## RECRUITMENT BRANCH

## **FAQs**

## **OBC CATEGORY CANDIDATES:**

1. What is relaxation in upper age limit for OBC candidates?

Answer: Candidates belonging to OBC category are entitled to 3 years' relaxation in upper age limit in accordance with instructions of the Government of India.

2. What will be the number of vacancies reserved for OBC category candidates?

Answer: The reservation position ie, the number of vacancies reserved for candidates belonging to different categories including that for OBC category candidates are indicated by the indenting departments in the recruitment requisitions submitted by them. Number of vacancies reserved for concerned category are accordingly published by the Commission in the recruitment advertisements.

3. Are OBC category candidates required to pay application fee?

Answer: candidates belonging to OBC category are required to make payment towards application fee and are **NOT** exempted from payment of application fee.

4. Can a candidate belonging to OBC category apply against unreserved vacancies?

Answer: A candidate belonging to OBC category can apply against unreserved vacancies also. However, no concession or relaxation in standards of selection applicable to OBC category will be available against Unreserved vacancies.

5. Whether an OBC candidate selected on his/her own merit adjusted against reserved vacancy or Unreserved vacancy?

Answer: Candidates belonging to OBC category, selected on their own merit, without availing of any of the concessions or relaxations to which such candidates are entitled to, are recommended against unreserved vacancies. If any concession or relaxed standards of selection is applied at any stage of selection process, such candidates will be considered against vacancy reserved for the concerned category only.

6. What are the concessions and relaxations in standards of selection applicable to OBC category?

Answer: Apart from relaxation in upper age limit OBC candidates are entitled to relaxed standards of selection vis a vis the standards of selection adopted for General Category. The shortlisting criteria adopted for OBC category could be different from the one adopted for General/Unreserved category. OBC category candidates are entitled to relaxed standards of selection in interviews also.

7. What is the minimum suitability marks in the interview for OBC candidates?

Answer – Candidates are given marks in the Interview out of 100. The marks for minimum standard of suitability for unreserved category candidates is 50 marks: for candidates belonging to OBC category the minimum level of suitability in interviews is 45 marks (on relaxed standards). Candidates recommended on relaxed standards of selection recommended for in by are service training the Commission.

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