

# Rajasthan Public Service Commission Rajasthan Administrative Services (RPSC RAS) 2020 [Visit on Shiksha](#)

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## Summary

### What is RPSC RAS Exam?

Rajasthan Administrative Services (RAS) exam is a state-level civil services exam conducted by Rajasthan Public Service Commission (RPSC). The exam is also known as Rajasthan State and Subordinate Services Combined Competitive Exam. RAS is the highest state services and also the most sought after job in the state. RPSC RAS exam is the gateway to enter into the RAS.

The exam is conducted to fill Group-A and B vacancies in the state of Rajasthan. The Group-A and B vacancies are usually released for recruitment in the following administrative state and subordinate services:

<b>RPSC RAS &amp; State Services</b>	
Rajasthan Administrative Service (RAS)	Rajasthan Police Service (RPS)
Rajasthan Account Service	Rajasthan Industry Service
Rajasthan State Insurance Service	Rajasthan Cooperative Service
Rajasthan Commercial Tax Service	Rajasthan Jail Service
Rajasthan Planning Service	Rajasthan Women And Child Development
Rajasthan Fertilizer and Civil Supplies	Rajasthan Rural Development Service
Rajasthan Women Development	Rajasthan Minority Service
Rajasthan Excise (General)	Rajasthan Excise (Preventive Force)
<b>RPSC Subordinate Services</b>	
Rajasthan Industry Subordinate Service	Tehsildar
Rajasthan Planning Subordinate Service	Rajasthan Temple Subordinate Service
Rajasthan Excise Subordinate Service	Rajasthan Commercial Tax Subordinate Service
Rajasthan Fertilizer and Civil Supplies Subordinate Service	Rajasthan Cooperative Subordinate Service
Rajasthan Women and Child Development Subordinate	Jail Welfare Officer
Social Welfare Officer	Rajasthan Labour Welfare Subordinate Service
District Minority Welfare Officer	Rajasthan Programme Officer



## RPSC RAS Highlights

Exam Name	Rajasthan Administrative Services (RAS) Exam
Conducting Body	Rajasthan Public Service Commission
Exam Level	State
Exam Mode	Offline
Exam Duration	3 hours
Language	English and Hindi
Exam Purpose	To recruit candidates in state and subordinate services of Rajasthan
Exam Helpdesk No.	0145-2635212
Official Website	rpsc.rajasthan.gov.in

**Download Here:** [RPSC RAS Admit Card](#)

## RPSC RAS Eligibility

The basic eligibility criteria for RPSC RAS exam includes:

- Candidates should obtain a bachelor's degree from a recognised university
- Candidates should be minimum 21 years and maximum 40 years in age as on January 1, 2020. For non-gazetted employees, the minimum age limit is 25 years and the maximum age limit is 45 years as on January 1, 2020

**See Here:** [RPSC Syllabus 2020](#)

### Important RPSC RAS Dates

Candidates can check important RPSC RAS dates below:

RPSC RAS Events	RPSC RAS Dates (Tentative)
Notification	June 2020(Tentative)
Online applications	June 2020(Tentative)
Admit card	October 2020(Tentative)
Prelims exam	November 2020(Tentative)

**See Here:** [RPSC RAS Important Dates](#)

## RPSC RAS Selection Process

The RPSC RAS selection process includes the following three stages:

- **Preliminary exam:** This is an objective-type screening test of 200 marks. Candidates need to complete the paper in three hours duration.
- **Main exam:** This is a descriptive-/ analytical-type written test. The test contains four papers of 200 marks each. The time allowed to complete each paper is three hours.
- **Personality/ viva-voce exam:** Candidates qualifying the Main exam need to appear for a personality test/ interview. The weightage for the personality test is 100 marks.

**Read More:** [RPSC RAS exam pattern.](#)

## RPSC RAS FAQs

**Q. Can I prepare for RAS Exam without coaching?**



A. Yes, any candidate can prepare for RAS exam without coaching. Nowadays so much information is available online which can help the candidates to prepare for RAS Exam by themselves. The candidate should select the best authentic source of information can prepare for the RAS Exam by themselves.

