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1. STRUCTURE OF EXAMINATION

Institute of Banking Personnel Selection (IBPS) conducts Bank PO exam in three phases as:

• Phase I: Preliminary Exam

• Phase II: Mains Exam

• Phase III: Group Discussion/Exercise Interview

Phase I: Preliminary Exam

The following table illustrates the structure of Bank PO Preliminary Exam:

Test Name	No. of Question	Marks	Time
Reasoning Ability	35	35	
Quantitative Aptitude	35	35	60 Minutes
English Language	30	30	60 Millutes
Total	100	100	

Phase II: Main Exam

The following table illustrates the structure of Bank PO Main Exam:

Test Name	No. of Question	Marks	Time
Quantitative Aptitude	50	50	
Reasoning	50	50	
General Awareness	40	40	140 Minutes
Computer Knowledge	20	20	
English	40	40	



Total 200	200
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Phase III: Group Discussion/Interview

Once the candidate passes the Preliminary and Main exams, he/she is called for Group Discussion (Bank PO GD) and Interview:

Name of Test	Marks
Group Discussion	20
Interview	30
Total	50

Note

- The Bank PO exams are conducted **ONLINE**
- The Bank PO exams carry **OBJECTIVE** (Multiple-Choice) type questions
- The Bank PO exams have **NEGATIVE** marking and hence .25 marks is deducted against every wrong answer



2. ELIGIBILITY

Following are the essentially criteria for appearing in the Bank PO exams:

Nationality

- Following are the essential features:
 - > A citizen of India or
 - > A subject of Nepal or
 - > A subject of Bhutan or
 - > A Tibetan Refugee
 - A person of Indian origin who is a migrant of Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Myanmar, East African countries of Kenya, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Ethiopia, and Vietnam with the purpose to settle in India permanently.

Age Limit

- The minimum age required to appear in the Bank PO exams is 20 years
- The age limit to appear in the Bank PO exams is **30 years**

However, there are some age relaxation to the following category candidates:

Category	Relaxation
Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe	5 years
Other Backward Classes (Non-Creamy Layer)	3 years
Persons With Disabilities	10 years
Ex-Servicemen, Commissioned Officers including Emergency Commissioned Officers (ECOs)/ Short Service Commissioned Officers (SSCOs) who have rendered at least 5 years military service and have been released on completion of assignment	5 years



Persons ordinarily domiciled in the	
state of Jammu & Kashmir during the	5 years
period 1-1-80 to 31-12-89	

Educational Qualifications

Candidate must have **3-year degree** from a recognized university.

Number of Attempts

No limit

As such there is no limit in terms of number of attempt; a candidate can appear as many times as he/she wants up to his/her upper age limit.

Physical Standards

As such there is no Physical Standard criteria for Bank PO exam as required for the defence or police services.



3. HOW TO APPLY

Online Application

- Candidates need to feel the IBPS Bank PO application form ONLINE.
- Before getting registered to apply online, Candidates are required to scan their photograph and signature in specified format (as per the instructions).

Fee

- For the General Candidates Fee is 600 INR
- For Reserved Category Candidates Fee is 100 INR

Mode of Payment

- Online payment
- Candidates can make payment online through their Debit card, credit card, Internet Banking, IMPS, Cash Cards, Mobile wallets, etc.



4. EXAMINATION CENTERS

IBPS PO Exams are conducted ONLINE in the following cities:

