

9	Panaji (7801), Ahmedabad (7001), Rajkot (7006), Surat (7007), Vadodara (7002), Amravati (7201), Aurangabad (7202), Jalgaon (7214), Kolhapur (7203), Mumbai (7204), Nagpur (7205), Nanded (7206), Nashik (7207), Pune (7208).	Western Region (WR)/ Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu, Goa, Gujarat and Maharashtra	Regional Director (WR), Staff Selection Commission, 1 st Floor, South Wing, Pratishtha Bhawan, 101, Maharshi Karve Road, Mumbai, Maharashtra-400020 www.sscwr.net
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- (b) A candidate may give option for three centres, in the order of priority, within the same region. No request for change of Centre of Examination will be considered later under any circumstances. Hence, the candidates should select the centers carefully and indicate the same correctly in their applications.
- (c) The Commission reserves the right to cancel any Centre and ask the candidates of that Centre to appear from another centre. Commission also reserves the right to divert candidates of any Centre to some other Centre to take the examination.

11. Scheme of Examination:

- (a) The details of the Computer Based Examination are mentioned below:

Part	Subject	No. of Questions	Maximum Marks	Total Duration
I	General Intelligence & Reasoning	50	50	2 Hours (2 hours and 40 minutes for the candidates eligible for scribe as per Para-6(a), 6(b) and 6(c) of this Notice of examination
II	General Awareness	50	50	
III	English Language and Comprehension	100	100	

- (b) Question paper will be of Objective Type Multiple Choice only. The questions will be set both in English & Hindi.
- (c) **There will be negative marking equal to one-third of the marks allotted to the question for each wrong answer in Computer Based Examination.** Candidates are, therefore, advised to keep this in mind while answering the questions.
- (d) Marks scored by candidates in the Computer Based Examination, if conducted in multiple shifts, will be normalized by using the formula published by the Commission *vide* Notice No: 1-1/2018-P&P-I dated 07-02-2019 and such normalized scores will be used to determine final merit and cut-off marks.
- (e) Tentative Answer Keys of Computer Based Examination will be placed on the website of the Commission after the Examination. Candidates may go through the Answer Keys and submit online representations, if any, within the time limit given by the Commission, on payment of Rs. 100/- per question which is non-refundable. Representations on the

matter received through any other modalities; i.e., letter, application, email, etc. will not be entertained. Representation regarding the Answer Keys will be scrutinized before finalizing the Answer Keys and the decision of the Commission in this regard will be final.

- (f) The date(s) of examination indicated in the Notice are tentative. Any change in the schedule of examination will be informed to candidates only through the website of the Commission.
- (g) There shall be no provision for re-evaluation/ re-checking of scores of any stage/ paper(s) of the Examination. No correspondence in this regard shall be entertained.

12. **Indicative Syllabus for Computer Based Mode Examination:**

- (a) **General Intelligence & Reasoning:** It would include questions of both verbal and non-verbal type. The test will include questions on analogies, similarities and differences, space visualization, problem solving, analysis, judgment, decision making, visual memory, discriminating observation, relationship concepts, arithmetical reasoning, verbal and figure classification, arithmetical number series, non-verbal series etc. The test will also include questions designed to test the candidate's abilities to deal with abstract ideas and symbols and their relationship, arithmetical computation and other analytical functions.
- (b) **General Awareness:** Questions will be designed to test the ability of the candidates' general awareness of the environment around him and its application to society. Questions will also be designed to test the knowledge of current events and of such matters of everyday observation and experience in their scientific aspects as may be expected of an educated person. The test will also include questions relating to India and its neighboring countries especially pertaining to Sports, History, Culture, Geography, Economic scene, General Polity including Indian Constitution, and Scientific Research etc. These questions will be such that they do not require a special study of any discipline.
- (c) For VH candidates of 40% and above visual disability, there will be no component of Maps/Graphs/Diagrams/Statistical Data in the General Intelligence & Reasoning/ General Awareness Paper.
- (d) **English Language & Comprehension:** In addition to the testing of candidates' understanding of the English Language, its vocabulary, grammar, sentence structure, synonyms, antonyms and its correct usage, etc., his/ her writing ability would also be tested.

13. **Skill Test in Stenography:**

- (i) The candidates who are shortlisted in the Computer Based Examination will be required to appear in the Skill Test for Stenography. The candidates will be given one dictation for 10 minutes in English or Hindi (as opted by the candidates in the online Application Form) at the speed of 100 words per minute (w.p.m.) for the post of Stenographer Grade 'C' and 80 w.p.m. for the post of Stenographer Grade 'D'. The matter will have to be transcribed on computer. The transcription time is as follows:

S. No.	Post	Language of Skill Test	Time Duration (in minutes)	Time Duration (in minutes) for the candidates eligible for scribe as per Para-6 (a), 6(b) and 6 (c) above
1	Stenographer Grade 'D'	English	50	70
2	Stenographer Grade 'D'	Hindi	65	90
3	Stenographer Grade 'C'	English	40	55
4	Stenographer Grade 'C'	Hindi	55	75

- (ii) Candidates who opt to take the Stenography Test in Hindi will be required to learn English Stenography and vice versa after their appointment, failing which their probation may not be cleared by appointing departments / Organizations. Candidates have to work as English/Hindi stenographers as per the functional requirement of the User Office irrespective of the medium of Skill Test of candidate during the examination.
- (iii) The Skill Test will be held at the Commission's Regional Offices or at other Centre(s) as may be decided by the Commission.
- (iv) Detailed instructions, if any, regarding Skill Test will be provided by the concerned Regional Offices of the Commission to the candidates called for the Skill Test.
- (v) Standard instructions regarding modality of evaluation of Skill Test is available at the Candidate's Corner Section on the Commission's website.

14. Admission to the Examination:

- (a) All candidates who register themselves in response to this Notice by the closing date and time and whose applications are found to be in order and are provisionally accepted by the Commission as per the terms and conditions of this Notice of Examination, will be assigned Roll numbers and issued Admission Certificate (AC) for appearing in the Computer Based Examination. Subsequently, qualified candidates will be issued Admission Certificates for the next stage of the Examination.
- (b) The Commission will not undertake detailed scrutiny of online applications for the eligibility and other aspects at the time of examination and, therefore, candidature will be accepted only provisionally. The candidates are advised to go through the requirements of educational qualification, experience, age, etc. and satisfy themselves that they are eligible for the post(s). The certificates/documents in support of their Educational Qualifications and Caste/Category, etc. shall be sought at the time of Document Verification by the Indenting/ User Ministries/Departments/Organization. Candidates may also note that they would be required to submit their certificates/documents of EQs/caste/category, etc. as and when sought by the Commission or the Indenting/User Ministries/Departments/Organization. After