In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution of India, the Governor of Odisha is pleased to make the following rules to regulate the procedure of recruitment to different Group-C posts and services in the State cadre posts and District cadre posts, namely:

1. **Short title and commencement.**— (1) These rules may be called the Odisha Civil Services (Discontinuation of Interview/Viva-voce Test) Rules, 2020.

   (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Odisha Gazette.

2. **Definitions.**— (1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,—

   (a) "State Government" means the Government of Odisha;

   (b) "Year" means the Calendar year.

   (2) All other words and expressions used in these rules but not specifically defined shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the same meaning as respectively assigned to them in the Odisha Service Code.

3. Notwithstanding anything contained in any recruitment rules regulating the method of recruitment in Civil Services and/or Civil Posts in respect of different Group-"C" posts and services in the State Cadre and District cadre of the State Government, there shall be no interview or viva-voce test for the purpose of preparation of the final merit lists.

4. These rules shall have overriding effect on all the recruitment rules/executive instructions or order issued by the Administrative Departments governing the method of recruitment procedure.

By order of the Governor

21.08.2020

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