

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:504

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CIVIL SERVICES EXAMINATION

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Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the new pattern and syllabus of the Civil Services Examination have been introduced;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the earlier examination system was not successful in selecting candidates with good administrative skills; and
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions and Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office .
(SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. There is a change in the pattern and syllabus of Civil Services (Preliminary) Examination from Civil Services Examination (CSE), 2011. So far there was one Paper of General studies which carried 150 marks and a second Paper where the candidate had the option to choose from 23 optional Papers, carrying 300 marks. Under the revised pattern there will be two papers each carrying 200 marks. The details are annexed.

(c) & (d): The changes in the Civil Services (Preliminary) Examination have been made after considering recommendations of Alagh Committee, Second Administrative Reforms Commission and on the basis of recommendations of the UPSC.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY OF PART (a) TO (b) OF LOK SABHA USQ NO. 504 TO BE REPLIED ON 03.08.2011

From Civil Service Examination – 2011, Preliminary Examination would consist of Paper I and Paper II. The syllabus and pattern of the Preliminary Examination would be as under :-

(Paper I) (200 marks) Duration : Two hrs

Current events of national and international importance

History of India and Indian National Movement

Indian and World Geography – Physical, Social, Economic, Geography of India and the World

Indian Polity and Governance – Constitution, Political System, Panchayati Raj, Public Policy, Rights Issues, etc.

Economic and Social Development – Sustainable Development, Poverty, Inclusion, Demographics , Social Sector Initiatives, etc.

General issues on Environmental ecology, Biodiversity and Climate Change – that do not require subject specialization

General Science

(Paper II) (200 marks) – Duration : Two hrs

Comprehension

Interpersonal skills including communication skills

Logical reasoning and analytical ability

Decision making and problem solving

General mental ability

Basic numeracy (numbers and their relations, orders of magnitude etc.) (Class X level) and Data interpretation (Graphs, charts, tables, data sufficiency etc.) (Class X level)

English Language comprehension skills (Class X level)