

## **RUBBER BOARD**

### **Selection of Field Officer**

#### FREEQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Whether Rubber Board employees have to furnish NOC ?

No. They can upload the Identity Card issued by the Board.

2. Whether seniority of other Central Government / Rubber Board employees will be protected in this selection to the post of Field Officer ?

No. They will be considered as a fresh recruits and their position will be as per the rank list of the present selection. However, their previous service will be counted for all other purposes, as per rules.

3. Whether period of present service is to be mentioned in the NOC ?

Yes. If an applicant is presently employed, his / her period of service in the present employment shall be mentioned in the NOC.

4. What is 'Equivalent' qualification ? Why Equivalency Certificate is to be produced ?

As per notification, certain qualifications are fixed as essential qualification. Equivalent qualification means, any qualification which is equal to the essential qualification noted in the advertisement. In order to prove the equivalency of the qualification other than those mentioned as essential qualification in the notification, an equivalency certificate, issued by the UGC accredited Universities should be attached.

5. What is the duration of the selection test ?

The test duration is 2 hours.

6. How many questions will be there in the test ?

The test will consist of 100 multiple-choice questions (MCQs).

7. What is the marking scheme for the test ?

- Each correct answer carries 4 marks.
- Each incorrect answer carries 1 negative mark.
- Unanswered questions will not be awarded or penalized.

8. What is the syllabus for the test ?

The syllabus covers:

- Bachelor's degree-level subjects - Agriculture  
(Agronomy, soil science, plant breeding & genetics, pathology, plantation crops, agricultural meteorology and extension education etc.)
- Master's degree-level subjects – Botany  
(Plant physiology and anatomy, genetics, ecology, taxonomy, cell biology, biotechnology etc.)

9. Are there any negative marks for wrong answers ?

Yes, there is a negative marking of 1 mark for each wrong answer.

10. What type of questions will be asked in the test ?

The test will consist of multiple-choice questions (MCQs) with four options, out of which only one will be the correct answer.

11. Can I skip questions if I am unsure of the answer ?

Yes, you can skip questions if you are unsure. Unanswered questions will not result in any negative marking.

12. Will the test include questions on current trends in Agriculture and Botany ?

The test will primarily focus on core concepts from the syllabus. However, candidates are encouraged to stay updated on recent developments in agriculture and botany.

13. Is there a balance between Agriculture and Botany questions in the test ?

Questions will cover both the areas. Candidates should prepare for both subjects.

14. Will the test include practical-based questions from Agriculture and Botany ?

The test will primarily focus on theoretical concepts from the syllabus. However, some questions may involve practical applications of these concepts.

15. Can a student undergoing the B.Sc (Agri) or M.Sc (Botany) apply for the post ?

No. The candidate should possess valid certificate to prove the eligibility at the time of application itself.

16. Can the student having the degree other than B.Sc. (Agri.) or M.Sc. (Botany) [For eg. B.Sc (Horticulture) etc.] is eligible to apply ?

Yes, subject to the production of equivalency certificate from the UGC accredited universities.

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