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### 1. Conduct of Examination

The Directorate of Government Examinations conduct SSLC Public Examination two times in an academic year such as March/April session and June/July session.

**March/April session:**
Private Candidates should register themselves online in the service centres located in all Educational Districts constituted by Directorate of Government Examinations. The datas and photos of individual Candidates will be uploaded through online by the officials in the respective service centres. For pupil candidates, Nominal Roll will be prepared by the Head of the Institutions concerned and will be uploaded by them through online in DGE Website.

**June/July Supplementary Examination:**
Students who have failed in one or more subjects in different sessions and Direct Private Candidates can apply for the examination subject to completion of Science Practical Training.
2. **Scheme of Examination: Uniform System of Education**

The Government of Tamilnadu issued G.O. (Ms)No.21, School Education (Q) Department, Dated 01.02.2010 implemented the Uniform System of Education in Tamil Nadu for all students studying in Government, Government aided, Self-financing, Matric and Anglo-Indian Schools.

SSLC Public Examination for the above said school students under the syllabus of Uniform system of Education is conducted from March 2012 session onwards.

**Direct Private Candidates: Name Enrolment procedure for Science Practical Classes**

As per G.O.Ms.No.144, School Education (Q) Department, Dated:20.09.2011 all Direct Private candidates should register their name for Science Practical Classes before the end of June every year at the office of the District Educational Officers concerned for forthcoming SSLC Public Examinations in March/April Session.

Differently abled candidates can avail Exemption from doing Science Practicals if they desire to do so. Jail candidates also are exempted from science practical examination as per G.O.(Ms)No.23 School Education (V1) Department, Dated: 11.02.2013.

The Department of Government Examinations is conducting SSLC Examination for the following subjects on the dates fixed by the Director of Government Examination. Duration of each examination is 2\(\frac{1}{2}\) Hours.

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<th>Minimum Marks to be Obtained for pass</th>
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<td>Tamil (Compulsary)</td>
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Candidates should take minimum 35% marks in each subject out of 100 marks. This is applicable for passing in compartmental system also.

For subjects (Non Language) in Part III Question Papers will be in English, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Kannada, Hindi, Gujarati and Urdu.

3. Award of Certificate

Minimum for a pass:

Must secure a minimum of 35 marks out of 100 in each subject. For the “Science subject consisting of theory and practical Examination, minimum mark for a pass is 20 marks out of 75 in Theory and 15 marks out of 25 in Practical. This includes passing under the compartmental system also.

OPTIONAL LANGUAGE:

Marks secured in this subject will not be taken into account for declaration of a Pass.
P: PASS F: FAIL

4. Pupil Candidates:

a. Eligibility

At the end of the course in 10th Standard in a recognized High school or Higher Sec School, the school candidates i.e Pupil Candidates who have completed the required age criteria are eligible to appear for the SSLC Public Examination conducted by this department during the month of March/April every year.

b. Age Limit
As per the G.O. (Ms) No.1906, Education Department Dated: 22.08.77, the Pupil candidates should have completed the age of 14 years on the first day of the month in which the examination is conducted.

c. Age Exemption

However, if the Pupil candidate has not completed 14 years as on the prescribed date they should submit an order from the under mentioned authorities to relax the rules and to grant exemption upto the limit specified against each to write the Examination.

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<th>District Educational Officer</th>
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<td>Chief Educational Officer</td>
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The application seeking exemption shall be accompanied by a Medical Certificate signed by the registered Medical Practitioner testifying the Physical fitness of the pupil to withstand the strain and stress of the examination and by such certificate from the head of the school as may be required by subsidiary Rules.

C. Examination Fees:

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<td>Examination Fee</td>
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<td>Service Charges Fee</td>
<td>Rs.05.00</td>
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<td>Rs.115.00</td>
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d. Mode of Remittance

Respective Headmaster of the institution should collect and remit the cash into Government account.

e. Fees Exemption

1. As Per G.O. (Ms) No.237, School Education (V1) Department, Dated: 21.09.2007 all students belongs
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<td>1.</td>
<td>to all community studying in Tamil Medium be exempted from the payment of the prescribed Examination Fees.</td>
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<td>Government and Government Aided Schools’ SC, SCA, SS, ST, MBC/DC Students even they are studying in other medium also are exempted from the payment of Examination fees.</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>As Per G.O. (Ms) No.53, Backward, Most Backward and Denotified Welfare (CN2) Department, Dated: 09.07.2013 candidates parents annual income below Rs.2 lakhs of OB, BC, BCM Candidates are exempted from the payment of Examination fees.</td>
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<td>As per G.O. (Ms) No.1166, Education Department Dated 8th July 1974 and G.O. (Ms).No.2194, Education Department Dated 10.10.1980 all Blind and Deaf and Dumb disabled Candidates are exempted from the payment of Examination fees.</td>
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**f. Procedure for applying for examination: (Pupil Candidates)**

The Name List of candidates called as Nominal Roll prepared at the end of the course in Tenth standard by the Head of the institutions concerned, who are in his opinion competent to appear for the SSLC Public Examinations upload the Nominal Roll through online in dge Website.

