

**SYLLABUS/ PATTERN FOR CONDUCT OF
PRELIMINARY INTERVIEW BOARD (PIB) WRITTEN EXAM**

1. The syllabus/ Pattern for PIB written Examination has been modified as under:-

(a) **Syllabus for Exam, No of Questions & Marks**

<u>Ser No</u>	<u>Paper</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Nos of Questions</u>	<u>Marks</u>
(i)	I	Reasoning and elementary Mathematics	50+50	100
(ii)	II	General Knowledge and English	50+50	100

(b) **Time**. Maximum time for each paper is 02 hrs and will be conducted in two sessions from 1000hrs to 1200hrs and 1400hrs to 1600hrs.

(c) **Type of Exam**. Objective (OMR Answer Sheet will be used).

(d) **Qualifying Marks**. The candidates will have to score minimum 40% marks in each paper separately and have an overall average of 50% to qualify.

(e) **Penalty for Wrong Answers**. There will be penalty imposed for wrong answers marked by a candidate as under:-

(i) There will be four possible answers to every question. For each question for which a wrong answer has been given by the candidate, half of the mark assigned to that question will be deducted as penalty.

(ii) If a candidate gives more than one answer, it will be treated as a wrong answer even if one of the given answers happens to be correct. Penalty will be imposed as above.

(iii) There will be no penalty for questions not attempted.

2. The above change will be implemented with effect from the next PIB (tentatively in August 2016) onwards.