

TNPSC GROUP 3 & 3A

The Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission (TNPSC) conducts the Combined Civil Services-III examination to select Group 3 and Group 3A officers to various posts. There was an interview round that carried a weightage of 40 marks as per last recruitment notification.

TNPSC Group 3 Recruitment

Position
Station Fire Officer (Group 3)
Junior Inspector of Cooperative Societies (Group 3A)
Assistant Supervisor of Industrial Cooperative Societies (Group 3A)
Store Keeper in the Employment and Training Department (Training Wing) (Group 3A)
Store-Keeper, Grade-II in Industries and Commerce Department (Group 3A)

TNPSC Group 3 Eligibility Criteria 2021

The official notification for TNPSC Group 3 has not been released as of yet. We will update here, in case any changes are visible in the latest notification. Meanwhile, refer to the Eligibility Criteria as per last recruitment for reference. The eligibility criteria for TNPSC Group 3 as per last recruitment pattern are given below.

Age Limit

The age limitations for various posts (as on July 1st of the year in which notified) and categories are as follows.

Post	Age limit
Station Fire Officer (Group 3)	20 to 30 years (For all categories)
Junior Inspector of Cooperative Societies (Group 3A)	18 to 30 years in general. Concessions: 18 to 35 years for SC or SC (Arunthathiyars), ST, Destitute Widows of all castes, Most Backward

	Classes/Denotified Communities, BC and BC (Muslims). 18 to 40 years for war service candidates who have undergone a course of training for nine months in one of the Cooperative Training Institute. 18 to 45 years for SC or SC (Arunthathiyars), ST war service candidates who have undergone a course of training for nine months in one of the Cooperative Training Institute.
Assistant Supervisor of Industrial Cooperative Societies (Group 3A)	18 to 30 years in general. No maximum age limit for all other categories.
Store Keeper in the Employment and Training Department (Training Wing) (Group 3A)	18 to 30 years in general. No maximum age limit for all other categories.
Store-Keeper, Grade-II in Industries and Commerce Department (Group 3A)	18 to 30 years in general. No maximum age limit for all other categories.

- Candidates not belonging to SC, SC(A), ST, MBC/DC, and BC who have five years of experience in the state or central governments were not eligible for age concession.
- No maximum age limit means the candidate can be up to age 58 years old.

Educational Qualification

The following are the educational qualifications for various TNPSC Group 3 civil service posts as per last recruitment pattern:

Post	Educational Qualification
Station Fire Officer (Group 3)	BA OR B.Sc OR B.Com OR B.O.L from Annamalai University OR BBA from Madurai Kamaraj University OR B.Litt of Madurai University (For SC, SC(A), ST, MBC/DC, BC, BCM, minimum general educational qualification is Pre University Course Examination or Higher Secondary Examination)
Junior Inspector of Cooperative Societies (Group 3A)	Higher Secondary Course OR Pre-University Examination

	OR Diploma in Rural Services awarded by the National Council for Rural Higher Education with Co-operation as one of the subjects. (For SC, SC(A), ST, MBC/DC, BC, BCM, minimum general educational qualification is S.S.L.C. or certificate of eligibility for College course of studies in the Madras, Madurai and Annamalai Universities issued by the BSE (Board of Secondary Education) or any other competent authority)
Store Keeper in the Employment and Training Department (Training Wing) (Group 3A)	Pre-University Course Examination OR Higher Secondary Examination
Store Keeper in Employment and Training (Training wing) Department (Group 3A)	Pre-University Course Examination OR Higher Secondary Examination
Store-Keeper, Grade-II in Industries and Commerce Department (Group 3A)	Pre-University Course Examination OR Higher Secondary Examination

TNPSC Group 3 Recruitment Salary 2021

The salary range for the TNPSC Group 3 officers vary depending on the level of positions. The salary ranges for all the Group 3 levels are given below and are provided as per the last recruitment pattern, if any changes are seen in 2021 notification, it will be updated here. Meanwhile, refer to the salary as per last recruitment pattern:

