

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, WEST BENGAL SCHEME AND SYLLABUS

In accordance with the State Services Recruitment Rules, the Public Service Commission, West Bengal will hold the **West Bengal Civil Service (Executive) etc. Examination**, on the results of which recruitment to the West Bengal Civil Service (Exe.) and certain other services and posts will be made. The rules of the examination and other particulars are stated in the following paragraphs. A candidate should verify from these rules whether he/she is eligible for admission to the examination. The conditions prescribed cannot be relaxed.

The W.B.C.S. (Exe.) etc. Examination consists of two parts – (1) Written Examination and (2) Personality Test. Written Examination will be held in two successive stages, viz., (i) Preliminary Examination (Objective MCQ Type) and (ii) Main Examination (Both Objective MCQ Type and Conventional Type). A number of candidates to be selected on the results of the Preliminary Examination will be allowed admission to the Main Examination and a number of candidates to be selected on the results of the Main Examination will be called to appear at the Personality Test

The Preliminary Examination will be held at various centers in Kolkata and in certain other districts in West Bengal . Only Scheduled Tribe candidates of Darjeeling district and other candidates of the three hill sub-divisions, namely Darjeeling Sadar, Mirik and Kurseong will be allowed to appear at **DARJEELING** Centre. Similarly all candidates from the Kalimpong district will be allowed to appear at KALIMPONG centre. The Main Examination will be held in Kolkata in the later part of the same year. The Personality Test will be held thereafter in the office of the Public Service Commission, West Bengal, in Kolkata.

The W.B.C.S. (Exe.) etc. Examination is to be treated as a combined Competitive Examination comprising four separate and distinct examinations for four groups of services and posts as detailed below.

GROUPING OF SERVICES : The services and posts to which recruitment is made on the results of the W.B.C.S. (Exe.) etc. Examination are divided into groups: A, B, C and D with a graduated syllabus. **A candidate may compete for one or more groups but is required to submit one application only indicating choice of group(s).**

NAME OF THE EXAMINATION SERVICE/POSTS	WEST BENGAL CIVIL SERVICE (EXE.) etc. EXAMINATION
PAY SCALE:	Mentioned below(SEE PAY SCALE COLUMN)
	<u>GROUP – A</u>
	(i) West Bengal Civil Service (Executive): PAY LEVEL :16 (56,100 - 1,44,300) besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.
	(ii) Assistant Commissioner of Revenue in the integrated West Bengal Revenue Service : PAY LEVEL : 16 (56,100 - 1,44,300) besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.
	(iii) West Bengal Co-operative Service: PAY LEVEL : 16 (56,100 - 1,44,300) besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.
	(iv) West Bengal Laboure Service : PAY LEVEL : 16 (56,100 - 1,44,300) besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.
	(v) West Bengal Food and Supplies Service : PAY LEVEL : 16 (56,100 - 1,44,300) besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.
	(vi) West Bengal Employment Service [Except the post of Employment Officer (Technical)] : PAY LEVEL : 16 (56,100 - 1,44,300) besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.

GROUP – B

West Bengal Police Service :
PAY LEVEL : 16 (56,100 - 1,44,300)
besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.

GROUP – C

- (i) Superintendent, District Correctional Home / Deputy Superintendent, Central Correctional Home :
PAY LEVEL : 15 (42,600 - 1,09,800)
besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.
- (ii) Joint Block Development Officer :
PAY LEVEL : 14 (39,900 - 1,02,800)
besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.
- (iii) Deputy Assistant Director of Consumer Affairs and Fair Business Practices :
PAY LEVEL : 14 (39,900 - 1,02,800)
besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.
- (iv) West Bengal Junior Social Welfare Service:
PAY LEVEL : 14 (39,900 - 1,02,800)
besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.
- (v) West Bengal Subordinate Land Revenue Service, Grade-I :
PAY LEVEL : 14 (39,900 - 1,02,800)
besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.
- (vi) Assistant Commercial Tax Officer :
PAY LEVEL : 14 (39,900 - 1,02,800)
besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.
- (vii) * Registrar(District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission)/Joint Registrar (West Bengal State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission under the Consumer Affairs Department, Government of West Bengal) :
PAY LEVEL : 14 (39,900 - 1,02,800)
besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.
- (viii) Assistant Canal Revenue Officer (Irrigation) :
PAY LEVEL : 12 (35,800 - 92,100)
besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.
- (ix) Chief Controller of Correctional Services:
PAY LEVEL : 12 (35,800 - 92,100)
besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.

GROUP – D

- (i) Inspector of Co-operative Societies :
PAY LEVEL : 10 (32,100 - 82,900)
besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.
- (ii) Panchayat Development Officer under the Panchayat and Rural Development Department :
PAY LEVEL : 10 (32,100 - 82,900)
besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.
- (iii) Rehabilitation Officer under the Refugee Relief and Rehabilitation Department :
PAY LEVEL : 10 (32,100 - 82,900)
besides D.A., M.A. and H.R.A. admissible as per rules.

* The post of Joint Registrar, West Bengal State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission and Registrar, District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission are transferable within West Bengal State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission and District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission in West Bengal.

VACANCIES

The number of vacancies in different services and posts to be filled up on the results of the examination will be announced in due time. Posts of some groups may not be filled up on the basis of the results of the examination if vacancies for the same are not reported from the Department concerned within the stipulated time for filling up such vacancies.