**Q. What is the educational qualification required to become a RAS?**

A. The educational qualification required to become a RAS Officer is a graduate degree in any discipline from any university established by an Act of the Central or State Legislature in India.

**Q. Is coaching necessary for cracking the RAS Exam?**

A. Every candidate has different needs and abilities. Joining a coaching institute is a very subjective decision. It can help some of the candidates in understanding the structure and pattern of RAS Exam but some of them find it useless. It differs from candidate to candidate.

**Q. What is the age limit for RAS Exam?**

A. RAS is the toughest exam in the state. The Age limit for RAS exam is different for the different categories. It is defined as follows

The Lower Age limit is 21 years.

The Upper Age Limit is 40 years.

The age of the candidates is counted as on January 1 of the exam year.

**Q. What is the difference between IAS and RAS?**

A. IAS means Indian Administrative Services and RAS means the Rajasthan Administrative Services. IAS is one of the three All India Services. The recruitment for IAS is done by the Union Public Service Commission. RAS is the state-centric civil service recruited through the Rajasthan Public Service Commission.

**Q. How to start RAS preparation at home?**

A. The candidates should start preparing the basics with the NCERT Books and Daily Newspaper. Complete the NCERT of History, Geography, Economics and Sociology first and then start reading the dedicated books for each subject supplemented with the Newspaper.

**Q. Can RAS Officers be promoted to IAS?**

A. Yes, the State RAS Officers can be promoted to the IAS, subject to certain conditions laid down by UPSC. Each year, out of the total vacancies of IAS, 33% is filled through the promotion.

**Q. How many papers are there in the RAS Main Exam?**

A. There are 4 question papers in the RAS Main Exam. The marks secured in all the papers are counted for the final merit.

**Q. Who is the Cadre Controlling Authority of RAS?**

A. Department of Personnel which directly report to the Chief Minister of Rajasthan is the cadre controlling authority for the RAS.

**Q. Can an average student crack RAS?**

A. The RAS exam is an open platform with no limitation for the average students. There is no minimum percentage of marks required in the graduation course to appear in the RAS Exam. Each year, a good number of Average students crack the RAS Exam.

**Q. When does RPSC issue the RAS Exam Notification?**

A. The RAS Notification is issued in the month of April every year and the RAS Prelims is conducted in the month of May - June.

## Process

### Step 1: Fill RPSC RAS application form

Candidates can [apply online for RPSC RAS](#) on the official website of the commission. Once successfully applied, candidates also need to pay RAS application fee in online mode.

RPSC RAS Category	RPSC RAS Application Fee
General	Rs 350
Other Backward Class (OBC)	Rs 250
Scheduled Caste (SC)/ Scheduled Tribe	Rs 50

### Step 2: Appear for RPSC RAS Preliminary Exam

Candidates successfully applying for the exam need to appear for the preliminary exam. The RPSC RAS preliminary exam is a screening test of 200 marks. Screening test means that marks obtained by candidates in the preliminary exam are not counted for determining the final order of merit.

### Step 3: Take RPSC RAS Main Exam

Candidates clearing the preliminary exam need to take the RPSC RAS Main exam. The Main exam contains four papers of 200 marks each.



Questions asked in all the four papers are descriptive/ analytical in nature.

#### Step 4: Appear for RPSC RAS Interview Round

Candidates clearing the Main exam need to appear for the interview round (also known as personality test/ viva-voce). In the interview round, candidates are evaluated on the basis of their overall personality and knowledge about Rajasthani culture. The weightage for the interview round is 100 marks.

#### Step 5: Check Final RPSC RAS Result

Candidates can check their final RPSC RAS result on the official website of Rajasthan Public Service Commission. Candidates whose names appear in the final RAS merit list are then recruited in different administrative and subordinate services in the state of Rajasthan.

