

**RECRUITMENT PROCESS 2018-19**

**ONLINE APTITUDE TEST - INFORMATION HANDOUT FOR OFFICERS IN SCALE I**

This handout contains details pertaining to various aspects of the online aptitude test you are going to undertake and important instructions about related matters. You are advised to read the handout carefully as it will help you in preparing for the online aptitude test.

The online aptitude test will comprise the following objective type multiple choice tests as stated below:

Sl. No.	Name of Test	Number of Questions	Maximum Marks	
1.	Verbal Ability / English Language	30	30	Composite time of 90 minutes for all the tests together and 1 mark for each question.
2.	Logical Aptitude / Reasoning	30	30	
3.	Quantitative/Numerical Ability	30	30	
4.	General, Socio-economic & Banking	25	25	
5.	Computer Awareness	20	20	
6.	Digital Banking	15	15	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	

The maximum time for the online aptitude test is 90 minutes; however you may have to be at the venue for approximately 180 minutes including the time required for logging in, collection of the call letters, going through the instructions etc. All tests will be provided in English. You can attempt any question at any point of time within these 90 minutes. All the questions will have multiple choices. Out of the five options to a question only one will be the correct answer. **You have to select the most appropriate answer and ‘click’ that alternative which you feel is appropriate/ correct. The alternative/ option that you have clicked on will be treated as your answer to that question. There will be penalty for wrong answers marked by you. For every wrong answer marked by you, 0.25 marks will be deducted as penalty.**

**Online Aptitude Test will be followed by a Psychometric Questionnaire (PQ) for a maximum duration of 15 minutes and it is compulsory to attempt all the questions.**

In Psychometric Questionnaire a list of statements will be given. You will be required to read each statement carefully and rate (click) as it applies to you using the scale as indicated below.

Disagree Strongly
Disagree Somewhat
Neither Agree nor Disagree
Agree Somewhat
Agree Strongly

Some sample questions are given below.

### VERBAL ABILITY / ENGLISH LANGUAGE

**Q.1-6.** In the following passage there are blanks, each of which has been numbered. These numbers are printed below the passage and against each, five words are suggested, one of which fits the blank appropriately. Find out the appropriate word in each case.

The true (1) of rights is duty. If we all (2) our duties, rights will not be (3) to seek. If leaving duties unperformed we run (4) rights, they will (5) us like an elusive person. The more we pursue them, the farther (6) they fly.

- Q.1.** (1) end            (2) source            (3) joy            (4) purpose            (5) power
- Q.2.** (1) deny            (2) devote            (3) discharge            (4) imagine            (5) fulfill
- Q.3.** (1) far            (2) close            (3) easy            (4) against            (5) common
- Q.4.** (1) as            (2) after            (3) at            (4) from            (5) for
- Q.5.** (1) hold            (2) grab            (3) fight            (4) escape            (5) chase
- Q.6.** (1) off            (2) can            (3) did            (4) could            (5) towards

### LOGICAL APTITUDE / REASONING

**Q.1-5.** Read the information given below and answer the questions.

Six plays A, B, C, D, E and F of a famous playwright are to be staged one on each day from Monday to Saturday. The schedule of the plays is to be in accordance with the following.

- (1) A must be on the previous day of the on which E is staged.
- (2) C must not be staged on Tuesday.
- (3) B must be on a day which follows the day on which F is staged.
- (4) D must be staged on Friday only and should not be immediately preceded by B.
- (5) E must not be staged on the last day of the schedule.

**Q.1.** Which of the following is the schedule of plays, with the order of their staging from Monday ?

- (1) E A B F D C            (2) A F B E D C            (3) A F B C D E  
(4) F A B E D C            (5) Other than those given as options

**Q.2.** Play C cannot definitely be staged on which of the following days in addition to Tuesday ?

- (1) Monday            (2) Wednesday            (3) Thursday            (4) Friday            (5) Saturday

**Q.3.** Play D is between which of the following pairs of plays ?

- (1) C and E            (2) E and F            (3) A and E            (4) B and E            (5) C and F