<p>RESERVATION</p> <p>[Reservation for Meritorious Sportspersons is <u>Applicable only for candidates applying for the Group. D Posts as mentioned in page 5 of the Advertisement]</u></p>	<p>1. Certain vacancies may be reserved for candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes (Non – Creamy Layer) of West Bengal declared as such by the Govt. of West Bengal. Some vacancies may also be reserved for Persons with Disabilities (40% and above) provided that they are otherwise suitable and possess the capacity to perform the duties attached to the post. The benefits of reservation of vacancies for S.C./S.T./B.C. (Non- Creamy Layer) candidates are admissible to S.C./S.T./B.C. (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates of West Bengal only. The S.C./S.T./B.C. candidates of other States shall be considered for Unreserved posts only.</p> <p>2. Certain vacancies, if reported, may be reserved for candidates belonging to Meritorious Sportspersons in the area of International Competition, National Competition, Inter-University Tournament and National Sports/Games for School Education in the following list of Sports:- (i) Athletics (including Track and Field events), (ii) Badminton, (iii) Basket Ball, (iv) Cricket, (v) Football, (vi) Hockey, (vii) Swimming, (viii) Table Tennis, (ix) Volley Ball, (x) Tennis, (xi) Weightlifting, (xii) Wrestling, (xiii) Boxing, (xiv) Cycling, (xv) Gymnastics, (xvi) Judo, (xvii) Rifle Shooting, (xviii) Kabaddi and (xix) Kho-Kho. - vide Govt. of West Bengal, Labour Department Notification No. 49-EMP/1M-25/98 dated 1st March, 2011.</p>
<p>QUALIFICATIONS</p>	<p>(i) A degree of a recognized University.</p> <p>(ii) Ability to read, write and speak in Bengali (not required for those candidates whose mother tongue is Nepali) – vide Finance Department’s Notification No.1243-F(P) dated 02.03.2016.</p> <p>N.B. : The candidates must fulfill the requisite qualifications by the closing date of submission of application.</p>
<p>AGE</p>	<p>Not below 21 years but not more than 36 years on the 1st January of the year of examination for services and posts included in Group ‘A’ & ‘C’ For the West Bengal Police Service only (i.e. Group ‘B’ Service) age not below 20 years but not more than 36 years on the 1st January of the year of examination. For services and posts included in group ‘D’ the age should not be below 21 years and not more than 39 years on the 1st day of January of the year of the examination.</p> <p>N.B. : Age as recorded only in the Madhyamik or equivalent certificate will be accepted. The age limits apply to all the candidates whether in Govt. service or not.</p>
<p>RELAXATION IN AGE LIMIT</p>	<p>The upper age limit is relax able for S.C., S.T. & B.C. (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates of West Bengal, by 5 years for S.C. & S.T. candidates and by 3 years for B.C. (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates. In the case of Persons with Disabilities (PWD), the upper age limit is relax able up to 45 years. The S.C./S.T./B.C. candidates of other States shall be considered for Unreserved posts only.</p>
<p>SPECIAL CONDITIONS</p>	<p>FOR:-</p> <p>(a) West Bengal Police Service (Group ‘B’ Service)- The minimum height requirement is 1.65 meters for male candidates and 1.50 meters for female candidates subject to relaxation in the case of candidates belonging to races such as Gorkhas, Garhwali’s, Assamese Tribals etc. Candidates intending to be considered for this Group must indicate their height in appropriate column of the application form.</p> <p>(b) Assistant Canal Revenue Officer – They will have to work in remote areas and their jurisdiction will cover a large number of villages. They will also be required to attend Tahsil and Zilla Offices for which they may have only cycles as the means of transport and to face and tackle general public.</p> <p>(c) West Bengal Junior Social Welfare Service – For service in the Homes for the Blind and / or Deaf and Dumb, a degree or Diploma or certificate in the training of Blind and / or Deaf and Dumb shall be an essential qualification. Any person not possessing the above qualification may be appointed in these Homes on condition that he / she will have to receive in service training for teaching of the Blind and / or Deaf and Dumb. Male candidates will be unsuitable for the posts meant for institutions for females and female candidates unsuitable for the posts meant for institutions for males.</p> <p>(d) West Bengal Subordinate Land Revenue Service, Grade – I – No person shall be appointed to the service unless he has good working knowledge of the Bengali Language, written and spoken (candidates whose mother tongue is Nepali shall be exempted from this requirement, but will be required to pass, within a period of two years a departmental examination in Bengali).</p>

