered with.

viii. Making statements which are incorrect or false or suppressing material information.

ix. Resorting to any other irregular or improper means in connection with his/ her candidature for the examination.

x. Misbehaving in any manner in the examination hall with the Supervisor, Invigilator or TRB's representatives.

xi. Intimidating or causing bodily harm to the staff employed by the TRB for the conduct of examination.

xii. Candidature can also be cancelled at any stage of the examination process for any other ground which the TRB considers to be sufficient cause for cancellation of candidature.

13. Declaration Regarding Criminal Cases (Or) Disciplinary Cases:

(i) Candidates who have declared pending criminal or disciplinary cases in their online application, must upload the copy of First Information Report (FIR) or memorandum of charges / show cause notice, as the case may be. Failure to upload such papers along with online application, shall result in rejection of candidature after due process.

(ii) Candidates who have declared conviction in criminal cases or punishment in disciplinary cases, in their online application, must upload the relevant Court orders and / or release orders or memorandum of proceedings, as the case may be, along with online application. Failure to upload such papers, shall result in rejection of candidature after due process.

(iii) In case of any criminal case filed / disciplinary action taken against or conviction / punishment imposed on a candidate after

submission of the online application at any stage of the examination process before the completion of entire process, such candidates should report this fact to the Teachers Recruitment Board.

14. **General Information:**

   a. The candidates who does not possess the prescribed qualifications, as on the date of notification are not eligible to apply.

   b. The candidates should satisfy themselves about their eligibility before applying. It is to be noted that if a candidate is allowed to appear for the examination it does not imply that the eligibility of the candidate is verified.

   c. Teachers Recruitment Board reserves right to disqualify any candidate who attended Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test Working Teacher without NCTE prescribed Education Qualification.

   d. Incomplete applications and applications containing false claims or incorrect particulars relating to category of reservation, basic qualifications and other eligibility criteria will be liable for rejection and criminal action will be initiated against the candidate.

   e. Canvassing in any form will be a disqualification for test /examination.

   f. In the matter of test /examination, the decision of the Teachers Recruitment Board is final.

   g. A Pass in Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test Examination (Working Teacher) cannot be claimed as right for employments as Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test is only Eligibility Test.

   h. The Teachers Recruitment Board shall not be responsible or liable for any loss that may be caused to any applicant on account of indulging in any sort of dealings with unscrupulous elements.

   i. Candidates are solely responsible for their claims made in the Online application and cannot blame service providers like Internet cafes / Browsing centres / Common service centres for the mistakes made while filling up the applications through Online.

Candidates are advised to check the filled in Online application along with required documents and ensure its correctness before finally submitting the same. TRB will not take any responsibility for any mistakes.

j. The Candidates shall mandatorily upload the certificates / documents (in support of all the claims made / details furnished in the Online application) at the time of submission of Online application itself. It shall be ensured by the Candidates that the Online application shall not be submitted without uploading the required certificates / documents.

k. Candidates are directed to read and follow all the information / instructions / guidelines given in this notification, the Board's "Instructions to Candidates" (**https://www.trb.tn.gov.in**) and in the online application before applying for this test / examination. Clarification, if any, may be obtained over phone (1800 425 6753) or by an email (trbgrievances@tn.gov.in) well ahead of the last date for submission of Online application.

l. Any representation and query relating to the notification or other issues may be clarified by sending mail to the following e-mail id only: trbgrievances@tn.gov.in

m. If the claim of the candidates is found to be incorrect later, the TNTET certificate for Working Teachers will become invalid.

n. Qualified candidates will be awarded Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test Certificate based on the information given in their online application.

15. Last date for submission of filled in application forms:

The last date for submission of filled-in Application Forms through online mode is 10.04.2026.

Secretary

Annexure – I

SERVICE CERTIFICATE - 2026
(For the Teachers as mentioned in Para 3.1, 3.2 and 3.4 of this Notification)
(This Certificate is valid for Working Teachers only)

1	**Name of the Teacher (In CAPITAL letters)**	
2	**Date of Birth and Age (in years)**	
3	**Name of the Post held now (With Subject)**	
4	**Date of Joining in the present post**	
5	**Date of Initial Appointment**	
6	**Name of the Post during Initial Appointment**	
7	**Date of Regularization**	
8	**Working Department** (School Education Dept./ MBC Dept. / ADW Dept. / TWD Dept. / Chennai Corporation / Coimbatore Corporation / Madurai Corporation / Forest Dept/ Differently Abled Dept/Social Welfare Dept/ Other Departments)	
9	**Working in Government / Aided / Private School**	
10	**Mention whether Full Time (Time Scale) / Consolidated / Part Time**	
11	**Name of the School with Postal Address**	
12	**Working District**	
13	**School UDISE CODE**	
14	**Qualification(D.T.E/D.T.Ed/D.Ele.Ed/UG (Subject) and B.Ed/Special B.Ed)**	
15	**Teacher EMIS ID NO. (for all Teachers)**	
16	**IFHRMS Employee ID No. (for Time Scale Teachers Only)**	

It is certified that the Service Certificate and the educational qualification has been verified according to the service rules and it is found to be correct. He/She is fully qualified to apply for Tamil Nadu Teacher Eligibility Test (Working Teacher)2026.

Signature of the Candidate   **HM/BEO/Secretary/Correspondent/Principal**
                                                    (Signature With Date and Seal)

                                                    Counter Signed

Place :   **Office Seal**   District Educational Officer (Elementary /
                                                      Secondary/Private)/Chief Educational Officer/
Date :   Competent Authority