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876 aspirants vie for each engineer post in Metro

BENGALURU: With Phase-I of Namma Metro set to commence full operations in April 2017, the process of recruiting adequate staff to take care of operations along the North-South corridor has been set in motion. In the recruitment exam to be held by the Karnataka Examinations Authority for the Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Ltd (BMRCL) on September 18, a whopping 53,824 aspirants are vying for 308 posts across three cadres.

What really stands out is that 9,638 applicants are trying their luck for just 11 Section Engineer (SE) openings. “This translates to 876 engineering graduates across different streams vying for every SE vacancy available,” said Hariswamy, Deputy General Manager, HR, BMRCL.

The other two posts which are being filled up are that of Train Operators (TOs) and Maintainers. “There are 25,890 applicants for 225 TO posts while there are 18,296 aspirants for 72 Maintainer positions,” he said.

The exams will be held at colleges in Belagavi, Kalaburagi, Bengaluru and Mysuru, said Ranganath P Deshpande, Manager, Information Technology.

This is the sixth recruitment round conducted for BMRCL. While there are a few applications from other states, the mandatory requirement is that the candidates should understand, speak, read and write Kannada, he added.