

## HPSC Exam Pattern 2024

### Scheme/Pattern of Exam:

#### Screening Test (wherever applicable):

1. Total number of MCQs: 100
2. Time duration of the exam: 02 hours
3. Total Marks for the exam: 100
4. All questions carry equal marks.
5. Each question will have five options (A, B, C, D and E). If a candidate is attempting a question, she/he shall have to darken the appropriate circle A, B, C or D and if not attempting a question then, she/he shall have to darken E circle. If none of the five circles is darkened, one fourth (0.25) mark shall be deducted.
6. Any candidate not darkening any of the five circles in more than 10% questions shall be disqualified.
7. One-fourth mark will be deducted for each wrong answer.
8. The medium of examination will be as under:-
  - a. **Only in English Language:-** Biology, Chemistry, Home Science, Mathematics and Physics.
  - b. **In Bilingual i.e. English and Hindi Language:-** Commerce, Economics, Fine Arts, Geography,, History, Music, Physical Education, Political Science, Psychology and Sociology.
  - c. **The language subjects such as English, Hindi, Sanskrit, Urdu and Punjabi will be in their respective language only.**
9. Candidates four times the numbers of advertised posts, including bracketed candidates if any, will be called for the next stage of selection process, provided that they have secured the minimum cut-off marks of 25% in the screening test.
10. In cases, where the total number of applicants is less or nearly four times the number of advertised posts, the Commission reserves its right to call the candidates directly for the subject knowledge test.
11. The marks obtained by the candidates in the screening test will not be counted for final selection because it is only for short listing of category-wise candidates, for the subject knowledge test.

#### Subject Knowledge Test:

1. Time duration of exam: 03 hours
2. Total Marks : 150
3. The medium of examination will be as under:-
  - a. **Only in English Language:-** Biology, Chemistry, Home Science, Mathematics and Physics.
  - b. **In Bilingual i.e. English and Hindi Language:-** Commerce, Economics, Fine Arts, Geography,, History, Music, Physical Education, Political Science, Psychology and Sociology.
  - c. **The language subjects such as English, Hindi, Sanskrit, Urdu and Punjabi will be in their respective language only.**
4. The numbers of the candidates to be called for interview will be two times, including bracketed candidates if any, of the number of advertised posts provided that they have secured the minimum cutoff marks of 35%.
5. **The weightage of the subject knowledge test will be 87.5%.**

#### Interview/Viva-Voce:

1. **The weightage of the interview will be 12.5%.**
2. The final merit list will be prepared by adding the marks of the subject knowledge test and interview/viva-voce.