

भारतीय वायु सेना / Indian Air Force

INVITES ONLINE APPLICATIONS FROM UNMARRIED INDIAN MALE AND FEMALE CANDIDATES FOR SELECTION TEST FOR AGNIVEERVAYU INTAKE 02/2023 UNDER AGNIPATH SCHEME

ONLINE REGISTRATION DATES: FROM 17 MARCH 2023 TO 31 MARCH 2023
ONLINE EXAM DATES: FROM 20 MAY 2023 ONWARDS

AGNIVEERVAYU INTAKE 02/2023

CAUTION
SELECTION IN THE INDIAN AIR FORCE IS 'FAIR & TRANSPARENT' AND ON MERIT ONLY. AT NO STAGE ANY BRIBE IS REQUIRED TO BE PAID TO ANYONE FOR SELECTION OR RECRUITMENT IN THE INDIAN AIR FORCE. CANDIDATES SHOULD NOT FALL PREY TO UNSCRUPULOUS PERSONS POSING AS RECRUITING/SELECTING AGENTS.

1. Pursuant to the New HR methodology for induction of Agniveervayu under 'Agnipath Scheme', aimed to provide an opportunity to Nation's youth to experience military way of life for a period of four years, Indian Air Force invites ONLINE application from unmarried Indian male and female candidates for selection test from 20 May 2023 onwards to join the IAF as an AGNIVEERVAYU. The number and employability of female candidates will be decided as per service requirement.

(THE SELECTION TEST IS NOT FOR SELECTION AS COMMISSIONED OFFICERS/ PILOTS/ NAVIGATORS)

2. Application is required to be filled only ONLINE by the candidates and detailed instructions to fill up the same are available at <https://agnipathway.cdac.in>

3. This examination is valid for AGNIVEERVAYU INTAKE 02/2023.

4. ONLINE REGISTRATION shall commence at 1000h on 17 March 2023 and will close at 1700h on 31 March 2023. Only ONLINE REGISTERED applications shall be accepted. For registration log on to <https://agnipathway.cdac.in>

Note - Candidates are advised to register at the earliest opportunity as no extension of registration dates will be accommodated.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

5. Age

(a) **Date of Birth Block.** Candidate born between 26 December 2002 and 26 June 2006 (both dates inclusive) are eligible to apply.

(b) In case a candidate clears all the stages of the Selection Procedure, then the upper age limit as on date of enrolment should be 21 years.

6. **Marital Status and Pregnancy.** Only unmarried candidates (male & female) will be eligible for enrolment as Agniveervayu and they shall undertake not to marry during the defined engagement period of four years. Keeping in view limited period of engagement of Agniveervayu inclusive of training, skill development activities, practical as well as formative assessment and organisational requirement of continued service of Agniveervayu during the engagement period, longer absence of Agniveervayu during the engagement period will adversely affect the operational efficiency of the Indian Air Force. Agniveervayu who marry during the said period shall be discharged from the service. Further, only unmarried Agniveervayu will be eligible for selection in regular cadre as Airman. Female candidates additionally shall be required to undertake not to get pregnant during the engagement period. Such women Agniveervayu or becoming Low Medical Category (LMC) due to pregnancy shall be liable to be discharged from service. Pregnancy will occur the women Agniveervayu for selection into Regular Cadre. At the time of enrolment, candidates shall require to sign a voluntary undertaking accepting above conditions.

7. Educational Qualification

(a) **Science Subjects**

Candidates should have passed Intermediate/10+2/ Equivalent examination with Mathematics, Physics and English from an Education Board listed as COBSE member with minimum 50% marks in aggregate and 50% marks in English.

OR

Passed Three years Diploma Course in Engineering (Mechanical / Electrical / Electronics / Automobile / Computer Science / Instrumentation Technology / Information Technology) from a Government recognized Polytechnic institute with 50% marks in aggregate and 50% marks in English in diploma course (or in Intermediate/ Matriculation, if English is not a subject in Diploma Course).

OR

Passed Two years Vocational course with non-vocational subject viz. Physics and Mathematics from State Education Boards / Councils which are listed in COBSE with 50% marks in aggregate and 50% marks in English in vocational course (or in Intermediate / Matriculation, if English is not a subject in vocational course).

(b) **Other than Science Subjects**

Passed Intermediate / 10+2 / Equivalent Examination in any stream/subjects approved by Central / State Education Boards listed as COBSE member with minimum 50% marks in aggregate and 50% marks in English.

OR

Passed two years' vocational course from Education Boards listed as COBSE member with minimum 50% marks in aggregate and 50% marks in English in vocational course (or in Intermediate / Matriculation if English is not a subject in Vocational Course).

Note - 1: Candidates eligible for Science Subjects examination (including Intermediate/ 10+2/three years' diploma course in engineering or two years' vocational course with non-vocational subjects of Physics and Maths) are also eligible for Other than Science Subjects and would be given an option of appearing in both Science Subjects and Other than Science Subjects examination in one sitting while filling up the online registration form.

