





PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, WEST BENGAL 161 A ,S. P. MUKHERJEE ROAD, KOLKATA-700026

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The Public Service Commission, West Bengal will hold the **West Bengal Judicial Service Examination**, 2022 in accordance with the existing rules for recruitment to the posts in West Bengal Judicial Service. The necessary particulars are stated in the following paragraphs. A candidate should verify from the notified rules that he/she is eligible for admission to the examination. The conditions prescribed cannot be relaxed.

The W.B.J.S. Examination, 2022 will be held in three successive stages, viz., (i) Preliminary Examination (MCQ Type), (ii) Final Examination (Conventional Type – Written) and (iii) Personality Test. A number of candidates to be selected on the results of the Preliminary Examination will be allowed admission to the Final Examination and a number of candidates to be selected on the results of the Final Examination will be called to appear at the Personality Test.

The Preliminary Examination will be held in Kolkata (Code – 11) and Darjeeling (Code – 12) in <u>March, 2023</u> or thereabout. Only candidates of Kalimpong District and three Hill Sub-divisions of Darjeeling, viz., Darjeeling Sadar, Mirik and Kurseong will be allowed to appear at Darjeeling Centre. The Final written Examination will be held at Kolkata in <u>May, 2023</u> or thereabout. Personality test will be held thereafter in the office of the Public Service Commission, West Bengal, in Kolkata.

NAME OF THE EXAMINATION	West Bengal Judicial Service Examination, 2022	
NAME OF THE SERVICE / POST	West Bengal Judicial Service [POST : Civil Judge (Jr. Divn.)]	
PAY SCALE	Rs.27,700-770-33090-920-40450-1080-44770/- (Pre-revised)	
VACANCIES	Total Vacancy - 29 (Clear - 12 & Anticipated - 17) Anticipated Vacancy -	
RESERVATION	The benefits of reservation of vacancies for S.C/S.T/O.B.C. (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates are admissible to S.C./S.T./O.B.C. (Non-Creamy Layer) candidates of West Bengal only. The S.C./S.T./O.B.C. candidates of other States shall be treated as general candidates. Reservation of vacancies are shown as reported by the Judicial Department. Persons suffering from Blindness or Cerebral Palsy have been exempted from the purview of reservation as contemplated under section 33 of Persons with Disabilities (Equal opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995.	
QUALIFICATIONS	 (i) A citizen of India or such a person of other nationality as declared eligible by Government of India; (ii) A degree in Law from any University or Institution affiliated to any University recognized by the State Government or the Central Government; (iii) Enrolment as an advocate in the roll of Bar Council of any State or Union Territory in India on the date of advertisement for the examination; (iv) Ability to read, write and speak in Bengali (not required for those candidates whose mother tongue is Nepali) – vide Finance Department's Notification No.1243-F(P) dated 02.03.2016. IMPORTANT: As per clause 49 of the Advocates Act, 1961 "an advocate shall not be a full time salaried employee of any person, Government, firm, corporation or concern, so long as he continues to practise and shall, on taking up any such employment, intimate the fact to the Bar Council on whose roll his name appears and shall thereupon cease to practise as an advocate so long as he continues in such employment". "The 'employment' spoken of by rule 49 does not cover the employment of an advocate who had been solely or in any case predominantly employed to act and/or plead on behalf of his client in Courts of Law". [Dipak Agarwal – Vs – Keshab Koushik (2013) 5SCC277] 	

