

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, WEST BENGAL
WEST BENGAL CIVIL SERVICE (EXECUTIVE) ETC. EXAMINATION, 2020
ADVERTISEMENT NO. 22 /2019
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

An outline of the syllabi is given in Appendix – I

The Preliminary Examination is meant to serve as a Screening Test only for the purpose of selection of candidates for the Main Examination. The marks obtained in this examination by the candidates will not be considered for final selection. Only those candidates who will be declared qualified at the Preliminary Examination in a year shall be eligible for admission to the W.B.C.S. (Exe.) etc.(Main) Examination of that year.

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.
- Paper V** : The Constitution of India and Indian Economy including role and functions of the Reserve Bank of India.
- Paper VI** : Arithmetic and Test of Reasoning.

3. **List of Optional Subjects** : (Vide restriction on choice in Item No.-4 below and syllabi in Appendix-I)

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

Subject	Code
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

4. 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) 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.

The standard of other compulsory papers will be of the level of learning expected from a graduate of any faculty of a recognized University.

The two papers of the optional subjects will be of conventional type and the standard of the examination will be approximately that of an Honours 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.

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.

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.

5. 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.

6. 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.

7. **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.