	<p>Selected candidates for West Bengal Subordinate Land Revenue Service, Grade-I shall be appointed provisionally and shall undergo a period of six months' in-service training during which they will draw the initial of the scale of pay and allowances as admissible.</p> <p>The training shall include subjects such as cadastral survey, preparation of records-of-rights, Revenue Laws, elementary instructions in all other laws relevant for the service.</p> <p>Incumbents who do not apply themselves to the in-service training with due diligence or fail to pass the end of Training Examination shall be liable to be discharged without notice. The period of training may also be extended in special circumstances.</p>
CHOICE OF GROUPS OF SERVICES AND ALLOTMENT	<p>(i) As already stated, a candidate may apply for one or more of the four groups of services, viz., A, B, C, and D. The candidate is required to state clearly in the appropriate column of the application the particular Group or Groups for which he/she intends to compete. No further application for change of group(s) will be entertained.</p> <p>(ii) A number of candidates selected in order of merit on the results of the Main Examination for all the services and posts included in Groups A, B, C and D will have to appear at a Personality Test. No separate Personality Test will be held for different groups viz. Group-'A', Group-'B', Group-'C' and Group-'D' in respect of a candidate.</p> <p>(iii) Candidates called to Personality Tests on the results of their Main Examination will be required to specify the order of their preference for the posts or services included in the Group or Groups for which they have applied. Choice of preference thus exercised will be deemed to be final and no alteration thereafter will be allowed.</p> <p>(iv) Allotment of candidates will be made in order of merit and according to the number of vacancies. Due consideration will be given, as far as practicable, to the preferences indicated by a candidate, if any, but the Commission reserves the right to allot the candidate to any service or post for which he/she is a candidate on consideration of his/her fitness and the number of vacancies available.</p> <p>Note : (i) All appointments will be made on temporary basis in the first instance.</p> <p>(ii) Candidates are particularly advised to note that unless they indicate preference for a post or service they shall not be recommended for such post or service even if they may be otherwise eligible for the same on the results of the examination. Belated request for being considered for appointment to such post or service is liable to rejection.</p>
PROVISIONS REGARDING PWD CANDIDATES	<p>Candidates having Benchmark Disabilities with limitation in writing including that of speed may be allowed the help of Scribe, if required. For convenience, P.W.D. candidates are requested to bring their own Scribe (wherever applicable). The Scribe should possess educational qualification one step below the qualification of the candidate taking examination. The persons with Benchmark Disabilities opting for own scribe should submit details of the own scribe as per proforma supplied by the Commission at the time of examination. In case of category of persons with Benchmark Disabilities, the provisions of scribe can be allowed on production of a certificate to the effect that the person concerned has physical limitation to write, and scribe is essential to write examination on his behalf, from the Chief Medical Officer/Medical Superintendent of a Government health care institution as per proforma at APPENDIX-I (available at the end of this advertisement). The facility of Scribe would be allowed to any person with Benchmark Disability as defined u/s. 2(r) of the RPwD Act, 2016 and has limitation in writing including that of speed. In case persons with Benchmark Disabilities in the category of Blindness, Locomotor Disability (both arms affected - BA) and cerebral palsy, the facility of scribe shall be given, if so desired by the person. Engagement of scribe shall not be accepted after submission of the application (i.e. after closing date for "Edit Window"). A single Scribe may be used as far as possible except for language papers.</p>
COMPENSATORY TIME	<p>CANDIDATES WITH BENCHMARK DISABILITIES HAVING LIMITATION IN WRITING INCLUDING THAT OF SPEED WILL BE ALLOWED COMPENSATORY TIME OF 20 MINUTES PER HOUR.</p>
MODE OF APPLICATION	<p>Applications can be submitted through online only. <u>SUBMISSION OF MORE THAN ONE APPLICATION BY THE SAME CANDIDATE IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN AND SUCH APPLICATIONS ARE LIABLE TO CANCELLATION.</u></p>
OTHER REQUIREMENTS	<p>(i) The candidate must be</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A citizen of India (either natural or by registration), or Such other nationals as declared eligible by the Govt. of India. <p>Provided that a candidate belonging to category (b) shall be a person in whose favor a certificate of eligibility has been issued by the Government. A candidate in whose case a certificate of eligibility is necessary may be admitted to the examination but the offer of appointment may be given only after the necessary eligibility certificate has been issued to him by the Government.</p> <p>(ii) The candidate must have good health and character and suitability in all respects for appointment to Government Service.</p>

FEE EXEMPTION	<p><u>SC/ST candidates of West Bengal and Persons with Disabilities (PWD) having physical disability of 40% and above are not required to pay any fee.</u> BC candidates of West Bengal are, however, required to pay usual fee as aforesaid. NO EXEMPTION OF FEE IS AVAILABLE TO SC/ST/BC CANDIDATES OF OTHER STATES. No claim for refund of the fee will be entertained nor will it be held in reserve for any other examination.</p>										
PARTICULARS AND CERTIFICATES REQUIRED	<p>1. A candidate claiming to be S.C./S.T./B.C. (Non-Creamy Layer) or Persons with Disabilities (40% and above) & Meritorious Sportspersons must have a certificate in support of his / her claim from a competent authority of West Bengal issued on or before the closing date of submission of application as specified below :</p> <p>(a) For S.C., S.T. & B.C. (Non – Creamy Layer) Candidates :-</p> <p>i) In the district, the Sub-Divisional Officer of the Sub-Division concerned, and</p> <p>ii) In Kolkata, the District Magistrate, South 24-Parganas or such Additional District Magistrate, South 24-Parganas, as may be authorized by the District Magistrate, South 24-Parganas, in this behalf and the District Welfare Officer, Kolkata and Ex-officio Joint Director, Backward Classes Welfare.</p> <p><u>[vide the W.B.S.Cs. & S.Ts. (Identification) Act, 1994 and S.C. & S.T. Welfare Deptt. Order No. 261-TW/EC/MR-103/94 dated 6.4.95 read with B.C.W. Deptt. Order No.6320-BCH/MR-84/10, dated 24.09.2010 and No.2420-BCW/MR-61/2012 (Pt.), dated 12.07.2013]</u></p> <p>(b) For Persons with Disabilities (PWD) :-</p> <p>A Medical Board constituted at Government Medical College Hospitals in Kolkata, District Hospitals and Sub-divisional Hospitals.</p> <p><u>[vide West Bengal Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Rules, 1999]</u></p> <p>(c) For Meritorious Sportspersons (Applicable only for candidates applying for the Group. D Posts) :-</p> <p>Competent Authorities for issuing Certificates to Meritorious Sportspersons are as follows :</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="526 1254 1436 1702"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">Area</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Competent Authority</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">International Competition</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Secretary of the National Federation/National Association of the Sports concerned.</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">National Competition</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Secretary of the State Association of the Sports concerned.</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Inter-University Tournament</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Dean/Director of Sports or other Officer in overall charge of Sports of the University concerned.</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">National Sports / Games for School Education</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Director or Deputy Director in overall charge of Sports/Games for Schools in the Directorate of School Education, West Bengal.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>2. BC (Non – Creamy Layer) candidates must submit their renewed / revalidated BC (Non –Creamy Layer) certificates at the time of appointment.</p> <p>3. The Public Service Commission may require such further proof or particulars from the candidates as it may consider necessary and may make enquiries about their character and other particulars regarding suitability and eligibility.</p>	Area	Competent Authority	International Competition	Secretary of the National Federation/National Association of the Sports concerned.	National Competition	Secretary of the State Association of the Sports concerned.	Inter-University Tournament	Dean/Director of Sports or other Officer in overall charge of Sports of the University concerned.	National Sports / Games for School Education	Director or Deputy Director in overall charge of Sports/Games for Schools in the Directorate of School Education, West Bengal.
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PENALTY	<p>Penalty of marks shall be imposed in case of disclosure of identity in the answer script of the examination as per Rules of the Commission.</p>										

NOTE:

DEDUCTION OF MARKS :There shall be negative marking for each wrong answer to multiple choice questions (MCQ Type).

