

The Candidate should indicate in the ONLINE Application Form, the reserve category for which they want to be considered. The number of vacancies and reservation of posts is liable to be altered without any notice.

3.0 DETAILS OF EXAMINATION

3.1 The Examination shall be conducted in three stages:

- i. Preliminary Examination
- ii. Main Examination
- iii. Viva Voce

3.2 The time schedule for the PCS (Judicial Branch) Examination 2019 shall be hosted on the website of the Commission or **High Court** shortly.

3.3 PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION

- i The Preliminary Examination shall be of objective type questions with multiple choices (which can be scrutinized by Computer) as distinguished from the main written examination which shall be subjective/narrative type.
- ii. The question paper for the Preliminary examination shall be of two hours duration, it shall consist of 125 questions and each question shall carry 04 marks. For every question for which a wrong answer 0.20% i.e. 1/5th marks shall be deducted.. There will, however, be no negative marking in respect of un-attempted questions.
- iii The objective type multiple choice questions for the Preliminary Examination shall be from the syllabus prescribed for the Main Written Examination . The candidates shall be expected to have a general and basic overview of the main subjects and also the ability to answer questions on current events of National and International importance, Indian legal and constitutional History and governance. The candidates shall also be tested for their analytical skills **reasoning** and aptitude. The standard of questions shall be of graduate level.
- iv The object of the Preliminary Examination is to shortlist candidates for the Main Examination. No candidate shall be allowed to appear in the Main Examination unless he/she secures minimum 150 marks (read 100 marks for all reserved category candidates) in the Preliminary Examination out of 500 marks. The marks obtained in the Preliminary Examination shall not be counted towards final result. Candidates equal to 10 times the number of vacancies advertised, selected in order of their merit in the respective categories shall be eligible to sit in the Main Examination. However, this number shall be subject to variation. If two or more candidates at the last number (the number at the end) get equal marks, then all of them shall be considered eligible to sit for the Main Examination, warranting the corresponding increase in the stipulated ratio.
- v The candidates applying for the Preliminary Examination should ensure that they fulfill all the eligibility conditions for admission to the examination. Their admission at all the stages of examination for which they are admitted by the Commission viz. Preliminary Examination, Main Written Examination and Viva-Voce (Interview/Personality Test) **will be purely provisional**, subject to their satisfying the prescribed eligibility conditions. If on checking at any time before or after the Preliminary Examination, Main Written Examination and Viva-Voce (Interview/Personality Test), it is found that they do not fulfill any of the eligibility conditions; their candidature for the examination will be cancelled by the Recruitment Committee/ Commission without notice. If any of their claims is found to be incorrect, they may render themselves liable to disciplinary action by the Recruitment Committee/ Commission. Any attempt on the part of a candidate to obtain support for his candidature by any means will render him/ her liable for disqualification.
- vi Candidates who are employed should submit hard copy of the ONLINE Application Form to the office of Punjab Public Service Commission under intimation to their employer at this stage. (NOC of the employer is required for the Main Examination only)
- vii The candidates should note that their admission to the examination will be purely provisional based on the information given by them in the ONLINE Application Form. This will be subject to checking of all the eligibility conditions by the Punjab Public Service Commission. The mere fact that a certificate of admission to the Examination has been issued to a candidate, will not imply that his candidature has been finally cleared by the Recruitment Committee/ Commission or that entries made by the candidate in his application for the Preliminary Examination have been accepted by the Recruitment Committee/Commission as true and correct. The original documents/ certificates are required to be produced at the time of viva-voce only.
- viii Candidates should ensure that the signatures appended by them in all the places viz. in their ONLINE Application Form, attendance sheet etc. and in all the correspondence with the Commission should be identical and there should not be any variation of any kind. If any variation is found in the signatures appended by him at different places, his candidature will be liable for cancellation by the Recruitment Committee/ Commission.

3.4 MAIN EXAMINATION

- i) Only those candidates who are declared successful on the basis of the Preliminary Examination shall be called for the Main Written Examination.
- ii) Main Written Examination shall be of subjective/narrative type of 5 papers, which are as follows:

<u>Paper</u>	<u>Syllabus</u>	<u>Maximum Marks</u>
Paper-I (Civil Law)	Code of Civil Procedure, Punjab Courts Act, Indian Contract Act, Indian Sales of Goods Act, Indian partnership Act, Specific Relief Act, Transfer of Property Act 1882, East Punjab Urban Rent Restriction Act 1949 and Indian Evidence Act 1872.	200
Paper-II (Civil Law)	Hindu Law, Mohammedan Law and Customary Law, Law of Registration and Limitation .	200
Paper-III (Criminal Law)	Indian Penal code, Criminal Procedure Code and Indian Evidence Act.	200
Paper-IV (English Language)	English Essay (1000-1100) words, Precis, Words and Phrases (make sentences of the given words and phrases), Comprehension, Corrections.	200
Paper-V (Punjabi Language)	Punjabi in Gurmukhi Script.	150

- iii Each written paper shall be of three hours duration. Papers I to IV shall carry 200 marks each. Paper V shall carry 150 marks out of which 100 marks shall be for essay writing and 50 marks for language and grammar.
- iv Only bare copies of Legislative Enactments will be supplied.
- v The law papers are required to be attempted in English language only.
- vi The minimum qualifying marks in the language paper Punjabi (Gurmukhi Script) shall be 33%. The standard of the language paper Punjabi (Gurmukhi Script) will be of Matriculation Examination of the Punjab School Education Board or equivalent thereto.
- vii No candidate shall be credited with any marks in any paper unless he/she obtains at least 33% in it.

3.5 VIVA VOCE

- (i) The Viva-Voce shall carry 100 marks and final result shall be prepared on the basis of the Grand Total of the marks obtained by the candidates in the Main Examination and the Viva-Voce.
- (ii) No candidate shall be called for the Viva-Voce unless he obtains at least 50% qualifying marks in the aggregate of all the written papers and qualifies in language paper Punjabi (Gurmukhi Script). The candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes of Punjab, Backward Classes of Punjab and Physically Handicapped, Punjab shall be called for the Viva-Voce test if they obtain 45% qualifying marks in the aggregate of all written papers and qualify in Language Paper Punjabi (Gurmukhi Script).
- (iii) No candidate shall be considered to have qualified unless he/she obtains 50% marks (read 45% marks for the SC/BC/Physically Handicapped, Pb. category candidates) in aggregate out of the total marks of the written examination and viva-voce.
- (iv) The Viva-Voce shall relate to matters of general interest and is intended to test the candidate's alertness intelligence and general outlook. It shall be conducted in English.
- (v) No candidate shall be considered to have qualified for appointment on the basis of marks secured only in the Main Written Examination unless he/she appears for viva-voce.

4.0 PAY SCALE Rs. 27,700-44,770 or such as may be revised from time to time.

5.0 ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS :-

- 5.1) Candidates must possess as on , **08/05/2019** a Degree of Bachelor of Laws of any University incorporated by Law in India or a Degree of Bachelor of Laws of Punjab University (undivided), The Dacca University , The Tribhuvan University, Nepal, The Sind University or of The Rangoon or Mandalay University in Burma, or should be a Barrister of England or Ireland or member of the Faculty of Advocates of Scotland.
The expression "Degree of Bachelor of Laws" means a degree entitling a candidate to be enrolled as an advocate under the Advocate Act, 1961, and the rules made there under.
- 5.2) Punjabi upto Matric or its equivalent Standard.