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Cancellation of recruitment for 12 posts of Scientist-D and 141 posts of Scientist-C in the National Informatics Centre (NIC) against recruitment advertisement No. NIELIT/NIC/2022/2 – Suo-Moto Declaration

1. Recruitment advertisement No. NIELIT/NIC/2022/2 was published by the National Institute for Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT) for inviting applications on behalf of National Informatics Centre (NIC), an attached office under Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) for recruitment to the following posts:

Name of Post	Pay level	No. of Posts
Scientist-F	Level-13A	Two (2)
Scientist-E	Level-13	One (1)
Scientist-D	Level-12	Twelve (12)
Scientist-C	Level-11	One hundred forty one (141)

2. Submission of online applications commenced on 20th October 2022 with the last date for submission being 21st November 2022.

3. The selection process for the posts of Scientist-F and Scientist-E was stipulated in the recruitment advertisement No. NIELIT/NIC/2022/2 and is available in the NIELIT recruitment portal.

    https://www.calicut.nielit.in/nic21/documentformats/DetailedAdvertisement.pdf

3.1 The direct recruitment to the post of Scientist E and Scientist F was to be done through a two-stage process i.e. Evaluation of academic records followed by personal interaction/interview.

3.1.1 The Applications received to be evaluated by an Evaluation Committee and marks to be awarded for various parameters like academic qualifications, experience, publications etc. (details of various parameters and weightage of marks are indicated at Annexure III and Annexure IV of the recruitment advertisement).

3.1.2 Merit list of short-listed candidates to be drawn based on the marks obtained out of 120 marks (excluding 30 marks for interview) and candidates in the ratio of 1:3 to be called for personal interaction/interview, i.e. for each post.

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3.1.3 Final merit list to be prepared based on the marks obtained out of a maximum of 150 marks, i.e. marks obtained in the Evaluation process (max 120 marks) and in the Interview (max 30 marks) to be added to arrive at the final score.

3.2 The Direct recruitment to the posts of Scientist-C and Scientist-D was to be done through a three-stage process i.e. Screening Test, Evaluation of the academic records followed by personal interaction / interview.

3.2.1 All eligible candidates for the posts of Scientist-C and Scientist-D who had successfully submitted the online application for the posts, along with required fee and screened in, to be called for a Screening Test. Based on the results of screening test and evaluation of the academic records, he/she to be called for personal interaction/interview.

3.2.2 The screening test to be of qualifying nature and to comprise of Multiple-Choice Questions (MCQ) on Reasoning, Basic Mathematics, English, Aptitude, Attitude and Leadership Quality. Scheme of screening test shall be Objective type and will be in Online mode. Every question will carry 1(one) mark. The screening test to consist of 150 nos. of Multiple-Choice Questions (MCQ), to be answered in a maximum time of three hours. The medium of screening test shall be in English only.

3.2.3 Candidates qualifying the screening test with minimum 60% of marks would only be considered eligible for the second phase (main application form) for the posts of Scientist 'C' and Scientist 'D'. In case sufficient number of Candidates in OBC, SC, ST and PWD categories are not available with minimum 60% marks in the screening test, then qualifying marks could be relaxed to 50% and 40% for OBC and SC/ST/PWD categories respectively.

3.2.4 The list of candidates qualifying the screening test would, however, be restricted to the ratio of 1:6 (i.e. Six candidates per post) in the order of merit, in each category (UR/SC/ST/OBC/EWS/PWD) to qualify the first stage.

3.2.5 The applications qualifying the first phase, i.e., Screening Test would only be evaluated by an evaluation committee and marks only would be awarded for various parameters (The details of various parameters and weightage of marks are indicated in Annexure I and Annexure II of the recruitment advertisement).

3.2.6 A merit list of short-listed candidates to be drawn based on the marks obtained out of 120 marks (excluding 30 marks for interview) and candidates in the ratio of 1:3 to be called for personal interaction/interview i.e. for each post, three candidates to be called for interview in their order of merit.

3.2.7 Final merit list to be prepared based on the marks obtained out of a maximum of 150 marks, i.e. marks obtained in the Evaluation process (max

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120 marks) and in the Interview (max 30 marks) to be added to arrive at the final score

4.   The recruitment process for 2 posts of Scientist-F and 1 post of Scientist-E was conducted by the recruitment agency, NIELIT, and results for two posts of Scientist-F and one post of Scientist-E were published on 7.3.2024 . Offer letters were issued to the selected candidates for the two posts of Scientist-F and one post of Scientist-E on 15.3.2024 by NIC.

5.   The recruitment process for 12 posts of Scientist-D and 141 posts of Scientist-C was conducted by the recruitment agency, NIELIT and final results for 12 posts of Scientist-D and 141 posts of Scientist-C were published on 15.3.2024.

6.   However, the dossiers of the candidates received from the recruitment agency revealed that majority of the candidates in the provisional merit list do not fulfil the requisite Qualitative Requirements (QR) for the advertised posts of Scientist-C and Scientist-D.

7.   It was, therefore, decided to cancel the recruitment for the 12 posts of Scientist-D and 141 posts of Scientist-C against the recruitment advertisement no. NIELIT/NIC/2022/2.

8.   The public notice for cancellation of recruitment was accordingly notified by NIC and published on the NIC website as well as that of the recruitment agency, NIELIT on their recruitment website on 25.2.2025.

https://recruitment.nic.in/notirect.pdf
https://www.calicut.nielit.in/nic21/documentformats/Nic21_Sc_C_D_cancel.pdf

9.   Candidates are advised to check for updates on website   https://www.nic.in/

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