**5. Direct Private Candidates:**

**a. Eligibility**

The following candidates are all eligible to appear for SSLC Examination.

i. passed VIII Standard with English as a Language.
ii. 9th Standard discontinued.
iii. ESLC passed certificates.
iv. Studied 8th standard under SSA.
v. Non-formal and Residential school scheme and got TC with 8th Standard pass.
vi. “C” Level certificate from open school.
vii. child Labourers who have completed 14½ years of age and got TC with 8th pass from Non-Formal under the Child Labour Education Scheme of Labour Ministry.

**b. Age**

Direct private Candidate should have completed the age of 14½ years as on 1st March.
c. **Examination Fees**

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<td>Service Charge Fee</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>Rs.125.00</td>
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**d. Mode of Remittance of the fees**

All Direct Private Candidates should pay the examination fees at the **Government Examination Service Centres** by means of cash during online registration.

e. **Procedure for applying for Examination**

Private Candidates have to apply for SSLC Public Examination in Government Examination Service Centres located in all Educational Districts in person. Service Centres’ officials will upload the particulars of candidates such as Name, Date of Birth, Language and Subjects, Educational qualification, Photo, Residential Address and contact Numbers. candidates should only provide personal/parent address and contact numbers.

The officials of service centres after uploading all the above particulars will provide downloaded application to candidates along with Registration Slip. The candidates should ensure all the particulars given by them are uploaded correctly and must submit the application to the officials with the following documents duly signed.

i. **Educational Qualification proof:**

8th std Record Sheet/Original ESLC Marksheet /Other State Board Certificate in original with Residential Proof in Tamil Nadu/ Matric X std Board Certificate in Original.

ii. **Date of Birth Proof:**

School Document / TC

f. **Notifications**

Notification for online registration of application will be issued from time to time in all medias. It will also be uploaded in the home website of this Directorate www.dge.tn.gov.in. The last date for online application will also be mentioned in the Notification.

**6. Downloading of Hall Tickets:**

Private Candidates who are eligible to write SSLC Public
Examination can download their Hall Ticket print outs from this Directorate’s home website. As far as Pupil Candidates concerned, the Head of the Institutions will download the Hall Tickets and distribute to the Candidates.

7. Examination Timetable:

Examinations will be conducted by the Directorate as per the Time-Table scheduled by the Director of Government Examinations.
In the event of any holiday being declared after the publication of Time-Table, the examination will be conducted as scheduled, unless and otherwise it is intimated by the Director of Government Examinations, Chennai – 600 006.

The Examination starts at 9.15 a.m. as per details given below:

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<td>Verification of Particulars by the Candidates</td>
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<td>9.30 a.m. to 12.00 noon</td>
<td>Duration of the Examination</td>
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8. Concessions for differently abled Candidates:

Concessions are given as per G.O mentioned herein

1. G.O. (Ms)No.28 School Education (V1) Department Dated: 10.02.2010
2. G.O. (Ms)No.2 School Education (V1) Department Dated: 07.01.2012
4. G.O. (Ms)No.23 School Education (V1) Department Dated: 11.02.2013

9. Declaration of Results:

By entering the User ID and Password allotted to schools by this Directorate, respective schools can download the Tabulated Mark List, a document which has the results of entire candidates appeared through that school alongwith their marks.

Also, candidates can individually download their results along with their marks by entering their Register number and Date of birth in the designated websites.

Since 2017, for both Pupil and Private candidates results along with their marks are disseminated to their cell phones through Short Message Service (SMS).

10. Provisional Mark Certificates:
After the declaration of results, Provisional Certificates can be downloaded from this Directorate’s home website. Any erroneous particulars are found, it can be brought to the notice of this Directorate and error free Mark Certificate will be provided to them.

9. Retotalling:

Candidates are permitted to apply for retotalling in all subjects within the dates prescribed by this Department after the publication of results. Increase of marks will only be taken into account.

i) **How to apply:**

All the Pupil and Private candidates appeared for the SSLC Public Examination can apply for Retotalling for any number of subjects.

i) School candidates should apply through the schools where they studied.

ii) Private candidates through the Examination Centres where they appeared for examination.

(ii) **Fees and Mode of payment:**

For each subject Rs.205/-

Pupil candidates should pay the fees by means of cash at the schools, where they studied.

Private candidates should pay the fees by means of cash at the Examination centre where they appeared.