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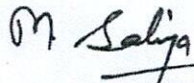
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**Sub.: Promotions to Group 'B' posts on Indian Railways - Introduction of
Centralized Computer Based Multiple Choice Objective type
examination (CBT) in all departments having Organised Services**

Board has prescribed syllabus for written examinations held as part of 30% LDCs for promotion to Group 'B' posts in all Organised Services. Besides this, syllabus for 70% Selection for promotion to Group 'B' post of APO has also been prescribed by Board. Now, in the context of introduction of Centralised CBT for 70% Selections and 30% LDCs for promotion to Group 'B' posts, Board has prescribed syllabus of 70% Selections and have also modified the syllabus for 30% LDCs for all Group 'B' posts in Organised Departments. Similarly, syllabus for Establishment & Financial Rules has also been prescribed.

2. A copy each of the Syllabus for professional subjects prescribed by Board for 70% Selections and 30% LDCs for promotion to Group 'B' posts in all Departments having Organised services along with the syllabus for Establishment & Financial Rules is enclosed for information. These syllabi are applicable for Selections & LDCs to be conducted w.e.f.1.1.2023.

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Syllabus for promotion to Group- B posts - 70% selection and 30% LDCE.

Syllabus for Establishment Rules:

1. Organization of the Personnel Department in Railways objectives functions and policies of Personnel Department.
2. Recruitment and Training, Classification of Services, Recruitment in Different services, Railway Recruitment Boards & Railway Recruitment Cells Compassionate Ground Appointments, Initial & In Service Training, Refresher Courses, Central Training Institutes, Training Centers in Zones, Divisions & Workshops, Training Modules for different posts, Training under Apprentices Act, Online Training, APARs.
3. General conditions of service in Railways, Seniority, Lien, Inter Railway & Inter Division transfers, Deputation, Promotion Policy & methods. Selection, Suitability, Trade Tests, Leave Rules, Pass Rules, Joining Time Reservation policy, HOER, Overtime, Payment of wages, current CPC Pay Rules, Advances in Railways.
4. Manpower planning, Rightsizing & Benchmarking, creation, extension and surrender of posts, creation of posts against new assets, different types of posts including workcharged posts.
5. The Railway Servants (Discipline & Appeal) Rules, 1968 and related instructions.
6. The Railway Services (Conduct) Rules, 1966 and related instructions.
7. Retirement benefits, qualifying service, pension, family pension, commutation gratuity, new pension scheme.
8. Staff welfare, SBF, Railway institutes, Railway schools, Ex-gratia payment, Incentive Bouns Scheme, Staff Grievances Redressal Mechanisms.
9. Industrial relations in Railways, recognized trade unions, industrial disputes. The Industrial Disputes Act, 1947. The Industrial Relations Code, 2020. The Trade Unions Act, 1926, PNM, PREM, JCM, Various Associations & Informal Meetings.
10. The Factories Act, 1948. The workmen's Compensation Act, 1923. Functions of Labour Enforcement Officers, Right to Information Act.
11. The scope of Information Technology in Railway e – office. HRMS, IPAS , LIMBS, ARPAN, CPGRAMS, ANUBHAV etc.

Syllabus for Financial Rules:

1. Parliamentary Control over Railway Finance, Public Accountability, Canons of Financial Propriety.
2. Railway Budget - Budgetary terms, Types of Budgets, Budget cycle, Demand of Grants, Budgetary and Financial Reviews.
3. Rules of Allocation - Classification of expenditure - Control of expenditure - Responsibility Accounting - Performance Budgeting - Exchequer Control - Financial Results of Working lines.
4. Works Programme - Financial justification of Works - Surveys - Preparation of Estimates - Capital Budget - Control over Capital Expenditure - Reappropriation of Funds.
5. Financial control over Stores Expenditure - Purchase and Stores Keeping Procedure - Inventory Control and ABC Analysis.
6. Financial & Cost Control in Railway Workshops/Sheds/Units.
7. Rules and procedure relating to Tenders and contracts for execution of works and Procurement of Stores, M&P Programme and RSP.
8. Procedure for Possessing and finalizing Audit Objections and Draft Paras.
9. Delegation of Powers.
10. Losses, Frauds and Embezzlements.
11. General Financial Rules
12. Government e-Market (GeM)
13. Classification of Railway Revenue (Earnings)
14. Information Technology in general with specific reference to Railway's IT Applications
15. Taxation matters with special focus on GST & Income Tax
16. Organization of CGA and C&AG
17. Any other topic felt necessary from time to time