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AGE	Not less than 23 years and not more than 35 years on the date of advertisement for the examination on 30.12.2022 (i.e. born not earlier than <u>31.12.1987</u> and not later than <u>30.12.1999</u>).
CONCESSION IN AGE	 (i) Upper age limit is relaxable by 5 years for SC and ST candidates of West Bengal, by 3 years for OBC (Non Creamy Layer) candidates of West Bengal and upto 45 years of age for Persons with Disabilities having physical disability of 40% and above and by 2 years for candidates who have been in Government service for at least two years. (ii) The claim of a candidate for relaxation of age as a Government employee should be proved by a certificate from the appointing authority showing the period of his/her continuous service under Government and the same should be produced on demand. (iii) Age as recorded only in Madhyamik or equivalent certificate will be accepted.
CHANCE LIMIT	NO CANDIDATE OTHER THAN THE CANDIDATES BELONGING TO SC/ST/OBC (NON-CREAMY LAYER) OF WEST BENGAL SHALL BE ALLOWED TO APPEAR IN THE EXAMINATION FOR MORE THAN THREE TIMES. THE CANDIDATES BELONGING TO SC/ST/OBC (NON-CREAMY LAYER) OF WEST BENGAL SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED TO APPEAR IN THE EXAMINATION FOR MORE THAN FIVE TIMES.
PROVISIONS REGARDING PWBD CANDIDATES	Candidates having Benchmark Disabilities with limitation in writing including that of speed may be allowed the help of Scribe, if required. For convenience, PwBD candidates are requested to bring their own scribes. The Scribe should possess educational qualification one step below the qualification of the candidates taking examination. The persons with Benchmark Disabilities opting for own scribe should submit details of the scribe as per proforma supplied by the Commission at the time of examination. In case of category of persons with Benchmark of Disabilities, the provisions of scribe can be allowed on production of a certificate to the effect that the person concerned has physical limitation to write, and scribe is essential to write examination on his behalf, from the Chief Medical Officer/Medical Superintendent of a Government health care institution as per proform at APPENDIX-I (available at the end of this advertisement). The facility of Scribe would be allowed to any person with Benchmark Disability as defined u/s. 2(r) of the RPwD Act, 2016 and has limitation in writing including that of speed (except persons suffering from Blindness or Cerebral Palsy, as they are exempted from the purview of reservation for the post). In case persons with Benchmark Disabilities in the category of Locomotor Disability (both arms affected – BA), the facility of scribe shall be given, if so desired by the person. Engagement of scribe shall not be accepted after final submission of the application (i.e. after closing date for "Edit Window"). A single scribe may be used as far as possible except for language papers.
COMPENSATORY TIME	Candidates with Benchmark Disabilities having limitation in writing including that of speed (except persons suffering from Blindness or Cerebral Palsy, as they are exempted from the purview of reservation for the post) and producing valid 'APPENDIX-I' will be allowed compensatory time of 20 minutes per hour at the examination.
MODE OF APPLICATION	Applications can be submitted through online mode only. SUBMISSION OF MORE THAN ONE APPLICATION BY THE SAME CANDIDATE IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN AND SUCH APPLICATIONS ARE LIABLE TO CANCELLATION.
OTHER REQUIREMENTS	 (i) The candidate must be (a) A citizen of India (either natural or by registration), or (b) Such other nationals as declared eligible by the Govt. of India. Provided that a candidate belonging to category (b) shall be a person in whose favour a certificate of eligibility has been issued by the Government. A candidate in whose case a certificate of eligibility is necessary may be admitted to the examination but the offer of appointment may be given only after the necessary eligibility certificate has been issued to him by the Government. (ii) The candidate must have good health and character and suitability in all respects for appointment to Government service.

