

Civil Services Examination, 2021 – minimum qualifying marks*

In the Civil Services Examination 2021, the minimum qualifying standards/marks secured by the last recommended candidate in various categories at various stages are as under:-

Exam	General	EWS	OBC	SC	ST	PwBD-1	PwBD-2	PwBD-3	PwBD-5
CS(Prelim)*	87.54	80.14	84.85	75.41	70.71	68.02	67.33	43.09	45.80
CS(Main)**	745	713	707	700	700	668	712	388	560
CS(Final)	953	916	910	886	883	892	932	689	701

*Cut off marks on the basis of GS Paper-I only. GS Paper-II was of qualifying nature with 33% marks as per Rule-15 of Civil Services Examination, 2021.

** Subject to 10% marks in each of the seven competitive papers i.e. Essay, GS-I, GS-II, GS-III, GS-IV, Optional-I and Optional-II.

2. Wherever two or more candidates have secured equal aggregate marks in Civil Services Examination, 2021, the tie(s) have been resolved in accordance with the principles approved by the Commission, viz.

- (i) Candidate securing more marks in the Compulsory Papers[#] and the Personality Test put together is to be ranked higher; and
- (ii) In case where the marks mentioned at (i) above are equal, the candidate senior in age is to be ranked higher.

[#] Compulsory papers include Essay, General Studies-I, General Studies-II, General Studies-III and General Studies-IV