6. SYLLABUS FOR 70% SELECTION & 30% LDCE FOR PROMOTION TO GROUP 'B' POSTS OF AOM & ACM IN THE TRAFFIC (TRANSPORTATION AND COMMERCIAL) DEPARTMENTS

A. TRAFFIC (TRANSPORTATION)

I. GENERAL Hierarchical set up and line of control of Operating Department at the Divisional, Zonal and Railway Board level.

II. TRAFFIC, TRAIN AND POWER CONTROL ORGANIZATION

- Objective and set up of Control Offices.
- Functions of Control Organization pertaining to Train Ordering, Punctuality, Maintenance of Operating Statistics, Wagon & Loco Stock Management, Blocks Management and Management during Accident & Unusual Situations/ Circumstances & Disaster Management.
- Duties and responsibilities of Chief Controllers, Dy. Chief Controllers, Sections Controllers, TNCs, Recorders and their Coordination with Lobbies, Station & Yards.
- Freight Train Operations (FTO) & Freight Train Ordering Principles with or without coordination with Crew Lobbies.
- Special Instructions during abnormal conditions of working & during emergencies like Cyclone, Civil Disturbances, and Accidents etc.
- Daily Performances Reporting from Stations/Yards/Sheds to Area Sub-control, Area Sub-control to Divisional Control Office and from Divisional Control Office to Zonal Control Office and from Zonal Control Office to Railway Board.
- Basic and important Documents/Registers maintained in Control Office and their basis.
- Periodical Performance Reporting and Analysis of Operating Performance along with compilation of Statistical Data.
- Power Control Organization - Engine and Crew Scheduling.
- Factors affecting Wagon & Engine utilization and methods of improvements.
- Working pertaining to issue of Caution Orders from Nominated and Notice Stations.
- Liaison / Co-ordination with Control Establishments of other Departments like Engineering, Traction Control, Signaling Control, Mechanical etc.

III. FREIGHT TRAIN OPERATIONS

- Functioning of Crew & Guard Lobbies.
- Integrated Lobbies.
- Crew Management: Assessment of Crew Requirement
- Running Room and its Management.

- Engine Utilization aspects requiring special attention: -.
 - ❖ Engine Crew and Train Crew Schedule.
 - ❖ Rules regarding Outstation, Home Station Rest etc. to ensure observation of 10 Hour Rule or Rules applicable from time to time, Role of LI and Crew Control.
 - ❖ Power Plan: Assessment of Loco Requirement.
 - ❖ Movement of Dead Locomotives.
 - ❖ Management of Maintenance Schedule of Locomotives.
 - ❖ Shed and Traffic Outage of Locomotives.
 - ❖ Specific Fuel Consumption and Assessment of Fuel Requirement.
- Shunting Operations in Yards or Road side Stations.
- Working of Marshalling Yards & Transshipment Points.
- Causes of Yard and Section Congestion and remedial strategies.
- All India Marshalling Order and Railway-wise Marshalling Orders - Principles and Procedures.
- Rules regarding Carriage of Explosive and other General Goods.
- Preferential Traffic Schedule, Priority within same class and ODR.
- Indent Allotment and Supply of Freight Stock at Stations, Premium Indents and procedure to place Premium Indents, Allotment of Rakes in case of Quota Restrictions.
- Notified Stations.
- Wagon Stock Management for Loading and Unloading Operations.
- Imposition of Operating Restrictions on Wagon Loading and Acceptance of Wagon Indents, Cancellation and Withdrawal of Indents.
- Observance of Civil ban and Carriage of Contraband Goods etc,
- Important Documents/Registers maintained in Yards & at Stations.
- Familiarity with G&SR, Accident Manual, Operating Manual, Block Working Manual, Red Tariff, IR Act, 1989 etc.
- Wagon Turn Round Time (WTR) & Factors affecting Optimum Utilization of the Wagon Fleet and methods of improvement.
- Running of Unit Trains and formation of Captive Rakes.
 - Block Train Operations.
 - Nominated Day Loading.
 - Rationalization Scheme of movement of Freight Traffic for avoiding congestion by specific routes.
 - Merry-Go-Round (MGR) System.
 - Engine on Load (EOL) System.
 - Mini/Two Point/Multi Point Rake System.
 - Container Train Operation, Hub and Spoke system.
- Supervision and control over movement of Special type of Stock, ODC

