

A BRIGHT FUTURE FOR ASPIRING YOUNG WOMEN MAKE A MOVE AND JOIN THE ARMED FORCES AS SHORT SERVICE COMMISSIONED OFFICER IN THE MILITARY NURSING SERVICE (MNS): 2023-24

- 1. Applications are invited from female candidates who have passed MSc (Nursing) / PB BSc (Nursing) / BSc (Nursing) for grant of Short Service Commission in the Military Nursing Service.
- 2. **Nationality** Must be a citizen of India.
- 3. **Qualification and Registration.** Should have passed MSc (Nursing) / PB BSc (Nursing) / BSc(Nursing) from INC recognized University and be a registered Nurse and registered Midwife from a State Nursing Council (The candidate will require to produce original and self-attested copies of mark sheet, passing certificate and valid State Nursing Registration certificate at the time of interview).
- 4. <u>Date of Birth</u> Between 25 Dec 1988 and 26 Dec 2002 (Both days inclusive). (Candidates must be between 21 and 35 years of age on the date prescribed for the receipt of application).
- 5. **Physical Fitness.** Medical fitness will be assessed as per Military Standards by Military Authorities.

6. Method of Selection

- (a) <u>Computer Based Examination.</u> Only eligible candidates will undergo Computer Based Examination (CBE) to be conducted by National Testing Agency (NTA) on 14 January 2024 at the selected Centers all over India. The CBE will consist of Multiple Choice Questions based on Nursing, English language and Gen intelligence. There is no negative marking. The qualifying marks of CBE is 50%. The candidates will be able to view their own score card at NTA website www.nta.ac.in. The list of qualified candidates who are shortlisted for interview in the order of merit will be published on the Join Indian Army website www.joinindianarmy.nic.in and NTA website, with the instructions for interview.
- (b) <u>Interview.</u> Required number of qualified candidates, in the order of merit will be called for interview at **Delhi**, subject to the available vacancies. Thereafter, the candidates will be subjected to Medical Examination. The process of interview and medical examination may take **3-5** days. Arrangement for accommodation will be the individual's responsibility.

Note: No correspondence/queries in this regard will be entertained.

(c) <u>Medical Examination.</u> The physical fitness of selected candidates will finally be determined by a Medical Board under arrangement made by the office of DGAFMS. X-Ray examination of Chest and USG (of abdomen) will be done.

Pregnancy will be a cause of rejection while undergoing medical examination. The lady candidate will be considered fit 24 weeks after an uncomplicated vaginal delivery, 12 weeks after an MTP/ abortion and 52 weeks following a Caesarean Section. Candidates declared FIT/UNFIT will be informed by the President of the Medical board including the procedure of requesting for APPEAL/REVIEW MEDICAL BOARD.

- (d) <u>Final selection.</u> Only the required number of shortlisted candidates (as per vacancy and merit) who are pronounced medically FIT in all aspects will be sent call letters to report to the various hospitals in Armed Forces.
- (e) <u>TA</u>. The candidates called for interview will be paid Sleeper class Railway fare from the place of residence to the place of interview/medical examination and back only on submission of the original tickets.

<u>Note:</u> The candidate called for interview, if found not in the possession of documents as per eligibility criteria, will be rendered ineligible to appear for the interview and the selection is liable to be cancelled.

- 7. **Employability.** Candidates selected for grant of SSC in the MNS will be liable to serve for five years extendable to a total tenure of fourteen (5+5+4) years, anywhere in India in the same way as Military Nursing Service (Regular) Officers of the Armed Forces (Army, Navy and Air Force). No request will be entertained on choice of posting through any means in the first five years of service.
- 8. **Emoluments.** On completion of the pre-commissioning formalities, the candidates will be granted the rank of Lieutenant and will be entitled for full pay and allowances admissible to Lieutenant as per MNS pay matrix and additional benefits like entitled ration, accommodation and allied facilities will also be offered.

9. **Promotion.**

(a) Promotion of Short Service Commissioned Nursing Officers is as under:-

(i) Lieut - On entry

(ii) Capt - 03 Years of reckonable commissioned service

(iii) Maj - 08 Years of reckonable commissioned service

(b) Promotion for Permanent Commissioned Nursing Officers is as under :-

(i) Lieut - On entry

(ii) Capt - 03 Years of reckonable commissioned service

(iii) Maj - 08 Years of reckonable commissioned service

(iv) Lt Col (TS) - 16 Years of reckonable commissioned service

Lt Col (S) - By selection

(v) Col - By selection

(vi) Brig - By selection

(vii) Maj Gen - By selection

<u>Note</u>:- Nursing Officers with BSc (Nursing) qualification are eligible for one year antedate of commission and with MSc (Nursing) qualification are eligible for two years antedate of commission.