LANGUAGE OF THE EXAMINATION : Answer in all the papers, compulsory and optional, except the language paper may be written either in English or in Bengali (unless otherwise directed in these rules or in the question papers).

I : Candidate shall write their answers to all the questions in only one and the same language in any particular paper.

II: Answers should be given in chronological sequence for all conventional type papers.

LIST OF PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION CENTRES WITH CODE NO. 01–Kolkata, 02–Baruipur, 03–Diamond Harbour, 04–Barrackpore, 05–Barasat, 06–Howrah, 07–Chinsurah , 08–Burdwan, 09–Durgapur, 10–Medinipur, 11–Tamluk, 12–Bankura, 13–Purulia, 14–Jhargram, 15–Suri, 16–Krishnanagar, 17–Berhampore, 18–Malda, 19–Balurghat, 20–Raigunj, 21–Jalpaiguri, 22–Alipurduar, 23–Coochbehar, 24–Siliguri, 25–Kalimpong and 26–Darjeeling.

SCHEME AND SYLLABUS

The scheme and syllabus of the examination shall be as detailed in the Schedule below :-

1. Scheme of the Preliminary Examination : The Preliminary Examination will consist of only one paper, viz., a paper on "General Studies". The paper will be of an objective type consisting of 200 multiple-choice questions. The paper will carry 200 marks and will be of 2½ hours duration. The standard of the paper will be of the level of knowledge as expected of a graduate of any faculty of a recognized University. The paper will include questions covering the following fields of knowledge:

(i)	English Composition	25 Marks
(ii)	General Science	25 Marks
(iii)	Current events of National & International Importance	25 Marks
(iv)	History of India	25 Marks

(v)	Geography of India with special reference to West Bengal	25 Marks
(vi)	Indian Polity and Economy	25 Marks
(vii)	Indian National Movement	25 Marks
(viii)	General Mental Ability	25 Marks

The Preliminary Examination is meant to serve as a Screening Test only for the purpose of selection of candidates for the Main Examination. Questions on English Composition will cover Synonyms, Antonyms, Idioms and Phrases, Vocabulary test, Phrasal Verbs, the same words bearing more than one meaning, use of appropriate and qualifying words etc. Questions on General Science will cover general appreciation and understanding of science, including matters of everyday observation and experience as may be expected of a well-educated person who has not made a special study of any scientific discipline. In History, emphasis will be on broad general understanding of the subject in its social, economic and political aspects. Questions on the Geography of India will relate to Physical, Social and Economic Geography of the country, including the main features of Indian Agricultural and Natural Resources with special reference to West Bengal. Questions of Indian Polity and Economy will test the knowledge of the country's Political System, Panchayati Raj, Community Development and Planning in India, Questions on the Indian National Movement will relate to the nature and character of the Nineteenth Century Resurgence, Growth of Nationalism and Attainment of Independence. General Mental Ability will relate to Logical perception, understanding and natural conclusion.

2. Scheme of the Main Examination : The Main Examination shall consist of six Compulsory papers and one optional subject consisting of two papers (Only for candidates applying for group A and / or B) to be chosen by the candidates from the list of optional subjects given below. There will be two papers of the optional subject of 200 marks each. Each paper, Compulsory or Optional, will carry 200 marks and will be of 3 hours duration.

Out of six compulsory papers four papers i.e. (i) General Studies- I, (ii) General Studies- II, (iii) The Constitution of India and Indian Economy including role and functions of Reserve Bank of India and (iv) Arithmetic and Test of Reasoning will be of MCQ Type to be answered in OMR answer sheets and remaining two compulsory papers i.e. Paper - I and Paper - II will be of conventional type written examination.

Compulsory Papers : Six compulsory papers are as follows:-

Paper I : Bengali/Hindi/Urdu/Nepali/Santali - Letter writing (within 150 words) / Drafting of Report (within 200 words), Précis Writing, Composition and Translation from English to Bengali/Hindi/Urdu/Nepali/Santali

Paper II : English - Letter writing (within 150 words) / Drafting of Report (within 200 words), Précis Writing, Composition and Translation from Bengali/Hindi/Urdu/Nepali/Santali to English

Paper III : General Studies-I : (i) Indian History with special emphasis on National Movement and (ii) Geography of India with special reference to West Bengal.

Paper IV : General Studies-II : Science and Scientific & Technological advancement, Environment, General Knowledge and

Current Affairs. The Topic 'Environment' in paper General Studies II will include the following:- Bio diversity and Coastal Regulation Zone, Global Warming, Industrial and Environmental Pollution, Ozone Layer and related issues.

Paper V : The Constitution of India and Indian Economy including role and functions of the Reserve Bank of India. The Topic 'Indian Economy including role and functions of the Reserve Bank of India' of the compulsory paper- V will consist of the following:- Central State relation and devolution of central funds to state, Planning process and objectives of five years plan, Functions of RBI and Monetary policy, Central Finance Commission & State Finance Commission and Fiscal Policy of Government of India.

Paper VI : Arithmetic and Test of Reasoning. The standard of Arithmetic part of Compulsory Paper – VI (Arithmetic & Test of Reasoning) will be similar to that of the Compulsory Mathematics paper at the Madhyamik Examination of the Board of Secondary Education, West Bengal. Test of Reasoning will cover Analytical Reasoning: Data Sufficiency, Logical Reasoning : (i) Logical Deduction (ii) Forcefulness of the Arguments (iii) iv Paper Implication of sentences (iv) Inferring from diagrams, Series: (i) Letter series, (ii) Number series, Inferring from Data, Analogy tests, Symbol Interpretation, Mathematical puzzles, Odd man out, Perception test, Non-verbal reasoning & Selecting the correct sequence.

✦ Answers in all the papers, Compulsory and Optional, except the language papers may be written either in English or in Bengali (unless otherwise directed in these rules or in the question papers). Answers in the following optional papers may also be written in Nepali:

Optional : (1) Political Science
(2) Botany

Note : Candidates shall write their answers to all the questions in only one and the same language in any particular paper.