City	State	
Port Blair	Andaman & Nicobar (Islands)	
Chirala, Chittoor, Guntur, Hyderabad, Kakinada, Kurnool, Nellore, Ongole, Puttur, Rajahmundry, Srikakulam, Tirupati, Vijaywada, Vishakhapatnam, Vizianagaram	Andhra Pradesh	
Itanagar, Naharlagun	Arunachal Pradesh	
Dibrugarh, Guwahati, Jorhat, Kokrajhar, Silchar, Tezpur	Assam	
Arrah, Aurangabad, Bhagalpur, Bihar Sharif, Darbhanga, Gaya, Hajipur, Muzzafarpur, Patna, Purnea, Samastipur, Siwan		
Chandigarh	Chandigarh	
Bhilai, Bilaspur, Raipur	Chhattisgarh	
Delhi	Delhi	
Panaji, Verna	Goa	
Ahmedabad, Anand, Gandhinagar, Himatnagar, Jamnagar, Mehsana, Rajkot, Surat, Vadodara	Gujarat	
Ambala, Hissar, Karnal, Kurukshetra, Palwal, Panipat, Sonipat, Yamuna Nagar	Haryana	
Baddi, Bilaspur, Dharamshala, Hamirpur, Kangra, Kullu, Mandi, Shimla, Sirmaur, Solan, Una	Himachal Pradesh	
Jammu, Kathua, Samba, Srinagar	Jammu & Kashmir	



Bokaro, Dhanbad, Hazaribagh, Jamshedpur, Ranchi	Jharkhand
Belgaum, Bengaluru, Bidar, Gulbarga, Hubli, Mangalore, Mysore, Shimoga, Udipi	Karnataka
Alappuzha, Kannur, Kochi, Kollam, Kottayam, Kozhikode, Malappuram, Palakkad, Thiruvananthpuram, Thrichur	Kerala
Kavarrati	Lakshwadweep
Bhopal, Gwalior, Indore, Jabalpur, Sagar, Satna, Ujjain	Madhya Pradesh
Amaravati, Aurangabad, Chandrapur, Dhule, Jalgaon, Kolhapur, Latur, Mumbai/Thane/Navi Mumbai, Nagpur, Nanded, Nasik, Pune, Ratnagiri, Sangli, Satara	Maharashtra
Imphal	Manipur
	Manipur Meghalaya
Ri-Bhoi, Shillong	
Ri-Bhoi, Shillong Aizawl	Meghalaya
Ri-Bhoi, Shillong Aizawl Kohima Angul, Balasore, Bargarh, Baripada,	Meghalaya Mizoram
Ri-Bhoi, Shillong Aizawl Kohima Angul, Balasore, Bargarh, Baripada, Berhampur(Ganjam), Bhubaneshwar, Cuttack, Dhenkanal, Jharsuguda, Rourkela, Sambalpur	Meghalaya Mizoram Nagaland
Ri-Bhoi, Shillong Aizawl Kohima Angul, Balasore, Bargarh, Baripada, Berhampur(Ganjam), Bhubaneshwar, Cuttack, Dhenkanal, Jharsuguda, Rourkela, Sambalpur Pondicherry Amritsar, Bhatinda, Fategarh Sahib, Jalandhar,	Meghalaya Mizoram Nagaland Odisha
Ri-Bhoi, Shillong Aizawl Kohima Angul, Balasore, Bargarh, Baripada, Berhampur(Ganjam), Bhubaneshwar, Cuttack, Dhenkanal, Jharsuguda, Rourkela, Sambalpur Pondicherry Amritsar, Bhatinda, Fategarh Sahib, Jalandhar, Ludhiana, Mohali, Pathankot, Patiala, Phagwara, Sangrur	Meghalaya Mizoram Nagaland Odisha Puducherry



Chennai, Coimbatore, Dindigul, Krishnagiri, Madurai, Nagercoil, Namakkal, Perambalur, Salem, Thanjavur, Thiruchirapalli, Thoothukodi, Tirunelvelli, Vellore	Tamil Nadu
Hyderabad, Karimnagar, Khammam, Warangal	Telangana
Agartala	Tripura
Agra, Aligarh, Allahabad, Bareilly, Bulandhshaher, Gorakhpur, Jhansi, Kanpur, Lucknow, Mathura, Meerut, Moradabad, Muzaffarnagar, Unnao, Varanasi	Uttar Pradesh
Dehradun, Haldwani, Haridwar, Roorkee	Uttarakhand
Asansol, Bardhaman, Berhampur, Durgapur, Greater Kolkata, Hooghly, Howrah, Kalyani, Kolkata, Siliguri	West Bengal



5. LIST OF PARTICIPATING BANKS

Following are the major participating banks:

