

F. No. DE-12/05/2025-DE-DOP
Government of India
Ministry of Communications
Department of Posts
(DE Section)

Dak Bhawan, Sansad Marg
New Delhi – 110001
Dated: 30.12.2025

To,

1. All Heads of Circles,
2. The Additional Director General, APS, New Delhi

Subject: Calendar of Examinations scheduled to be held during the year 2026 – reg.

Madam/Sir,

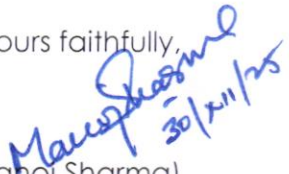
I am directed to forward herewith the "Calendar of Examinations for the Year 2026" (**Annexure 'A'**) containing details of the examinations scheduled to be held during the Year 2026, duly approved by the Competent Authority.

2. Circles are requested to adhere to the Time Schedule as indicated in the Calendar of Examinations, 2026. The Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) issued under letter No. A-34012/02/2022-DE dated 11.08.2022, followed by amendment letter dated 21.09.2023 and letter No.A-34013/02/2024 dated 13.01.2025 shall be followed in letter and spirit.

3. This issues with the approval of DG (Postal Services).

Yours faithfully,

Encl: Annexure – 'A'


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2. All Directors of Postal Training Centres (Darbhanga, Guwahati, Madurai Mysore, Saharanpur and Vadodara)
3. Directors (Staff)/ (SPN), Department of Posts, Dak Bhawan, New Delhi.
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9. Guard File (DE Section)

Annexure 'A'

(Annexed to letter

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CALENDAR OF EXAMINATIONS - FOR THE YEAR 2026				
Sl. No.	Name of Examination	Tentative Date of issuance of Model Notification (MN)/ Notification (N)	Tentative Closing date for receipt of application	Tentative Date of examination (DOE)
1.(i)	Limited Departmental Competitive Examination (LDCE) for promotion to the posts of Postal Assistant (Circle Office and Regional Offices), Postal Assistant (Post Office) and Sorting Assistant (Railway Mail Service) from eligible officials for the vacancy year 2026 (01/01/2026 to 31/12/2026)	Model Notification by Directorate on 02/04/2026 Notification by Circles on 09/04/2026	30/04/2026	24/05/2026
1.(ii)	Competitive Examination for recruitment to the cadre of Postal Assistants and Sorting Assistants from Gramin Dak Sevaks (GDSs) for the unfilled Limited Departmental Competitive Examination (LDCE) for the vacancy year 2026 (01/01/2026 to 31/12/2026)			
2. (i)	Limited Departmental Competitive Examination (LDCE) for promotion to the posts of Postman and Mail Guard from eligible Multi-Tasking Staff officials for the vacancy year 2026 (01/01/2026 to 31/12/2026)	Model Notification by Directorate on 20/04/2026 Notification by Circles on 24/04/2026	15/05/2026	07/06/2026
2.(ii)	Competitive Examination for recruitment to the cadre of Postman, Mail Guard and Multi-Tasking Staff from eligible Gramin Dak Sevaks (GDSs) for the vacancy year: 2026 (01/01/2026 to 31/12/2026)	(Common Examination)		

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3.	LDCE for promotion to the cadre of Postal Service Group B for the vacancy years 2024 (01/01/2024 to 31/12/2024), 2025 (01/01/2025 to 31/12/2025) and 2026 (01/01/2026 to 31/12/2026)	Notification on 25/06/2026 From Directorate	20/07/2026	09.08.2026
4.	LDCE for promotion to the cadre of Inspector Posts for vacancy year 2026 (01/01/2026 to 31/12/2026)	Notification on 14/08/2026 From Directorate	05/09/2026	26/09/2026 & 27/09/2026

PO & RMS Accountant Examination may be conducted by the Circles as per the instructions already issued vide letter No.A-34012/07/2022-DE dated 02.12.2022.

Examinations related to Motor Vehicle Section

1.	Examination for filling up of all the posts of Drivers in Department (including MMS)	The recruitment will be completed by Circles following all formalities within the Year 2026.
2.	Examination for filling up of the posts of Skilled Artisans (MMS)	

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