A- Preliminary/Screening Examination

(1) Date, time, Shifts and Centres -

Online Preliminary Examination, for the purpose of screening, may be held on 16-03-2019. However, due to any exigency, number of candidates, availability of nodes, technical difficulty or any other reason, the Preliminary Examination may be conducted in two or more shifts either on the same day or on different date(s), though the duration of online Exam of each shift shall be same *i.e.* Two Hours (120 Minutes). Online Examination, scheduled for any date/Shift, at all or any one or more Center(s), may be cancelled, for any reason including technical snag, calamity, disaster *etc.* and in case of such cancellation of Exam, the online Examination of all candidates scheduled for that date/shift at such center(s) concerned, may be re-scheduled for other suitable date/shift, time and place(s)/center(s). In such case, the Set of Question Paper shall be different from previous date or shift and any candidate/applicant of Online Examination on any date(s)/shift(s) and Center(s) shall have no right to raise any sort of objection in this behalf.

<u>Centres</u> - The Online Preliminary Examination shall be held in Jabalpur, Bhopal, Indore, and Gwalior (at all or one or more places) in different Institutions/Colleges as may be identified by the Service Provider for such purpose by keeping in mind the number of candidates appearing in exam.

Though the Candidates may be given option to opt District/City/Center/shift for Online Preliminary Examination but the District/City/Centre/shift for the candidates, shall be allotted by the Service Provider which shall be final and the candidates shall not have any right to make any objection regarding allotment of District/City/Centre/shift/date.

(2) Practice/Mock Test:

A Mock Test / exam link will be hosted by Service Provider on its website (www.mphc.gov.in) for the candidates before sufficient reasonable period from Preliminary Examination in order to make them familiar with the exam pattern and procedure to be adopted by them during examination.

(3) Pattern and Syllabus of Online Preliminary Exam-

The Online Preliminary (Screening) Examination shall be conducted online, through the portal, website and system of Service Provider and there shall be objective multiple choice Questions wherein the candidates shall have 4 options to select the most appropriate/right answer to be given in online Examination.

The Questions of the Question Paper shall be accessible only on the date and at the provided time of online Examination, on the screen of Machine/ computer of the candidates and after second logging by using Unique I.D. & Password provided to each candidate. The Keyboard of such computers/machines shall remain inactive during whole examination period.

During Online Examination there shall be shuffling of Questions as well as options of Question, on each computer screen so that there may not be any possibility of same question in same serial no. and same sequence of options of question on other computer screens of any examination Hall/room at any particular time. During Examination, at any point of time, only one question and its shuffled options will appear on screen of computer of any of the candidates of that Exam Hall /Room which may be different question on the other candidates' computer, at any particular point of time.

Once the candidate gives the answer of one question and seal the option by applying Save & Next button, the next question with options, will appear on the computer screen and so on, till the last question of the question paper and unless the opted answer of any question is marked for review, after the answer opted and Save and Next button is applied, the next question with its options will appear on the screen and thereafter, no change in options of the question so answered, may be made. After completing online examination, the candidates shall be required to seal/submit the answered Question Paper, thereafter no addition or amendment of answer/option can be made. The Data and activity of each candidate taking online examination shall be stored in the server of the Service Provider.

Question paper for Online Preliminary Examination shall contain <u>150</u> multiple choice objective type questions to be solved within a period of Two hours (120 Minutes).

The Syllabus with proportionate marks shall be as given hereinafter:-

S.N.	Subject	No. of Ques.	Marks
1.	I.P.C., Cr.P.C. & Evidence Act	30	30
2.	C.P.C.,T.P. Act & Contract Act	20	20
3.	Constitution of India	10	10
4.	Specific Relief Act	5	5
5.	N.D.P.S. Act	4	4
6.	Limitation Act	3	3
7.	Negotiable Instrument Act	3	3
8.	M.P. Land Revenue Code	5	5
9.	M.P. Accommodation Control Act	5	5



10.	Hindu Marriage Act, Hindu. Succession Act & Hindu Adoption & Maintenance Act only)	7	7
11.	SC & ST (Prev. Of Atrocity) Act	3	3
12.	Motor Vehicle Act (Chapter X, XI & XII only)	3	3
13.	Court Fees Act, Indian Registration Act & Indian Stamp Act)	7	7
14.	General Knowledge	15	15
15.	Computer Knowledge	10	10
16.	General English	10	10
17.	Law Lexicon & Maxims	5	5
18.	Medical Jurisprudence	5	5
	Total	150	150

Note:- Out of above there shall, also, be some questions based on leading/ latest Supreme Court Decisions and F.B. Decisions of M.P. High Court.