**Q.4.** Which of the following plays is on Monday ?

- (1) E            (2) A            (3) F            (4) B            (5) C

**Q.5.** Which of the following plays immediately follows B ?

- (1) F            (2) E            (3) D            (4) C            (5) A

## QUANTITATIVE / NUMERICAL ABILITY

Q.1-3. Study the following table carefully and answer the questions given below ----

**Distribution of 1000 candidates as regards their marks in written examination out of 300 and interview out of 100 in a selection examination**

Written Examination Marks	INTERVIEW MARKS					
	Below 30	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70 & above
260 & above	8	18	26	18	26	4
210 to 259	5	4	30	22	10	9
160 to 209	16	10	45	56	18	9
110 to 159	28	42	100	190	15	5
60 to 109	35	115	20	8	7	5
Below 60	32	32	20	4	6	2

- Q.1. How many candidates did obtain more than 69 percent marks and above in both written examination and interview ?  
(1) 22      (2) 49      (3) 13      (4) 9      (5) Other than those given as options
- Q.2. if approximately 325 candidates were to be qualified in the written examination, what should be the percentage of the qualifying marks ?  
(1) above 20      (2) above 70      (3) above 36      (4) above 63  
(5) Other than those given as options
- Q.3. About 42 percent of the candidates fall in which of the following ranges of the interview marks ?  
(1) 110-159      (2) 110 & below      (3) 50 to 70  
(4) 50 & above      (5) Other than those given as options
- Q.4. Sohanlal purchased 120 reams of paper at Rs.100 per ream. The expenditure on transport was Rs.480. He had to pay an octroi duty of 50 paise per ream and the coolie charges were Rs.60. What should be the selling price of each ream if he wants a profit of 20% ?  
(1) Rs.126    (2) Rs.115.50    (3) Rs.105    (4) Rs. 120    (5) Other than those given as options

## GENERAL, SOCIO-ECONOMIC & BANKING

- Q.1. Which is India's latest communication satellite ?  
(1) GSAT 1    (2) GSAT17    (3) GSAT5    (4) GSAT 12    (5) GSAT15
- Q.2. Where is 43<sup>rd</sup> G7 Summit held ?  
(1) Italy    (2) France    (3) Canada    (4) Germany    (5) Other than those given as options
- Q.3. The private sector bank which launched FACEBOOK based instant fund transfer service to enable users to send money to friends on social media network is :  
(1) Syndicate Bank    (2) Kotak Mahindra Bank    (3) Laxmi Vilas Bank  
(4) Federal Bank    (5) ICICI Bank
- Q.4. Which was the first bank to set up talking ATM in India :  
(1) Dena Bank    (2) ICICI Bank    (3) HDFC Bank  
(4) Union Bank    (5) Other than those given as options

- Q.5. The share of NDTL which Bank maintains in cash with RBI is termed as:  
(1) MSF (2) SLR (3) CRR (4) All of the above (5) Other than those given as options
- Q.6. What is the current SLR rate?  
(1) 25% (2) 15% (3) 30% (4) 20% (5) 12%

### COMPUTER AWARENESS

- Q.1. Provides the means to move the pointer on the screen and give information to the computer by clicking its buttons \_\_\_\_\_  
(1) Scanner (2) Mouse (3) Keyboard (4) Program (5) Other than those given as options
- Q.2. The smallest unit of information a computer can understand and process is known as a  
(1) Digit (2) Kilobyte (3) Bit (4) Byte (5) Other than those given as options
- Q.3. Several computers linked to a server to share programs and storage space \_\_\_\_\_.  
(1) Network (2) Grouping (3) Library  
(4) Integrated System (5) Other than those given as options

### DIGITAL BANKING

- Q.1. Deposits that can be maintained with payment banks are presently capped at '.....'  
(1) 50,000 (2) 1,00,000 (3) 2,00,000 (4) 75,000 (5) 25,000
- Q.2. BHIM, the mobile app developed by NPCI based on the Unified Payment Interface is the abbreviation for  
(1) Bharat Interface for Money (2) Bharat Interbank Money transfer  
(3) Bharat Instant Money transfer (4) Bharat Interface for Marketing  
(5) Bharat Integrated Money Transfer