Candidates may use the Devanagari or Bengali Script in the answer papers on Sanskrit, the Devanagari Script in the answer papers on Hindi or Nepali, and the Bengali, Arabic, Persian, Urdu in the answer papers on Bengali, Arabic, Persian and Urdu respectively. Questions for Santali Paper will be set in Olchiki script and answers should also be written in Olchiki.

Optional Subjects : The two papers of the optional subjects will be of conventional type and the standard of the examination will be approximately that of an Honor's Degree Examination as prescribed by the recognized Indian Universities except Law, Medical Science and Engineering subjects which will be that specified for the LLB, MBBS and BE or equivalent courses respectively recognized by Indian Universities / Institutions.

1. **List of Optional Subjects :**

	<u>Code</u>
Bengali	01
Hindi	02
Sanskrit	03
English	04
Pali	05
Arabic	06
Persian	07
French	08
Urdu	09
Santali	10

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Code</u>
Comparative Literature	11
Agriculture	12
Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Science	13
Anthropology	14
Botany	15
Chemistry	16
Civil Engineering	17
Commerce and Accountancy	18
Computer Science	19
Economics	20
Electrical Engineering	21
Geography	22
Geology	23
History	24
Law	25
Mathematics	26
Management	27
Mechanical Engineering	28
Medical Science	29
Philosophy	30
Physiology	31
Physics	32
Political Science	33
Psychology	34
Sociology	35
Statistics	36
Zoology	37

-: Optional Subject For WBCS :-

HISTORY

Paper- I :

ANCIENT AND MEDIEVAL INDIA

UNIT- A

1. Sources :

Archaeological Sources: Exploration, Excavation, Epigraphy, Numismatics, Monuments.

Literary Sources: Indigenous, Biography, Religious Literature, Creative Literature, Scientific Literature, Literature in Regional Languages.

Foreign Accounts: Greek, Roman, Chinese and Arab Writers.

2. The Harappan Civilization : Third to Second Millenium B.C.E

Origin, Date, Extent, Characteristics, Decline, Survival and Significance, Art and Architecture.

3. The Iron Age in India, Vedic Society and the Megalithic Culture: 1500 B.C.E to 6th Century B.C.E. Distribution of pastoral and farming cultures outside the Harappan orbit. Early Vedic Society, Polity and Economy. Changes in the later Vedic period.

4. Period of Mahajanapadas :

Formation of territorial States (Mahajanapada): Republics and Monarchies; Spread of Jainism and Buddhism; Rise of Magadha and the Nandas. Iranian and Macedonian invasions and their impact.

5. The Mauryan Empire:

Foundation of the Mauryan Empire, Chandragupta, Kautilya and Arthashastra; Asoka; Concept of Dharma; Edicts; Polity, Administration; Economy; Art, Architecture and Sculpture; External contacts; Religion; Spread of religion; Literature. Disintegration of the Empire.

6. Post-Mauryan Period

Northern India: The Sungas and the Kanvas, The Indo-Greeks, Sakas, Kushanas, Western Kshatrapas, Contact with the outside world; The Deccan and Southern India: The Satavahanas, Tamil States of the Sangam Age: Administration, Economy: land grants, trade guilds and urban centres; Social conditions. Culture and Religion: Rise of Mahayana Buddhism and Buddhist Centres; Literature and culture; Art and architecture and science.

7. Guptas, Vakatakas and Vardhanas:

Samundra Gupta, Chandragupta-II: Gupta Polity and administration, Economic conditions, land grants, Caste system, Position of women, Education and educational institutions; Nalanda, Vikramsila and Valabhi, Creative Literature, scientific literature, art and architecture. Decline of the Gupta Empire; changes in Trade network, Decline of urban centres, Indian Feudalism.

8. The Post Gupta Period and the Rise of Regional States

The Kadambas, Pallavas, Chalukyas, Palas, Senas, Rashtrakutas, Paramaras, Cholas, Hoysalas, Pandyas. Regional Polities and Administration, Local Government, Land administration, Economy, Trade Guilds.

Religion: Proliferation of Religious Sects in Buddhism, Vaishnava and Saiva religions. Tamil Bhakti Movement, Shankaracharya; Vedanta. Cultural Aspects, Regional Languages and texts, Literature, Growth of art and architecture, Sculpture, Temple Architecture; Education and Literature, major philosophical thinkers and schools, ideas in Science and Mathematics. Arab conquest of Sind; Alberuni.

UNIT- B

1. Major political developments in India during 13th to 15th Centuries:

Campaigns of Mahmud Ghazni, Muhammad of Ghor — The foundation of the Delhi Sultanate and the early Turkish Sultans – Qutbuddin Aibak to Balban — The Khalji revolution – Alauddin Khalji, conquests and economic reforms — , Muhammad-bin-Tughlaq and his projects — Firuz Tughlaq— agrarian measures, public works— Decline of the Tughlaqs.

Provincial Kingdoms — Bengal under the Iliyas Shahi and Hussain Shahi Dynasties—Bahmani and Vijaynagar Empires — Kashmir and Gujarat.

2. Society, Culture and Economy during 13th and 15th centuries:

Social and Cultural Assimilation — Sufi and Bhakti Movements—Kabir, Nanak, Chaitanya, Namdeva, Growth of Regional Languages and Literature — Nature of the State — agriculture, revenue system (iqta) trade and Commerce — art and architecture.

3. Major Political Developments in India during 16th and 18th Centuries:

Coming of the Mughals — Babur and the foundation of the Mughal Empire, — Afghan — Mughal Contest for supremacy—Humayun and Sher Shah — Consolidation of the Mughal Empire— Akbar, Jahangir and Nur Jahan, Shah Jahan and Aurangzeb — The Mughal Central State and regional powers— Rajputs, Afghans, Marathas, Sikhs, Deccan, Awadh and others. Peasants in Revolt — Jat, Satnami etc. Later Mughals — Fall and Disintegration of the Empire — Rise of the Regional States – Bengal, Hyderabad, Awadh and the Marathas.

