IBPS Clerk â€“ a Lifetime Opportunity for a Promising Job Profile

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IBPS is also known as Indian Banking Personnel Selection. A CWE or a Common Written Exam is conducted for recruitment of an IBPS clerk in any public sector banks. The syllabus is similar to that of the recruitment exams that were conducted before CWE. However, emphasis is on the General Awareness. Equal weightage is awarded at par with various other subjects.

The selection of an IBPS clerk is based on the selection of topics for CWE. It tells that people are trainable and that no specific expertise is required on a particular subject. For being selected as a clerk in any public sector bank, you should be very good at topics that are generalized in nature. Given below are the details of IBPS clerical position examination

The pattern of CWE is not at all complicated. There are objective types multiple choice questions that are inherited from the exams that were conducted previously. There are approximately 250 questions and all of them carry equal marks. All these questions have to be attempted in 150 minutes. This means that on an average, 5 questions must be solved in 3 minutes. The topics that have to be studied by an IBPS clerk include:

â€¢ Mental ability and reasoning

These questions are based on Alphabet series, Number series, coding-decoding, test of direction test, arithmetical reasoning, number ranking, blood relations, problem on age calculation, analogy and decision making etc.

â€¢ Grammar and English comprehension

The language skills will be tested in this section. These will include questions such as error correction, subject verb agreement, modals and articles, tenses and sentence rearrangement. Some questions are also based on vocabulary and paragraph comprehension.

â€¢ Numerical ability

Number crunching is required by this section. These questions are based on HCF, simplification, LCM, decimal fractions, unitary method, ration and proportion, time and work, time and distance, average, profit and loss and simple and compound interest.

â€¢ General awareness

These sections will expert people to know what is happening around them. An IBPS clerk must be very well versed with Major economic/financial news, five year plans, budget, current affairs, whoâ€™s who, books and authors, honors and awards, inventions and discoveries, national and international organizations and important days.

â€¢ Computer awareness

This section tests the knowledge about computer basics such as DOS, their evolution, using windows, their commands, and various MS word and internet related applications.

Tips for preparing for the IBPS examination

â€¢ While you are preparing for the subject of General Awareness, the focus should be more on the banking products and banking terminology. More than 50 questions of the exam are based on general awareness. Among that, 35 of them are from the banking industry.

â€¢ For reasoning, you should have good practice of various models. Expecting the model to come in the exam is very difficult. Sometimes, blood relations may also be asked in the seating arrangement. So it is better if a person is gripping on all the reasoning aspects

â€¢ The syllabus must be completed a few weeks prior to the final examination, so that you can have time in hand for revision.

With these preparation techniques with perfect addition of information help to clear this examination with flying colors. One just need to keep focus on the opening vacancies through clerical recruitment examination notice and gazettes. You can expect a promising career option with a job profile as bank clerk.

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