

IB ACIO Syllabus 2025

Highlights

Exam Overview

- **Organization Name:** Intelligence Bureau (IB)
- **Exam Conducting Body:** Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA)
- **Exam Name:** IB ACIO Grade-II/ Executive Examination 2025
- **Post Name:** ACIO Grade II/ Executive
- **Vacancies:** 3717
- **Category:** Syllabus
- **Total No. of Questions:**
 - Tier 1: 100 Questions
 - Tier 2: Descriptive Type (Essay and Comprehension)
- **Total Marks:**
 - Tier 1: 100 Marks
 - Tier 2: 50 Marks
- **Type of Questions:**
 - Tier 1: Objective Type (Multiple Choice Questions)
 - Tier 2: Descriptive Type (Essay and English Comprehension)
- **Selection Process:**
 - Written Test (Tier 1 & Tier 2)
 - Interview
- **Official Website:** www.mha.gov.in or www.ncs.gov.in

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Tier 1: Objective Type (100 Marks)

Tier 1 consists of 100 multiple-choice questions divided into five sections, each carrying 20 marks. The duration is 1 hour, and there is a negative marking of 0.25 marks for each incorrect answer.

1. General Awareness (20 Questions)

- Current Affairs (National and International)
- Indian History (Ancient, Medieval, Modern)
- Indian Geography
- Indian Polity and Constitution
- Economy and Budget
- Science and Technology
- Environment and Ecology
- Awards and Honors
- Books and Authors
- Sports
- Government Schemes and Policies

- International Organizations and Summits

2. Quantitative Aptitude (20 Questions)

- Number System
- Simplification
- Percentage
- Ratio and Proportion
- Average
- Time and Work
- Speed, Distance, and Time
- Profit and Loss
- Simple and Compound Interest
- Data Interpretation (Tables, Charts, Graphs)
- Mensuration
- Algebra
- Geometry
- Trigonometry
- Probability and Statistics

3. Logical/Analytical Ability & Reasoning (20 Questions)

- Analogies
- Classification
- Series (Number, Alphabet)
- Coding-Decoding
- Blood Relations
- Directions and Distance
- Syllogism
- Seating Arrangement
- Puzzles
- Statement and Assumptions
- Data Sufficiency
- Logical Venn Diagrams
- Non-Verbal Reasoning (Image-based, Pattern Completion)

4. English Language (20 Questions)

- Reading Comprehension
- Cloze Test
- Spotting Errors
- Sentence Improvement
- Para Jumbles
- Synonyms and Antonyms
- One-Word Substitution
- Idioms and Phrases
- Fill in the Blanks
- Vocabulary
- Grammar (Tenses, Prepositions, Articles)

5. General Studies (20 Questions)

- Indian Economy
- Indian Culture and Heritage
- Science and Technology Developments
- Environmental Issues
- Current Events of National Importance
- Basic Computer Knowledge
- Defense and Security Issues
- International Relations

Tier 2: Descriptive Type (50 Marks)

Tier 2 is a descriptive paper designed to test candidates' writing and comprehension skills. The duration is 1 hour.

1. Essay Writing (30 Marks)

- Candidates are required to write an essay on a given topic.
- Topics may include:
 - Current Affairs (e.g., National Security, Cybercrime, Terrorism)
 - Socio-Economic Issues
 - Environmental Challenges
 - Science and Technology
 - Government Policies and Initiatives
- Word Limit: Approximately 300-400 words
- Focus Areas: Clarity of thought, coherence, structure, and relevance to the topic

2. English Comprehension & Precis Writing (20 Marks)

- Reading Comprehension: Answer questions based on a given passage.
- Precis Writing: Summarize a given passage in your own words (usually one-third of the original length).
- Focus Areas: Understanding, summarizing skills, and language proficiency.

Interview (100 Marks)

- Candidates who qualify in Tier 1 and Tier 2 are called for the interview.
- The interview assesses:
 - General Knowledge and Awareness
 - Analytical Ability
 - Personality and Communication Skills
 - Motivation for joining the Intelligence Bureau
 - Knowledge of Current Affairs and Security Issues
- Candidates may be asked about their educational background, work experience (if any), and situational questions related to intelligence and security.

Preparation Tips

- **General Awareness:** Stay updated with current affairs through newspapers, magazines, and reliable online sources.
- **Quantitative Aptitude:** Practice numerical problems and focus on speed and accuracy.
- **Reasoning:** Solve puzzles and practice logical reasoning questions regularly.
- **English Language:** Improve vocabulary, grammar, and comprehension skills through reading and practice.
- **Descriptive Paper:** Practice essay and precis writing to improve articulation and time management.
- **Mock Tests:** Take regular mock tests to simulate exam conditions and improve time management.
- **Interview:** Prepare for questions on current affairs, national security, and personal background.

Important Notes

- Candidates must check the official websites (www.mha.gov.in or www.ncs.gov.in) for any updates or changes to the syllabus or exam pattern.
- The syllabus provided is based on the standard pattern for IB ACIO exams and may be subject to minor variations as per official notifications.