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करियर मार्गदर्शन कार्यशाला, डाइट बाड़मेर (14-17 जुलाई 2026) में विकसित व लोकार्पित
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यह एक स्वतंत्र परियोजना है, जो सरकार की आधिकारिक करियर-मार्गदर्शन सामग्री पर आधारित है। · An independent project based on the Government's official career-guidance content.

1 About this career

The Animal Attendant is the most grassroots employee of the Rajasthan Animal Husbandry Department — caring for animals at veterinary hospitals, sub-centres and breed-improvement centres, handling feed and water, assisting with vaccination and artificial insemination, and keeping records. It is one of the very few government posts that asks only for a Class 10 pass, and the 2023 recruitment advertised 5,934 posts at once. A student who has kept animals at home in the village starts with real, useful experience. The older posts of Jaldhari, Safaikarta and Shepherd (Sheep) have now been merged into this one.

2 At a glance

Minimum qualification	Secondary (Class 10) or equivalent — per the Schedule to the 1977 service rules
Recruiting body	Rajasthan Staff Selection Board (RSSB), Jaipur
Age limit	18 attained and 40 not attained, reckoned on the 1 January following the last date for applications — the upper limit is relaxed for reserved categories and for women (detail below)
Starting salary	Pay Matrix Level-1 (non-official source; official confirmation awaited)
Demand	5,934 posts in the 2023 recruitment — 5,281 non-scheduled areas, 653 scheduled areas

3 What you need

INTERESTS

- Working with animals and caring for them
- Interest in village life, animal husbandry and dairying
- Practical work done with your hands

ABILITIES

- Telling a sick animal from a healthy one
- Speaking to livestock keepers with patience and respect
- Physical stamina and the willingness to do hard work

KEY SKILLS

- Recognising the state's indigenous breeds — Gir, Rath, Tharparkar, Nagauri, Marwari
- Clean milk production and correct milking practice
- Balanced animal feed, fodder crops and pasture
- Keeping records for animal fairs, the livestock census and animal insurance
- Assisting with artificial insemination and castration
- Helping run vaccination drives and minding the cold chain
- Proper disposal of dung and urine, and vermicompost

4 How to get there

- 1 Pass Class 10 (Secondary) from a recognised Board — that is the minimum qualification for this post. Do not stop studying, but Class 10 is enough to apply.
- 2 Create an account on the SSO portal (sso.rajasthan.gov.in) and complete the One Time Registration (OTR) — this is the only route by which applications are taken.
- 3 Apply online when the board issues the advertisement, and pay the examination fee.
- 4 Take the 150-mark written examination — Part A general knowledge, Part B animal husbandry. A minimum of 40% is compulsory.
- 5 After the result, complete document verification, receive your district allotment and join at a veterinary hospital or sub-centre.
- 6 Keep studying even after joining — further qualifications matter for posts such as Livestock Assistant.

MAIN EXAMS

- RSSB Animal Attendant examination — 150 questions and 150 marks over 3 hours. One mark per correct answer, one-quarter mark deducted per wrong answer, a minimum of 40% compulsory. The standard of the paper is Secondary level.
- Part B — 45 questions, 45 marks, weightage 30%. General knowledge of animal husbandry: the state's indigenous breeds, artificial insemination, castration, cross-breeding, milking and clean milk production, livestock and poultry management, balanced feed, fodder crops and pasture development, recognising healthy and sick animals, internal and external parasitic disease, vaccination, the sheep and goat health calendar, wool shearing, vermicompost, determining an animal's age, animal insurance, animal fairs, the livestock census, gaushala management and the department's main schemes.
- Part A — 105 questions, 105 marks, weightage 70%. General knowledge at secondary level with special reference to Rajasthan: everyday science, mathematics, social studies, geography, history, culture, art and current affairs.
- Relaxation in the upper age limit — 5 years for male candidates of the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Backward Classes, More Backward Classes and Economically Weaker Sections; 5 years for women candidates of the General category; and 10 years for women candidates of those same categories. Which means plainly that the bare figure printed against a post understates a reserved-category woman's eligibility by a decade — if you are in that category, work out your eligibility only after adding the relaxation. In Rajasthan, 30% of the posts in direct recruitment are reserved category-wise for women candidates. Widows and divorced women have no upper age limit at all — the rules say it in those words. It is Rule 13(9) of the Rajasthan State and Subordinate Services (Direct Recruitment by Combined Competitive Examination) Rules 1999, it appears again as the same proviso in the Rajasthan Medical & Health Subordinate Service Rules, and RPSC advertisements reproduce it. A widow must furnish a certificate of the death of her husband from the competent authority, and a divorced woman the proof of divorce. The exact terms of relaxation and reservation are given in that recruitment's own advertisement.

5 Where to study**GOVERNMENT INSTITUTES**

- Government Senior Secondary Schools — Class 10 — In every block

- Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) — free training in animal husbandry and dairying — In nearly every district (<https://icar.org.in>)
- Rajasthan Animal Husbandry Department — schemes, sub-centres and training — Jaipur and district offices (<https://animalhusbandry.rajasthan.gov.in/>)