(4) (i) Objections & Finalization of Model Answers -

After completion of Online Preliminary Examination, the proposed Model Answers/Keys intended to be used for generating result and valuation of online answer-sheet of online Preliminary Exam shall be ported on the website of the M.P. High Court along-with notice, to invite from the candidates objection/clarification etc. regarding any Model Answer/Key. Such objection/clarification may be submitted by the candidate in writing & signed by him or by email to the Principal Registrar / Registrar (Exam) M.P. High Court, Jabalpur, within 07 days during working hours from the date of porting of the proposed Model Answers/Keys. The candidate(s) who raised objection/clarification must have mentioned his/her name & application number alongwith self attested photo copies of source document(s)/ proof on the basis he/she has submitted the objection/clarification.

Objections received within aforesaid time and in aforesaid manner shall be taken into consideration. However, any objection/clarification received without any authentic proof/source or without signature or any objection/clarification received after aforesaid stipulated period/time shall not be entertained/considered on any ground whatsoever and may be rejected without assigning any reason.

Objections/clarification received in aforesaid manner and mode and within aforesaid time limit along with self attested copies of the source/proof document shall be considered and the model Answers shall be finalized. The



Model Answer so finalized shall be used as Keys/model Answer for the generation of result/valuation of the answer-sheets of the candidates of Online Preliminary Exam. After declaration of result of Online Preliminary Exam, no representation regarding any objection/ clarification of any model answer/questions, shall be entertained on any ground, whatsoever it may be, and such representations, if any, received after declaration of the result, shall stand rejected, without assigning any reason.

(ii) Valuation, Minimum marks & Result of Online Preliminary Exam by Service Provider -

After completion of Online Preliminary Examination, the valuation shall be made by the software and system of Service Provider, as early as possible by the Service Provider. The Result shall be uploaded by Service Provider on its website and copy of the Result provided by the Service Provider shall, also, be uploaded on the website of the M.P. High Court.

Minimum Marks -

The candidates of UR (Un-reserved) & OBC category, who secure 55% (82.5, round off - 82 marks, out of 150 marks) or more marks (subject to a number of maximum candidates in the ratio of 1:10) and the candidates of SC & ST categories, who secure 50% (75 marks, out of 150 marks) or more marks (subject to a number of maximum candidates in the ratio of 1:10) shall be eligible to apply for the Main Examination. However, candidates securing marks equal to the cut-off marks shall also be eligible to apply for the Main Examination.

Being the screening test, no reservation shall be given / applicable to the candidates; however, in order to provide fair opportunity to all categories candidates, a separate Merit list of successful candidates, for each category shall be prepared. There shall be no prescribed minimum number of candidates, if sufficient number of the candidates could not secure minimum prescribed marks in ratio of 1:10 of the vacancies.

As per requirements of advertisement of Examination, the Result (1) Roll Number wise Marks List of all candidates appeared in Online Preliminary Exam and (2) Merit-cum-Category-wise Marks-List of candidates successful for applying for Main Exam, shall be prepared by the Service Provider. The Result, so prepared, by Service Provider shall be provided to the Examination Cell of the High Court.

A Notice to the effect that the result has been declared and is available on the website of Service Provider and M.P. High Court, may be displayed on the Notice Board of the High Court (Examination Cell).



B- Main Written Examination (400 Marks)

(1) Applications and Documents for Main Examination -

After Preliminary Examination Results, every candidates who have qualified and desirous to appear in Main Examination, shall have to submit an Application Form, which shall be ported on the website of High Court of M.P. and candidates may download and take print out of it, duly filed up and signed by him, along with self attested copies of all required documents & recent colored photographs. The Application forms and documents must be sent, in such a manner and within such a time that the same must reach/ be received in Examination Cell of the High Court on or before last date for the receipt of application of Main Examination.

Candidates are cautioned that their applications, found to be incomplete or/and are not accompanied by the requisite documents, will be summarily rejected without assigning any reason.

Non-receipt of completed Application Forms of any candidate, within time mentioned above, for whatsoever reason even postal delay, will not be accepted as an excuse for late submission of application forms and application received after last date shall be summarily rejected without assigning any reason.

<u>List of Documents/certificates to be submitted with the Application for Main Examination</u>:-

Candidates qualifying for Main Examination shall have to submit with his/her Application Form documents mentioned as under:-

- (1) All details and Self-attested Copies of the Certificates/testimonial relating to their date of birth, caste, qualifications, domicile, experience, standing at the Bar etc.
- (2) Details of Sessions Cases/Civil Cases mentioned by him in Application Form may be verified by the High Court from the concerned authority.
- (3) A Certificate from the Secretary of the State Bar Council or President/Secretary of concerned Bar Association, that he/she is an advocate having practiced for not less than seven years as on required date.
- (4) Self-attested Copies of all other educational certificates and other testimonials mentioned in application.
- (5) Such other document/certificate as may be required by Examination Cell.

