



SSC CHSL (10+2)

Combined Higher Secondary Level Examination

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Syllabus — Key Topics



Quantitative Aptitude

- Number System, Simplification, Percentage, Ratio-Averages, Age, SI/CI, Profit & Loss, Partnership, Mixture and Alligation, Time & Work, Speed, Time and Distance, Algebra, Geometry & Mensuration, Trigonometry, Co-ordinate Geometry, Data Interpretation & Sufficiency (Tier 2 adds Mens./Median/Mode, Std. Deviation, Probability).



General Intelligence & Reasoning

- Analogies, Classification, Series, Coding-Decoding, Syllogism, Venn Diagram, Blood Relations, Order and Ranking, Word formation, Seating Arrangement, Statement-Conclusion, Distance and Direction, Dice and Cube, Calendar, Clock, Odd one out, Inequalities, Non-Verbal Reasoning, Logical Reasoning, Puzzles, Data Sufficiency, Critical Thinking (Tier 2 adds Emotional & Social Intelligence).



English Language

- Error Spotting, Fill in the Blanks, Synonyms-Antonyms, One-word Substitution, Idioms/Proverbs, Cloze Test, Reading Comprehension, Sentence Correction/Rearrangement, Homonyms, Homophones, Voice, Narration.



General Awareness

- Current Affairs, History, Geography, Polity, Economy, General Science, Static GK, Art and Culture (Tier 1 only — not repeated as a separate module in Tier 2 Section II, which also covers GA).



Computer Knowledge (Tier 2 only)

- Operating Systems, Computer Abbreviations, Storage, Internet, Keyboard Shortcuts, Hardware, Software, Memory, Networking, Computer Fundamentals or Terminologies, ICT, Technological Advancement, DBMS, Microsoft Office, Computer Languages, CPU and its Components, Microsoft Windows, Types of Malicious Softwares, Cyber Security & Network, Input and Output Device.

Note:

This syllabus is based on previous years' papers and the actual pattern of SSC CHSL exam. SSC does not publish an exhaustive official topic list, so use it as a strong preparation guide.

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Exam Pattern (as per 2026 notification)

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Tier 1:

Subject	Questions	Marks	Sectional Time
English Language	25	50	15 min
General Intelligence	25	50	15 min
Quantitative Aptitude	25	50	15 min
General Awareness	25	50	15 min
Total	100	200	60 min

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NEW for 2026:

strict 15-min sectional timer per subject — unused time can't shift between sections.

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Tier 2 — Merit-Deciding (Session 1 + Session 2, same day)

Session	Section	Subject	Questions	Marks	Sub-Timer
1	Section-I	Mathematical Abilities	30	90	30 min
1	Section-I	Reasoning & Gen. Intelligence	30	90	30 min
1	Section-II	English Language & Comprehension	40	120	40 min
1	Section-II	General Awareness	20	60	20 min
1	Section-III	Computer Knowledge (qualifying)	15	45	15 min
2	Section-IV	Skill Test / Typing Test (qualifying)	—	—	10–15 min

- **Section-I total marks = 180** (Maths 90 + Reasoning 90) | **Section-II total marks = 180** (English 120 + GA 60).
- **-1 mark** per wrong answer in Sections I, II and III | **Section IV (Skill/Typing)** has **no negative marking**: errors scored to 2 decimal places.
- **FINAL MERIT** = Section-I + Section-II only (360 marks) — Computer Knowledge and Skill/Typing Test are qualifying, **NOT** added to merit.
- **Typing**: LDC/JSA — qualifying typing test (Mangal font now mandatory for Hindi). DEO (within dept.) — 15,000 KDPH. DEO (other depts.) — 8,000 KDPH.

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3. Selection Process

- **Tier 1 (CBT)** → shortlists for Tier 2; marks NOT carried to final merit.
- **Tier 2 (CBT + qualifying modules)** → Section-I + Section-II marks (360) decide final merit.
- **Skill Test / Typing Test (Section IV)** → mandatory, qualifying only, evaluated per post requirement.
- **Document Verification** → First Round of Tentative Allocation (FRTA), a new 2026 mechanism, then final post allocation.
- **No interview.** Minimum qualifying %: UR 30% · OBC/EWS 25% · Others 20% (applies to Tier 1 and to Sections I/II/III of Tier 2).
- **Post preference**, once submitted, is FINAL and irreversible — choose carefully before locking your application.
- Candidates must select 3 exam centers, all within the SAME SSC region (2026 change — previously centers could span regions).

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4. What's New in the 2026 Notification

- **sectional timer** introduced in Tier 1 & Tier (new this cycle).

Note:

This information is based on the SSC CHSL 2026 notification. Always refer to the official notification for the latest updates.



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Cut-off



Tier 1 (LDC/JSA) — out of 200

Category	2022	2023	2024	2025
UR	157.73	153.91	157.36	144.25
OBC	153.25	152.27	156.62	143.83
EWS	151.03	151.10	150.52	141.42
SC	135.47	136.41	139.68	125.40
ST	125.80	124.53	129.45	115.25
ESM	97.99	102.48	78.23	68.26
OH	122.72	132.44	124.70	112.15
HH	86.71	94.09	81.07	75.38
VH	138.32	132.22	123.79	82.72



Tier 1 (DEO/DEO Grade 'A') 2025 — out of 200

Category	Cut Off Marks
UR	169.54
SC	157.72
ST	152.78
OBC	169.49
EWS	169.54
ESM	128.52
HH	118.61

Note:

Cut-off marks are based on previous years' results and are subject to change.
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