#### **(A) Details of the Online Aptitude Test Pattern**

- (1) The test would be conducted online i.e. on a computer.
- (2) The tests will be provided in English.
- (3) All the questions will have multiple choices. Out of the five options to a question only one will be the correct answer. **The candidate has to select the most appropriate option and 'click' that alternative which he/ she feels is appropriate/ correct. The alternative/ option that is clicked on will be treated as the answer to that question. Answer to any question will be considered for final evaluation, only when candidates have submitted the answers by clicking on 'Save & Next' or 'Mark for Review & Next'.**
- (4) The clock has been set at the server and the countdown timer at the top right corner of your screen will display the time remaining for you to complete the test. When the clock runs out, the test ends by default - you are not required to end or submit your test.
- (5) The question palette at the right of screen shows one of the following statuses of each of the questions numbered:

-  You have not visited the question yet.
-  You have not answered the question
-  You have answered the question
-  You have NOT answered the question, but have marked the question for review
-  The question(s) 'Answered and Marked for Review' will be considered for evaluation.
-  The question(s) 'Marked for Review' will not be considered for evaluation. Hence, no marks will be allocated for the same.

The Marked for Review status simply acts as a reminder that you have set to look at the question again. *If an answer is selected for a question that is Marked for Review, the answer will be considered in the final evaluation.*

- (6) To select a question to answer, you can do one of the following :
  - (a) Click on the question number on the question palette at the right of your screen to go to that numbered question directly. Note that using this option **does NOT save your answer** to the current question.
  - (b) Click on 'Save & Next' to save answer to current question and to go to the next question in sequence.
  - (c) Click on 'Mark for Review and Next' to save answer to current question, mark it for review, and to go to the next question in sequence.
- (7) To select your answer, click on one of the option buttons.
- (8) To change your answer, click another desired option button.
- (9) To save your answer, you **MUST** click on **Save & Next**.
- (10) To deselect a chosen answer, click on the chosen option again or click on the **Clear Response** button.
- (11) To mark a question for review click on **Mark for Review & Next**. *If an answer is selected for a question that is Marked for Review, the answer will be considered in the final evaluation.*
- (12) To change an answer to a question, first select the question and then click on the new answer option followed by a click on the **Save & Next** button.
- (13) **Questions that are saved or marked for review after answering will ONLY be considered for evaluation.**
- (14) Test name(s) will be displayed on the top bar of the screen. Questions in a test can be viewed by clicking on the test name. The test you will view will be highlighted.
- (15) After clicking the **Save & Next** button on the last question for a test, you will automatically be taken to the first question of the (next) test.
- (16) You can move the mouse cursor over the test names to view the status of the questions for that test.
- (17) You can shuffle between test and questions anytime during the test as per your convenience.

- (18) The candidates are requested to follow the instructions of the 'Test Administrator' carefully. If any candidate does not follow the instructions / rules, it would be treated as a case of misconduct/ adoption of unfair means and such a candidate would be liable for debarment from appearing for tests for a period as decided by Bank.
- (19) The candidates may ask the Test Administrator about their doubts or questions only before the commencement of the test. No query shall be entertained after the commencement of the test.
- (20) After the expiry of 90 minutes, the candidates will not be able to attempt any question or check their answers. The answers of the candidate would be saved automatically by the computer system even if he/ she has not clicked the 'Submit' button.
- (21) **Please note:**
  - (a) **Candidates will not be allowed to 'final submit' unless they have exhausted the actual test time.**
  - (b) **Under no circumstances should a candidate click on any of the 'keyboard keys' once the test starts as this will lock the test.**

