

Exam Strategies

For RBI, SEBI and NABARD

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Message

For aspirants



I have provided this document as a personalised strategy to help you prepare for RBI, SEBI or NABARD Examination.

The fact that you have reached here means that you have followed quite a bit of steps created by me to help you (and I) understand your preparation needs better.

I would like to congratulate you on sticking around and following all steps as asked by me. If you can be so patient with me, I know you have the fire in you to do it.

It is now my responsibility that you get the right strategy and the right guidance so that the day you step into the examination hall is not an anxious, nervous day but a confident, proud day for you.

If we consider life as a game and the hurdle of clearing your examination as an important stage which determines the further stages, then you need 2 things- intense fighting skills and the right ammunition to knock down your enemies and emerge victorious by the end of this stage. Do not worry, I am that person who can teach you fighting skills and provide the right ammunition for your fight.

Let us now come out of our gaming zone and get right into the preparation. Remember, it's not easy but it's worth it. Take a deep breath, tell yourself that you can do anything you want and let us dive right into the next phase.



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I have a table below. It has been designed keeping in mind the following:



1. Your academic qualification



2. No. of hours you can dedicate for your preparation

Based upon your inputs, I have created a personalised table which can guide you in your preparation for the upcoming examination.

Let us understand some basic points so that you can go through the table successfully:

1. Your academic qualification has been used to classify you into one of the 2 categories:

Category 1

If you belong to the first category, you are either “Above average in phase I & new in phase 2”

Category 2

If you belong to the second category, you are “new in both phase I and phase 2”.

2. Another classification has been made, based on the number of hours you can dedicate consistently. The division of your total hourly commitment per day into hours spent on phase I and hours spent on phase 2 has been made in the below table.

You can fall in any one of the following categories:

You can allocate

< 3 hours / day

3 to 6 hours / day

> 6 hours / day

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Please go through the following additional points for a better understanding :



1. For RBI Aspirants:

Phase I includes Quantitative Aptitude, Reasoning, English and General Awareness

Phase 2 includes Economic and Social Issues, Finance & Management and English Descriptive



2. For SEBI Aspirants:

Phase I includes Quantitative Aptitude, Reasoning, English, General Awareness and 6 papers namely Commerce & Accountancy, Costing, Economics, Companies Act, Finance and Management

Phase 2 includes 6 papers namely Commerce & Accountancy, Costing, Economics, Companies Act, Finance and Management. It also includes a separate test of English Descriptive.



1. For NABARD Aspirants:

Phase I includes Quantitative Aptitude, Reasoning, English, General Awareness, Agriculture and rural development and Economic & Social Issues.

Phase 2 includes Agriculture and rural development and Economic & Social Issues in one paper and English descriptive as a separate paper.

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You might be good at some aspects of Phase 1 or Phase 2 but are assumed to be requiring improvement in some other factors. Keeping that in mind, time allocation has been made between Phase 1 and Phase 2 in your study plan.

Having understood the above points, let us now go through the table:

Academic Qualification	No. of hours the student can study	Phase 1- Above Average Phase 2- New	Phase 1- New Phase 2- New
MBA/ CAT/ Banking Exams/ Btech	< 3 hours	1 hour- Phase 1 2 hours- Phase 2	
	3 - 6 hours	1 hour- Phase 1 5 hours- Phase 2	- - -
	> 6 hours	1 hour- Phase 1 >5 hours- Phase 2	
In college/ Graduate/ Masters/ CA, CFA, CWA/ UPSC	< 3 hours		1 hour- Phase 1 2 hours- Phase 2
	3 - 6 hours	- - -	2 hours- Phase 1 4 hours- Phase 2
	> 6 hours		2 hours- Phase 1 >4 hours- Phase 2



