



**SECTION OFFICERS PROMOTIONAL EXAMINATION (SOPE)-2020.**

Federal Public Service Commission will tentatively hold written Promotional Examination-2020 w.e.f **23.05.2021** for selection of Section Officers against **67** vacancies as per Rules and syllabi for **SOPE-2015** notified vide SRO 418 (I) /2015 dated May 18<sup>th</sup> 2015 and amended from time to time, as available on FPSC's website. [www.fpssc.gov.pk](http://www.fpssc.gov.pk). The SOPE has the following components:-

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| a. Written Examination =    | 650 Marks (Compulsory=450 & Optional=200)  |
| b. Psychological Assessment | } Only the eligible and successful candidates of written Examination will be called for Psychological Assessment and Viva Voce |
| c. Viva Voce = 200 Marks    |  |

2. **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:** Following is the criteria to be eligible for applying/appearing in SOPE:-

(a) **EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION**

At least Second Class or Grade "C" Bachelor's degree in any faculty recognized by Higher Education Commission. However, a candidate who has obtained a Third Division (or 'D' grade) in his/her Bachelor's degree will be eligible for the Examination in cases where he/she has obtained a higher Division in Master's Degree.

(b) **AGE -LIMITS**

A candidate for admission to the examination must have attained the minimum age of **30** years on the closing date for receipt of application i.e. **8<sup>th</sup> March, 2021** (*No age relaxation shall be allowed in any case*).

(c) **LENGTH OF SERVICE**

- i. Eight (08) years regular service in BS-11 to BS-16 in President's Secretariat, Prime Minister's Secretariat, Senate Secretariat, National Assembly Secretariat, Federal Secretariat, Attached Departments, Wafaqi Mohtasib's Secretariat, Federal Service Tribunal, Federal Public Service Commission, Intelligence Bureau and also the Civilian Employees of Pakistan Armed Forces Headquarters and their lower formations.
- ii. Length of service as at c(i) above means regular service acquired before or after obtaining the required educational qualification given at para 2(a) above.
- iii. The Superintendents granted/placed in BS-17 but holding substantive post in BS-16 are eligible to apply for **SOPE 2020** in term of Establishment Division OM No. 7/5/2014-T-V dated 29.12.2016 subject to observance of other conditions stipulated in SOPE Rules 2015.

(d) **INELIGIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO SERVICE**

The employees of the following offices/categories shall not be eligible to apply/ appear for **SOPE-2020**.

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| i. All Subordinate Offices.   | viii. Strategic Organizations such as PAEC, KRL, AWC and others.  |
| ii. Accountants General in the Provinces.   | ix. The employees working below BS-11 and those who are placed in BS-17 on regular basis.                                       |
| iii. AJK Council.   | x. The employees mentioned at (i) to (viii) working on deputation basis in Federal Government.                                  |
| iv. Provincial Governments, Azad Jammu & Kaashmir and Gilgit-Baltistan Governments. | xi. Other departments which have not been declared as attached departments in terms of Schedule III of Rules of Business, 1973. |
| v. Election Commission of Pakistan  |   |
| vi. Federal Shariat Court.  |   |
| vii. Semi Government., Autonomous Bodies, Corporations and Regulatory Authorities.  |   |

3. **PROCEDURE FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION:** All aspirants may apply online for SOPE-2020 during the period from **07.02.2021 to 08.03.2021** followed by submission of hard copy of online form duly signed alongwith all documents, so as to reach the FPSC Headquarters, Islamabad within 10 days of the closing date as per procedure stipulated in Rule-4 for SOPE-2015.

4. **CLOSING DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF ONLINE APPLICATIONS IS 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2021.**

5. **CANDIDATES ARE ADVISED TO:**

- i. Carefully fill the online form. The hard copy of online application form must have the same entries as in online form. No subsequent alteration in the entries of online form shall be accepted. Correctly enter CNIC No. & date of birth in online form. Wrong entry shall lead to rejection of candidature.
- ii. Attach all attested copies of required documents, photographs with the hard copy of online application form and must be dispatched to Secretary, FPSC, F.5/1, Aga Khan Road, Islamabad within 10 days of closing date.
- iii. Choose the optional subjects correctly in accordance with Appendix-I of Rules for SOPE-2015. Be careful that optional subjects & examination centre once selected shall not be changed. No request in this regard shall be entertained.
- iv. Strictly comply with the Rules for SOPE-2015 else their candidature shall lead to rejection.

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