



GOVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU

**DIRECT RECRUITMENT FOR THE
POST OF POST GRADUATE ASSISTANTS /
PHYSICAL EDUCATION DIRECTORS – GRADE-I**

SYLLABUS

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SUBJECT : GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

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Unit I

HISTORY OF INDIA

Indus Valley Civilisation – Vedic Period- Buddhism and Jainism- Mauryan Empire-Guptas; Delhi Sultanate- Age of Vijayanagaram-Mughals and Marathas; Arrival of Europeans- Early uprising against British rule-English Education and Its impact- Westernisation and Modernisation-Birth of Indian National Congress– Freedom Struggle.

Unit II

HISTORY OF TAMIL NADU

Archaeological discoveries - Sangam literature; Pallavas – Imperial Cholas and Later Pandyas- Nayaks-their contribution to art and Architecture; Palayakar revolt against British Rule-Role of Tamil Nadu in freedom struggle-Justice Party-Self-Respect Movement- Dravidian Movement.

Unit III

INDIAN POLITY

Preamble to the Constitution - Fundamental Rights, Directive Principles of State Policy-Centre-State Relations-Judiciary in India-Empowerment of Women– Rights of Transgender.

Unit IV

GEOGRAPHY

Salient features of Physical geography of India; Distribution of key natural resources; Geographical phenomena such as earthquakes, tsunami, cyclones.

Unit V

GENERAL SCIENCE

Scientific knowledge and scientific temper-Main concepts of life science; evolution, nutrition, health and hygiene, human diseases; Environment and Ecology.

Unit VI

CURRENT AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

Recent achievements in national and international sports-contributions of eminent authors.

Unit VII

INDIAN ECONOMY

Planning, Mobilisation of resources, growth, development and employment; Major crops-cropping patterns in various parts of the country; e-technology in the aid of farmers.

Unit VIII SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Latest inventions in science and technology. Indigenisation of technology and developing new technology; achievements of Indians in science and technology; application of Science and Technology in the area of IT, Space, Computers and Robotics.

Unit IX APTITUDE AND MENTAL ABILITY

Simplification- Percentage – Highest Common Factor (HCF)- Lowest Common Multiple (LCM)- Ratio and Proportion- Simple Interest- Compound Interest— Area-Volume- Time and Work.

Unit X ABBREVIATIONS

Commonly used acronyms and abbreviations of national and international organisations and institutes, as well as major government schemes.