(2) Venue, Date & time of Main Examination -

The Main Examination shall be held only at Jabalpur, on two consecutive days. The Date & Time of Main Examination shall be notified later.



(3) Syllabus / Pattern of Main Exam-

The Main Written Examination shall be held on two consecutive days in First and Second shift. There shall be four descriptive question papers. Each paper shall be of three hours duration and shall carry 100 Marks each. On first day, there may be examination of 1st and 2nd Question Paper and on Second day, 3rd and 4th Question Paper exam be conducted for which schedule is as under:—

Sr. No.	Paper	Maximum Marks
1 st	Civil Laws & Procedure	100
2 nd	Writing Skill, Court Practice & Current Legal Knowledge	100
3 rd	Criminal Laws & Procedure	100
4^{th}	Judgment Writing etc.	100

<u>Syllabus for Written Examination</u> shall include the following subjects and topics for which the marks are prescribed as under:-

1st Paper - Civil Laws & Procedure -

Sr. No.	Subjects	Maximum Marks
1	Constitution of India	22
2	Civil Procedure Code,1908	22
3	Transfer of Property Act, 1882	16
4	Indian Contract Act, 1872	16
5	Specific Relief Act,1963 (Chapter I,II & VI to VIII)	8
6	Limitation Act,1963 (Part II & III)	8
7	Hindu Marriage Act, 1955 (Sections – 5, 9, 10, 13A, 13B, 24 to 27)	8

2nd Paper - Writing Skill and Current legal knowledge -

Sr. No.	Subjects	Maximum Marks
1	Article on Legal Topic (in Hindi)	20
2	Summary Writing (in English) (For Summary Writing, a matter like copy of Plaint, Written Statement or Charge Sheet / Complaint may be given and the candidate shall be asked to summarize it into 1/3 rd of the matter given).	20
3	Knowledge of Current Leading Cases (Leading/Latest Supreme Court Decisions and Full Bench Decisions of M.P. High Court since last five years.)	30
4	Translation:- (1) From Hindi to English	15
	(2) From English to Hindi	15



3rd Paper - Criminal Laws and procedure -

Sr. No.	Subjects	Maximum Marks
1	Indian Penal Code,1860	24
2	Criminal Procedure Code,1973	24
3	Evidence Act,1872	24
4	Negotiable Instrument Act,1881 (Sections - 138 to 147)	14
5	S.C. & S.T. (Prevention of Atrocity) Act,1989 (Sections – 2 to 8, 14 and 18)	14

4th Paper - Judgment Writing etc. -

Sr. No.	Subjects	Maximum Marks
1	Settlement of Issues	10
	Framing of Charges	10
3	Judgment Writing (Civil)	40
4	Judgment Writing (Criminal)	40

It is cautioned that the Candidates are required to write their Roll Ro. only in place provided for that purpose at the first cover-page. Writing of his/her own name or roll no. or any mark of identification in any form or any Number or name or mark, by which the answer-book of a candidate may be distinguished/ identified from others, in any place of the Answer-Book not provided for, is strictly prohibited and shall, in addition to other grounds, entail cancellation of his/her candidature and withholding of his/her result, without assigning any reason and any correspondence, in this regard, shall not be entertained. Candidate shall use **only blue or black ink** and shall not use red, green *etc*. ink or Pencil for writing in Answer books.

Result & Minimum marks of Main Written Examination-

After Valuation of Main Examination, the Result shall be prepared and declared without any delay. Endevour shall be made to declare the Result as early as possible, after completion of the valuation.

The Unreserved & O.B.C. candidates will have to secure at least 55% marks aggregate and the S.C. & S.T. candidates will have to secure at least 50% aggregate marks in all four question papers to be declared successful for Interview/viva voce. Result shall be prepared Merit Wise, in the ratio of 1:3 (three candidates against one post), subject to the availability of qualified candidates. However, all candidates securing marks equal to the cut-off marks, shall be eligible for Interview/Viva Voce.

The Result, the Roll No. Wise List of candidates successful for



Interview/Viva Voce, shall be made available on Website of M.P. High Court as well as Notice Board of the High Court (Examination Cell). However, the marks obtained by candidates in Main Written Exam shall not be disclosed at this stage and shall be disclosed only with the Final Result.

