



GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA

HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

**SCHEME FOR FREE RESIDENTIAL CIVIL SERVICES (UPSC) COACHING TO THE
CANDIDATES WHO ARE DOMICILES OF ODISHA: 2024-2025**

A. Eligibility Criteria:

1. Domicile

To appear in the entrance examination, a candidate must be a permanent domicile of Odisha.

2. Age Limit

i) The candidate must have attained the age of 21 years and must not have attained the age of 30 years on the **1st day of February, 2024** i.e., the candidate must have been born not earlier than **2nd February, 1994** and not later than **1st February, 2003**.

ii) The upper age-limit prescribed above will be relaxable:

(a) up to a maximum of five years if a candidate belongs to a **Scheduled Caste** or a **Scheduled Tribe**.

(b) up to a maximum of three years in the case of candidates belonging to **Other Backward Classes/ Socially and Economically Backward Classes**.

3. Minimum Educational Qualification

A candidate must have attained the minimum educational qualification, i.e., graduation or any equivalent qualification as on the **1st day of February, 2024**.

B. Selection of candidates:

(i) 200 numbers of aspirants will be selected, through Pre-Qualifying Entrance Examination which will be conducted by State Selection Board, Higher Education Department, for availing coaching at Centurian University of Technology and Management, Jatni.

33% of seats in each category shall be earmarked for women candidates.

(ii) The number may be increased, if required.

C. Plan of Examination:

The Examination will be conducted offline. The Entrance Examination will be consisted of



one paper of Objective type (multiple choice questions) and carry a maximum of 200 marks. There will be two sections, Section-A (General studies based), Section-B (Aptitude Test based). The duration of the examination will be 2 (two) hours.

(ii) The Section-B of the Entrance Examination will be a qualifying paper with minimum qualifying marks fixed at 33%.

D. Syllabus for Entrance Examination: As per the UPSC Civil Services Examination.

Candidates should note that there will be a penalty (negative marking) for each wrong answer (0.5 per wrong mark) marked by a candidate in the Objective Type Question Papers.

E. Centre of Examination:

The entrance examination will be conducted in each of the 5(five) Regional Directorates of Education zones of the State, i.e., Berhampur, Bhubaneswar, Balasore, Jeypore and Sambalpur.

F. HOW TO APPLY:

Candidates are required to apply Online by using the website www.dheodisha.gov.in or <https://www.samsodisha.gov.in/>. Detailed instructions for filling up online applications are available on the above-mentioned website.

Timelines of the Scheme

S.N.	Description	Timeline
1	Availability of Common Application Form (CAF) & Advertisement in the SAMS website	01.03.2024 (04.00 P.M)
2	Last date & Time of applying online (in CAF)	02.04.2024 (11.45 P.M.)
3	Availability of Admit card in SAMS & SSB websites	29.04.2024 onwards
4	Date of Examination	05.05.2024
5	Publication of Selection list	
6	Last date of Admission of Selected Applicants	
7	Commencement of Coaching Classes	Tentatively from June, 2024

G. Duration of coaching:

11 Calendar months (tentatively from June, 2024 to April,2025).

H. Facilities to be provided to the selected candidates during the coaching programme:

Free coaching, boarding and accommodation in Bhubaneswar.

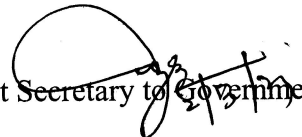
N.B.: (1) This is purely a residential coaching scheme (Day scholars are not allowed under this scheme)

(2) Minimum 90% attendance in each month is compulsory for all candidates.

(3) The aspirants who have already availed and selected for the coaching under the scheme for 2023-24, shall not be eligible to apply.

I. FACILITATION COUNTER FOR GUIDANCE OF CANDIDATES:

In case of any guidance/information/clarification regarding their applications, candidature etc. candidates can contact Department Facilitation Counter over Telephone No. **0674-2954600** on working days between **10.00 hrs and 17.30 hrs.** or through email: civilservicesscheme2024@gmail.com .


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