

State Civil Services Exam Himachal Pradesh Administrative Services

HPAS PRELIMS PATTERN

PAPER	SUBJECT	MARKS
Paper I	General Studies	200
Paper II	Aptitude Test	200

Note:

- There will be **negative marking** for incorrect answers. For each question for which a wrong answer has been given by the candidate, one third (0.33) of the marks assigned to that question will be deducted as penalty.
- **Aptitude Test** (Paper-II) of the Preliminary Examination will be a **qualifying** paper with minimum qualifying marks fixed at 33%
- Marks obtained in General Studies (Paper-I) of the Preliminary Examination to determine merit for the admission to the Main Examination
- The number of candidates to be admitted to the Main Examination will be about **20 times** the total approximate number of vacancies to be filled in the year through this examination.

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NEW HPAS MAINS PATTERN

PAPER	SUBJECT	MARKS
Paper 1	English	100
Paper 2	Hindi	100
Paper 3	Essay	100
Paper 4	General Studies I	200
Paper 5	General Studies II	200
Paper 6	General Studies III	200
Paper 7	Optional subject Paper I	100
Paper 8	Optional subject Paper II	100

Note:

- All Papers shall be of three hours duration
- Paper 1 and Paper 2 are of qualifying nature (Minimum 40% to be secured in each paper), will not be counted for overall ranking
- Merit to be decided on basis of sum total of Paper 3-8 (Minimum 45% aggregate necessary)
- One optional subject to be chosen from 31 subjects available
- Interview/Personality test to carry 150 marks