4. Society, Culture and Economy during 16th and 18th centuries:

Administrative System- Sher Shah to Akbar, Jagir and Mansabdari systems, — Evolution of religion under the Mughals — Sulh-i-Kul and Din-i-Ilahi — Mughal art, architecture, painting, music and literature, Mughal economy and Society—Condition of the peasants — urbanisation — trade and commerce and the mercantile classes – Coming of the European merchants and 'trade revolution'.

Paper – II :

MODERN INDIA AND THE WORLD

UNIT- A

1. European Penetration and Rise of British power in India:

- The early European Settlements in India in the 17th and 18th centuries - The Anglo -French rivalry.
- The British East India Company and the Bengal Nawabs - the EIC as sovereign ruler of Bengal (From Plassey to Buxar), Grant of Dewani.

British relations with and subjugation of the other principal Indian powers - Oudh, Hyderabad, Marathas, the Sikhs, and Mysore.

2. Indian economy under the British Colonial Rule:-

(A) Impact of Colonial rule on Indian agrarian economy:-

- Land revenue settlements— Permanent, Ryotwari and Mahalwari Settlements.
- Economic Impact of revenue settlements – Commercialization and its consequences.
- Rural Indebtedness and growth of landless labour.

- Famine and poverty.

(B) Changing nature of India's trade and industry under the colonial rule:-

- Dislocation of traditional trade and commerce
- De-industrialization - decline of village industries and town handicrafts
- Railways
- Growth of Foreign capital and rise of modern industries.

3. Indian Society in transition: Cultural Encounter and Socio-cultural changes:

- Introduction of western education and modern ideas
- Reform movements - Ram Mohan Roy, Brahma Samaj, Young Bengal, Vidyasagar, Arya Samaj, Vivekananda and Ramkrishna Mission.
- Women's Question and Indian Reformers
- The Growth of modern vernacular literature, press and public opinion, growth and spread of scientific ideas.
- The Faraizi and Wahabi movements; The Aligarh movement, Deoband School.
- Social Reform movements in the late 19th and early 20th centuries (including depressed caste movements) - a broad overview.

4. Resistance to the British rule:

- Early uprisings against the British rule in 18th and 19th centuries (1757 - 1856) with special reference to Bengal and eastern India.
- The Revolt of 1857 - genesis, course, character, causes of its failure and its impact.
- The Act of 1858 and the establishment of the British Raj.

5. Growth of Nationalism (1858 - 1918):

Factors leading to birth of Indian Nationalism - Early Political Associations - The foundation of the Indian National Congress (1885) - The Safety-valve thesis - Programme and objectives of the early Congress - Economic Nationalism and Drain Theory - The moderates and the extremists - the Partition of Bengal (1905) - The Swadeshi Movement in Bengal and other provinces - the economic, cultural and political aspects of Swadeshi movement.

6. Gandhian Era (1919 - 1947):

Rise of Gandhi - Character of Gandhian nationalism - the Rowlatt Satyagraha - The Khilafat - the Non Co-operation movement - Simon Commission, Nehru Report and Round Table Conferences - Civil Disobedience Movement - Quit India Movement.

The Left: The Left within the Congress and Jawaharlal Nehru - Subhas Chandra Bose and the INA- the Congress Socialist Party - the Communist Party of India - other left parties.

The Peasant Movement. The Working Class and Trade Union Movements.

Women's organizations, development of women issues and the role of women in nationalist movement.

The Peoples' Movement in Princely States.

The Post - War upsurge

Growth of Muslim Separatism - Rise of Muslim League - Demand for Pakistan Hindu

Nationalism

Depressed Classes and caste politics with special reference to the role of B. R. Ambedkar.
Communalism, British Policy, Partition and Independence.

7. The Constitutional Developments (1773 - 1947):

The Regulating Act, Pitt's India Act and the Charter Acts. The Acts of 1861 and 1892 - the Morley Minto Reforms (1909) - the Montague-Chelmsford Reforms (1919) - Government of India Act (1935) - Working of Provincial Ministries - Cripps Mission, Wavell Plan and Cabinet Mission - Act of Indian Independence (1947).

8. Consolidation as a Nation after 1947:

Framing of the Indian Constitution - Integration of Princely States - the question of National Language - the linguistic reorganisation of States, making of India's foreign policy - Non-alignment and the Third World - India and her neighbours.

UNIT - B

01. Enlightenment and Modern Ideas:

- (i) Major ideas of enlightenment ; and its impact
- (ii) French Revolution and its aftermath: 1789 - 1815
- (iii) The American War of Independence (1776). The American civil War

02. Industrialization:

- (i) Industrial Revolution in England: causes, nature, impact.
- (ii) Industrialization in other countries: USA, Germany, Russia, Japan.

03. Nationalism:

- (i) Rise of nation states in Europe: Italy & Germany.

04. Imperialism, Colonialism and War:

- (i) Capitalism, imperialism, scramble for colonies.
- (ii) Origins and impact of the First World War
- (iii) Making of the Russian Revolution & establishment of a Socialist State.

05. World history from 1919 to 1945:

- (i) League of Nations, collective security.
- (ii) Rise of Nazism and Fascism : Germany, Italy & Japan.
- (iii) Second World War: Causes and consequences.

06. Asia and Africa after World War II:

- (i) Chinese Revolution of 1949
- (ii) Nationalist movements and decolonization in South and South East Asia.
- (iii) Changes in Africa: Egypt and South Africa, End of Apartheid.

07. Cold War & Global scenario:

- (i) Origins and Growth of cold War
- (ii) UNO and global disputes - Korea, Congo, Cuban crisis.
- (iii) Emergence of Third World and NAM

08. Collapse of Soviet Union

- (i) Disintegration of the Soviet Union: Causes & Consequences
- (ii) End of the Cold War
- (iii) Political Changes in Eastern Europe.