Note - 2: Education Boards listed in Council of Boards for School Education (COBSE) website (cobse.org.in) as members, as on date of registration shall only be considered.

Note - 3: Exact aggregate Percentage of marks before decimal as written in the marks sheet of 10+2/Intermediate/Equivalent Examination/Three years Diploma Course/Two years Vocational Course OR calculated as per the rules of concerned Education Board / Polytechnic institute shall only be considered. (For example 49.99% should be taken as 49% and not to be rounded off to 50%).

8. **Mandatory Medical Standards.** General Medical Standards for AGNIVEERVAYU male & female candidates are as follows:-

(a) **Height:**

(i) For Male candidates: Minimum acceptable height is 152.5 cms.

(ii) For Female candidates: Minimum acceptable height is 152 cms. For candidates belonging to North East or hilly regions of Uttarakhand, a lower minimum height of 147 cms will be accepted. In case of candidates from Lakshadweep, the minimum height will be 150 cms.

(b) **Weight:** Proportionate to height and age.

(c) **Chest:** For Male and Female candidates: The chest wall should be well proportioned with minimum range of expansion of 05 cms.

(d) **Hearing:** Candidate should have normal hearing i.e. able to hear forced whisper from a distance of 6 meters by each ear separately.

(e) **Dental:** Should have healthy gums, good set of teeth and minimum 14 dental points.

(f) **Visual standards**

Visual Acuity	Maximum limits of Refractive error	Colour Vision
6/12 each eye, correctable to 6/6 each eye	Hypertropia: +2.0D Myopia: 1D Including ± 0.50 D Astigmatism	CP-II

(g) **Corneal Surgery (PRK/LASIK)** is not acceptable.

Note: Candidates should bring prescription and spectacles for corrected vision, if used. The latest prescription should contain dipter measurement. Ophthalmologist's registration number, stamp, signature and date of prescription should be within a month prior to appearing for medical examination.

(h) **General Health:** Candidate should be of normal anatomy without loss of any appendages. He / She should be free from any active or latent, acute or chronic, medical or surgical disability or communicable disease, infection and skin ailments. Candidate shall be physically and mentally fit to perform duty in any part of the world, in any climate and terrain.

(i) **Gynaecological Examination (For female candidates):** The examination covers external genitalia, hernia orifices and the perineum, any evidence of stress urinary incontinence or genital prolapse outside introitus.

(k) **Gender (For female candidates):** Any candidate if found to have predominant characteristics of the opposite gender as evident on external physical examination, will be rejected as Unfit. Any candidate having undergone gender reassignment surgery will be declared Unfit.

(l) **Pregnancy (For female candidates):** Any candidate, if found to be pregnant shall be disqualified and her candidature rejected.

(m) Details of medical standards are available on CASB web portal <https://agnipathway.cdac.in>.

9. **Consumption of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substance (NDPS):** Consumption of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic substances banned under the NDPS Act, 1986 shall be a reject criteria for selection into IAF. AGNIVEERVAYU found either in possession or storing or distributing or consuming such drugs and substances after enrolment shall be liable for disciplinary action including dismissal from the IAF. ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY TO ALCOHOLISM AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE IS FOLLOWED IN IAF.

10. **Body Tattoo:** Permanent body tattoos are not permitted, however, tattoos only on inner face of the fore arms (inside of elbow to the wrist), back (dorsal part of the hand/reverse side of the palm and Tnails with tattoo which are as per the custom and traditions of their tribes may be considered. Offensive, obscene, indecent, sexist or racist tattoos are prohibited regardless of location on the body. However, right to consider a tattoo acceptable or unacceptable will rest with the selection centre. Candidates with permanent body tattoos are to submit two Postcard size photographs (close up and distant view) with details of size and type of the Tattoo during the second phase of testing.

11. **Only Sikh candidates,** whose religion prohibits cutting of hair or shaving of face, shall be permitted to grow hair and/or retain beard and moustache. Accordingly, those Sikh candidates willing to retain the same as per laid down specification are to get their photographs with beard and moustache.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

12. Agniveervayu will be enrolled in the Indian Air Force under Air Force Act 1950, for a period of FOUR years. Agniveervayu would form a distinct rank in the Indian Air Force, different from any other existing ranks. The Indian Air Force is not obliged to retain Agniveervayu beyond the engagement period of four years.

13. On completion of four years of service, based on organisation's requirements and policies promulgated by the Indian Air Force, Agniveervayu will be offered an opportunity to apply for enrolment in the regular cadre of the Indian Air Force as Airman. These applications will be considered in a centralised manner based on objective criteria, including performance during their four-year engagement period and up to 25% of each specific batch of Agniveervayu will be enrolled in regular cadre of IAF. Agniveervayu will not have any right to be selected for further enrolment into the Indian Air Force. Selection of the Agniveervayu for further enrolment, if any, shall be at the discretion of the Government of India.

