



West Bengal Civil Service (WBCS) Exam Syllabus - Prelims

The West Bengal Civil Service (WBCS) Exam serves as the gateway to a prestigious administrative career in the state. This stage is designed to test candidates' foundational knowledge across a wide array of subjects, ensuring a comprehensive assessment of their aptitude and awareness.

WBCS Prelims Distribution of Marks

The Preliminary Examination Paper Consists of questions covering the subjects listed in the table below:

Sl No.	Subject	Marks
(i)	English Composition	25
(ii)	General Science	25
(iii)	Current events of National & International Importance	25
(iv)	History of India	25
(v)	Geography of India with special reference to West Bengal	25
(vi)	Indian Polity and Economy	25
(vii)	Indian National Movement	25
(viii)	General Mental Ability	25
Total Marks		200

Detailed Syllabus of WBCS Prelims

- **English Composition:** Questions will cover Synonyms, Antonyms, Idioms and Phrases, Vocabulary test, Phrasal Verbs, the same words bearing more than one meaning, use of appropriate and qualifying words etc.
- **General Science:** Questions will cover general appreciation and understanding of science, including matters of everyday observation and experience as may be expected of a well-educated person who has not made a special study of any scientific discipline.
- **Current events of National and International importance:** Questions will cover a range of topics, including National Issues, Indian Economy, Indian Polity, Environment, Science and Technology, State Affairs, Social Schemes, Cultural Development, Sports News etc., and International Issues.
- **History:** Emphasis will be on broad general understanding of the subject in its social, economic and political aspects.
- **Geography of India:** Questions will relate to Physical, Social and Economic Geography of the country, including the main features of Indian Agricultural and Natural Resources with special reference to West Bengal.
- **Indian Polity and Economy:** Questions will test the knowledge of the country's Political System, Panchayati Raj, Community Development and Planning in India.
- **Indian National Movement:** Questions will relate to the nature and character of the Nineteenth Century Resurgence, Growth of Nationalism and Attainment of Independence.
- **General Mental Ability:** It will relate to Logical perception, understanding and natural conclusion.

For Trend Analysis of Previous Year Questions Prelims Exam of WBCS, check [WBCS Information Brochure by Drishti PCS](#).

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