

**GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB**  
**DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL**  
**(PCS BRANCH)**

**Notification**

The 1st December, 2008

**No. G.S.R. 60/Const./Art.309/Amd.(8)/2008.**—In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution of India and all other powers enabling him in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules further to amend the Punjab Civil Service (Executive Branch) Rules, 1976, namely :—

**RULES**

1. (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Civil Service (Executive Branch) (Third amendment) Rules, 2008.

(2) They shall come into force on and with effect from the date of their publication, in the Official Gazette.

2. In the Punjab Civil Service (Executive Branch) Rules, 1976 (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), for APPENDIX II, the following Appendix shall be substituted, namely :—

**APPENDIX II**

(See Rule 12)

Regulations relating to the subjects and standards of the preliminary competitive examination of candidates for the Combined State Civil Services Examination.

1. The preliminary competitive examination will consist of two papers of objective type (multiple choice questions) and carry a maximum of 450 marks in the subject as under :—

Paper I General Studies	..	150 marks
Paper II One subject to be selected from the list of optional subjects given below.	..	300 marks
Total :		450 marks

**List of optional subjects for Preliminary Examination :—**

Optional Subjects	Code No.
1. Agriculture	01
2. Botany	02
3. Chemistry	03
4. Commerce	04
5. Economics	05
6. Geography	06

7.	Geology	07
8.	Indian History	08
9.	Law	09
10.	Mathematics	10
11.	Philosophy	11
12.	Physics	12
13.	Political Science	13
14.	Psychology	14
15.	Public Administration	15
16.	Sociology	16
17.	Statistics	17
18.	Zoology	18
19.	Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Science	19
20.	Civil Engineering	20
21.	Electrical Engineering	21
22.	Mechanical Engineering	22
23.	Medical Science	23

- Note.*— (i) Duration of each paper for Preliminary Examination will be to two hours.
- (ii) Both the question papers will be of the objective type (multiple choice questions).
- (iii) The question papers will be set both in Punjabi and English.
- (iv) The course content of the syllabi or the optional subjects will be of the degree level.
- (v) Each paper will be of two hours duration. Blind candidates will, however, be allowed an extra time of twenty minutes at each paper.
- (2) Candidates equal to twelve to thirteen time of the total vacancies determined by the Government under sub-rule (1) of Rule 13-A shall qualify for the main competitive examination.
- (3) A candidate shall specify in his application the optional subjects which he desires to take in the preliminary competitive examination.
- (4) Unless otherwise directed, a candidate shall answer the paper in English medium or Punjabi medium.
- (5) The marks obtained in the preliminary examination by the candidates who are declared qualified for admission to the main Competitive Examination will not be counted for determining their final order of merit by the Commission.
- (6) The following shall be the Syllabus for the optional subjects for the Preliminary Competitive Examination.