Consignments.

- Maximum Moving Dimensions. Wagon Census.
- IT applications: -
 - ✓ Freight Operations Information System (FOIS): Rake Management System(RMS), Terminal Management System(TMS)
 - ✓ ICMS and Coaching Operations Information System(COIS)
 - ✓ COA
 - ✓ CMS
 - ✓ SATSANG
 - ✓ RTIS
- Relevant Rules and important Policy guidelines.
- C&W examination for STR, Intensive, Round Trips, Premium and Close Circuit Rakes.
- Sicklines and TXR Repair Depots including POH & ROH Depots and their functions.
- Supply of Coaches/Wagons to C&W shops for POH and special repairs, Cycle period of different Stocks and Workshop Feed Management.
- Working of Travelling Traffic Cranes for handling heavy Consignments at Intermediate Stations.
- Detaching of Sick Wagons at enroute Stations and their repair and clearance.
- Interchange transactions - Junction returns of Inter Railway Inter change Traffic.
- Weighment of Rakes, Electronic In-Motion Weighbridge, Automatic Pre Weighbin System, Nominated and Alternative Weighbridges, Load Adjustment, Exempted Commodities, Maintenance of Weighbridges and Role of Weights and Measures Department, Metrological Department and other Railway Departments, Integration of Weighbridge with FOIS.
- MIL RAIL.
- Permissible Axle Loads, Heavy Haul and Long Haul Operations, factors affecting Axle Load, Rules regarding Heavy Haul and Long Haul Operations.
- 'Payload' to 'Tare' Ratio of Wagons; Factors affecting Payload and Tare Weight.
- Concept of Convoy Trains.
- Foreign Traffic and its components/pattern.

Operating Statistics

- Definition, meaning and methods of compilation of the Primary, Fundamental and Derived units.
- Engine Tickets and maintenance of Engine Tickets
- Analysis of the Operating Statistics.
- Important Operating Efficiency Indices, their meaning and uses, WTR, NTKM, GTKM, Average Speed etc.
- Operating Ratio: Different types of Expenditures and Plan Heads, Revenue Earnings and Non-Revenue Earnings.

IV PASSENGER TRAINS OPERATIONS

- General Principles and Methodology of Time Tabling of Passenger Trains. Zero Based Time Tabling.
- Platform and Pit Occupancy Planning and Preparing Charts.
- Consultative Machinery for revision of Time Table at Divisional, Zonal and Railway Board levels.
- Publication of Working Time Table, Public Time Table & Sheet Time Table, Components of WTT and PTT.
- Punctuality of Passenger Carrying Trains.
- Factors affecting Punctuality of Passenger carrying Trains and methods of improving the Punctuality, Monitoring of Asset Failures and Planning of blocks for Track, Signal and OHE maintenance. Corridor Blocks, Integrated Maintenance Blocks.
- Augmentation of Train Loads for meeting Traffic requirements, Rules of Marshalling and Slip Coaches etc.
- Running of Tourists Coaches, Special Carriages and Special Trains.
- Planning & Running of Holiday Specials, Mela Specials, Tourist Specials, etc.
- Introduction of new Trains, extension of Train runs, introduction of Through and Sectional Coaches.
- Preparation of Engine Links, Driver/Guards Links & Rake Links.
- Commuter Service Operations.
- Vande Bharat Trains
- High Speed Corridors and Trains.

