

Pattern of Examination

Particulars	Details
Mode of examination	Computer Based Test (CBT). The test papers will be in English.
Duration	3 hours*
Number of subjects (papers)	30 test papers
Sections	General Aptitude (GA) + Candidate's Selected Subject(s)
Types of questions	(a) Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ) (b) Multiple Select Questions (MSQ) (c) Numerical Answer Type (NAT)
Test of abilities	(a) Recall (b) Comprehension (c) Application (d) Analysis and Synthesis
Number of questions	10 (General Aptitude) + 55 (Subject) = 65 Questions
Distribution of Marks [#] in all papers EXCEPT AR, CY, DA, EY, GG, MA, PH, ST, XH and XL	General Aptitude: 15 marks + Engineering Mathematics ^{**} : 13 marks + Subject Questions: 72 marks = Total: 100 marks (^{**} XE includes an Engineering Mathematics section XE-A of 15 marks)
Distribution of Marks [#] in papers AR, CY, DA, EY, GG, MA, PH, ST, XH and XL	General Aptitude: 15 marks + Subject Questions: 85 marks = Total: 100 marks
Marking scheme	Questions carry 1 mark and 2 marks
Negative marking	For a wrong answer chosen in a MCQ, there will be negative marking. For 1-mark MCQ, 1/3 mark will be deducted for a wrong answer. Likewise, for 2-mark MCQ, 2/3 mark will be deducted for a wrong answer. There is no negative marking for wrong answer(s) to MSQ and NAT questions. There is no partial marking for any question.

*PwD candidates with benchmark disability more than 40% are eligible for compensatory time of ONE hour. PwD candidates with less than 40% disability and having difficulty in writing are eligible for compensatory time subject to production of a certificate as stated in Appendix-I of the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.

[#] For details refer Table 6.