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JOIN INDIAN AIR FORCE AS AGNIVEERVAYU

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ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA: AGNIVEERVAYU (FOR BOTH MALE & FEMALE CANDIDATES)

AGE LIMIT AND EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION

	Age (As on date of Enrolment)	Educational Qualification	
Science Subjects	17½ -21 Years	Candidates should have passed Intermediate/10+2/Equivalent examination with Mathematics, Physics and English from an Education Board listed as COBSE member with minimum 50% marks in aggregate and 50% marks in English OR Passed Three years Diploma Course in Engineering (Mechanical/ Electrical/ Electronics/Automobile/ Computer Science/ Instrumentation Technology/ Information Technology) from a Government recognized Polytechnic institute with 50% marks in aggregate and 50% marks in English in diploma course (or in Intermediate/Matriculation, if English is not a subject in Diploma Course) OR Passed Two years Vocational course with non-vocational subject viz. Physics and Mathematics from State Education Boards/Councils which are listed in COBSE with 50% marks in aggregate and 50% marks in English in vocational course (or in Intermediate/Matriculation, if English is not a subject in vocational course).	
Other than Science Subjects	17½ -21 Years	Passed Intermediate / 10+2 / Equivalent Examination in any streams / subjects approved by Central / State Education Boards listed as COBSE member with minimum 50% marks in aggregate and 50% marks in English OR Passed two years vocational course from Education Boards listed as COBSE member with minimum 50% marks in aggregate and 50% marks in English in vocational course or in Intermediate/ Matriculation if English is not a subject in Vocational Course.	

MEDICAL STANDARDS

To get selected as an Agniveervayu, the candidate must be physically and mentally fit to perform duties in any part of the world, climate and terrain. Physical/Medical Standards to become an Agniveervayu are as follows:-

(a) Height:

- (i) For Male candidates:- Minimum acceptable height is 152.5 cms.
- (ii) For Female candidates:- Minimum acceptable height is 152 cms. For candidates belonging to North East or hilly regions of Uttarakhand, a lower minimum height of 147 cms will be accepted. In case, candidates from Lakshadweep, the minimum height will be 150 cms.
- (b) ${f Chest}$: The chest wall should be well proportioned with minimum range of expansion of 05 cms.
- (c) Weight: Proportionate to height and age as applicable for IAF.
- (d) **Hearing:** Candidate should have normal hearing i.e. able to hear forced whisper from a distance of 6 meters by each ear separately.
- (e) **Dental**: Should have healthy gums, good set of teeth and minimum 14 dental points.

(f) Visual Standards:

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Visual Acuity	Maximum limits of Refractive error	Colour Vision	
6/12 each eye, Correctable to 6/6 each eye	Hypermetropia: +2.0D Myopia: 1D Including ±0.50 D Astimatism	CP-II	

Note:- Corneal surgery (PRK/LASIK) is not acceptable.

(g) **General Health:** Candidate should be of normal anatomy without loss of any appendages. He / She should be free from any active or latent, acute or chronic, medical or surgical disability or communicable disease, infection and skin ailments. Candidate shall be physically and mentally FIT to perform duty in any part of the world, in any climate and terrain.

- (h) **Gynaecological Examination (For female candidates):** The examination covers external genitalia, hernia orifices and the perineum, any evidence of stress urinary incontinence or genital prolapse outside introitus.
- (j) **Gender (For female candidates):** Any candidate if found to have predominant characteristics of the opposite gender as evident on external physical examination, will be rejected as **Unfit**. Any candidate having undergone gender reassignment surgery will be declared **Unfit**.
- (k) **Pregnancy (For female candidates):** Any candidate, if found to be pregnant shall be disqualified and her candidature rejected.
- (I) <u>Body Tattoo</u>. Permanent body tattoos are not permitted, however, tattoos only on inner face of the fore arms (inside of elbow to the wrist), back (dorsal) part of the hand/reverse side of the palm and Tribals with tattoo which are as per the custom and traditions of their tribes may be considered. However, right to consider a tattoo acceptable or unacceptable will rest with the selection centre. Candidates with permanent body tattoos are to submit two Postcard size photographs (close up and distinct view) with details of size and type of the Tattoo during the second phase of testing.
- (m) Details of medical standards will be available on CASB web portal https://agnipathvayu.cdac.in.