V. WORKING OF TRAINS GENERALLY AND GENERAL AND SUBSIDIARY RULES

- Responsibility and Function of Engine Crew before starting and while on run and during abnormal/unusual situations.

- Responsibility and function of Guard before starting and while on run and during abnormal/unusual situations.
- Role & Responsibility of Station Staff in Working of Trains.
- Various Systems of Working of Trains and Conditions for Granting LC.
- Classification of Stations, Standards of Interlocking, Signaling Systems, Equipment & their working.
- Station Working Rules and Block Working.
- Level Crossings.
- Line Capacity, Method of Calculating Line Capacity, Measures for augmenting it, Token less working, Centralized Traffic Control, Doubling, Automatic Block, IBS / IBH, Advanced Signaling and Interlocking.
- Combined Train Report, Guard's Rough Journal Book, Vehicle Guidance, Driver's Ticket, Brake Power Certificate etc.
- Rules regarding Marshalling of vehicles on Passenger, Mixed and Freight Trains.
- Air Brake Systems along with Continuity Test.
- Precautions to be taken on Ghat Sections.

VI. ACCIDENTS AND SAFETY ORGANIZATION

- Accidents, Types and their Classification, Causes and their Prevention.
- Functioning of Railway Safety Organization.
- Chief Commissioner of Railway Safety Organization and his Functions.
- Rules for reporting Accidents.
- Accident Relief Medical Equipment (ARMES) & Accident Relief Trains (ARTs).
- Role & Responsibilities of various Officials and Departments during Accidents.
- Responsibility of the Control Organization Station Masters and Traffic Staff on the affected Section.
- Accidents Enquiries and DAR action against Staff held responsible for the Accidents, minimum recommended penalties in case of various Accidents.
- Review and Analysis of Accidents for taking Corrective Measures.
- Disaster Management on Indian Railways, Disaster Management Act, 2005, Disaster Management Plan, Role of NDMA and NDRF.

VII. ACCIDENTS PREVENTION

- Aptitude Testing of Station Masters, Loco Pilots and Motor Men, Components of Aptitude Testing.

- Psycho-Technical Analysis in case of Accidents attributed to Human Failures.
- SPAD and its Prevention.
- Train Operation during Fog, Fog PASS.
- Improved Technological Aids to prevent Human Errors like:
 - Improved Signaling and Inter-locking arrangement
 - SM's central and inter cabin control over route
 - Track circuit and Axle counters
 - Route Relay Inter-locking
 - Solid State Interlocking/Electronic Interlocking
 - Automatic Train Protection (ATP), KAVACH (TCAS - Train Collision Avoidance System)
 - Wheel Impact Load Detector (WILD)
 - End of Train Telemetry (EOTT) and its functions.
 - Centralised Traffic Control (CTC)
 - On Board Monitoring of Rolling Stock (OMRS).
- Refresher Courses, Safety Camps, Safety Campaigns and Safety Drives.
- Planning of PME and Refresher of Safety Category Staff.

VIII . PLANNING ON THE RAILWAYS

- Set up & Functions of Planning Wing on IR.
- Corporate Plan and Annual Plan, National Rail Plan, Mission 3000MT, National Logistics Policy.
- Traffic Survey.
- Calculation of Line Capacity.
- Traffic Planning and Augmentation of Line Capacity Works.
- Station Redevelopment.
- Doubling, Bypass & Flyover Planning Works.
- ESP, SIP, DPR, ROR etc
- Container Rail Terminals.
- Gati Shakti Terminals.
- Minimum Essential Facilities at Goods Sheds and Stations.