14. **Employability:** Agniveervayu enrolled under this entry are liable to be assigned any duty in organisational interest at the discretion of the Indian Air Force.

15. **Training:** On being enrolled, Agniveervayu will be imparted military training based on Indian Air Force requirements.

16. **Leave:** Grant of leave will be subject to exigencies of the Indian Air Force. The following leave is applicable for Agniveervayu during their engagement period:-

(a) **Annual Leave:** 30 days per year.

(b) **Sick Leave:** Based on medical advice.

17. **Medical and CSD Facilities:** For the duration of their engagement period in the Indian Air Force, Agniveervayu will be entitled for medical facility at Service Hospitals as well as CSD provisions.

18. **Pay, Allowances and Allied Benefits:** Agniveervayu enrolled under this Scheme will be paid an Agniveer package of Rs. 30,000/- per month with a fixed yearly increment. In addition, Risk and Hardship allowances (as applicable in IAF), Dress and Travel allowances will be paid. Perks such as ration, clothing, accommodation and Leave Travel Concession (LTC) shall also be provided as per the existing rules.

19. **Terminal Benefits - Seva Nidhi Package:** AGNIVEERVAYU will be given one time 'Seva Nidhi' package comprising their monthly contribution along with matching contribution by the Government on completion of their engagement period, as indicated below:-

Year	Customised Package (Monthly)	In Hand (70%)	Contribution to Agniveers Corpus Fund (20%)	Contribution to Corpus fund by Govt
All Figures in Rs. (Monthly Contribution) (Approximately)				
1 st Year	30,000/-	21,000/-	9,000/-	9,000/-
2 nd Year	33,000/-	23,100/-	9,900/-	9,900/-
3 rd Year	36,500/-	25,550/-	10,950/-	10,950/-
4 th Year	40,000/-	28,000/-	12,000/-	12,000/-
All Figures in Rs. (Monthly Contribution) (Approximately)				
Total Contribution in Agniveers Corpus Fund after four years			Rs. 5.02 lakh	Rs. 5.02 lakh
Exit after 4 years	Approximately Rs. 10.04 Lakhs as Seva Nidhi Package (Absolute amount excluding interest)			

Note 1: AGNIVEERVAYU will not be required to contribute to any Provident Fund of the Government.

Note 2: There shall be no entitlement to gratuity and any kind of pensionary benefits.

20. **Insurance, Death and Disability Compensation:** AGNIVEERVAYU will be provided non-contributory Life Insurance cover of Rs. 48 Lakhs for the duration of their engagement period as AGNIVEERVAYU in the Indian Air Force. AGNIVEERVAYU will not be governed by provisions contained in the Pension Regulations/Rules of Indian Air Force. For details of Death/Disability compensation log on to <https://agnipathway.cdac.in>.

21. **'Agniveer Skill Certificate':** At the end of engagement period, a detailed Skill-Sat certificate will be provided to the AGNIVEERVAYU, highlighting the skills and level of competency acquired by the personnel during their engagement period.

22. **Not Entitled to the ESM Status:** Personnel enrolled under this Scheme will not be eligible for Ex-Servicemen status after their discharge from the Service on completion of four years engagement period.

SEQUENCE OF EXAMINATION

MOBILE PHONES / SMART WATCHES / ELECTRONIC DEVICES ARE PROHIBITED IN TESTING AREAS DURING PHASE-I AND PHASE-II. CANDIDATES FOUND IN POSSESSION OF MOBILE PHONES/ELECTRONIC DEVICES SHALL BE DEBARRED PERMANENTLY

Phase - I

23. **Online Test:** Eligible candidates will be sent provisional admit cards for Phase - I of testing on their registered e-mail IDs between 48-72 hrs prior to the examination. Candidates are required to download the admit card, take a colour printout and carry the same to the examination centre. Name of city & exam date will be intimated to candidates at an earlier date to enable them to plan their movement. This provisional admit card can also be downloaded by the candidate under candidates login on CASB web portal <https://agnipathway.cdac.in>. All candidates in possession of provisional admit card will undertake Online Test at centres designated / allotted as per their admit card. Online test will be objective type and questions will be bilingual (English & Hindi) except for English paper. Candidates are to bring one blue / black pen and original AADHAAR card along with them for Phase - I testing. Details of the test are as follows:-

(a) **Science Subjects:** Total duration of the online test shall be 60 minutes and shall comprise of English, Physics and Mathematics as per 10+2 CBSE syllabus.

(b) **Other than Science Subjects:** Total duration of the online test shall be 45 minutes and shall comprise of English as per 10+2 CBSE syllabus and Reasoning & General Awareness (RAGA).

(c) **Science Subjects & Other than Science Subjects:** Total duration of the online test shall be 85 minutes and shall comprise of English, Physics and Mathematics as per 10+2 CBSE syllabus and Reasoning & General Awareness (RAGA).

