

HIGH COURT OF GUJARAT

SOLA, AHMEDABAD – 380 060

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NO. RC/1250/2023 RECRUITMENT NOTICE

RECRUITMENT TO THE CADRE OF DISTRICT JUDGE 10% by promotion through limited competitive examination of eligible Senior Civil Judges

1. Vacancy and Pay Scale :

- (i) The High Court of Gujarat, in view of the guidelines of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the case of **Malik Mazhar Sultan & Anr. V/s. U.P. Public Service Commission & Ors.**, reported in (2008) 17 SCC 703 and '**The Gujarat State Judicial Service Rules, 2005**', decides to fill up **25** vacancy in the cadre of **District Judge 10% quota by promotion through limited competitive examination** of eligible Senior Civil Judges having **not less than 05 years of qualifying service**, in the Pay-Scale of **Rs.1,44,840/- – Rs.1,94,660/- + allowances**, as admissible under the Rules.
- (ii) The High Court reserves its right to alter the number of vacancies.
- (iii) The eligible Judicial Officers may appear only in the **Main Written Examination** in view of the provision of limited Competitive Examination, which is tentatively scheduled for **16th July, 2023**.

2. Essential Qualifications :

A Judicial Officer must have completed **five years' qualifying service**, as Senior Civil Judge, in the Gujarat Judicial Service, as on the date of Notification of vacancy i.e. 31/03/2023.

3. Scheme of Examination & Syllabus :

The Competitive Examination shall consist of :-

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| (A) Main Written Examination - | 200 Marks |
| (B) Viva-voce Test (Interview) - | 50 Marks |

(A) Main Written Examination (Descriptive Type):-
(Tentatively scheduled for 16th July, 2023)

- (i) The Main Written Examination (Descriptive Type), shall consist of **Two Papers - (each of 100 Marks & 03 Hours' duration)**, based on the **Syllabus** given below :

Paper – I (Criminal) [100 Marks – 03 Hours]

- (a) The Indian Penal Code, 1860
- (b) The Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973
- (c) The Indian Evidence Act, 1872
- (d) The Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988
- (e) The Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985
- (f) The Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989
- (g) Protection of Children from Sexual Offence Act, 2012
- (h) The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015
- (i) The Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005
- (j) The Immoral Traffic (Prevention) Act, 1956
- (k) The Information Technology Act, 2000
- (l) The Indecent Representation of Women (Prohibition) Act, 1986
- (m) The Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881

Paper-II (Civil) [100 Marks – 03 Hours]

- (a) The Constitution of India
- (b) The Code of Civil Procedure, 1908
- (c) The Indian Contract Act, 1872
- (d) The Specific Relief Act, 1963
- (e) The Indian Partnership Act, 1932
- (f) The Sale of Goods Act, 1930
- (g) The Limitation Act, 1963
- (h) The Transfer of Property Act, 1882
- (i) Succession Laws, Personal Laws (Hindu, Muslim and Christian)
- (j) The Intellectual Property Laws
- (k) The Motor Vehicles Act, 1988
- (l) The Commercial Courts Act, 2015
- (m) The Arbitration and Conciliation Act, 1996
- (n) The Electricity Act, 2003
- (o) The Right to Fair Compensation & Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation & Resettlement Act, 2013

- (p) The Family Courts Act, 1984
- (q) Basic Laws relating to Environment -
 - The Environment (Protection) Act, 1986
 - The Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972

(ii) **Paper Style for Main Written Examination:**

Paper-I (Criminal) & Paper-II (Civil), each shall consist of Two Parts as under :-

Paper – I (Criminal) :

Part-I (50 Marks) : Answer to Questions, Short Notes, Fill in the blank, True or False, One word Answers to Questions, Assertions/Reasons, Any Type of Questions

Part-II (50 Marks) : Judgment Writing

Paper – II (Civil) :

Part: I (50 Marks) : Answer to Questions, Short Notes, Fill in the blank, True or False, One word Answers to Questions, Assertions/Reasons, Any Type of Questions

Part : II (50 Marks): Judgment Writing

(iii) **Language** of the Question Papers of Main Written Examination shall be **English**, and Answers to each Question be given in **English**, if not instructed otherwise.

(iv) The candidates who obtain minimum **50% Marks** in the aggregate and minimum 40% Marks, in each individual paper in the Main Written Examination shall be eligible for being called for Viva-voce Test (Interview).

(B) Viva-voce Test (Interview) :

(Tentatively scheduled in the month of September, 2023).

(i) Viva-voce Test shall be of **50 Marks**.

(ii) The **object** of the Viva-Voce is to assess the suitability of the candidate for the cadre by judging the mental alertness, knowledge of law, clear and logical exposition, balance of judgment, skills, attitude, ethics, power of assimilation, power of communication, character and intellectual depth, analytical ability and the like, of the candidate.

- (iii) For adjudging the suitability of a candidate, the Committee, shall have regard to the overall service records, of the respective candidate.
- (iv) For being **eligible** to be included in the Select List the candidate must have obtained minimum **40% Marks** in Viva-voce Test.

4. Preparation of Select-List :

Selection of Officer shall be made on the basis of **Aggregate Marks** obtained by the Officer in the Main Written Examination and Viva-voce Test (Interview).

5. Disqualification for appointment :

No Officer shall be eligible for appointment to the service, if he/she directly or indirectly influences the Recruiting Authority, by any means for his candidature.

6. General Instructions :

- (a) List of **eligible Judicial Officers** will be placed on the **High Court Website** for information of all concerned.
- (b) **e-Call letters** of the eligible **Officers** can be **downloaded** from **HC-OJAS portal**.
- (c) The **decision of the High Court** as to the **eligibility** or otherwise of a Judicial Officer for admission to the Main Written Examination and Viva-voce Test shall be final. No Officer, to whom a Certificate of Admission viz. '**Call-letter-cum-Admission Slip**' has not been issued by the Recruiting Authority, shall be admitted for the Examination concerned.
- (d) The Officer who is found indulging in any **unfair practices**, viz. copying or misconduct during the course of examination, using electronic gadgets, tampering with question paper, influencing any official concerned with the Main Written Examination or Personal Interview, will be debarred from appearing for Main Written Examination or Personal Interview, as the case may be, for that examination or for any number of years or permanently, as may be decided by the High Court.
- (e) The Judicial Officers attending such examination may be treated as on Duty and TA/DA as applicable may be paid, as the case may be.

- (f) **Result** of all Tests/Examinations will be made available on the High Court Website as well as OJAS Portal and/or by any other mode that may be decided by the High Court.
- (g) The Results (Marks) obtained shall be made available to the Judicial Officers, by providing a link to a webpage on the HC-OJAS portal with individual password (OTP - One Time Password), via SMS on his/her Registered Mobile Number, after the conclusion of the Selection Process

**High Court of Gujarat,
Sola, Ahmedabad.
Date : 15/04/2023**

**Sd/-
Registrar (Recruitment)**