the Caste is recognized as SC/ST/OBC/MOBC and the village/town the candidate is ordinarily a resident of.

- f) BPL certificate in Assam Govt. Format (wherever necessary)
- g) Persons already in Regular Government service, whether in permanent or temporary capacity other than casual/ad-hoc/daily wages/hourly paid/contract basis are however required to submit a declaration that they have informed in writing to their Head of Office/Department that they have applied for the post..
- h) The candidates will have to submit Declaration Form-A, related to the Assam Public Services (Application of Small Family norms in Direct Recruitment) Rules, 2019 published vide Notification No:ABP.69/2019/17 dated Dispur, the 6th November/2019 which may be downloaded from the official website of APSC www.apsc.nic.in (Forms & Downloads Section)
- i) Documentary support for any other claim(s) made.

NOTE I: Date of birth mentioned in Online Recruitment Application is final. No subsequent request for change of date of birth will be considered or granted. No document other than the HSLC or Class X Board Examination Admit Card/Pass Certificate, in which the date of birth is recorded, will be accepted by the Commission for determination of age.

NOTE II: Candidates are warned that they should not furnish any particulars that are false or suppress any material information in filling up the application form. Candidates are also warned that they should in no case correct or alter or otherwise tamper with any entry in a document or its attested/certified copy submitted by them nor should they submit a tampered/fabricated document. If there is any inaccuracy or any discrepancy between two or more such documents or their attested/certified copies, an explanation regarding this discrepancy should be submitted.

12. METHOD OF SELECTION:

The selection of candidates for recruitment to the post will consist of the following:

(A) Written Examination: 600 Marks(4 Papers)

Subject	Type of Examination	Marks	Duration
English (Essay, Precis writing etc.)	Conventional essay type	100	3 Hrs
General Knowledge	OMR	100	2 Hrs
Optional Subject-I	-Do-	200	2 Hrs
Optional Subject-II	-Do-	200	2 Hrs

Candidates have to choose any two of the following optional subjects (One paper each subject)

- i. Agriculture
- ii. Botany
- iii. Chemistry
- iv. Computer Applications/ Computer Science
- v. Engineering

(Agricultural/ Chemical/ Civil/ Computer/ Electrical/ Electronics/ Mechanical)

- vi. Environmental Science
- vii. Forestry
- viii. Geology
- ix. Horticulture
- x. Mathematics
- xi. Physics
- xii. Statistics
- xiii. Veterinary Science
- xiv. Zoology

(The standard of these subjects shall be that of a Bachelor's Degree)

Note: No candidate shall be allowed to take more than one subject from the following groups:

- i. Agriculture, Agricultural Engineering & Veterinary Science.
- ii. Chemical Engineering & Chemistry.
- iii. Computer Applications/ Computer Science & Computer Engineering.
- iv. Electrical Engineering & Electronics Engineering.
- v. Mathematics & Statistics.
- (B) Candidates who qualify the written test will have to undergo Walking Test covering a distance of 25 km for Male Candidates and 16 km for Female Candidates within 4 (four) hours on foot followed by a medical examination by the Medical Board and those candidates found fit in the above will be required to produce a health certificate signed by the Medical Board in the form prescribed in Article 49 of the Civil Service Regulation of the corresponding Rules in the supplementary rules testifying the candidate's sound hearing and general physical fitness for rough outdoor work in the Forest Department and to the fact that he bears on his body the marks of successful vaccination.
- (C) Interview: 75 Marks

The Candidates who qualify the Walking test and found fit in the medical examination will be called for interview.

13.

- I. The candidates recommended by the Commission shall be appointed as Forest Ranger on probation by the State Government and will be required to join in any of the colleges as directed on the 1st day of commencement of the course for undergoing 18 (eighteen) months training Course for Forest Rangers and the period under training shall be treated as on probation.
- II. An officer on probation on joining in the College to undergo the 18 (eighteen) months training Course for Forest Rangers shall abide by the Entrance and Training Rules (Revised) 2004 for Forest Range Officers notified by the Govt. of India, Ministry of Environment and Forests.
- III. If any officer on probation fails to obey standing order and directions issued by the College authority in addition to the general rules as laid down in the Entrance and Training Rules (Revised) 2004 for Forest Range Officers for smooth conduct of the training course and if found involved in any untoward activities, will be liable for disciplinary action as per prevalent rules.
- IV. On successful completion of 18 (eighteen) months course for Forest Rangers at State Forest Service College, the officer on probation will be awarded Certificate in Forestry and will join in duty as Forest Rangers in Assam Forest Service on being directed by the Govt. of Assam, Environment & Forest Department.
- V. An officer on probation failing to obtain Certificate in Forestry at the end of 18 (eighteen) months is liable to be withdrawn from the college and all the expenses incurred by the Govt. for his education during 18 (eighteen) months will be recovered from him, his parents, or guardian or surety.
- VI. The officer on probation will have to execute an agreement and a Bond with two sureties for a sum of Rs.6,00,000/- for the bond or such other amount prescribed by Govt. binding themselves to work diligently during the period of training and to serve the Govt. of Assam.
- VII. Besides they will have to deposit a sum of Rs.6000/- as caution money or any other amount as fixed by Govt. in the post office pledged as security to the Principal of the concerned training College/ Institute within 15 (fifteen) days of their admission to the college as required under Rule 43 of the Rules of the Certificate course in Forestry.
- VIII. The officer on probation while undergoing 18 (eighteen) months course at any training college, as decided by the Govt. will draw their pay and allowance for the period of 18 (eighteen) months commencing from the date of joining the college to the date of completion of the 18 (eighteen) months course subject to satisfactory progress.
 - IX. The Grade Pay, D.A. or any other amount subject to revision by the Government.