

General guidelines for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities

a) Using a scribe:

The PwBD candidates whose writing speed is adversely affected permanently for any reason can use their own scribe at their cost during the examination, subject to limits as mentioned below. In all such cases where a scribe is used, the following rules will apply:

- i. The candidate will have to arrange his/her own scribe at his/her own cost and the qualification of the scribe should be one step below the qualification of the candidate taking examination. The persons with benchmark disabilities opting for own scribe should submit details of the own scribe as per the proforma at APPENDIX-II as mentioned in Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) OM No.F.No.34-02/2015-DD-III Dated 29/08/2018.
- ii. The candidates other than the category of blindness, locomotor disability(both arm affected-BA) and cerebral palsy, the provision of scribe can be allowed on production of a certificate to the effect that the person concerned has physical limitation to write and scribe is essential to write examination on his behalf, from the Chief Medical Officer/Civil Surgeon/Medical Superintendent of a Government Health care institution as per proforma at APPENDIX-I as mentioned in Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) OM No.F.No.34-02/2015-DD-III Dated 29/08/2018.
- iii. The scribe arranged by the candidate should not be a candidate for the examination.
- iv. If violation of the above is detected at any stage of the process, candidature for Exam of both the candidates and the scribe will be cancelled.
- v. A person acting as a scribe for one candidate cannot be a scribe for another candidate.
- vi. The scribe should be from an academic stream different from that stream prescribed for the post.
- vii. Both the candidates as well as scribe will have to give a suitable undertaking confirming that the scribe fulfils all the stipulated eligibility criteria for a scribe as mentioned above. Further, in case, it later transpires that he/she did not fulfil any laid down eligibility criteria or suppressed material facts, the candidature of the applicant will stand cancelled, irrespective of the result of the written examination.
- viii. Those candidates using a scribe shall be eligible for compensatory time of 20 minutes for every hour of the examination or as otherwise advised.

b) Orthopedically impaired candidates

A compensatory time of 20 minutes per hour or otherwise as advised shall be permitted for the candidates with locomotors disability and cerebral palsy where dominant (writing) extremity is affected to the extent of slowing the performance of function (minimum of 40% impairment).