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E.3 Library Posts:

E.3.1 Scheme of Examination for Direct Recruitment to the post of Professional Assistant

The following shall be the scheme of Examination. Components of written test and its syllabus for recruitment to the post of Professional Assistant by direct recruitment:

A. Scheme of the Examination:

Paper - I (MCQ) Library Aptitude, General Awareness etc. (150 questions)	Time: 2 hrs.*	Max. Marks: 300 marks (150 questions)
Paper - II Library System etc.	Time: 3 hrs.*	Max. Marks: 150 marks
Skill Test Skills pertaining to subject matter of the concerned post would be assessed through a skill test to be conducted by the concerned department/institution under the direct supervision of University Librarian, Deputy Librarian, College Librarian/or equivalent rank. The skill test shall be conducted in a manner to check the practical knowledge of the candidate in handling various processes associated with Library's functioning.	Time: 1 hrs.	The test will be of 50 marks. To qualify the candidate should obtain 25 marks. This will however be only qualifying in nature.
Total Marks (300+150)		450 marks

*15 minutes extra per hour would be given to Visually Handicapped and Cerebral Palsy candidates.

Paper - I	TEST COMPONENTS	DURATION: 2 hours	
		NO. OF QUESTIONS	MARKS
(i)	Library Aptitude#	50	100
(ii)	General Awareness	25	50
(iii)	Reasoning Ability	25	50
(iv)	Mathematical Ability	25	50
(v)	Test of Language English or Hindi	25	50
	TOTAL	150	300

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B. Detailed Syllabus for Paper I:

(i) **Library Aptitude:** Questions will be designed to test the knowledge and awareness on Library Information Science and recent development in the field of Library Science. The questions may be from all the spheres of library science.

(#The candidate has to secure 50% marks in section (i) of this paper, 5% relaxation will be provided for SC/ST/OBC/PwD)

(ii) **General Awareness:** Questions will be designed to test the ability of the candidate's General Awareness of the environment and its relevance to the society. The questions will also be designed to test knowledge of the current events and of such matters of everyday observation as may be expected of an educated person. The test will include questions relating to India and her neighboring countries, especially pertaining to History, Indian Polity & Constitution, Art & Culture, Geography, Economics, General Policy, Science & Scientific Research, National/International Organizations /Institutions, events etc.

(iii) **Reasoning Ability:** The syllabus of General Intelligence includes questions of both verbal and non-verbal types. Test may include questions on analogies, similarities, differences, space visualization, problem solving, analysis, judgment, decision making, visual memory, discrimination, observation, relationship, concepts, arithmetical reasoning, verbal and figure classification, arithmetical number series etc.

(iv) **Mathematical Ability:** The test of Arithmetical and Numerical Ability will cover Number System including questions on Simplification, Decimals, Fractions, L.C.M., H.C.F., Ratio & Proportion, Percentage, Average, Profit & Loss, Discount, Simple & Compound Interest, Mensuration, Time & Work, Time & Distance, Tables & Graphs, etc.

(v) **Test of Language English or Test of Language Hindi:** In addition to the testing of candidate's understanding of the English or Hindi Languages, its Vocabulary, Grammar, Sentence Structure, Synonyms, Antonyms and its correct usage etc. would also be tested.

C. Paper - II: The questions will be designed to test the ability of the candidate's knowledge and awareness on Library and Information Science and recent development in the field and on the following subjects.

Topic	Marks allocated
• Knowledge and application of Library and Information Science Procedures, rules & Regulations.	Section 1 - MCQ 100 marks (50 questions)
• Knowledge of Computers with special reference to knowledge of Library Software Packages of Word Processing, Data Analysis Packages.	Section 2 - Descriptive 50 marks (5 questions)

Recommendations of Committee regarding discontinuation of Interview
at Junior level posts.



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D. Skill Test:

The skill test shall be qualifying in nature and no additional credits for the same shall be allocated.

The skill test shall be conducted in a manner to check the practical knowledge of the candidate in handling various processes associated with Library's functioning.

The candidates may be tested for his/her skills in:

- Search in electronic data bases(online)
- Knowledge of specialized, open source application software for libraries like Digital Library Software etc.
- knowledge of any Indian/Foreign language as opted by the candidate from the list given below:
Arabic, Persian, Urdu, Sindhi, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Kannad, Odiya, Bengali, Assamese, Chinese, Japanese, Korean, French, German, Spanish and Russian.

Note:

1. The question paper should be bilingual (English and Hindi) and the applicant will have the option to respond in either of the languages. However, the same medium of language must be used throughout.
2. The questions in the written test will be of the level of degree/diploma/examination which is defined as the minimum eligibility for the respective post.
3. The minimum overall qualifying marks for Paper I and Paper II shall be 45% for the unreserved posts and 40% for the posts reserved for OBC category and 35% for the posts reserved for SC/ST/PwD category.
However, section (ii), (iii), (iv) & (v) of the paper will be evaluated only if a candidate obtains 50% marks in the section (i) of the paper, 5% relaxation will be provided for SC/ST/OBC/PwD.
4. Answer script of Paper-II of a candidate would be evaluated only if the candidate qualifies in Paper-I.
5. There shall be negative marking for wrong answers in Paper I to the tune of 1/4th of marks allocated per question.
6. Merit shall be drawn only for candidates who qualify Paper I, Paper II and skill test, if any, separately. The Merit shall be drawn on the basis of combined scores of Paper I and Paper II only.
7. In case of bunching/bracketing of candidates in the results of the written test, the priority/merit list would be decided as follows:
 - a) The candidate having more marks in aggregate in the examination/degree/diploma which is defined as the minimum eligibility for the respective post will be given preference.
 - b) In case of further bunching/bracketing of candidates, candidate senior in age will be given preference.
 - c) In case option at (a) and (b) is exhausted, it will be decided through draw of lots.

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