

# IBPS PO 2025

## Complete Syllabus and Exam Pattern Guide

### EXAM PATTERN

#### A. Preliminary Examination Pattern

The Preliminary exam is qualifying in nature. Marks obtained are not counted in the final merit list. However, candidates must clear sectional and overall cutoffs to qualify for the Mains.

Section	No. of Questions	Maximum Marks	Time Allotted	Medium
English Language	30	30	20 minutes	English
Quantitative Aptitude	35	35	20 minutes	English & Hindi
Reasoning Ability	35	35	20 minutes	English & Hindi
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>60 minutes</b>	—

#### B. Main Examination Pattern

Section	No. of Questions	Maximum Marks	Time Allotted	Medium
Reasoning & Computer Aptitude	45	60	60 minutes	English & Hindi
General/Banking/Economic Awareness	40	40	35 minutes	English & Hindi
English Language	35	40	40 minutes	English
Data Analysis & Interpretation	35	60	45 minutes	English & Hindi
English (Descriptive)	2	25	30 minutes	English
<b>Total</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>210 minutes</b>	—

# DETAILED SYLLABUS

## A. PRELIMS EXAM SYLLABUS

### 1. English Language (30 Questions – 30 Marks)

<b>Reading Comprehension</b>	Passage-based questions with inference, vocabulary, tone, etc.
<b>Cloze Test</b>	Fill in the blanks with appropriate words in a passage
<b>Para Jumbles</b>	Arrange jumbled sentences to form a meaningful paragraph
<b>Spotting Errors</b>	Identify grammatical/spelling mistakes
<b>Sentence Improvement</b>	Rewrite incorrect or awkward sentences
<b>Fill in the Blanks</b>	Grammar and vocabulary-based questions
<b>Vocabulary</b>	Synonyms, Antonyms, Idioms, Phrasal Verbs

### 2. Quantitative Aptitude (35 Questions – 35 Marks)

<b>Simplification &amp; Approximation</b>	Basic arithmetic speed questions
<b>Number Series</b>	Identify the pattern and find missing numbers
<b>Quadratic Equations</b>	Solve for variables using quadratic expressions
<b>Data Interpretation</b>	Tables, bar/line/pie charts, caselets
<b>Arithmetic Problems</b>	Time & Work, Time & Distance, Profit & Loss, SI & CI, Boats & Streams, Partnership, Ratio & Proportion, Averages, Mixtures

### 3. Reasoning Ability (35 Questions – 35 Marks)

<b>Puzzles</b>	Floor-based, box-based, day/month/year-based puzzles
<b>Seating Arrangement</b>	Linear & Circular seating arrangements
<b>Syllogism</b>	Logic-based Venn diagram conclusions
<b>Blood Relations</b>	Family-based logical relationships
<b>Inequality</b>	Direct and coded inequalities
<b>Coding-Decoding</b>	Substitution, shifting, and pattern-based codes
<b>Alphanumeric Series</b>	Series using letters, numbers, symbols
<b>Order and Ranking</b>	Arrangement based on height, marks, etc.
<b>Direction Sense</b>	Questions based on directions and distances



## B. MAINS EXAM SYLLABUS

### 1. Reasoning & Computer Aptitude (45 Questions – 60 Marks)

<b>Puzzles</b>	High-level reasoning puzzles (floor, scheduling, tabular)
<b>Seating Arrangement</b>	Complex linear/circular/hexagonal setups
<b>Data Sufficiency</b>	Two-statement problems – decide if data is enough
<b>Logical Reasoning</b>	Course of action, cause-effect, assumptions
<b>Input-Output</b>	Pattern-based series transformations
<b>Coding-Decoding</b>	Complex patterns and rules
<b>Blood Relations</b>	Advanced-level problems
<b>Computer Aptitude</b>	Basics of Networking, MS Office, Email, Internet, Memory, CPU, Input-output devices, Shortcuts

### 2. General / Economy / Banking Awareness (40 Questions – 40 Marks)

<b>Current Affairs</b>	National & International (Last 6 months)
<b>Banking Awareness</b>	RBI functions, policies, types of banks, NPA, CRR, SLR
<b>Government Schemes</b>	PMAY, PMJDY, Stand-up India, etc.
<b>Financial Awareness</b>	Budget, Economic Survey, Taxes, GDP, Repo/Reverse Repo
<b>Static GK</b>	Capitals, currencies, national parks, awards
<b>Banking Terms</b>	RTGS, NEFT, IFSC, UPI, MICR, etc.

### 3. English Language (35 Questions – 40 Marks)

<b>Reading Comprehension</b>	Longer passages with complex vocabulary
<b>Error Detection</b>	Grammar, sentence structure, tense errors
<b>Sentence Improvement</b>	Restructure faulty sentences
<b>Para Jumbles</b>	Arrange out-of-order sentences
<b>Fill in the Blanks</b>	Double and single blank questions
<b>Cloze Test</b>	Vocabulary & grammar-based passage blanks
<b>Vocabulary</b>	Antonyms, Synonyms, Idioms & Phrases

### 4. Data Analysis & Interpretation (35 Questions – 60 Marks)

<b>Data Interpretation</b>	Bar/Line/Pie/Tabular charts, Caselets
<b>Data Sufficiency</b>	Determine if the data provided is enough to solve a question
<b>Probability</b>	Basic probability questions
<b>Permutation &amp; Combination</b>	Counting-based problems
<b>Arithmetic</b>	Time, Speed, Work, Mixtures, Ages, Profit & Loss, Averages
<b>Quantity Comparison</b>	Compare two quantities and determine the relationship

## 5. English (Descriptive – 2 Questions – 25 Marks)

<b>Essay Writing</b>	Topics on banking, social issues, current affairs
<b>Letter Writing</b>	Formal or informal letters (e.g., complaints, applications, feedback, suggestions)

# KEY POINTS TO REMEMBER

## Preliminary Exam:

- **Qualifying Nature:** Marks don't count towards final merit
- **Sectional Cutoffs:** Must clear individual section cutoffs
- **Overall Cutoff:** Must achieve minimum total score
- **Negative Marking:** 1/4 mark deducted for wrong answers

## Main Exam:

- **Merit List:** Scores count towards final selection
- **Descriptive Paper:** Essay and Letter writing (25 marks)
- **Computer Aptitude:** Included in Reasoning section
- **Higher Difficulty:** More complex questions than Prelims

## Preparation Strategy:

- **Time Management:** Practice with sectional time limits
- **Accuracy:** Focus on reducing negative marking
- **Current Affairs:** Stay updated for last 6 months
- **Banking Awareness:** Essential for General Awareness section
- **Descriptive Writing:** Practice essay and letter formats

## SELECTION PROCESS

1. Preliminary Examination (Qualifying)
2. Main Examination (Merit-based)
3. Personal Interview
4. Document Verification
5. Final Merit List

**Important Note:** This document contains the complete syllabus and exam pattern for IBPS PO 2025. Regular practice and systematic preparation following this structure will help in achieving success in the examination.

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