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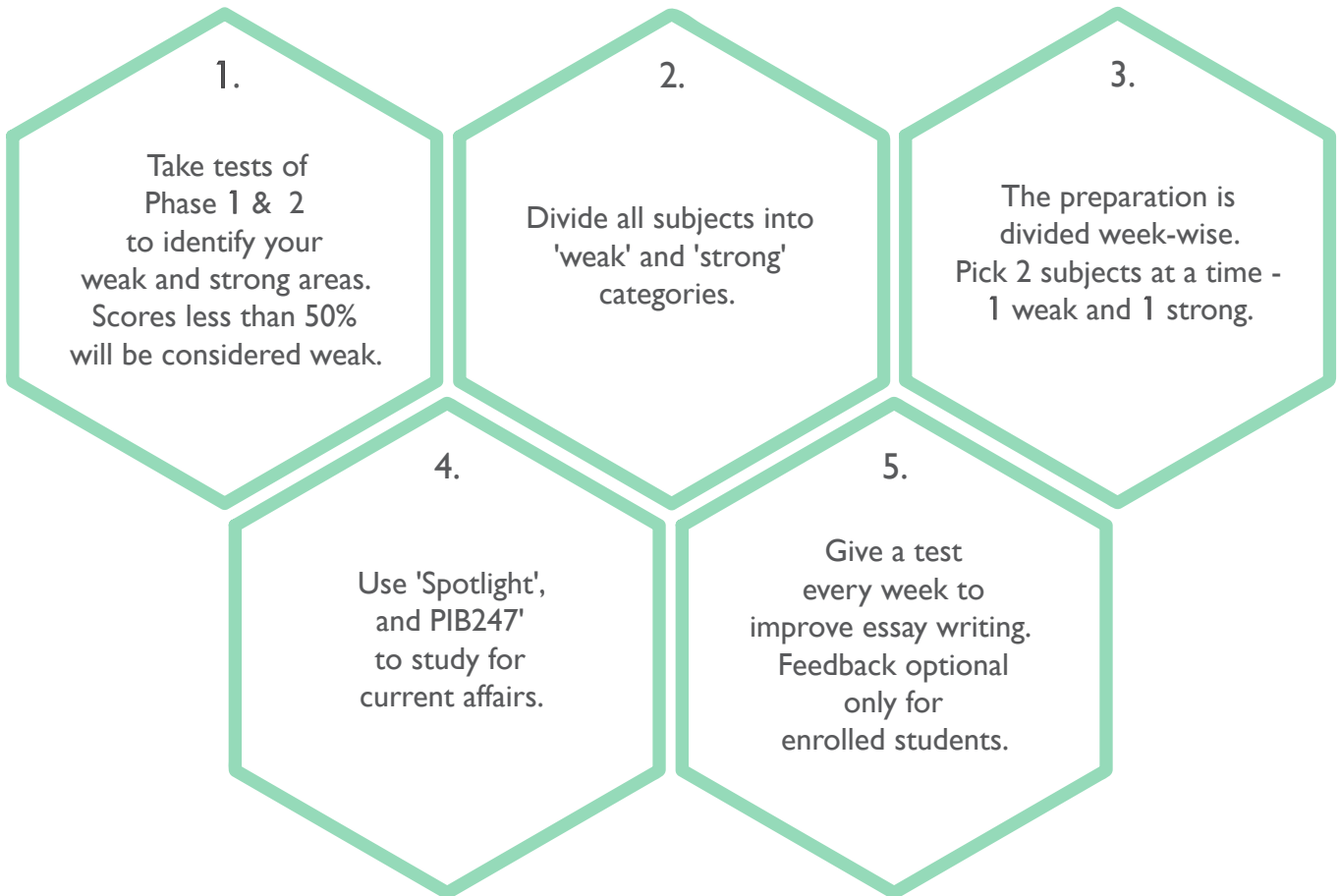


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Study Sequence



Phase 1

QUANT, REASONING AND ENGLISH WEEK WISE STUDY PLAN

QUANT

Week 1

- HCF & LCM
- Ratio & Proportion
- Avg, Mixtures & Alligations
- Percentage
- Profit & Loss
- Time, Speed & Distance
- Time & Work
- Pipes & Cisterns
- Simple Interest & Compound Interest
- Data Interpretation
- Number Series
- Equations

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REASONING

Week 1

- Blood Relations
- Directions
- Venn Diagram- Syllogism
- Number Series
(can also be done in Quant)
- Input - Output
- Ranking
- Coding - Decoding
- Data Sufficiency
- Statement & Assumption
- Statement & Conclusion
- Decision Making
- Arrangements & Puzzle
- Clocks & Calenders
- Inequality