**(B) General Instructions:**

- (1) Please note date, time and venue address of the online aptitude test given in the call letter.
- (2) You may visit the venue one day before the online aptitude test to confirm the location so that you are able to report **on time** (as printed on the call letter) on the day of the test. **Late comers will not be allowed to attend the online aptitude test.**
- (3) The call letter should be brought with you to the test venue along with your recent passport size photograph duly pasted on it. (Preferably the same photograph as was as uploaded)
- (4) You must scrupulously follow the instructions of the Test Administrator and Bank Representative at the test venue. If you violate the instructions you will be disqualified and will be asked to leave the test venue.
- (5) No use of calculators (separate or with watch), books, note books or written notes, cell phones (with or without camera facility), or any other electronic device will be allowed during the test.
- (6) **Please bring the call letter with your photograph affixed thereon, currently valid Photo identity proof in original and a photocopy of the same ID proof - THIS IS ESSENTIAL.** Please hand over the call-letter alongwith photocopy of photo identity proof duly stapled together to the invigilator. Currently valid photo identity proof may be PAN Card/Passport/Permanent Driving Licence/Voter's ID/Photo Identity proof issued by a Gazetted Officer on official letterhead /Photo Identity proof issued by a People's Representative on official letterhead/Aadhar/E-Aadhar/Employee ID/Bar Council Identity card with photograph. Please Note - Ration Card and Learner's Driving License will NOT be accepted as valid ID proof for this process. Please note that your name as appearing on the call letter (provided by you during the process of registration) should exactly match the name as appearing on the photo identity proof. Female candidates who have changed first/last/middle name post marriage must take special note of this. If there is any mismatch between the name

indicated in the Call Letter and Photo Identity Proof you will not be allowed to appear for the test. **Candidates who have changed their name will be allowed only if they produce Gazette notification/their marriage certificate/affidavit indicating the change.**

- (7) Biometric data (right thumb impression) will be captured at the test venue before and after the test. With regards to the same, please note the following:
- (a) If fingers are coated (stamped ink/mehndi/coloured...etc), ensure to thoroughly wash them so that coating is completely removed before the test day.
  - (b) If fingers are dirty or dusty, ensure to wash them and dry them before the finger print biometric) is captured.
  - (c) Ensure fingers of both hands are dry. If fingers are moist, wipe each finger to dry it.
  - (d) If the primary finger (thumb) to be captured is injured/damaged, immediately notify the concerned authority in the test centre.
- (Any failure to observe these points will result in non-admittance for the online aptitude test)
- (8) **Your responses (answers) will be analysed with other candidates to detect patterns of similarity of right and wrong answers. If in the analytical procedure adopted in this regard, it is inferred/concluded that the responses have been shared and scores obtained are not genuine/valid, your candidature may be cancelled. Any candidate who is found copying or receiving or giving assistance or engaging in any behaviour unbecoming of a candidate will not be considered for assessment. The Bank may take further action against such candidates as deemed fit by it.**
- (9) You should bring with you a ball-point pen. A sheet of paper will be provided which can be used for rough work or taking down the question number you would like to review at the end of the test before submitting your answers. After the test is over you **MUST** hand over this sheet of paper to the Test Administrator before leaving the venue.
- (10) The possibility of occurrence of some problem in the administration of the online aptitude test cannot be ruled out completely which may impact test delivery and/or result from being generated. In that event, every effort will be made to rectify such problem, which may include movement of candidates, delay in test. Conduct of a re-test is at the absolute discretion of test conducting body. Candidates will not have any claim for a re-test. Candidates not willing to move or not willing to participate in the delayed process of test delivery shall be summarily rejected from the process.
- (11) If the test is held in more than one session, the scores across various sessions will be equated to adjust for slight differences in difficulty level of different test batteries used across sessions. More than one session are required if the nodes capacity is less or some technical disruption takes place at any centre or for any candidate.
- (12) Anyone found to be disclosing, publishing, reproducing, transmitting, storing or facilitating transmission and storage of test contents in any form or any information therein in whole or part thereof or by any means verbal or written, electronic or mechanical or taking away the papers supplied in the test hall or found to be in unauthorised possession of test content is likely to be prosecuted.

(13) Instances for providing incorrect information and/or process violation by a candidate detected at any stage of the selection, process will lead to disqualification of the candidate from the selection process and he/she will not be allowed to appear in any recruitment process in the future. If such instances go undetected during the current selection process but are detected subsequently, such disqualification will take place with retrospective effect.

#### **IMPORTANT POINTS TO REMEMBER**

You are advised to bring with you the following:

- (i) Call letter with photo affixed thereon and photo ID card in **Original** and photocopy as mentioned in point 6.
- (ii) One Ball point pen

**WISH YOU GOOD LUCK !!!**