## **DESCRIPTION OF POSTS**

The Superintendent of Police (F&ES), Meghalaya, Shillong has the <u>Administrative Control</u> over the Fire Stations in all the 7 (Seven) Districts in the Eastern Range, i.e. East Khasi Hills, West Khasi Hills, South West Khasi Hills, Eastern West Khasi Hills, West Jaintia Hills, East Jaintia Hills & Ri-Bhoi District. 26 (Twenty Six) Fire Stations are functioning directly under the command and control of Superintendent of Police, (F&ES), Meghalaya, Shillong.

The Fire Stations in the 5 (Five) District of Western Range i.e. **East Garo Hills, West Garo Hills, South Garo Hills, South West Garo Hills**, and **North Garo Hills** are functioning directly under the command & control of the Superintendents of Police (F&ES), Western Range, Tura.

However, the overall supervision of the Fire and Emergency Services in the State is vested upon the Inspector General of Police, (F&ES), Meghalaya, Shillong.

**DIVISIONAL FIRE SERVICE OFFICER (DFSO)** :- The Divisional Fire Service Officer or Divisional Officer is a supervisory post and in terms of Fire Service the DFSO is the in charge of 2 - 8 Fire Stations. The Divisional Fire Service Officer supervises the smooth functioning of entire Fire Station under his jurisdiction, including the discipline and all other aspects of a Fire Station and also assists the Superintendent of Police (F&ES) in day to day works.

**SENIOR STATION OFFICER (SRSO)**: - The Senior Station Officer is the rank of Inspector, also known as Asstt. Divisional Officer who assists the Divisional Officer in high Fire Risk area. Normally he is the in charge of 2 to 3 Fire Stations or 4 to 6 Fire Fighting Units.

<u>ASSTT FIRE PREVENTION OFFICER (AFPO)</u>:(Same Rank as SrSO) The Fire Prevention wing of the Department looks after the Fire Preventive and safety measures. The Fire Prevention Wing is responsible for inspection, awareness generation, and training for schools, colleges, hospitals, shopping malls, cinema halls, high rise buildings, industries, Govt. offices, public buildings etc. so that any recurrence of fire incidents can be reduced.

**INSPECTOR** (Same Rank as SrSO):- Inspector of Fire & Emergency Service is entrusted with the safety and security of the entire Fire Service Units. In other cases he assists the AFPO and SRSO in various day to day work.

**<u>STATION OFFICER</u>**:- Station Officer is the head of a Fire Station having not more than three fire fighting units with all equipments etc.

**<u>SUB OFFICER</u>**: A Sub Officer assists the Station Officer in high Fire Risk area. He is also entrusted with a charge of any one fire fighting unit

**LEADING FIREMAN**:- The Leading Fireman is the leader of the fire fighting crew and responsible for the execution of the orders of his officers and for the work of the individual members of the crew in the Fire Ground as well as in the Station Level.

**DRIVER FIREMAN/FIREMAN**: Driver fireman drives and controls the movement of the fire fighting appliances and Fireman the fire fighters. In a Crew there are <u>4 Fireman 1</u> Driver and 1 Leading Fireman.

Other posts such as <u>Mechanic, Handyman</u> are the part of the Workshop team who takes cares of the entire fleet of the fire fighting appliances for smooth operation and movement.

<u>Cook, Dhobi, Barbar, Sweeper</u> are also the members of Fire & Emergency Service whose job is to maintain cleanliness of the department, cleanliness and discipline of individual members of the service etc.