## Contact Information

### Address

Rajasthan Public Service Commission  
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### Contact Numbers

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Official Website : <http://rpsc.rajasthan.gov.in>

Phone Number : 0145-2635212

## Dates

RPSC RAS exam is the toughest exam conducted in the state. The candidates prepare for the RAS exam years before the actual exam. The RAS exam dates are very important for the candidate as it provides a clear timeline for the exam events.

**Read Here:** [RPSC Syllabus](#)

RPSC RAS exam dates 2020 have not been released yet. However, given below are tentative RPSC RAS dates for the reference of candidates:

RPSC RAS Exam Event	Date	Salient Features
Notification	July 2020(Tentative)	The RPSC will issue the RPSC RAS notification informing about the exam dates, vacancies and the application process.
Online application commencement date	July 2020(Tentative)	The RPSC RAS online application will be available for candidates.
Online application end date	July 2020(Tentative)	It is the last day to fill the RPSC RAS online application.
Admit card	September 2020(Tentative)	The <a href="#">RPSC RAS admit card</a> for prelims exam will be released online.
Prelims exam	October 2020(Tentative)	The RPSC RAS prelims exam will be conducted at various centres across Rajasthan state.
Prelims result	November 2020(Tentative)	RPSC will declare the RAS prelims result 2020 online
Detailed Application Form(DAF)	December 2020(Tentative)	RPSC RAS DAF is very important for the RAS interview.
Main exam	January 2021(Tentative)	RPSC RAS main exam will be conducted offline at various centres in the state.
Interview call letter	February 2021(Tentative)	The RPSC RAS Interview will be conducted at the RPSC office in Ajmer.



RPSC RAS final result	March 2021(Tentative)	The RPSC RAS Final result will be declared by RPSC online.
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**See Here:** [RPSC RAS Exam Pattern](#)

## Application Form

RPSC RAS application form has not been released yet. However, once released candidates can apply online for RAS exam on the official website of the commission. However, before proceeding with the application process, candidates are recommended to ensure that they meet the RAS eligibility criteria for the post for which they wish to apply.

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## RPSC RAS Application Dates

Candidates can check important [RPSC RAS dates](#) related to the application form below:

RPSC RAS Events	
RPSC RAS Notification	July 2020
Online applications: Start date	July 2020
Online applications: End date	August 2020
Preliminary exam	October 2020

## How to Fill RPSC RAS Application Form?

Candidates can follow the below-mentioned steps to fill their application form for [RPSC RAS exam](#):

### Step 1: Register in the official website

For first time registration, candidates can follow the below steps:

- Visit the official website of RPSC
- Click on the Registration link available for new user
- Fill the required details and choose a password
- Submit the RAS registration form

On successful registration, a registration number/ user ID is generated that candidates need to retain for future reference.

### Step 2: Fill RPSC RAS application form

- Login to the registered account using system-generated user ID and password
- Fill all the required details in the application form
- Upload all the required documents such as scanned images of photo and signature
- Pay RPSC RAS application fee in online mode

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- Verify all the information entered in the application form carefully
- Click on the Submit button
- Take a clear print of the filled-in application form and system-generated receipt



Once this is done, the candidates' RPSC RAS application process gets complete.

## RPSC RAS Application Form: Important Points to Note

Some of the important points that candidates should keep in mind at the time of filling the RAS application form are:

- Rajasthan Public Service Commission does not accept applications filled or submitted in offline mode
- Candidates should ensure that the mobile number entered by them in the application form is correct and currently in use. This is because all the important information regarding the exam is communicated to candidates through SMS or call
- RAS application fee once submitted is non-refundable

## Pattern

RPSC RAS exam is conducted in three stages – Preliminary, Main and Interview/ Personality Test. Given below is the detailed RPSC RAS exam pattern for each stage.