Nursing Officers are eligible for one year antedate for each completed year of previous service rendered after fully qualifying as nurse midwife, in Nursing Profession in a Govt recognized Hospital/Medical College/ Health Institute subject to a max of 02 years antedate and provided that previous service was not terminated on grounds of unsuitability or misconduct or profound professional negligence or indiscipline or any other disciplinary ground. In case of a candidate who is eligible for ante date under more than one of the preceding clauses, the total period of ante date will be limited to two years. The period of antedate will neither carry any back pay in any case nor will it count for gratuity as per rules.

10. <u>Permanent Commission.</u> SSC Officers of the MNS will be considered for grant of permanent commission as per existing rules as amended from time to time. They will be subjected to interview by a Selection Board duly constituted for the same. However, the grant of Permanent Commission will be subject to availability of vacancies and as per existing rules as amended from time to time.

11. How to Apply.

- (a) The application will be hosted on the website of National Testing Agency www.nta.ac.in .The detailed information for filling up of the application form, payment of application fee, admit card and subsequent processing will be available on the same website.
 - (i) Candidates may apply online through www.nta.ac.in which will be accessible from 11 Dec 2023 to 26 Dec 2023. It is the duty of the candidate to ascertain their eligibility before filling up the application form.
 - (ii) Candidates should provide an active E-mail ID and two active contact numbers while filling up the application.
 - (iii) The candidates will have to pay an amount of Rs. 900/- (Rupees Nine hundred only) as application processing fee to NTA.
 - (iv) The admit card for the computer based examination can be generated online, only from NTA website.
- (b) The selection of candidates for SSC in MNS will be subject to producing the following original documents with self attested copies at the time of interview:-
 - (i) Matriculation Certificate/School Leaving Certificate (indicating date of birth).
 - (ii) Valid State Nursing Registration certificate of upgraded MSc (N) / PB BSc(N) / BSc(N) course.
 - (iii) MSc (N) /PB BSc(N) /BSc(N) certificate & mark lists.
 - (iv) NCC Certificate, if any.
 - (v) Character Certificate issued by a Gazetted Officer.
 - (vi) Proof of Indian Nationality (Nationality/Domicile certificate/Voter ID/ Aadhar Card/Passport/any other proof).

- (vii) No objection certificate from the present employer, if employed.
- (viii) One self addressed envelope with Rs. 40/- postal stamp for speed-post for call letters if selected.
- (ix) Copy of release order if previously served in Military Nursing Service.
- (x) In case of change of name, copy of Gazette Notification/any other authority clearly highlighting your new name.
- (c) Applications/ payments in any mode sent by post will not be accepted. No correspondence will be entertained with regard to either the receipt of application / status of application/ details or reasons of rejected applications. Duplicate submission of application will be summarily rejected without refund of any money. It is mandatory for the candidates to submit only one active email ID for all future correspondence with us.
- (d) The candidates should check their profile on NTA website and registered e-mail regularly for updates regarding dates for Interview & other relevant details.
- 12. The aforesaid conditions are subject to modification without notice, if deemed necessary.
- 13. **Reasons for rejection of online application** are incomplete application, submission of more than one application, non-submission of application or incorrect amount of application fee.
- 14. The address for contact is as follows:-

Integrated Headquarters of MoD (Army)
Adjutant General's Branch
Dte Gen of Medical Services (Army)/DGMS-4B
Defence Offices Complex, A block,3rd Floor
K G Marg New Delhi-110001

Tele : 011-21411793 E-mail <u>pb4005-15@nic.in</u>

NTA Helpline Number: 011-40759000, 011-69227700

Email address of NTA: ssc-mns@nta.nic.in

Candidates are requested to correspond to the e-mail and tele no given above and not at www.joinindianarmy.nic.in regarding any queries pertaining to this advertisement.

INFORMATION IS ALSO AVAILABLE ON WEBSITE: www.indianarmy.nic.in/www.joinindianarmy.nic.in