TYPES OF SELECTION

The selection as an Agniveervayu in the IAF is conducted through Selection Test for Agniveervayu Recruitment (STAR) and Recruitment Rallies. The selection procedure of both types is given below:-

1. <u>SELECTION PROCEDURE FOR RECRUITMENT OF AGNIVEERVAYU THROUGH</u> STAR:

Advertisements are published in Employment News and also uploaded on CASB Web portal https://agnipathvayu.cdac.in inviting online applications for STAR. In response to the advertisement, eligible male/female Indian Citizens are to apply online as per the instructions given in the web portal. The selection test will consist of following three stages:-

- (a) Phase-I: Eligible candidates will be sent provisional admit card for Phase-I of testing on their registered e-mail IDs. This provisional admit card is to be downloaded by the candidates under candidates login on CASB web portal https://agnipathvayu.cdac.in. All candidates in possession of Provisional admit card will undertake online test as per their respective Stream applied for, at centres designated/allotted as per their provisional admit card. Online test will be objective type and questions will be bilingual (English & Hindi) except for English paper. The result of Phase-I will be uploaded on https://agnipathvayu.cdac.in. The scheme of online examination is as given below:-
 - (i) <u>Science Subjects</u>. Candidates are tested in **English**, **Physics and Mathematics as per 10+2 CBSE syllabus**. Duration of written test will be **60 minutes**.
 - (ii) Other than Science Subjects. Candidates are tested in English as per 10+2 CBSE Syllabus and Reasoning & General Awareness (RAGA). Duration of written test will be 45 minutes.
 - (iii) <u>Science Subjects and Other than Science Subjects.</u> Candidates are tested in English, Physics & Mathematics of 10+2 CBSE syllabus and Reasoning & General Awareness (RAGA). Duration of the written test will be 85 minutes.
- (b) Phase-II: Candidates shortlisted for Phase-II will be sent a new admit card on their registered e-mail IDs. Candidates have to report at the stipulated date and time for Phase-II at the designated ASC along with documents mentioned in admit card. The documents will be scrutinized/verified prior to commencement of Phase-II exam to ascertain the eligibility prima facie. Detailed verification of all the documents will be carried out in respect of candidates who pass Adaptability Test-1. Candidature of those who do not meet the laid down educational criteria is liable to be rejected at any stage of selection. The sequence of examination for Phase-II testing is as follows:-

(i) Physical Fitness Test (PFT):

(aa) For Male candidates:- 1.6 Km run to be completed within 07 minutes. Candidates will also have to complete 10 Push-ups, 10 Sit-ups and 20 Squats within the stipulated time to qualify in the Physical Fitness Test.

(ab) For Female candidates:- 1.6 Km run to be completed within 08 minutes. Candidates will also have to complete 10 Sit-ups and 15 Squats within the stipulated time to qualify in the Physical Fitness Test.

Note: Demonstrative videos of PFT uploaded on https://agnipathvayu.cdac.in

- (ii) Adaptability Test-1: All candidates who pass the Physical Fitness Test (PFT) will have to undertake Adaptability Test-1 (objective type written test) which is to assess suitability of a candidate for employment in the IAF which involves deployment in varied geographic terrain, weather and operational conditions
- (iii) Adaptability Test-2: All Candidates who pass Adaptability Test-I will have to undertake Adaptability Test-2 as per policy in vogue. Adaptability Test-2 is to select candidates who can adapt to the environment of Indian Air Force and are able to adjust to the military way of life.
- (c) <u>Phase-III (Medical Examination)</u>: Candidates who qualify Adaptability Test-2 shall be issued with medical appointment letter at respective ASCs. Medical Examination shall be conducted by Air Force Medical Team as per IAF medical standards and policy in vogue on subject issue.

2. <u>SELECTION PROCEDURE FOR RECRUITMENT OF AGNIVEERVAYU</u> THROUGH RECRUITMENT RALLIES:

Recruitment Rallies are conducted from time to time in selected areas/regions of particular States/Union Territories of the Country. Advertisement for Rallies are published with the details of eligibility condition, selection programme and rally venue in popular local/regional newspapers circulated in the region/area of the rally and also uploaded on website https://agnipathvayu.cdac.in. For Rally recruitment, eligible candidates are to report to the rally venue with requisite documents. These documents will be scrutinized and verified by the Testing Team. The sequence of Selection Tests are as followd:-

(a) Physical Fitness Test (PFT):