ENGLISH

Week 1

- Reading & Comprehension
- Sentence Correction
- Cloze Test
- Combining Sentence
- Sentence Rearrangement
- Parajumbles
- Fill in the blanks
- Phrase Replacement
- Common Errors

ESI

Week 1

- Economic Terms
 - i. Economic Concepts & Terminologies
- Growth, Development & Sustainable Development
 - i. Growth & Development
- Macro-economics
 - i. Growth Measurement
 - ii. National Income & Per Capita Income
 - iii. Fiscal Policy
 - iv. BoP & Foreign Exchange

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- International & Regional Organisation
 - i. International & Regional Organisation

Week 2

- Indian Economic History before 1991
 - i. Role of Economic Planning
 - ii. Industrial & Labour Policy since 1947
 - iii. Export Import Policy since 1947
 - iv. Agricultural Policy since 1947
- Indian Economic History after 1991
 - i. Economic Reforms in India since 1991
 - ii. Globalisation
 - iii. Opening up of Indian Economy
 - iv. Privatisation
- Social Sectors & Social Movements
 - i. Social Structure in India
 - ii. Multiculturalism
 - iii. Demography
 - iv. Urbanisation
 - v. Migration
 - vi. Gender Issues
 - vii. Positive Discrimination
 - viii. Social Movements
 - ix. Human Development
 - x. Education
 - xi. Health
 - xii. Poverty & Employment
 - xiii. Indian Polity (Not important for the exam)

Week 3

- Indices, Census, Forest, GDP forecast
 - i. Indices & Report
 - ii. Census, SECC, NFHS, Surveys
 - iii. State of Forest Report
 - iv. GDP forecast

Week 4

- Government Schemes
- Economic Surveys
- Union Budget
- Rural Banking, Financial Institutions & Reforms
- Inflation
- Agriculture



AGRICULTURE

Week 1

- Introduction :Agriculture
 - i. Meaning, Scope & Importance
 - ii. Revolutions in Agriculture
 - iii. Branches of agriculture
 - iv. History & Milestones of Events in Agriculture
- Agronomy: Meaning and Definition
 - i. Scope of Agronomy
 - ii. Relation of Agronomy to other sciences
 - iii. Role of Agronomist
 - iv. Important points on Agronomy
- Classification of Field Crops
- Factors affecting Crop Production
 - i. Biotic Factors
 - ii. Abiotic Factors
- Cropping Systems: Definition, Objectives and Types of Cropping Systems
- Problems of Dry Land Agriculture
- Seed Production
 - i. Seed Germination
 - ii. Seed Processing
 - iii. Seed Production Organizations
 - iv. Seed Village

Week 2

- Precision Farming
- Organic Farming
 - i. Principles
 - ii. Advantage & Disadvantage of Organic Farming
- System of Crop Intensification

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- Soil and Water Conservation

- i. Types of Soil;
Major types of Indian Soil
- ii. Soil Fertility & Productivity
- iii. Problematic Soils
- iv. Fertilizers;
Classification of Fertilizers
- v. Soil Erosion: Factors affecting
Soil Erosion; Types Soil Erosion
- vi. Soil Conservation
- vii. Watershed Management
- viii. Dryland Farming- Introduction &
Definition & Importance
- ix. Dryland vs. Rain Fed Farming

- Plantation and Horticulture: Definition, meaning and its branches

- i. Importance of Horticulture
- ii. Agronomic & Production Technology of
Horticulture & Plantation Crops
- iii. Scenario of Horticulture; Post Harvest Technology
- iv. Value & Supply Chain Management
- v. Important points

- Animal Husbandry

- i. Farm Animals & their Role
in Indian Economy Soil
- ii. Animal husbandry
Methods in India
- iii. Common Terms
Pertaining to Different
Species of Livestock
- iv. Utility Classification of
Breeds of Cattle
- v. Common Feeds & Fodders:
Classification & Utility
- vi. Complimentary & Obligatory
Nature of Livestock & Poultry
Production
- vii. Introduction to Poultry Industry
in India (Past, Present & Future status)

- Concept of Mixed Farming;

- i. Relevance to Socio-Economic Conditions of Farmers in India.