-: Optional Subject For WBCS :-

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Paper – I :

Group – A

- (i) Western Political Thought - Plato, Aristotle, Machiavelli, Rousseau, Bentham, J. S. Mill, Marx.
- (ii) Indian Political Thought - Kautilya, Rammohan Roy, Vivekananda, Syed Ahmed Khan, Rabindranath, Gandhi, Ambedkar.
- (iii) Political Concepts - State, Civil Society, Government, Governance, Power, Authority, Nation, Nationalism, Internationalism.
- (iv) Political Ideas - Rights, Duties, Liberty, Equality, Justice, Rule of Law, People Participation. Political Ideologies - Liberalism, Democratic Socialism, Feminism, Terrorism.
- (v) Different aspects of Democracy - Meaning and Theories of Democracy; Direct vs Representative Democracy; Electoral System; Electoral Reforms.
- (vi) Political Process - Party System, Single Party, Bi Party, and Multi Party Systems; National Parties and Regional Parties; Lobbyists and Pressure Groups.
- (vii) Forms of Government - Dictatorial vs Democratic; Totalitarian vs Liberal. Presidential vs Parliamentary, Unitary vs Federal.
- (viii) Social Movements - Environmental movements, Women's movements, Human rights movements.

Group-B

- (i) Basic features of Indian Constitution - Constituent assembly, Salient Features of the Indian Constitution, Nature of Indian Federation, Centre-State relations, Legislative, Executive and Financial-Fiscal dimensions, Evolving political trends.
- (ii) Fundamental Rights - Directive Principles & Fundamental duties - Constitutional provisions and judicial interpretations regarding fundamental rights.
- (iii) Union Legislature - Composition, Powers and Functions of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha, Functioning of the Committee System.
- (iv) Union Executive - President, Vice President - Election, Position, Functions, Prime Minister, Council of Ministers, Relationship between President and Prime Minister.
- (v) The Judiciary - Supreme Court and the High Courts, Composition and Functions, Judicial review and Judicial activism, Public interest litigations, Judicial reforms.
- (vi) Government in the States - Governor, Chief Minister and Council of Ministers, Position and Functions. State Legislature - Composition and Functions.
- (vii) Local Government and Politics - Panchayati Raj: Evaluation, Structure, Powers and Functions, Municipal Government; Significance of 73rd and 74th amendments; Role of women, SCs & STs in Local Government.
- (viii) Bureaucracy - Classical administration and Development Administration; Changing role of bureaucracy in Post-Colonial India, "Representative" bureaucracy, Issues of bureaucratic

accountability.

- (ix) Social Processes - Role of Peasants and Workers in Indian Politics; Role of Interest / Pressure Groups; Regionalism, Casteism, Linguism and Communalism in Indian Politics; Issues of Criminalisation, Corruption; Citizens' movements.

Paper – II :

Public Administration and International Relations **Group - A**

Public Administration

- (i) Theories of Administration - Scientific Management, Classical Theory, Weber's theory of bureaucracy, Riggsian Model of Ecological Approach to Public Administration.
- (ii) Forms of Public Organizations - Ministries and Departments; Corporations, Boards and Commissions. Principles of Organization - (a) Hierarchy (b) Unity of Command (c) Span of Control (d) Authority (e) Centralization, Decentralization and Delegation, (f) Line and Staff.
- (iii) Processes of administration - (a) Decision - making and Policy Formulation (b) Communication and Control (c) Leadership (d) Co-ordination.
- (iv) Accountability and Control - Legislative, Executive and Judicial Control over administration; Role of Civil Society; Public opinion and Media; Right to Information; Administrative Corruption; Grievance Redressal Mechanisms like Ombudsman.
- (v) Development Administration - Evolution of the Concept; Basic features.
- (vi) Control of Public Expenditure - Parliamentary Control, Control of Parliamentary Committees; Indian Administration - Continuity and Change - brief historical outline.
- (vii) Recruitment and Training of Civil Servants in India - Role of Union and State Public Service Commissions and Training Institution.
- (viii) Organization of the Union Government in India - PMO, Cabinet Secretariat, Secretariat Administration.
- (ix) Organization of the State Governments in India - Chief Secretary - Relationship between Secretariats and Directorates.
- (x) District Administration in India - Changing role of District Officers, Sub-divisional Officers & Block Officer; their interfaces with Local Self Government.

Group- B

International Relations

- (i) Some Basic Concepts of International Relations - (a) Balance of Power (b) Collective Security (c) Bi-polarity and Unipolarity (d) Neo-Colonialism (e) Globalization.
- (ii) Foreign Policy - Concept and Techniques; Determinants of foreign policy. Evolution of World Politics - League of Nations; United Nations; Cold War; Detente; Collapse of the Soviet Union; Regional Integrations; International Terrorism.

- (iii) Non-Alignment - Evolution of the Movement and Role of India.
- (iv) Major Issues in Indian Foreign Policy - Sino-Indian relations, Indo-Pak conflicts and the liberation of Bangladesh, developments in Sri Lanka, Indian role in promoting regional cooperation through S.A.A.R.C., the Kashmir question and India becoming a nuclear power. India and South East Asia; India's relations with U.S.A., China, Japan & Russia. India on the question of nuclear weapon. India and the U.N. system-India's role in U.N. peace keeping and global disarmament. India and the emerging international economic order.
- (v) Recent Global Issues - Egypt, Lebanon and Lybia.