- (i) <u>For Male candidates</u>:- 1.6 Km run to be completed within 07 minutes. Candidates will also have to complete 10 Push-ups, 10 Sit-ups and 20 Squats within the stipulated time to qualify in the Physical Fitness Test.
- (ii) <u>For Female candidates</u>:- 1.6 Km run to be completed within 08 minutes. Candidates will also have to complete 10 Sit-ups and 15 Squats within the stipulated time to qualify in the Physical Fitness Test.
- (b) Written Test. All candidates who clear the Physical Fitness Test (PFT) would be required to appear in the written test as per the details given below:-
 - (i) <u>Science Subjects</u>. Candidates are tested in **English**, **Physics and Mathematics as per 10+2 CBSE syllabus**. Duration of written test will be 60 minutes.
 - (ii) Other than Science Subjects. Candidates are tested in English as per 10+2 CBSE Syllabus and Reasoning & General Awareness (RAGA). Duration of written test will be 45 minutes.
 - (iii) <u>Science Subjects and Other than Science Subjects.</u> Candidates are tested in English, Physics & Mathematics of 10+2 CBSE syllabus and Reasoning & General Awareness (RAGA). Duration of the written test will be 85 minutes.
- (c) Adaptability Test-1. All candidates who pass the written test will have to undertake Adaptability Test-I (objective type written test) which is to assess suitability of a candidate for employment in the IAF which involves deployment in varied geographic terrain, weather and operational conditions.
- (d) Adaptability Test-2. All Candidates who pass Adaptability Test-1 will have to undertake Adaptability Test-2 as per policy in vogue. Adaptability Test-2 is to select candidates who can adapt to the environment of Indian Air Force and are able to adjust to the military way of life.
- (e) <u>Medical Examination</u>: Candidates who qualify above tests will be medically examined at designated Medical Boarding Centre (MBC) on specified date. The Medical Examination will be conducted by Air Force Medical Team as per IAF medical standards and existing policy in vogue.

GENERAL POLICY

1. <u>Consumption of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substance (NDPS)</u>. Consumption of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic substances banned under the NDPS Act 1985 **shall be a reject criteria for selection into the IAF**. AGNIVEERVAYU found either in possession or storing or distributing or consuming such drugs and substances after enrolment shall be liable for disciplinary action including dismissal from the IAF. **ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY TO ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE IS FOLLOWED IN IAF**.

2. **Only Sikh candidates**, whose religion prohibits cutting of the hair or shaving of face, shall be permitted to grow hair and/or retain beard and moustache. Accordingly, those Sikh candidates willing to retain the same as per laid down specifications are to get their photographs with beard and moustache. Such candidates will not be permitted to grow/shave beard/moustache at later stage after enrolment.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS AGNIPATH SCHEME FOR ENROLMENT IN INDIAN AIR FORCE (IAF)

1. The salient aspects of terms and conditions of service for Agniveervayu enrolled through the Agnipath Scheme are mentioned in the succeeding paragraphs.

2. Terms and Conditions.

(a) Enrolment

- (i) Candidates will be enrolled under Air Force Act 1950 for a service duration of four (04) years including the training period.
- (ii) Agniveervayu so enrolled will be subject to Air Force Act 1950 and will be liable to go wherever ordered, by land, sea or air.
- (iii) Only unmarried candidates are permitted to apply for enrolment in the IAF as Agniveervayu. Agniveervayu shall not be permitted to marry during their four years of service including training period.
- (iv) Agniveervayu so enrolled under the scheme, will not be eligible for any kind of Pension or Gratuity.

(b) Service

- (i) Service of Agniveervayu will commence from the date of enrolment.
- (ii) Agniveervayu would form a distinct rank in the Indian Air Force, different from any other existing ranks.
- (iii) Agniveervayu enrolled under this entry are liable to be assigned any duty in organisational interest, at the discretion of the Indian Air Force.
- (iv) Personnel enrolled through Agniveervayu Scheme, will be required to undergo periodical medical check-ups and physical/ written/field tests as governed by orders issued. The performance so demonstrated would be considered for subsequent offer for enrolment in the Regular Cadre.
- (v) Agniveervayu can be posted to any unit and can be further transferred as per the requirement of organisation anywhere in India or abroad.

(c) Discharge

- (i) All Agniveervayu will be discharged on completion of four years of service.
- (ii) On discharge after completion of four years, Agniveervayu will be paid a 'Seva Nidhi' package to enable them to return to the society for pursuing employment in other sectors.
- (iii) After their discharge on completion of four years, Agniveervayu will not be eligible for any kind of pension or any gratuity, neither will they be eligible for Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS), Canteen Stores Department (CSD) facilities, Ex Servicemen status and other related benefits.
- (iv) Agniveervayu will be barred from disclosing classified information gained during service to any unauthorised person or source under Official Secrets Act 1923.