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## RPSC RAS Preliminary Exam Pattern

The RPSC RAS Pre exam is a screening test that contains objective-type multiple-choice questions (MCQs) of 200 marks. Screening test basically means that marks obtained by candidates in the preliminary exam are not counted at the time of preparation of the final RPSC RAS exam merit list. The preliminary exam is a first filter of the [RPSC RAS Exam](#).

The standard of questions asked in the RAS Pre exam is of graduation level. Subjects from which questions are asked in the paper are General Knowledge and General Science.

RPSC RAS Preliminary Exam Subject	RPSC RAS Preliminary Exam Marks	RPSC RAS Preliminary Exam Time
General Knowledge	200	3 hours
General Science		

**Read Here:** [RPSC Syllabus](#)

## RPSC RAS Main Exam Pattern

The Main exam of RPSC RAS consists of a total of four papers of 200 marks each. It is mandatory for candidates to appear for all the four papers. Each paper contains descriptive/ analytical (brief, medium, long answer and descriptive-type questions) questions. Candidates need to complete each paper in a time duration of three hours.

RPSC RAS Main Exam Paper Number	RPSC RAS Main Exam Paper Name	RPSC RAS Main Exam Marks
I	General Studies-I	200
II	General Studies-II	200
III	General Studies-III	200
IV	General Hindi and General English	200
Total		800

**Note:** Standard of questions asked in General Hindi and General English is of class 12<sup>th</sup> level.

## RPSC RAS Interview Pattern

Candidates shortlisted on the basis of RPSC RAS Main exam finally need to appear for the interview round. The RPSC RAS interview round is also known as a personality test or viva-voce and it carries a weightage of 100 marks.

In the RAS interview round, candidates are evaluated on the basis of the following parameters:



Character	Personality
Physique	Knowledge of Rajasthani culture

**Note:** For selection to Rajasthan Police Service (RPS), preference at the time of interview is given to candidates having 'C' certificate of NCC.

## RPSC RAS Exam Pattern: Important Points to Note

Some of the points that candidates should keep in mind regarding RPSC RAS exam pattern are:

- All the papers (Pre and Main) can be answered in English or Hindi language. However, candidates are not allowed to answer a paper partly in Hindi and English, unless specified to do so
- If a candidate's handwriting is not clear to the examiner, a deduction is made from the total marks obtained by the candidate
- According to the official notification of the exam, "Credit will be given for orderly, effective and exact expression combined with due economy of words in all subjects of the examination."

## Syllabus

RPSC Syllabus for the RAS exam is defined in the official notification. The RAS syllabus incorporates all the important topics related to the History, Geography, Economy and the Art and Culture of Rajasthan.

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Rajasthan Public Service Commission (RPSC) conducts the Rajasthan State and Subordinate Services Combined Competitive Examination to recruit the candidates for its highest state civil services- Rajasthan Administrative Services (RAS). Hence this exam is also called as the [RAS exam](#).

RAS exam is a three-phase exam and each phase is as important as the other one. The three phases of RAS exam are as follows

- Prelims (Qualifying exam)
- Main exam (800 marks)
- Interview (100 marks)

The RPSC syllabus for all the three phases is different and requires a different strategy to prepare the exam. Before moving to the syllabus part, the candidates must see the [RPSC RAS exam pattern](#).

## RPSC Syllabus – RAS Prelims

RPSC syllabus for the prelims exam is the mixture of all the important topics from the general studies syllabus in general. The candidates need to focus on the topics related to Rajasthan as there are several questions related to the state-level issues.

RPSC Syllabus is unique in the sense that there is only one paper in the RAS prelims exam and the candidates need to focus on one paper only. The RPSC syllabus for the RAS prelims exam is divided into various sections. The details are as follows

### History, Art, Culture, Literature, Tradition & Heritage of Rajasthan

- Major Landmarks in the History of Rajasthan, Major Dynasties, their Administrative and Revenue System. Socio-cultural Issues.
- Freedom Movement, Political Awakening and Integration
- Salient features of Architecture –Forts and Monuments
- Arts, Painting and Handicrafts.
- Important Works of Rajasthani literature. Local Dialects
- Fairs, Festivals, Folk Music and Folk Dances.
- Rajasthani Culture, Traditions and Heritage.
- Religious Movements, Saints & Lok devtas of Rajasthan.
- Important Tourist Places.
- Leading Personalities of Rajasthan.

