

**Government of West Bengal**  
**Panchayats & Rural Development Department**  
**63, N.S. Road, Jessop Building, Kolkata 700 001**

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Memo. No. 80/PN/O/III/2E-135/12

Dated: 02.01.2013

**ORDER**

Whereas number of candidates in recruitment test for the post of Gram Panchayats and Panchayat Samitis have gone up manifold over the years as district authorities are publishing advertisement for candidates in news papers for wide publicity and transparency as also many candidates are being sponsored by the Employment Exchange.

And whereas it is a herculean task for the District Level Selection Committee to conduct recruitment test through conventional descriptive written test for such a large no of candidates.

And whereas the need to bring an objectivity in the selection process through critical/objective scoring system is felt imperative.

Now there fore after careful consideration of all aspects, the undersigned is directed to say that the Governor is pleased to order that written test for recruitment in Gram Panchayats and Panchayat Samitis shall henceforth be conducted **only** through Objective and multiple choice question (**MCQ**) method keeping existing syllabus and scoring pattern for both these tiers unchanged. Negative marking for wrong answer should also be in place but to be fixed by the District Level Selection Committee.

By Order of the Governor



OSD & Ex-Officio Deputy Secretary  
to the Govt. of West Bengal.

Copy forwarded for information & necessary action to:-

1. The Commissioner of Panchayats & Rural Development Officer, West Bengal.
2. The Joint Secretary (Policy), PRDD.
3. The District Magistrate/ The Executive Officer.....Zilla Parishad (All)/ S.M.P.
4. The P. S to Hon'ble M. I. C, PRDD.
5. The District Panchayats & Rural Development Officer.....(All) with a request to circulate the copy of this order to the B. D. O s.



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