(d) Enrolment for Regular Cadre.

- (i) Based on organisational requirements and policies promulgated, Agniveervayu who are completing their engagement period in each batch will be offered an opportunity to apply for enrolment in the regular cadre of Indian Air Force. These applications will be considered in a centralised manner by IAF based on an objective criteria including performance during their engagement period and not more than 25% of each specific batch of Agniveervayu will be enrolled in regular cadre of the IAF, post completion of their four year engagement period.
- (ii) Agniveervayu selected for enrolment in the Indian Air Force as regular cadre would be required to serve for a further engagement period of not less than 20 years and will be governed by existing terms and conditions of service currently in vogue (as amended from time to time).
- (iii) Agniveervayu will not have any right to be selected for further enrolment into Indian Air Force. Selection will be exclusive jurisdiction of the IAF.

(e) Termination/ Release from Service.

(i) The maximum period of service for Agniveervayu will be as enumerated at para 2(a) above. However, the services of Agniveervayu under this scheme may be terminated at any time in accordance with the Air Force Law.

(ii) Release at own request prior to completion of engagement period will not be permissible for Agniveervayu. However, in exceptional cases, personnel enrolled as Agniveervayu may be released, with approval of the Competent Authority.

PAY, ALLOWANCES AND ALLIED BENEFITS

Agniveervayu enrolled under this Scheme will be paid a package of ₹ 30,000/- per month with a fixed yearly increment. In addition, Risk and Hardship allowances (as applicable in IAF), Dress and Travel allowances will be paid. Perks such as ration, clothing, accommodation and Leave Travel Concession (LTC) shall also be provided as per existing rules. Agniveervayu will not be eligible for any Dearness Allowance and Military Service Pay.

Agniveer Corpus Fund

- (a) Each Agniveervayu to contribute 30% of his monthly customised 'Agniveer Package' to the individual's Agniveer Corpus Fund'. The Government will provide interest rate equivalent to the Public Provident Fund on the amount accumulated in the fund.
- (b) On completion of the engagement period of four years, Agniveervayu will be paid one time 'Seva Nidhi' package, which shall comprise their contribution including accrued interest thereon and matching contribution from the Government equal to the accumulated amount of their contribution including interest as enumerated below:-

Year	Customised Package (Monthly)	In Hand (70%)	Contribution to Agniveer Corpus Fund (30%)	Contribution to Corpus fund by Gol	
	All Figures in ₹ (Monthly Contribution)				
1st year	30000	21000	9000	9000	
2nd year	33000	23100	9900	9900	
3rd year	36500	25550	10950	10950	
4th year	40000	28000	12000	12000	
Total Contribution in Agniveer			₹ 5.02 lakh	₹ 5.02 lakh	
Corpus Fund after four years					
Exit after	₹ 10.04 Lakhs as Seva Nidhi Package				
4 year	(absolute amount excluding interest)				

<u>Note-1</u>: Agniveervayu will not be required to contribute to any Provident Fund of the Government.

<u>Note-2</u>: There shall be no entitlement to any gratuity and any kind of pensionary benefits in the case of Agniveervayu.

- (c) In case of individuals who are subsequently selected for enrolment in IAF as regular cadre, the 'Seva Nidhi' package to be paid to them will comprise only their contribution including accrued interest thereon.
- (d) In the case of Agniveervayu exiting before the end of their engagement period on their own request, the 'Seva Nidhi' package to be paid to them will comprise only their contribution including accrued interest thereon.
- (e) The 'Seva Nidhi' will be exempted from Income Tax.

Payment Modality-'Seva Nidhi' Package

Two options to receive the Seva Nidhi package will be provided to each Agniveervayu, with an aim to provide financial loans for self-employment / entrepreneurship through a bank Guarantee as also to meet immediate/ incidental expenses, on exit.

Life Insurance Cover

Agniveervayu will be provided non-contributory life insurance cover of ₹ 48 lakhs for the duration of their engagement period as Agniveervayu in IAF and they will not be eligible for Air Force Group Insurance Fund (AFGIS) schemes/ benefits.

Agniveer Skill Certificate. At the end of engagement period, a detailed Skill-Set certificate will be provided to the AGNIVEERVAYU, highlighting the skills and level of competency acquired by the personnel during their engagement period.

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