

भारतीय डाक विभाग
Department of Post, India
मुख्य डाक महाध्यक्ष का कार्यालय, बिहार परिमंडल, पटना - 800 001
Office of the Chief Postmaster General, Bihar Circle, Patna – 800 001
NOTIFICATION

To,

1. The Postmaster General, North Region, Muzaffarpur.
2. The Postmaster General, East Region, Bhagalpur.
3. The GM (F), PAO, Patna GPO Campus, Patna.
4. All Group Officers, Circle Office, Patna.
5. The Chief Postmaster, Patna GPO, Patna.
6. All Sr Supdt/Supdt. of Post Offices/RMS in Bihar Circle.
7. The Supdt., PSD, Patna/Muzaffarpur.
8. The Supdt., CSD, Patna.
9. The Manager, MMS, Patna.
10. Incharge P & T Admin Cell, C/o 56 APO

No:- R&E-83/MTS/PM-MG/Exam/2026

Dated at Patna, the 01.06.2026

Sub:- Competitive Examination for recruitment to the cadre of Postman, Mail Guard and Multi-Tasking Staff from eligible Gramin Dak Sevaks (GDSs) for the vacancies earmarked for GDS and unfilled vacancies of Limited Departmental Competitive Examination (LDCE) for Postman/Mail Guard for the vacancy year 2026 (01.01.2026 to 31.12.2026).

Applications are invited in the format enclosed (**Annexure-I**) from the willing and eligible GDSs for appearing in the Competitive Examination (CE) for recruitment to the cadre of Postman, Mail Guard and Multi-Tasking Staff (MTS) from eligible GDSs for the vacancies earmarked for GDS and unfilled vacancies of LDCE for Postman/Mail Guard for the vacancy year 2026 (01.01.2026 to 31.12.2026). The schedule of activities of the examination is furnished here under:

S. No.	Activity	Proposed Date (Schedule)
1.	Date of Notification	On or before 01.06.2026 (Monday)
2.	Last date for receipt of Application form at Divisional Office/Controlling Unit from eligible candidates.	22.06.2026 (Monday)
3.	Receipt of duly filled in Application forms along with List of Permitted Candidate at the Regional Office to be sent by Divisional Office/Controlling Unit duly verified.	24.06.2026 (Wednesday)
4.	Receipt of duly filled in Application forms along with List of Permitted Candidate at the Circle Office (Nodal Officer) to be sent by RO duly verified.	29.06.2026 (Monday)
5.	Issue of Admit Card by CO/RO/DO to eligible candidates.	06.07.2026 (Monday)
6.	Date of Examination (date & time)*	12.07.2026 (Sunday)*

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*Examination will commence exactly at 10:00 AM in all the Circles and Paper-I, II & III (for Postman, Mail Guard) and paper-I (for Multi-Tasking Staff) will be conducted in continuity. There will be no break in between the three papers and candidates will not be allowed to leave his/her seat before completion of examination.

2. **Vacancies:**

a. **Postman and mail Guard** - Number of vacancies of Postman and Mail Guard for the year 2026 (01.01.2026 to 31.12.2026) will be intimated later on.

b. **Multi-Tasking Staff** - Number of vacancies of MTS for the year 2026 (01.01.2026 to 31.12.2026) will be intimated later on.

**The guidelines for reservation in promotion to Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBDs) issued by DoPT O.M. No. 36012/1/2020-Estt. (Res.-II) dated 28.12.2023 and issued by SCT Section, DoP letter No. SC-12/9/2022-SCT-DOP dated 09.01.2024 shall be followed in letter and spirit.

The Proviso of Section 34 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (RPWD) Act, 2016 provides that the reservation in promotion shall be in accordance with such instructions as are issued by the appropriate Government from time to time.

As per DoPT Office Memorandum No. 36012/1/2020-Estt. (Res.-II) dated 17.05.2022, four percent (4%) of the total number of vacancies in the cadre strength within Group "C", from Group C to Group 'B' and from Group 'B' to the lowest rung of Group 'A' shall be reserved for PwBDs. Reservation in promotion shall be applicable in the cadres in which the element of direct recruitment, if any, does not exceed 75%.

3. **Eligibility Criteria:** -

A. Postman and Mail Guard:-

As per Department of Posts, Postman and Mail Guard (Group 'C' post) Recruitment Rules, 2018 notified in GSR 899 (E) dated 20.09.2018 read with Recruitment (Amendment) Rules, 2020 notified in GSR 157 (E) dated 05.03.2020 and Recruitment (Amendment) Rules, 2023 notified in GSR 638 (E) dated 30.08.2023 (**Annexure-III-A**), the following are eligibility conditions to appear in the examination:

- (i) **Educational and Other Qualification:** (a) 10th standard pass from a recognized Board, (b) Knowledge of working on computer, (c) Knowledge of local language of Bihar Circle and (d) Possesses a valid license to drive two -wheeler or light motor vehicle. [Point D is valid for the Cadre of Postman only].
- (ii) **Age:** Should be within fifty (50) years of age as on 01.01.2026 (relaxable for different categories as notified by the Government of India from time to time).
- (iii) **Services eligibility: Five (05) years** regular engagement as Gramin Dak Sevaks.
- (iv) "A person not possessing a valid license to drive two-wheeler or light motor vehicle shall also be eligible for appointment, however, such person not having valid license to drive two-wheeler or light motor vehicle at the time of appointment shall not earn periodical increment in pay till production of such license or for a period of five years from the date of appointment, whichever is earlier and after production of such license or expiry of such five years period, pay shall be restored prospectively to the level pay would have reached had the periodical increment in pay was not withheld and no arrears of pay shall be paid for the intervening period. However, Persons with Benchmark Disability shall be exempted from the possession of such license.