### Indian History Ancient & Medieval Period

- Salient features and Major Landmarks of Ancient and Medieval India.
- Art, Culture, Literature and Architecture.
- Major Dynasties, Their Administrative System. Socio-Economic Conditions, Prominent Movements.

### Modern Period

- Modern Indian history (from about the middle of the eighteenth century until the present)-significant events, personalities and issues.
- The Freedom Struggle & Indian National Movement-its various stages and important contributors and contributions from different parts of the



country.

- Social and Religious Reform movements in the 19th and 20th century.
- Post-independence consolidation and reorganization within the country

### **Geography of World and India World Geography**

- Broad Physical features.
- Environmental and Ecological Issues.
- Wildlife and Bio-diversity.
- International Waterways.
- Major Industrial Regions.

### **Geography of India**

- Broad physical features and Major physiographic divisions.
- Agriculture and Agro-based Activities.
- Minerals –Iron, Manganese, Coal, Oil & Gas, Atomic minerals.
- Major Industries and Industrial development.
- Transportation–major transport corridors.
- Natural Resources.
- Environmental Problems and Ecological Issues.

### **Geography of Rajasthan**

- Broad physical features and Major physiographic divisions.
- Natural Resource of Rajasthan
- Climate, Natural Vegetation, Forests, Wildlife and Bio-diversity
- Major irrigation projects.
- Mines and Minerals.
- Population.
- Major Industries and Potential for Industrial Development.

### **Indian Constitution, Political System & Governance**

- Constitutional Development & Indian Constitution
- Government of India Acts: 1919 and 1935, Constituent Assembly,
- Nature of Indian Constitution; Preamble, Fundamental Rights, Directive Principles of State, Fundamental Duties, Federal Structure, Constitutional Amendments, Emergency Provisions,
- Public Interest Litigation (P.I.L.) and Judicial Review.

Indian Political System and Governance:

- Nature of Indian State, Democracy in India, Reorganization of States, Coalition Governments, Political Parties, National Integration.
- Union and State Executive; Union and State Legislative, Judiciary.
- President, Parliament, Supreme Court, Election Commission, Comptroller and Auditor General, Planning Commission, National Development Council, Central Vigilance Commission (CVC), Central Information Commission, Lokpal, National Human Rights Commission (NHRC).
- Local Self Government & Panchayati Raj.

Public Policy & Rights

- National Public Policy as a welfare state.
- Various Legal Rights and Citizen Charter.

Political and Administrative System of Rajasthan

- Governor, Chief Minister, State Assembly, High Court, Rajasthan Public Service Commission, District Administration, State Human Rights Commission, Lokayukta, State Election Commission, State Information Commission.
- Public Policy, Legal Rights and Citizen Charter.

### **Economic Concepts and Indian Economy**

- Basic Concepts of Economics
- Basic Knowledge of Budgeting, Banking, Public Finance, National Income, Growth and Development
- Accounting-Concept, Tools and Uses in Administration





- Stock Exchange and Share Market
- Fiscal and Monetary Policies
- Subsidies, Public Distribution System
- E-Commerce
- Inflation-Concept, Impact and Control Mechanism

Economic Development & Planning: -

- 5 Year Plans -Objectives, Strategies and Achievements.
- Major Sectors of Economy-Agriculture, Industry, Service and Trade-Current Status, Issues & initiatives.
- Major Economic Problems and Government Initiatives. Economic Reforms and Liberalization. Human Resource and Economic Development:-
- Human Development Index

Poverty and Unemployment:

- Concept, Types, Causes, Remedies and Current Flagship Schemes. Social Justice and Empowerment:-Provisions for Weaker Sections.