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PARTICULARS AND CERTIFICATES REQUIRED	(1) A candidate claiming to be S.C., S.T., O.B.C. (Non Creamy Layer) or Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (40% and above) must have a certificate in support of his / her claim from a competent authority of West Bengal issued on or before the closing date of submission of application as specified below :
	(a) For S.C., S.T. & O.B.C.(Non Creamy Layer) Candidates :-
	i) In the district, the Sub-Divisional Officer of the Sub-Division concerned, and
	ii) In Kolkata, the District Magistrate, South 24-Parganas or such Additional District Magistrate, South 24-Parganas, as may be authorized by the District Magistrate, South 24-Parganas, in this behalf and the District Welfare Officer, Kolkata and Ex-officio Joint Director, Backward Classes Welfare.
	[vide the W.B.S.Cs. & S.Ts. (Identification) Act, 1994 and S.C. & S.T. Welfare Deptt. Order No. 261-TW/EC/MR-103/94 dated 6.4.95 read with B.C.W. Deptt. Order No.6320-BCH/MR-84/10, dated 24.09.2010 and No.2420-BCW/MR-61/2012 (Pt.), dated 12.07.2013 and relevant amendments there to]
	 (iii) OBC (Non Creamy Layer) candidates must submit their renewed/revalidated OBC (Non Creamy Layer) certificates prior to interview and at the time of appointment. (b) For Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) :- (i) A Madical Pared experiment Medical Callers Llegatiles in Kellette
	 A Medical Board constituted at Government Medical College Hospitals in Kolkata, District Hospitals and Sub-divisional Hospitals. [vide West Bengal Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Rules, 1999]
	 (ii) Certificate regarding Physical Limitation in an Examinee to write (APPENDIX-I) (Required for only those candidates who opt for Scribe and/Compensatory Time) (i) The Dublic Service Commission may require such further proof or particular from the
	(2) The Public Service Commission may require such further proof or particulars from the candidates as it may consider necessary and may make enquiries about their character and other particulars regarding suitability and eligibility.
NOTE	The Judicial Department, Government of West Bengal issued a Notification bearing No.386-J dated 24.01.2007 exempting the persons suffering from blindness and cerebral palsy from the purview of reservation in terms of proviso to Sec. 33 of the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995. The said Notification dated 24.01.2007 is reproduced below :
	NOTIFICATION
	No.386-J, dated the 24 th January, 2007 – WHEREAS a person holding the posts of Civil Judge(junior division)/Judicial Magistrate (hereinafter referred to as the said post) under the West Bengal Judicial Service under the Judicial Department, Government of West Bengal, is required to examine several documents and is also required to take into consideration the fact of the cases before making proper adjudication of the litigations after hearing the parties;
	AND WHEREAS judicial mind is required to be applied with by the judicial officers before any cases are disposed off by them;
	AND WHEREAS any commission of omission on the part of the judicial officers on account of disability with blindness and cerebral palsy may hinder dispensation of justice to the litigant parties;
	AND WHEREAS upon consideration of the facts stated above, it has been considered necessary that the said post, being non-promotional post, recruitment to which is made directly through Public Service Commission, shall not be required to be reserved for appointment from the persons suffering from blindness and cerebral palsy, as contemplated under the provisions of the Persons With Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 (1 of 1996) (hereinafter referred to as the said Act);
	NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the power conferred by the proviso to section 33 of the said Act, the Governor is pleased hereby to exempt the persons suffering from blindness and cerebral palsy from the purview of reservation as contemplated under section 33 of the said Act. By order of the Governor,
	Sd/- S.K. Chakrabarti Secy. To the Govt. of West Bengal.

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CAUTION	Candidates are advised to read thoroughly and cautiously the "Advertisement" and "Scheme & Syllabus"
	ii. Application once submitted shall be treated as final (after closure of "Edit Window"). No request for change in application form and no claim for being a member of the SC, ST and OBC (Non- Creamy Layer) community will be entertained after the final submission of application.
	iii. The candidates must abide by the instructions as may be given by Supervisors / Invigilators o the Examination. If the candidate fails to do so or indulges in disorderly or improper conduct, he she will render himself / herself liable to expulsion from the Examination Hall and / or such othe punishment as the Commission may deem fit to impose.
	iv. Answers should be given in chronological sequence for all Conventional type papers.
	v. A candidate who has been reported against by the Supervisor of the Examination Centre for violating any of the instructions will be punished with cancellation of candidature and als debarment from future examinations and selections as may be decided by the Commissio according to the circumstances of the case.
	vi. If at any stage even after issue of the letter of appointment, a candidate is found ineligible in term of advertisement his / her candidature will be cancelled without further reference to him / her.
	vii. The conditions prescribed cannot be relaxed in any case other than those mentioned in th Advertisement.
	viii. A candidate should note that his / her admission to the examination will be deemed provisional subject to determination of his / her eligibility in all respects. If at any stage after issue of the admic card a candidate is found ineligible for admission for this examination, his / her candidature will be cancelled without further reference to him / her. No candidate shall be allowed to take the examination unless he / she holds an admit card.
	ix. Mobile Phones, Smart Watches, Bluetooth or any other communication device are no allowed inside the premises where the examination is being conducted. Any infringement of this instruction shall entail disciplinary action including ban from the examination related to this advertisement as well as from future examination.
	x. There will be arrangements for frisking of the candidates at entry points of venues separately for male and female candidates so that candidates with mobile phones may no enter the venue.
	xi. Candidates allotted in a particular venue will in no case be admitted to a venue other than that indicated in the admit card issued by the Commission.