- 1. Marks of candidates:- Marks obtained by the candidates in Preliminary & Main Examination shall not be disclosed/published but will be available on the website of Service Provider and can be seen or download by the candidate by login by his/her application number, date of birth & OTP generated on their respective mobile number. It is appropriate to mention here that the marks obtained by the candidates in preliminary exam shall be disclosed after declaration of result of preliminary exam and marks obtained by the candidates in main exam shall be disclosed after declaration of final result.
- Rechecking/Revaluation: There is no provision for Rechecking of Marks or Revaluation of Answer Sheet/Books at any stage of examination. Any representation/application in this regard shall not be entertained and shall stand rejected without assigning any reason.

C- Interview/Viva voce

The Interview/Viva Voce shall carry 50 marks and minimum 40% marks, have to be secured by the Candidate to be finally selected. Interview shall be held only at Jabalpur.

After result of Main Examination, the candidates who qualified for Interview shall be called for Interview Roll No.-wise. Call Letters shall be generated by the Service Provdider on its website and a Interview plan, showing Roll No. & Name of the candidates and place, date & time of Interview and also list of original documents/testimonials to be produced for checking and comparing with the photocopies submitted with the Application Form for Main Exam, shall be ported on the website of the M.P. High Court.

Before Interview, the original documents of the candidates shall be checked by the Staffs of the Examination Cell and any candidate fails to produce original document, he/she may be debarred from appearing in Interview. The Candidate who remains absent in Interview/viva voce shall be deemed to be disqualified for selection.

9. Final Result /Select List -

After completion of process of interview / Viva voce, final result shall be prepared, on the basis of aggregate marks obtain by candidate in main written examination and Viva-Voce. Provisional Select List subject to the



approval by the Full Court of M.P. High Court shall be prepared, as early as possible. Select list and result shall be declared and published in order of merit. The result shall be published /uploaded on the Website of M.P. High Court (www.mphc.gov.in).

- (1) Provisional Select List. (2) Roll No.-Wise Marks List of all candidates who have qualified for Interview and (3) Roll No.-Wise Marks List of all candidates who appeared in Written Examination shall be prepared. A notice regarding declaration of the result shall be affixed on the Notice Board of the High Court.
- <u>Note 1</u>- Any representation/application for changing dates of examination /selection process, for relaxation of conditions mentioned in the advertisement or Examination related directions or guidelines or minimum marks or qualifications/requirements etc. or for revaluation, shall not be entertained and shall be summarily rejected without assigning any reason.
- <u>Note 2</u>- All the directions/instructions/guidelines /format issued regarding examination shall be treated as part of the advertisement.
- <u>Note 3</u>- The High Court shall have all the right reserved to make any change at any time of Selection process which may be notified by porting on the website of High Court (www.mphc.in).

10. Post Selection Process :-

- (i) A candidate selected for appointment shall be required to undergo medical examination or physical fitness by a Medical Board before he is appointed. Every candidate who appears before a Medical Board shall pay the Medical Examination fee, which in no case shall be refundable.
- (ii) The training shall be such as may be prescribed by the High Court.
- (iii) A person appointed in the Madhya Pradesh Higher Judicial Service shall be on probation for a period of two years and the High Court may extend the period of probation. The High Court may, at any time during or at the end of period of probation, recommend the termination of services of such probationers.
- (iv) The conditions of service of appointment on the post advertised shall be governed by the Rules, Regulations and Circulars etc. applicable to the M.P. Higher Judicial Services, in force from time to time.

Corrigendum: At any time after the recruitment process has started if any Clarification, Modification etc. is required to be made on the part of High Court then it may be done by porting a corrigendum on the official website of MP High Court and of Service Provider. Porting of corrigendum on official



website shall be deemed as sufficient notice to all candidates/ aspirants and no objection shall be entertained on the ground that candidate was having no information of such corrigendum.

<u>RTI</u> - As the data of Preliminary Online Exam may be available with the Service Provider, the information in PDF form as to "Candidate Response Sheet" of Online Preliminary Examination, shall be made available, only to the candidate concerned, by the Service Provider / High Court on its website subject to payment of prescribed fees only after declaration of result & before expiry of a period of 03 months from the date of declaration of Online Preliminary Exam result. After, expiry of period of 03 months from the date of declaration of result of online preliminary examination and thereafter, the data regarding answer-sheets of online preliminary examination may be eliminated.

RTI Application for Main Written Examination shall not be entertained before the declaration of Final Result.

Elimination/disposal of Used Examination Materials :-

After lapse of one year from the date of declaration of Final result/select list of the selection process, all used answer-books/sheets of main examination & interview, application Forms (except application forms for main exam of finally selected candidates) and other Examination Material, shall be eliminated / disposed of unless Court case is pending. However, regarding online Preliminary Examination, data of online answersheets etc. shall be eliminated after lapse of three months from the date of declaration of result of online Preliminary Examination.

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