-: Optional Subject For WBCS :-

PSYCHOLOGY :

Paper – I

1. Basic psychological processes and development.
Scope and Methods of Psychology - Biological basis of behavior
2. Cognitive Processes:
 - A) Sensation: attributes of sensation, psychophysics (weber-Fechner Law), Methods of Psychophysics
 - B) Attention: determinants of attention, fluctuation of attention, selectivity of attention
 - C) Perception: Movement, space, depth and time perception, perceptual organization, Gestalt View
3. Learning.: Conditions of Learning
 - Theory of classical conditioning
 - Theory of operant conditioning
 - Trial and error theory
 - Theory of insight learning
 - Programmed learning
4. Memory: Encoding, storage, retrieval
 - Types of Memory (STM & LTM, ICONIC, Echoic & Procedural)
 - Forgetting curve
 - Theories of forgetting
5. Motivation and Emotion: Physiological and psychological basis of motivation and emotion
 - Intrinsic and extrinsic motivation - factors influencing intrinsic motivation
 - Theories of motivation - Maslow, McClelland
 - Theories of Emotion - James-Lange Theory, Canon-Bard and Schachter-Singer Theory
 - Effects of Motivation and emotion on behavior
6. Intelligence
 - Spearman's two factor theory
 - Thurstone' s theory
 - Guilford's structure of intellect
 - Gardner's theory
 - Measurement of intelligence - IQ & deviation IQ, Tests of intelligence - Stanford Binet
 - Types of intelligence - Social, abstract, concrete, emotional, artificial, spiritual
 - Gifted and mentally challenged children
7. Thinking
 - Piaget's theory of cognitive development ~ Problem solving
 - Creative thinking - Nature and stages
8. Attitude, Values and Interest
 - Definition of attitude, values and interests
 - Value - concept, development and measurement

- Attitude - formation, measurement and change concept
- Stereotype, prejudice, discrimination
- Measurement, reduction of prejudice

9. Interest - concept and measurement

10. Development of behavior : From birth to adolescence

- Physical development
- Emotional development
- Moral development
- Social development

Paper – II

1. Personality

- Theories of personality - Freud, Erikson, Eysenck and Rogers

2. Personality

- Theories of personality - Freud, Erikson, Eysenck and Rogers

3. Individual Difference:

Nature - Nurture controversy

- Nature - nurture controversy
- Character and construction of standardized psychological tests, types of tests

4. Mental health & adjustment - concept of mental health & wellbeing

- Stress & health - nature, types, causes and consequence of stress
- Adjustment - criteria of adjustment
- Management of stress

5. Psychological Disorders

- Causes of abnormal behavior
- Anxiety disorders
- Mood disorders
- Schizophrenia
- Substance abuse disorders

5 .. Psychotherapy

- Psychoanalysis
- Cognitive Behavior therapy
- Client centered therapy

6. Organizational psychology

- Personal selection, job analysis methods
- Job Satisfaction
- Theories of motivation, Herzberg, Alderfer
- Conflict in organization - sources, types
- Organizational culture and climate
- Occupational health hazards

7. Group
 - Types of group
 - Group versus team - Influence of primary and secondary group on society
 - Structure and functions of group
 - Leadership - Characteristics of a good leader with special reference to transactional and transformational leadership

8. Social problems
 - Problems of social integration caste, class and religion
 - Delinquency and crime
 - Psychosocial problems related to old age

9. Application of Psychology to different fields
 - a) Rehabilitation - concept, primary, secondary and tertiary prevention
 - b) Education - Psychology, principles underlying effective teaching-learning
 - c) Motivating and training people for entrepreneurship and economic development

10. Psychology and Methodology
 - Normal probability curve
 - Parametric and non-parametric statistics - characteristics
 - Hypothesis formation
 - Research variables and their control
 - Techniques of sampling

1. A summary of the group-wise papers in the Main Examination :

Group 'A' & 'B' Services & Posts : All 6 compulsory papers and one optional subject consisting of two papers.

Group 'C' & 'D' Services & Posts : All 6 compulsory papers.

2. Personality Test : A number of candidates selected in order of merit on the results of the Main Examination for all the services and posts included in Groups A, B, C and D shall have to appear at a Personality Test. Each candidate will be asked questions on matters of general interest. The object of the test will be to assess the candidate's personal qualities e.g., alertness of mind, power of clear and logical exposition, intellectual and moral integrity, leadership and also the candidate's range of interests.

Candidates for Group 'B' Service (West Bengal Police Service) will be specially tested at the interviews with regard to their suitability for the service.

Marks for the Personality Test

(i) Group 'A' & 'B'	200 Marks
(ii) Group 'C'	150 Marks
(iii) Group 'D'	100 Marks

Note : No separate Personality Test will be held for different groups viz. Group-'A', Group-'B', Group-'C' and Group-'D' in respect of a candidate. Marks will be awarded according to different services against allotted full marks for Personality Test.

In all the answer papers under examination due credit will be given for proper economy of words combined with clarity, precision and effectiveness of expression and originality of approach.

3. Deduction of marks :

Penalty shall be imposed in case of disclosure of identity in the answer script of the examination as per Rules of the Commission.

There shall be negative marking for each wrong answer to multiple-choice questions (MCQ) type.

4. Discretion of the Commission : The Commission has discretion to fix qualifying marks in any or all the papers/subjects and in the aggregate.

If a candidate fails to secure qualifying marks in any paper / subject, the marks in that paper / subject will not be considered in calculating his / her aggregate.

Abstract Table of Papers / Subjects and Marks Main Examination and Personality Test

Sl No	Compulsory Papers	Marks			
		Group 'A'	Group 'B'	Group 'C'	Group 'D'
1.	Bengali/Hindi/Urdu/Nepali/Santali - Letter writing (within 150 words) / Drafting of Report (within 200 words), Précis Writing, Composition and Translation from English to Bengali/Hindi/Urdu/Nepali/Santali	200	200	200	200
2.	English - Letter writing (within 150 words) / Drafting of Report (within 200 words), Précis Writing, Composition and Translation from Bengali/Hindi/Urdu/Nepali/Santali to English	200	200	200	200
3.	General Studies-I : (i) Indian History with special emphasis on National Movement and (ii) Geography of India with special reference to West Bengal.	200	200	200	200
4.	General Studies-II : Science and Scientific & Technological advancement, Environment, General Knowledge and Current Affairs.	200	200	200	200
5.	The Constitution of India and Indian Economy including role and functions of Reserve Bank of India.	200	200	200	200
6.	Arithmetic and Test of Reasoning.	200	200	200	200
7.	Optional Subject - One subject to be chosen, Two papers of 200 mark each.	400	400	--	--
8.	Personality Test	200	200	150	100
	Total Marks	1800	1800	1350	1300

