



Ladakh Resident Certificate Order 2021

Why in News

Recently, the Ladakh administration has decided to issue **Resident Certificate only to the Permanent Resident Certificate** holders of the region.

- This is **unlike J&K where [new domicile laws](#) also permit outsiders** to apply for **jobs, land and other facilities**.
- Earlier, when **[Article 370 and Article 35A](#)** of Indian constitution were in vogue in J&K and Ladakh, all jobs in the erstwhile state of J&K including Ladakh were exclusively reserved for permanent residents of the State.

Key Points

▪ About:

- Any person who possesses a **Permanent Resident Certificate (PRC)** issued by the **competent authority (Tehsildars) in the districts of Leh and Kargil** or belongs to a category of persons who would have been **eligible to be issued PRC** shall be eligible to receive the **Resident Certificate**.
- The Administration also **enhanced the upper age limit for entry into government services** against all posts.
 - The **age relaxation would be a one-time exception** and this relaxation shall remain in force for two years.

▪ Objective:

- It is **to temporarily define Resident of Union Territory of Ladakh** for the purpose of **appointment to all the non-gazetted posts** borne on the establishment of any department or service of administration of Ladakh.

▪ Permanent Residence Certificate (PRC):

◦ About:

- It is a kind of **domicile certificate which helps people** in availing domicile linked quotas in government jobs and admission in educational institutions.
 - PRC in India is **issued by states** like Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Mizoram, Meghalaya, Tripura and Manipur.

◦ Purpose:

- It is a legal document that **serves as a proof of residence** and thus must be submitted wherever a residence proof is required.

◦ Use:

- For **taking admission in educational organisations** and **job reservation** under specific quotas especially for government jobs, etc. to get **local preferences**.
- For **obtaining a ration card** of the respective state and cast the vote in the

elections.

- For **availing the benefits of various schemes** of the state or to claim scholarships of the State.

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