Posts	Salary range
Station Fire Officer (Group 3)	Rs. 9300-34800 + Grade Pay Rs. 4200 (PB2)(PM)
Junior Inspector of Cooperative Societies (Group 3A)	Level 10 - Rs. 20,600 to Rs. 65,500
Assistant Supervisor of Industrial Cooperative Societies (Group 3A)	Rs. 5200-20,200 + Grade Pay Rs. 2800 (PB1) (PM)
Store Keeper in the Employment and Training Department (Training Wing) (Group 3A)	Level 10 - Rs. 20,600 to Rs. 65,500

Store-Keeper, Grade-II in Industries and Commerce
Department (Group 3A)

Level 10 - Rs. 20,600 to Rs.
65,500

TNPSC Group 3 and 3A Syllabus

The written examination syllabus for the TNPSC Group 3 and Group 3A services:

General Studies (Higher Secondary Standard)

- **Physics:** Nature of Universe - General Scientific laws - Inventions and discoveries - National scientific laboratories - Mechanics and properties of matter - Physical quantities, standards and units - Force, motion and energy - Magnetism, electricity, and electronics - Heat, light and sound
- **Chemistry:** Elements and Compounds - Acids, bases, and salts - Fertilizers, pesticides, insecticides
- **Botany:** Main Concepts of life science - Classification of a living organism - Nutrition and dietetics – Respiration
- **Zoology:** Blood and blood circulation - Reproductive system - Environment, ecology, health and hygiene - Human diseases including communicable and non – communicable diseases, prevention and remedies - Animals, plants, and human life.
- **Current Events:**

History- Latest diary of events-national - National symbols - Profile of States - Eminent persons and places in the news - Sports & games - Books & authors - Awards and honors' - India and its neighbors.

Political Science– Problems in conduct of public elections - Political parties and political system in India - Public awareness & General administration - Welfare-oriented govt. schemes, their utility

Geography- Geographical landmarks in news

Economics- Current socio-economic problems

Science- Latest inventions on science and technology

- **Geography:** Earth and Universe - Solar system - Monsoon, rainfall, weather and climate - Water resources - rivers in India - Soil, minerals and natural resources -

Forest and wildlife - Agricultural pattern – Transport including surface transport and communication - Social geography – population-density and distribution - Natural calamities-Disaster Management.

- **History and culture of India and Tamil Nadu:** Indus valley civilization- Guptas, Delhi Sultans, Mughals and Marathas - Age of Vijayanagaram and the Bahmanis - South Indian history - Culture and Heritage of Tamil people - India since independence- Characteristics of Indian culture - Unity in diversity –race, colour, language, custom - India-as secular state - Growth of rationalist, Dravidian movement in Tamil Nadu - Political parties and populist schemes
- **INDIAN POLITY:** Constitution of India - Preamble to the constitution - Salient features of the constitution - Union, state and territory - Citizenship-rights amend duties - Fundamental rights - Fundamental duties - Human rights charter - Union legislature – Parliament - State executive - State Legislature – assembly - Local government – panchayat raj – Tamil Nadu -Judiciary in India – Rule of law/ Due process of law – Elections - Official language and Schedule VIII - Corruption in public life - Anti-corruption measures –CVC, Lok- Adalats, Ombudsman, CAG - Right to information - Empowerment of women - Consumer protection forms.
- **INDIAN ECONOMY:** Nature of Indian economy - Five-year plan models-an an assessment - Land reforms and agriculture - Application of science in agriculture - Industrial growth - Rural welfare oriented programs - Social sector problems – population, education, health, employment, poverty - Economic trends in Tamil Nadu.
- **INDIAN NATIONAL MOVEMENT:** National renaissance - Emergence of national leaders - Gandhi, Nehru, Tagore - Different modes of agitations - Role of Tamil Nadu in freedom struggle Rajaji, VOC, Periyar, Bharathiar, and others.
- **APTITUDE and MENTAL ABILITY TESTS:** Conversion of information to data - collection, compilation, and presentation of data - Tables, graphs, diagrams - Analytical interpretation of data - Simplification –Percentage -Highest Common Factor (HCF) - Lowest Common Multiple (LCM)- Ratio and Proportion -Simple interest - Compound interest - Time and Work
- **Logical Reasoning:** Puzzles - Visual Reasoning - Number Series

