



PUNJAB GOVERNMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
(RECRUITMENT CELL)  
(Punjab Municipal Bhawan, Plot No. 3, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

No. DLG-(RC)-2016/12

Dated 28-11-2016

The Department of Local Government, Punjab has given an advertisement vide Public Notice No. DLG/(RC)/2015/1, dated 01.7.2015 for filling up of 682 posts of various categories in the Municipal Corporations, Municipal Councils-Nagar Panchayats, Improvement Trusts and Punjab Water Supply and Sewerage Board, which was later on revised to 670 posts vide Corrigendum No. DLG-(RC)-2015/03, dated 08.07.2015 and the same was uploaded on the Department website <http://pmidc.punjab.gov.in/recruitment> The Department of Local Government, Punjab conducted the written test of the above said posts through the Panjab University, Chandigarh in the month of November, 2015. The result was declared on 17.12.2015.

2. Thereafter, the Department of Vigilance, Punjab has intimated to this Department vide I.D. No. 40/07/16-4V1/279, dated 15.02.2016 that aforesaid Department had registered an inquiry No. 01, dated 04.02.2016-Patiala for the investigation of irregularities in the written test of above 670 posts in different cadres as advertised by the Department of Local Government, Punjab, which were conducted by the Panjab University, Chandigarh. In this regard, FIR No. 04, dated 06.04.2016 u/s 409, 420, 120-B IPC. 13(1) (D) read with 13 (2) 1988 was also registered under the PC Act at Police Station Vigilance Bureau, Mohali on the allegations of leakage of question papers before the date of examination.

3. Accordingly, the written test of 61 posts of Assistant Corporation Engineer (Civil)-Code No. 01, Assistant Municipal Engineer (Civil) Code No. 17 and Sub Divisional Engineer (Civil) Code No. 27 was cancelled by the Department of General Administration (General Coordination Branch) vide letter No. 12/52/2016/G.C.1/6824, dated 17.05.2016 on the basis of findings of the Vigilance Bureau, Punjab as under:-

“Based on the enquiry finding, a prima facie case of suspected leakage of question papers for the post of (i) Assistant Corpn. Engineer (Civil) (Code No. 01), (ii) Assistant Municipal Engineer (Civil) (Code No. 17) (iii) Sub Divisional Engineer (Civil) (Code No. 27), is made out. In order to bring the entire nexus further deep probe is required. Therefore, it is recommended that after taking legal opinion, an FIR may be registered and investigation may be carried out.”

4. Further, the inquiry of the complaints where the examinations have been conducted by the Panjab University, Chandigarh is being carried out by a High Level Committee consisting of Secretary Vigilance, (Chairman) and Secretary Personnel, concerned Administrative Secretary of the Department and representative of Vigilance Bureau (not less than the rank of Inspector General) as members, which was constituted by the above said Department of General Administration (General Coordination Branch) vide letter No. 12/52/2016/G.C.1/6824, dated 17.05.2016.

5. The report dated 08.09.2016 of Vigilance Bureau, Punjab has been considered in the meeting held on 27.09.2016 by the High Level Committee. The

proceedings of the aforesaid meeting were circulated by the Department of Vigilance, Punjab vide their letter No. 18/15/16-4V2/982, dated 26.10.2016. A perusal of the aforesaid proceedings of the meeting reveals that in the report of Vigilance Bureau, Punjab, there is a solid proof of leakage of question papers. The posts in which question papers were leaked before the examination are as under:-

Department/ Cadre	Assistant Corporation Engineer (Civil) (Code No. 01), Assistant Municipal Engineer (Civil) (Code No. 17) Sub Divisional Engineer (Civil) (Code No. 27)	Junior Engineer (Civil) & Junior Engineer (Civil) (O&M) (Code No. 06, 07, 20, 25 & 28)	Senior Assistant/ Inspector (Code No. 09 & 22)	Total
Municipal Corporations	32 ACE	94	136	262
Municipal Councils- Nagar Panchayats	19 AME	39	48	106
Improvement Trusts	-	28	-	28
PWSSB	10 SDE	50	-	60
Total	61	211	184	456

6. After considering the above report, the Committee came to the conclusion that due to leakage of question papers concerned recruitment process has completely been vitiated. Therefore, the Committee recommended the cancellation of recruitment process (written test) of the above mentioned posts. The examination of 61 posts of (i) Assistant Corporation Engineer (Civil)-Code No. 01, (ii) Assistant Municipal Engineer (Civil) Code No. 17 and (iii) Sub Divisional Engineer (Civil) Code No. 27 has already been cancelled by the Department of General Administration (General Coordination Branch) vide letter No. 12/52/2016/G.C.1/6824, dated 17.05.2016. The exam (written test) of the remaining two categories of posts i.e. Junior Engineer (Civil)/(O&M- Code No. 06, 07, 20, 25 & 28) and Senior Assistant/Inspector (Code No. 09 & 22), which was conducted by the Panjab University, Chandigarh are also hereby cancelled on the recommendations of the above Committee. The re-exam (written test) of above posts will be conducted in due course.

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