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APPSC notification soon to fill 256 posts; negative marking introduced

HYDERABAD: Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission (APPSC) will issue notification to fill 256 posts in various departments in a day or two.

The commission will issue the notification before September 30 to fill posts of assistant engineers (199), assistant hydrologists (9), assistant hydrogeologists (12), technical assistant hydrology (5), technical assistant Hydrogeology (13), welfare organisers (6), zilla sainik welfare officers (7), lab assistants (3) and dental assistant surgeons (2). Disclosing this to media persons here on Tuesday, APPSC chairman P Uday Bhaskar said examinations for these posts will be conducted in two phases - screening and mains.

“If the applications cross 25,000 mark, screening test will be conducted or else only one exam will be held. Screening test will be conducted in the conventional method, whereas the mains will be held online,” he said.

According to him, the commission has decided to introduce negative marks in all the examinations being conducted by it on the lines of Union Public Service Commission (UPSC). On the selection process, the commission chairman said candidates will be selected in 1:50 ratio for the mains from the screening test. “We have asked the government to bring down the ratio from 1:50 to 1:12 or 1:15. This will help in selection of most eligible candidates and also in reducing the burden of the commission,” he said.

Uday Bhaskar said the commission has decided to issue notifications for all the vacant posts by the end of the year.