General English (S.S.L.C. Standard)

- Match the following words and Phrases given in Column A with their meanings in Column B.
- ‘Synonyms’
- ‘Antonyms’
- Select the correct word (Prefix, Suffix)

- Fill in the blanks with suitable Article
- Fill in the blanks with suitable Preposition
- Select the correct Question Tag
- Select the correct Tense
- Select the correct Voice
- Fill in the blanks (Infinitive, Gerund, Participle)
- Identify the sentence pattern of the following sentence (Subject, Verb, Object, etc)
- Blanks with correct 'Homophones'
- Find out the Error (Articles, Prepositions, Noun, Verb, Adjective, Adverb)
- Reading Comprehension
- Select the correct sentence
- Find out the odd words (Verb, Noun, Adjective, Adverb)
- Select the correct Plural forms
- Identify the sentence (Simple, Compound, Complex Sentences)
- Identify the correct Degree.
- Form a new word by blending the words.
- Form compound words (Eg: Noun+ Verb, Gerund+ Noun)

TNPSC Group 3 Syllabus: English Literature

- **Figures of speech observed in the following Poems:** Alliteration – Allusion – Simile – Metaphor – Personification – Oxymoron – Onomatopoeia – Anaphora – Ellipsis – Rhyme Scheme – Rhyming Words – Repetition – Apostrophe, A Psalm of Life – Women's Rights – The Nation United – English words – Snake – The Man He Killed – Off to outer space tomorrow morning – Sonnet No.116 – The Solitary Reaper – Be the Best – O Captain My Captain – Laugh and Be Merry – Earth – Don't quit – The Apology – Be Glad your Nose is on your face – A sonnet for my Incomparable Mother – The Flying Wonder – To a Millionaire – The Piano – Manliness – Going for water – The cry of the Children – Migrant Bird – Shilpi.
- **Appreciation Questions from Poetry:** A Psalm of Life – Women's Rights – The Nation United – English words – Snake – The Man He Killed – Off to outer space tomorrow morning – Sonnet No.116 – The Solitary Reaper – Be the Best – O Captain My Captain – Laugh and Be Merry – Earth – Don't quit – The Apology – Be Glad your – Nose is on your face – A sonnet for my Incomparable Mother –

The Flying Wonder – To a Millionaire – The Piano – Manliness – Going for water – The cry of the Children – Migrant Bird – Shilpi.

- **Important lines from Poems:** Where the mind is without fear – The Solitary Reaper – Going for water – A Psalm of Life – Be the Best – Sonnet No.116
- **Questions on the Biography of Mahatma Gandhi** – Jawaharlal Nehru – Subash Chandra Bose – Helen Keller, Kalpana Chawala – Dr.Salim Ali – Rani of Jhansi – Nelson Mandela – Abraham Lincoln
- **Questions on Shakespeare's:** Merchant of Venice (Act IV Court Scene) – Julius Ceasar (Act III Scene 2) – Sonnet 116
- **Questions from Oscar Wilde's:** The Model Millionaire – The Selfish Giant
- **Dr.Karl Paulnack:** Music-The Hope Raiser
- **Comprehension Questions from the following Motivational Essays:** Gopala Krishna Gokhale's Speech on 25th July in Mumbai in response to The address presented to him by students- Dale Carnegie's 'The Road to Success- Dr.APJ Abdul Kalam's 'Vision for the Nation'(from 'India 2020') – Ruskin Bond's 'Our Local Team' – Hope Spencer's 'Keep your spirits high' – Deepa Agarwal's 'After the storm' – Brian patten's 'You can't be that no you can't be that.
- **Comprehension Questions from the following description of Places:** Ahtushi Deshpande's 'To the land of snow' – Manohar Devadoss – Yaanai Malai – Brihadeesvarar Temple
- British English – American English
- **Authors and their Literary Works:** Match the Poems with the Poets- A psalm of Life – Be the Best – The cry of the children – The Piano – Manliness Going for water – Earth -The Apology – Be Glad your Nose is on your face – The Flying Wonder -Is Life But a Dream – Be the Best – O captain My Captain – Snake – Punishment in Kindergarten -Where the Mind is Without fear – The Man He Killed – Nine Gold Medals
- **Which Nationality does the story belong to?:** The Selfish Giant – The Lottery Ticket – The Last Leaf – How the Camel got its Hump – Two Friends – Refugee – The Open Window
- **Identify the Author with the short story:** The Selfish Giant – The Lottery Ticket – The Last Leaf – How the Camel got its Hump – Two Friends – Refugee – The Open Window – A Man who Had no Eyes – The Tears of the Desert – Sam The Piano – The face of Judas Iscariot – Swept Away – A close encounter – Caught Sneezing – The Wooden Bowl – Swami and the sum
- Whose Autobiography / Biography is this
- **Which Nationality does Poet belong to?:** Robert Frost – Archibald Lampman – D.H. Lawrence – Rudyard Kipling, Kamala Das – Elizabeth Barrett Browning –