[This condition is required for recruitment to the cadre of Postman only]."

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Note-1: The crucial date of eligibility for reckoning the eligibility conditions as above shall be 01.01.2026.

Note-2: (a) The crucial date, for submitting income and asset certificate by the EWS candidate, may be treated as the closing date for receipt of application for the post, except in cases where crucial date is fixed otherwise (As per para 5.3 of DoPT OM No. 36039/1/2019-Estt (Res) dated 31.01.2019).

(b) Person seeking appointment on the basis of reservation to EWS must ensure that he/she possesses the Income & Asset certificate valid for the financial year 2026-27 issued on the basis of Income for the financial year 2025-26 in accordance with the para 4.1 of DoP&T's OM No. 36039/1/2019-Estt (Res) dated 31.01.2019.

(v) Any other eligibility conditions specified in Recruitment Rules shall also apply.

B. Multi-Tasking Staff:- As per the Department of Posts Multi-Tasking Staff (Group 'C' post) Recruitment Rules, 2018 notified in GSR 781 (E) dated 16.08.2018, read with the Department of Posts (Multi-Tasking Staff) Recruitment Amendment Rules, 2019 notified in GSR 850 (E) dated 15.11.2019 and the Department of Posts (Multi-Tasking Staff) Recruitment Amendment Rules, 2023 notified in GSR 639 (E) dated 30.08.2023 (**Annexure-III-B**), GDSs with the following conditions are eligible to appear in the Competitive Examination:

- i. Educational Qualification and Age limit: There shall be no upper age limit and no minimum educational qualification required for appearing in Competitive Examination from GDS to MTS.
- ii. Service eligibility: **Three (3) years** regular engagement as Gramin Dak Sevaks as on crucial date of eligibility.
- iii. Any other eligibility conditions specified in Recruitment Rules shall also apply.

4. **Pattern & Syllabus of Examination:** The examination will be conducted as per the revised pattern and syllabus circulated by Directorate vide letter No. 17-08/2018-SPN-I dated 05.04.2022 as amended vide letter No. 17-08/2018-SPN-I dated 19.12.2022, 24.04.2023 and 10.07.2024 enclosed as **Annexure-IV**.

Note:

- (i) **Only those candidates who want to be considered for the posts of Postman and Mail Guard should appear for the local language test (Paper-III). Candidates who want to be considered only for the post of MTS need not appear in the local language test (Paper-III).**
- (ii) Paper-IV i.e. [Data Entry Skill Test (DEST)] for recruitment to the posts of Postman and Mail Guard will be held separately at a later date. GDS candidates who secure minimum qualifying marks in Paper-I and Paper-II (combined, i.e. total of marks secured in Paper-I and Paper-II) and also secure minimum qualifying marks in Paper-III separately, will be eligible for appearing in Paper-IV (DEST). Number of candidates to be shortlisted for DEST will be 3 times of the total vacancy of Postman and Mail Guard.
- (iii) Data Entry Skill Test (DEST) will be conducted only in ENGLISH for 15 minutes on computer.
- (iv) Evaluation of performance in DEST will be done through the Software in accordance with the instructions issued from time to time.

5. **Preference/Option:** Applicants are required to indicate the following 'option' for post and 'order of preference' for Divisions/Units as per instruction issued vide DOP letter No. 17-08/2018-SPN-I dated 18.10.2023 followed by clarifications issued by letter dated 31.10.2023.

- (i) **Option for Post:** An applicant may give option for one, two or all three posts and candidature for selection will be considered only if a post has been opted for subject to

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fulfilling the eligibility conditions. For example, an applicant will be considered for Mail Guard only if option is given for Mail Guard, otherwise his candidature will not be considered while preparing merit list for Mail Guard.

- (ii) **Preference of Division by applicants (For Postman/Mail Guard):** The candidates who have applied for the post of Postman/Mail Guard shall give order of preference of Division/Unit for which they intend to be considered. A candidate shall not be considered for a Division/Unit for which preference has not been submitted by him/her.
- (iii) **Preference by candidates appearing in competitive examination for the post of MTS:** Candidates applying for the post of MTS shall submit his/her order of preference for Administrative Offices, DAP (PAOs), Subordinate Office, Civil/Electrical wing etc., wherever vacancy(ies) exist. In addition, they shall also give order of preference for Division/Unit.