- Fisheries

- i. Fisheries Resources
- ii. Management & Exploitation
Freshwater, Brackish water
& Marine
- iii. Aquaculture- Inland &
Marine; Biotechnology
- iv. Post-Harvest Technology
- v. Importance of Fisheries in India.
- vi. Important points & Terminologies
in Fisheries

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Week 2

- Forestry

- i. Basic concepts of Forest & Forestry
- ii. Principles of Silviculture, Forest Mensuration, Forest Management & Forest Economics
- iii. Concepts of Social Forestry, Agroforestry, Joint Forest Management
- iv. Forest Policy & Legislation in India
- v. Recent Developments under Ministry of Environment
- vi. Forest & Climate Change

- Farm and Agri Engineering

- i. Farm Power & Machinery
- ii. Sources of Power on the Farm
- iii. Water Harvesting Structure
- iv. Watershed Management
- v. Agro Processing : Basic concepts; Organisations & Industries of Agro Processing
- vi. Controlled & Modified Storage
- vii. Storage Structures

- Water Resource

- i. Irrigation Management: Types of Irrigation, Sources of Irrigation
- ii. Crop-water requirement, Command Area Development
- iii. Water Conservation Techniques
- iv. Micro-irrigation, Irrigation pumps, Major, Medium & Minor irrigation

- Ecology and Climate Change

- i. Ecology & its Relevance
- ii. Natural Resource Conservation & Management
- iii. Climate Change
- iv. Climate change Impact to Agriculture & Rural livelihood; carbon credit
- v. Different Organisations & Initiatives by Government of India

- Agricultural Meteorology : Basic Concepts and Scope

- i. Weather Parameters; Crop-weather Advisory

- Agriculture Extension

- i. Importance & Role
- ii. Methods of Evaluation of Extension Programmes
- iii. Role of Krishi Vigyan Kendra's (KVK)

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- Present Scenario of Indian Agriculture

- i. Recent trends, Major challenges in Agriculture
- ii. Measures to Enhance viability of Agriculture
- iii. Factors of Production in Agriculture
- iv. Agricultural Finance & Marketing; concept; Sources and its Importance
- v. NABARD
- vi. Agriculture Marketing
- vii. Differences b/w Financing of Agricultural & Other Sectors
- viii. Impact of Globalization on Indian Agriculture & Issues of Food Security
- ix. Indian Government Programmes & Initiatives
- x. Concept and Types of Farm Management

- Agriculture Census

- National Research Institutes in India and Headquarter

- Union Budget

- Rural Banking, Financial Institutions & Reforms

- International Research Institutes in India and Headquarter

- Glossary

RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Week 1

- Rural Area

- i. Meaning, Scope & Importance
- ii. Structure
- iii. Causes of Backwardness
- iv. Sector wise changes in Rural India

- Rural Occupational Structure

- i. Artisans & Handicrafts
- ii. Forest Dwellers
- iii. Tribes in rural India

- Panchayati Raj

- i. Functions of Panchayat

- Schemes on Rural Development

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NABARD study guide

1.

Take tests of Phase 1 & 2 to identify your weak and strong areas. Scores less than 50% are put in the weak category, while the rest go in strong. Divide all subjects on that basis.

2.

The entire preparation is divided into a week-wise* timetable to help set weekly goals. Pick only 2 subjects at a time - 1 weak and 1 strong .

Hypothetically, if you pick Agriculture and Quant, you will notice that Quant ends in Week 1 but Finance doesn't. Thus, for Week 2, you can proceed with the next slot of Finance and pick another subject from your weak list - eg. Reasoning.

3.

Preparation for current affairs should be daily. Focus on '**Spotlight**' - our monthly magazine for Phase 1 & consult PIB247' Magazines for Phase 2. These are updated daily and designed specifically for RBI.

4.

English descriptive essay writing can be covered by taking 1 test every week. Your essays will be checked regularly and you will be provided with constructive feedback to enable improvements. (This service is only applicable for enrolled students)

* Kindly note that the week-wise demarcation is only on the basis of the time it takes to finish certain topics. Since every subject has a week 1, do not attempt to do all in the same week. More than two subjects should not be attempted together at any point.



That's all for this one!