### **Economy of Rajasthan**

- Macro overview of Economy.
- Major Agricultural, Industrial and Service Sector Issues.
- Growth, Development and Planning.
- Infrastructure & Resources.
- Major Development Projects.

Programmes and Schemes-Government Welfare Schemes for SC/ST/Backward Class/Minorities/Disabled Persons, Destitute, Women, Children, Old Age People, Farmers & Labourers

### **Science & Technology**

- Basics of Everyday Science.
- Electronics, Computers, Information and Communication Technology.
- Space Technology including Satellites.
- Defence Technology.
- Nanotechnology.
- Human body, Food and Nutrition, Health care.
- Environmental and Ecological Changes and its Impacts.
- Biodiversity, Biotechnology and Genetic Engineering.
- Agriculture, Horticulture, Forestry and Animal Husbandry with special reference to Rajasthan. Development of Science and Technology in Rajasthan.
- Reasoning & Mental Ability, Logical
- Reasoning (Deductive, Inductive, Abductive):
- Statement and Assumptions, Statement and Argument, Statements and Conclusion, Courses of Action.

### **Analytical Reasoning. Mental Ability**

- Number series, Letter series, Odd man out, Coding-Decoding, Problems relating to Relations, Shapes and their sub-sections.
- Basic Numeracy
- Elementary knowledge of Mathematical and Statistical Analysis.
- Number System, Order of Magnitude, Ratio and Proportion, Percentage, Simple and Compound Interest, Data Analysis (Tables, Bar diagram, Line graph, Pie-chart).

### **Current Affairs**

- Major Current Events and Issues of State (Rajasthan), National and International Importance
- Persons and Places in recent news
- Games and Sports related Activities

## Admit Card

RPSC RAS admit card will be issued once the exam date is finalised and notified by the Rajasthan Public Services Commission (RPSC). The Rajasthan Administrative Services (RAS) is the most prestigious service of Rajasthan. It is second only to the IAS officers posted in the state. The RPSC



conducts the [Rajasthan State & Subordinate Services exam](#) every year to recruit the candidates for RAS and other services. The RAS officers are appointed by the Governor of the state.

**See Here:** [RPSC Syllabus](#)

## RPSC RAS Admit Card Dates

The RPSC will notify the [RAS exam dates](#) once the pending exam will be completed and the new exam is notified. The candidates can download the RPSC admit card any time after the download window is activated.

RPSC RAS Event	Dates
<a href="#">RPSC RAS notification</a>	July 2020(Tentative)
RPSC RAS prelims exam	October 2020(Tentative)

## How to download RPSC RAS admit card?

- Go to the official website- <https://rpsc.rajasthan.gov.in/>
- Click on the Exam Dashboard given under the Candidates Information
- Go to the Rajasthan State & Subordinate Services Exam table
- Click on the download admit card link given in the row
- A new screen will appear, log in with the credentials
- Download the RPSC RAS admit card
- Take two printouts of the admit card for future reference

**See Here:** [RPSC RAS exam pattern](#)

## RPSC RAS Admit Card–Prelims exam

RPSC issues the RAS admit card for each stage of the RAS exam. The RAS exam is conducted in three-stages and hence for each stage, separate admit card is issued. RAS prelims admit card is issued online, ten days before the exam date. The RAS admit card tells about the exam centres and the district centre.

## RPSC RAS Admit Card - Main exam

The RAS admit card for the main exam is issued fifteen days before the exam. The RAS main admit card is issued to the candidates who had qualified the RAS prelims exam. The RAS main exam admit card is issued online only and it should be kept till the last stage of the RPSC RAS exam. It is checked at the time of the RPSC interview also.

## What to do in case of any discrepancy in the RPSC admit card?

After downloading the RPSC admit card, the candidates should immediately check all the personal details mentioned in the RPSC admit card. The candidates should immediately contact the exam controller in case they found any details missing or misprinted. The admit card details are the reflection of the official records and it is important to rectify any mistake for the future reference.