SI. No.	Bank Name
1	Allahabad Bank
2	Andhra Bank
3	Bank of Baroda
4	Bank of India
5	Bank of Maharashtra
6	Canara Bank
7	Central Bank of India
8	Corporation Bank
9	Dena Bank
10	IDBI Bank
11	Indian Bank
12	Indian Overseas Bank
13	Oriental Bank of Commerce
14	Punjab National Bank



15	Punjab and Sind Bank
16	Syndicate Bank
17	UCO Bank
18	Union Bank of India
19	United Bank of India
20	Vijaya Bank



6. BANK PO PRELIMINARY EXAM: SYLLABUS

Following are the major topics of IBPS Bank Preliminary Exam:

Subject	Topics	
Reasoning Ability	Mathematical Inequalities	
	Patterns and Arrangements	
	Seating Arrangement	
	Coding and Decoding	
	Blood Relation	
	Number Series	
	Distance and Directions	
	Ranking	
	Analogy	
	Statement and Arguments	
	Syllogism	
Quantitative Aptitude	Data Interpretation	
	Data Sufficiency	
	Mensuration	
	Simplification	
	Profit and Loss	
	Time and Work	
	Percentages	



	Ratios
	Number Series
	Mixture Problems
	Quadratic Equations
English Language	Reading Comprehension
	Fill in the Blanks
	Spot The Errors
	Para Jumble
	Sentence Correction



7. BANK PO WRITTEN EXAM: SYLLABUS

Following are the major topics of IBPS Bank Mains Exam:

Subject	Topics		
Quantitative Aptitude	Ratio and proportion		
	Averages		
	Time and work		
	Time & Distance		
	Mixture and allegation		
	Stocks and shares		
	Partnership		
	Clocks		
	Percentages		
	Volume and surface Area		
	Height and Distances		
	Logarithms		
	Permutation and combinations		
	Simple and compound interest		
	Equations		
	Trigonometry		
	Probability		
	Profit, Loss and Discount		



	Elements of	Algebra	
	Mensuration		
	Data Interpr	retation	
	Verbal	Analogy	
		Classification	
		Word formation	
		Statement and conclusions	
		Statement and arguments	
		Statement and assumptions	
		Syllogism	
		Passage and conclusions	
		Coding Decoding	
		Blood Relations	
Reasoning		Input/output, Assertion and reasoning	
		Series Test	
		Alphabet test	
		Number, Ranking and time sequence	
		Direction sense Test	
		Decision making test	
		Figure series	
		Sitting Arrangement	
	Non-Verbal	Series test	
		Analogy	



		Odd figure out	
		Miscellaneous	
General Awareness	Current affairs related to national issues		
	Current affairs related to international issues		
	History of Indian banking system		
	Overview of Indian Financial System		
	Recent credit and monetary policies		
	Introduction to National financial institutions such as RBI, SEBI, IRDA, FSDC etc.		
	Introduction to International financial institutions such as IMF, World Bank, ADB etc.		
	Banking Terms		
	Abbreviations and Economic terminologies		
	Important Government Schemes on capital & money market		
Computer Knowledge	Windows operating system basics		
	Basics of Hardware and software		
	Internet terms and services		
	Basic Functionalities of MS-Office		
	Networking and communication		
	Database basics		
	Basics of Hacking, Security Tools and Viruses		
	History of computers		
English	Homonyms		
	Synonyms		



Antonyms
Spelling
Word Formation
Spotting Errors
Phrases and idioms
Direct and Indirect speech
Active/ Passive voice
Theme Detection
Passage completion
Topic rearrangement of passage
Deriving Conclusion



8. PHASE III: GROUP DISCUSSION & INTERVIEW

 The candidates who qualify Preliminary and Main exam called for the Group Discussion and Interview

Topics for Group Discussion

- Following are the topics that most likely may be given Group Discussion:
 - > Indian Polity
 - > Socio-Economic Topic
 - > Environmental Topic
 - > Non-Conventional Source of Energy
 - Advanced Technology (Social Media)
 - > Current International Topics
 - Different Policies of Government
 - > Financial Issues, etc.