ONLINE

- पशुपालन विभाग, राजस्थान — योजनाएँ, नस्लें एवं विभागीय जानकारी — The most direct source for preparing Part B (<https://animalhusbandry.rajasthan.gov.in/>)
- ICAR — पशुपालन एवं डेयरी की निःशुल्क सामग्री — Free (<https://icar.org.in/>)
- आर.एस.एस.बी. — पिछले प्रश्न-पत्र, उत्तर कुंजी व पाठ्यक्रम (निःशुल्क) — The Staff Selection Board's own site — the most reliable free preparation material there is (https://rsmssb.rajasthan.gov.in/show_archived?menuName=Xj4lCb9vGxpQnfls%2FxlZ2g%3D%3D)
- विभागीय सेवा नियम (कार्मिक विभाग) — पद की योग्यता व आयु मूल दस्तावेज़ में पढ़ें — The Department of Personnel publishes the service rules for every cadre. Read these before any coaching material — qualification, age and the method of recruitment are settled here and nowhere else. (<https://dop.rajasthan.gov.in/>)
- स्वयं (SWAYAM) — भारत सरकार के निःशुल्क ऑनलाइन कोर्स — Free (<https://swayam.gov.in/>)
- राष्ट्रीय डिजिटल पुस्तकालय (NDLI) — Free books and study material (<https://ndli.iitkgp.ac.in/>)
- एन.सी.ई.आर.टी. — निःशुल्क पाठ्यपुस्तकें — The foundation for general knowledge, maths and science (<https://ncert.nic.in/>)

FEES

Schooling to Class 10 at a government school is close to free. The examination fee is a few hundred rupees, with a concession for reserved categories. This post needs no expensive course, degree or coaching — the board itself publishes the entire syllabus in the advertisement, free. That is precisely what makes this post reachable for students whose families cannot pay for further study.

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Mukhyamantri Anuprati Coaching Yojana (free coaching, apply via SSO) (<https://sso.rajasthan.gov.in/signin>)
- Rajasthan Social Justice and Empowerment Dept scholarships (<https://sje.rajasthan.gov.in/>)
- National Scholarship Portal (NSP) (<https://scholarships.gov.in/>)
- Buddy4Study scholarship search (<https://www.buddy4study.com>)

6 What the work is like

WHERE YOU WORK

Veterinary hospitals and sub-centres, first-grade veterinary hospitals, breed-improvement and artificial insemination centres, gaushalas, sheep and wool farms, and the animal camps and animal fairs held in villages.

WORK CULTURE

The work is physical and runs on the animals' clock — early mornings, and often holidays too. You work under the veterinary officer's direction, but in a village it is the Animal Attendant the livestock keeper speaks to first. The load rises sharply during a disease outbreak, a vaccination drive or an animal fair. Cleanliness and safety matter, because some animal diseases pass to people.

WHO HIRES

- Animal Husbandry Department, Government of Rajasthan
- Breed-improvement and artificial insemination centres
- Sheep and wool development farms
- District and tehsil veterinary hospitals
- The Gopalan Department and registered gaushalas
- District milk producers' cooperative unions (Saras Dairy)

DEMAND (2026)

Rajasthan is among the largest livestock states in the country and the department reaches down to every tehsil, so the post never disappears. The 2023 recruitment was exceptional in itself — 5,934 posts at once, 5,281 in non-scheduled areas and 653 in scheduled areas. Press reports say the examination was held on 1, 2 and 3 December 2024 and that roughly 5,778 candidates were finally selected; that figure comes from news sources and should be confirmed against the board's own site. Note that the 5,934 posts belong to that one 2023 cycle — it is not an annual number. One thing to be clear about — the "demand" described above counts posts, not your chance of getting one. Selection is by open competition and the number of applicants runs to many times the number of posts, so most candidates are not selected in any given recruitment. That is not an argument against this career; it is an argument against making it your only plan. Keep studying or building a skill alongside your preparation, so that the year is not lost whichever way the result goes.

7 Career growth

- 1 Animal Attendant (on probation) — posted to a veterinary hospital or sub-centre

- 2 Livestock Attendant — a post filled 100% by promotion, and the promotion comes from Animal Attendant
- 3 Further promotion and departmental openings — adding qualifications opens the way to posts such as Livestock Assistant

EARNINGS

Starting	₹18,000 के आसपास (लेवल-1, अपुष्ट)
Mid level	₹22,000 – ₹30,000 (भत्तों सहित, कुछ वर्षों बाद)
Senior level	₹30,000 से अधिक (पदोन्नति के बाद, भत्तों सहित)

Non-official sources put this post at Pay Matrix Level-1, with an entry basic of roughly Rs 18,000. This could not be confirmed from the board's advertisement, so treat it as unconfirmed and check the pay scale in the official notification before applying. The starting figure is BASIC PAY, so that it can be compared directly against other careers. Dearness allowance (60% of basic since 1 January 2026) and house rent allowance are added on top of it, so take-home pay is appreciably higher. The mid-level and senior figures are approximate monthly income including allowances, not basic pay. Note — in Rajasthan a direct recruit is a probationer-trainee for the first 2 years and is paid a fixed remuneration, not the pay scale; dearness allowance and house rent allowance are not payable in those two years (Rajasthan Service Rules, rule 7(30A)). The full pay scale applies once probation is completed. The pay matrix level for this post could not be confirmed on this page from an official document — it is not in the service rules and not in the CET Rules 2022 schedule. No level is therefore stated here. The correct figure is printed in the official advertisement for the recruitment; check it there before applying. The figures above rest on the Rajasthan 7th pay matrix, which is what applies as of 17 August 2026. The Terms of Reference of the 8th Central Pay Commission were approved on 28 October 2025 and it must report within 18 months of its constitution. State governments normally adopt a Central Pay Commission with modifications, and later than the Centre does — so Rajasthan pay will be revised too, though by how much and when is not yet settled.

8 The good parts · The challenges**The good parts**

- Class 10 is enough — no degree and no expensive course needed
- Thousands of posts in a single recruitment, with a fair chance of posting in or near your own district
- Experience of keeping animals at home counts directly here — preparation does not start from zero

The challenges

- The work is physical and dirty; you deal with sick animals and with the weather
- The pay is the lowest of these 21 posts and promotion openings are limited
- Some animal diseases pass to people, so care has to be constant

9 Sources & further reading

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