Penalty for disclosure of identity shall be imposed as per the rules of the Commission.

LANGUAGE FOR ANSWERING IN THE MAIN EXAMINATION	Answer in all the papers, compulsory and optional, except the language paper may be written either in English or in Bengali (unless otherwise directed in these rules or in the question papers).
	NOTE: Candidate shall write their answers to all the questions in only one and the same language in any particular paper.
MEDICAL EXAMINATION	Candidates who will be selected for appointment will be required to appear before a Medical Board for certificates of their fitness for Government service in the form prescribed for the purpose.
DEDUCTION OF MARKS	THERE SHALL BE NEGATIVE MARKING FOR EACH WRONG ANSWER TO MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS (MCQ TYPE) WHICH WILL ALSO BE PRINTED ON THE TOP OF QUESTION BOOKLET.
CANVASSING	Any attempt on the part of a candidate to enlist support for his / her application through persons, officials of Government, or agencies will disqualify him / her for appointment. Spontaneous recommendations from persons interested in the candidates, or otherwise known to them, will be disregarded and will render the candidates ineligible.
DISPLAY OF MODEL ANSWERS After display of Model Answers (MCQ Type) in the Commission's website, objections by the canon need to be filed strictly within the specified time limit, beyond which no objection will be entertained.	

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	The names of the candidates called to Personality Test and those recommended for appointment will be published provisionally subject to determination of eligibility of the candidates in all respects and verification of original certificates etc. If at any stage of such verification any candidate is found unsuitable, his / her candidature / allotment will be cancelled even after recommendation.
RESULTS OF THE EXAMINATION	The Preliminary Examination is meant to serve as a Screening test only for the purpose of selection of candidates for the Final Examination. The marks obtained by the candidates in the Preliminary Examination will not be counted for the purpose of determining the Final merit list. The Final merit list will be prepared on the basis of total marks obtained in the Final Examination and the Personality Test. There shall be no separate Qualifying marks for any individual paper or for the Personality Test. The Commission shall have discretion to fix qualifying marks in the aggregate.

Commencement of submission of online application	:	The 10 th January, 2023
Closing date for submission of online application	:	The 31 st January, 2023 (upto 3:00 pm)
Closing date for submission of fees through online	:	The 31 st January, 2023 (upto 3:00 pm)
Closing date for submission of fees through offline	:	The 1 st February, 2023.*

* However, the Challan must be generated by the 31st January, 2023 positively.

Edit Window: The 8th February, 2023 to 15th February, 2023 (upto 3:00 pm).

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTION REGARDING EDIT WINDOW

- 1. The applicants would be allowed to edit some of the fields.
- 2. The Edit Window may be accessed by the applicants by logging into their individual accounts at https://wbpsc.gov.in
- 3. All applicants are advised to verify the details provided in the online application very carefully and applicants are particularly advised to obtain a printout of the form to identify the discrepancies, if any.
- 4. Applicants willing to change their address may first change the same in the Profile Section and then use the Edit option.
- 5. The Edit option can be availed only **once** during the aforesaid period. No request for any change would be entertained after the above mentioned period.





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APPENDIX-I

CERTIFICATE REGARDING PHYSICAL LIMITATION IN AN EXAMINEE TO WRITE

This is to certify that, I have examined Mr/Ms/Mrs	(name of the candidate with disability),
a person with	(nature and percentage of disability as mentioned in the certificate of disability),
S/o/D/oa	resident of
(Village/District/State) and to state that he/she has pl	hysical limitation which hampers his/her writing capabilities owing to his/her disability.
	Signature
Chief Medical Officer/Medical Superintendent of a G	Sovernment health care institution
Name & Designation.	
Name of Government Hospital/Health Care Centre	with Seal
Place:	
Date:	
Note:	
Certificate should be given by a specialist of the rele	evant stream/disability
(e.g. Visual impairment-Ophthalmologist, Locomotor	r disability – Orthopaedic specialist/PMR).
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