Note: The Proforma for the Preference/Option is enclosed as **Annexure-II**

6. **Centres of Examination:** The examination will be conducted at Circle Headquarters only. The candidates will have to appear from the respective centre of their Circle only and under no circumstances, they be permitted to appear from other Circles centre.

Sl. No.	Region	Examination Centre
I	Central Region	Patna
II	East Region	
III	North Region	

Name of venue will be intimated later on.

7. The guidelines issued vide letter No. 29-6/2019-DD-III dated 10.08.2022 (as modified time to time) by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) regarding grant of scribe and compensatory time to eligible disabled persons shall be followed in letter and spirit

8. The Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) issued vide letter No. A-34012/02/2022-DE dated 11.08.2022, letter dated 21.09.2023 and amendment letter No. A-34013/02/2024-DE dated 13.01.2025 to be followed in the conduct of examination at every stage.


9. The Competent Authority reserves the right to cancel this notification or change or modify in the schedule, pattern and syllabus of the examination partially or completely at any point of time.

10. The candidates who are willing to apply for the examination should ensure that they fulfill/satisfy all the eligibility criteria/conditions/instructions mentioned above for appearing in the examination.

11. This notification may be given wide publicity amongst all eligible candidates working in Circle Office/Divisions/Units.

12. This notification is also available on the Departmental website i.e. www.indiapost.gov.in.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.


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Assistant Director (Rectt.)
O/o the Chief Postmaster General
Bihar Circle, Patna – 800 001

Enclosures:- Annexure- I, II , III (A&B) and IV

Copy to:

1. **The GM, CEPT, Mysore – 570010.** He is requested to upload the above notification of Bihar Circle on India Post Website.


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Assistant Director (Rectt.)

Annexure-I

APPLICATION FORM FOR COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION FOR RECRUITMENT TO THE CADRE OF POSTMAN, MAIL GUARD & MTS FROM ELIGIBLE GDS FOR THE VACANCIES EARMARKED FOR GDS AND UNFILLED VACANCIES OF LDCE FOR POSTMAN/MAIL GUARD FOR THE VACANCY YEAR 2026 (01.01.2026 TO 31.12.2026).

Affix recent passport sized photograph duly attested by Divisional Head / Unit Head

Note: All Particulars shall be filled up in BLOCK letter.

Sl. No.	Particulars	Detail(s)
1.	NAME OF THE CANDIDATE	
2.	GENDER (MALE / FEMALE / TRANSGENDER)	
3.	DESIGNATION (BPM / ABPM / DAK-SEVAK)	
4.	DATE OF BIRTH (Attach self-attested Matriculation certificate/marks sheet)	
5.	CATEGORY (UR/SC/ST/OBC/EWS)	
6.	EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION (Attach self-attested copies of Marks sheet)	
7.	OFFICE WHERE PRESENTLY ATTACHED	
8.	DATE FROM WHICH CONTINUING IN GDS ENGAGEMENT	
9.	LENGTH OF ENGAGEMENT RENDERED AS GDS AS ON 01.01.2026 (YY/MM/DD)	___/___/___
10.	AGE AS ON 01.01.2026 (YY/MM/DD)	___/___/___
11.	WHETHER PERSON WITH DISABILITY(ies)	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
11.1	IF YES, NATURE OF DISABILITY(ies) (OH/HH/VH/OTHERS)	
	PERCENTAGE OF DISABILITY(ies)	
12.	WHETHER WORKING IN APS	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
13.	WHETHER ANY PENALTY IS IN CURRENCY OR DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS PENDING. IF YES, DETAILS THEREOF.	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>

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Option for Post/Order of preference

(Postman/Mail Guard/MTS)

GDS candidates shall give option for one, two or all three posts and candidature for selection will be considered, only if a post has been opted for, subject to fulfilling the eligibility conditions. For example, an applicant will be considered for Mail Guard only if option is given for Mail Guard, otherwise his candidature will not be considered Mail Guard while preparing merit list for Mail Guard for the vacancy of 2026 (01.01.2026 to 31.12.2026) and to be submitted along with the application form :

(a) Option for Post:

Sl. No.	Name of Post	Mark (yes/no)	Order of Preference (i.e. 1 st /2 nd /3 rd)
1.	Postman		
2.	Mail Guard		
3.	MTS		

(b) Order of preference of Divisions/Units by GDS applicants: (For Postman/Mail Guard)

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(c) Preference by GDS applicants for the post of MTS:

Order of Preference for Administrative Office, DAP (PAOs), Subordinate Office, Civil/Electrical wing, Division/Unit	
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Signature of Candidates

I certify that the candidate is eligible for vacancy year 2025 and I have verified the list of Divisions/Units preferred by the candidate in the order of preference where vacancies are notified and correct.

Signature of Divisional/Unit Head with Designation stamp

Note: Order of preference should be filled properly and must be certified by Divisional Head/Unit Head only. Divisional Head/Unit Head must ensure that order of preference should not be left blank.

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