

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT**

Public Services - A.P. Municipal Town Planning Subordinate Service - Merging of post of Town Planning Officer (Ordinary Grade) in to Town Planning Officer (Special Grade) and redesignation as Town Planning Officer and also Declaration of the post of Town Planning Assistant / Town Planning Officer as Gazetted - Orders - Issued.

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**MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (B2) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.Ms.No. 347,**

**Dated:20.07.2013.**

**Read the following:**

1. G.O.Ms.No.568 Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department, Dated: 23.05.1981.
2. G.O.Ms.No.1042 Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department, Dated: 08.09.1981.
3. G.O.Ms.No.330 Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department, Dated: 23.06.1988.
4. G.O.Ms.No.197 Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department, Dated: 25.03.1992.
5. G.O.Ms.No.185 Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department, Dated: 31.07.1997.
6. G.O.Ms.No.445, Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department, Dated: 26.07.1999.
7. G.O.Ms.No.462, Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department, Dated: 02.07.2008.
8. G.O.Ms.No.91, Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department, Dated: 16.02.2012.
9. G.O.Ms.No.266, Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department, Dated: 10.07.2012.
10. G.O.Ms.No.267, Municipal Administration and Urban Development Department, Dated: 10.07.2012.
11. From the Andhra Pradesh Municipal Town Planning Technical Officials Association Representations Dated: 10.06.2005, 18.10.2008.
12. From the Director of Town and Country Planning, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad Lr.Roc.No.4264/2003/M4, dated: 25.09.2009.
13. From the Director of Town and Country Planning, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad Lr.Roc.No.4264/2003/M4, dated: 20.04.2011.
14. From the Director of Town and Country Planning, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad Lr.Roc.No.4264/2003/M4, dated: 07.02.2012.
15. From the Andhra Pradesh Town and Country Planning Technical Employees Association, Hyderabad Representation Dated: 15.02.2012.
16. From the Director of Town and Country Planning, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad Lr.Roc.No.9170/2003/M4, dated: 30.01.2013.

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**ORDER :**

The Andhra Pradesh Municipal Town Planning Technical Officials Association in the representation 11<sup>th</sup> read above has submitted detailed representations to the Government for consideration and to issue orders among other requests (i) to merge the post of Town Planning Officer into Town Planning Officer (Spl.Gr.) in the A.P. Municipal Town Planning Subordinate Service (ii) to confer Gazetted status to the post of TPO (SG).

2. The Director of Town and Country Planning, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad in his letters in the 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> read above as reported that the duties and responsibilities of the Town Planning Officer (Ordinary Grade) and Town Planning Officer (Special Grade) working in various Urban Local Bodies are almost one and the same and they were assigned the same pay scales in RPS 2005 i.e., Rs.9285 - 21550. The qualifications and other Departmental tests prescribed in the Special Rules for promotion to both these posts are one and the same and as such there will not be any financial burden on the State exchequer. The Director of Town and Country Planning, Andhra Pradesh has therefore requested to merge the Town Planning Officer (Ordinary Grade) and Town Planning Officer (Special Grade) in the Andhra Pradesh Town Planning Service in order to have better administration.

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3. The Director of Town and Country Planning, Andhra Pradesh has further stated that both the posts of Town Planning Assistant and Town Planning Officer (Spl.Gr) are the feeder category posts for promotion to the category of A.D.T.P and equally placed with the same Technical nature of work and hence it is absolutely justified to confer Gazetted status to both the posts of TPO (Spl.Gr) and TPA. Both the posts are Town Planning Section Head Posts with enormous responsibilities. Further, the Assistant Executive Engineers post which is a feeder category post to Deputy Executive Engineer in all the Engineering Departments of A.P. Engineering Services is a 1<sup>st</sup> level Gazetted post which is more or less an equivalent post of TPA and TPO (Spl.Gr) in the Town Planning Department. He has therefore recommended to confer the Gazetted status to the feeder category post of A.D.T.P post in A.P.T.P Service as represented by A.P. Municipal Town Planning Technical Officials Association.
4. Government after careful examination of the matter with reference to the report of the Director of Town and Country Planning, hereby issue the following orders:
- (i) The post of Town Planning Officer (Ordinary Grade) be merged into Town Planning Officer (Special Grade) and be re-designated as Town Planning Officer (TPO) in Andhra Pradesh Municipal Town Planning Service.
  - (ii) The post of Town Planning Assistant / Town Planning Officer be declared as Gazetted post with the existing scale of pay without changing the existing service conditions that are attached to the post.
5. The Director of Town and Country Planning, Andhra Pradesh shall take necessary further action accordingly.

Accordingly, the following notification will be published in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette:

**NOTIFICATION**

- (i) The post of Town Planning Officer (Ordinary Grade) is merged into Town Planning Officer (Special Grade) and re-designated as Town Planning Officer in Andhra Pradesh Municipal Town Planning Service with immediate effect.
- (ii) The post of Town Planning Assistant / Town Planning Officer in A.P. Town Planning Department is declared as Gazetted with the existing scale of pay with effect from the date of issue of the notification.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

**Dr. S.K.JOSHI  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (UD)**

To  
The Commissioner of Printing Stationery & Stores Purchase Department,  
Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad (with a request to send 100 copies to Govt.)  
The Director of Town and Country Planning, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.  
The Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.  
The Commissioner, Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation, Hyderabad.  
The Commissioner, Greater Vishakhapatnam Municipal Corporation, Vishakhapatnam.  
The Commissioner, Vijayawada Municipal Corporation, Vijayawada.

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The Finance (PC.I) Department.  
The Law (A) Department.  
O.S.D. to Minister for Municipal Administration.  
P.S. to Prl. Secy. to Govt.(UD), MA & UD Department.  
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**// FORWARDED :: BY :: ORDER //**

**SECTION OFFICER**