Famida Y. Basheer – Thomas Hardy – Khalil Gibran – Edgar A. Guest – Ralph Waldo Emerson – Jack Prelutsky – F. Joanna – Stephen Vincent Benet – William Shakespeare – William Wordsworth – H.W. Long Fellow – Annie Louisa Walker – Walt Whitman – V.K. Gokak

- **Characters, Quotes, Important Lines from the following works of Indian Authors:** Sahitya Akademi Award winner: Thakazhi Sivasankaran Pillai – ‘Farmer’, Kamala Das – 1. Punishment in Kindergarten 2. My Grandmother’s House, R.K. Narayan – Swami and the sum – Rabindranath Tagore – Where the mind is without fear, Dhan Gopal Mukherji – Kari, The Elephant, Deepa Agarwal – After the Storm, Dr APJ Abdul Kalam – Vision for the Nation, Indra Anantha Krishna- The Neem Tree, Lakshmi Mukuntan- The Ant Eater and the Dassie, Dr Neeraja Raghavan – The Sun Beam
- **Drama Famous lines, characters, quotes from Julius Caesar – The Merchant of Venice**
- Match the Places, Poet, Dramatist, Painter with the suitable option
- Match the Folk Arts with the Indian State / Country
- Match the Author with the Relevant Title/ Character
- **Match the Characters with Relevant Story Title:** The Selfish Giant – How the camel got its hump – The Lottery ticket – The Last Leaf – Two friends – Refugee – Open window – Reflowering – The Necklace Holiday
- **About the Poets:** Rabindranath Tagore – Henry Wordsworth Longfellow – Anne Louisa Walker -V K Gokak – Walt Whitman – Douglas Malloch
- **About the Dramatists:** William Shakespeare – Thomas Hardy
- **Mention the Poem in which these lines occur:** Granny, Granny, please comb My Hair – With a friend – To cook and Eat – To India – My Native Land – A tiger in the Zoo – No men are foreign – Laugh and be Merry – The Apology – The Flying Wonder
- **Authors and books:** Rabindranath Tagore – Shakespeare – William Wordsworth – H.W. Longfellow – Anne Louisa Walker – Oscar Wilde – Pearl S. Buck
- **Theme observed in the Literary works:** Snake – The Mark of Vishnu – Greedy Govind – Our Local Team Where the mind is without fear – Keep your spirits high – Be the best – Bat – The Piano – The Model Millionaire – The Cry of the Children – Migrant bird – Shilpi
- Famous Quotes
- **Period the Poets belong:** William Shakespeare – Walt Whitman – William Wordsworth – H.W. Longfellow Annie Louisa Walker – D.H. Lawrence
- **Matching the Poets and Poems:** Discovery – Biking – Inclusion – Granny, Granny, please comb My Hair – With a Friend – To cook and Eat – Bat – To India

– My Native Land – A tiger in the Zoo – No men are foreign – Laugh and be Merry – Earth – The Apology – The Flying Wonder – Off to outer space tomorrow morning – Be the best – Is life, but a dream – Women’s rights – The Nation united – English words – Snake – The man he killed

- Nature centred Literary works and Global issue Environment and Conservation:
Flying with the moon on their wings – Migrant bird – Will Thirst Become – Unquenchable? – Going for Water – Swept away – Gaia tells her