

cancelled in case of technical snag, calamity, disaster *etc*, at all or any one or more Centre(s). In case of such cancellation, the Online Preliminary or Main Written Exam of all candidates scheduled for that date at the concerned centre(s), may be re-scheduled for some other suitable date, time and place(s)/centre (s). In such case, the Set of Question Paper shall be different from previous date and the duration of Exam of each shift shall be the same. No candidate/ applicant of Online Preliminary or Main Written Exam shall have any right to raise any objection, in this regard.

Examination centers would be equipped with CCTV cameras facing the candidates with Video Recording facility.

3. Practice/Mock Test:

A Mock Test / exam link is being hosted by Service Provider on High Court website i.e. (www.mphc.gov.in) for the candidates before sufficient reasonable period from Online Preliminary Examination in order to make them familiar with the exam pattern and procedure to be adopted by them during examination.

4. Pattern and Syllabus of Online Preliminary Exam-

The Online Preliminary (Screening) Examination shall be conducted online, through the portal, website and system of Service Provider and there shall be objective Multiple Choice Questions (M.C.Q.) wherein the candidates shall have four options to select the most appropriate/right answer to be given in online Examination.

Question paper for Online Preliminary Examination shall contain 150 multiple choice objective type questions to be solved within a period of Two hours (120 Minutes).

Syllabus with proportionate marks for Preliminary Examination of District Judge (Entry Level) Direct from Bar, Exam-2021, as given hereinafter:-

S.N.	Subject	No. of Ques.	Marks
1.	I.P.C., Cr.P.C. & Evidence Act	30	30
2.	C.P.C., T.P. Act & Contract Act	20	20
3.	Constitution of India	10	10
4.	Specific Relief Act	5	5
5.	N.D.P.S. Act	4	4
6.	Limitation Act	3	3
7.	Negotiable Instrument Act	3	3
8.	M.P. Land Revenue Code	5	5
9.	M.P. Accommodation Control Act	5	5
10.	Hindu Marriage Act, Hindu Succession Act & Hindu Adoption & Maintenance Act only)	7	7
11.	SC & ST (Prev. Of Atrocity) Act	3	3
12.	Motor Vehicle Act (Chapter X, XI & XII only)	3	3
13.	Court Fees Act, Indian Registration Act & Indian Stamp Act)	7	7
14.	General Knowledge	15	15
15.	Computer Knowledge	10	10
16.	General English	10	10
17.	Law Lexicon & Maxims	5	5
18.	Medical Jurisprudence	5	5
Total		150	150

Note :- Out of the above, there may also be some questions based on leading/ latest Supreme Court Decisions and Full Bench Decisions of M.P. High Court.

* All above Acts, as stand amended up to the date of publication of Advertisement.

The Questions of Online Preliminary Exam shall be accessible to a candidate on the screen of Machine/Computer of the candidate after login by using Unique I.D. & Password provided to each candidate only on the date and time provided for Online Preliminary Examination. The duration of Online Preliminary Exam shall be two hours (120 Minutes).

Once the candidate gives the answer of one question and seal the

option by applying “Save & Next” button, the next question with options, will appear on the computer screen and so on, till the last question of the question paper and unless the opted answer of any question is marked for “review”, after the answer opted and Save and Next button is applied, the next question with its options will appear on the screen and thereafter, no change in options of the question so answered, may be made. After completing online examination, the candidates shall be required to submit the answered Question Paper, thereafter no addition or amendment of answer/option can be made.

6. (i) Objections & Finalization of Model Answers -

After completion of Online Preliminary Examination, the proposed Model Answers/Keys intended to be used for generating result and valuation of online answer-sheet of online Preliminary Exam shall be ported on the website of the M.P. High Court along-with notice, to invite objections (with supportive documents) from the candidates regarding any Model Answer/Key. Such objection may be submitted by the candidate in writing & signed by him in person/via e-mail/registered post to the Principal Registrar / Registrar (Exam) M.P. High Court, Jabalpur, within 07 days during working hours from the date of porting of the proposed Model Answer/Keys. The candidate(s) who raised objection must mention his/her name & application number along-with self attested photo-copies of source document(s)/proof on the basis of which he/she has submitted the objection.

Objections received within aforesaid time and in aforesaid manner shall be taken into consideration. However, any objection received without any authentic proof/source or without signature or any objection received after aforesaid stipulated period/time shall not be entertained/considered on any ground whatsoever and may be rejected without assigning any reason.

The Model Answer shall be finalized after due consideration of objection(s) received. The Model Answer so finalized shall be used as

Keys/Model Answer for the generation of result/valuation of the answer-sheets of the candidates of Online Preliminary Exam. After declaration of result of Online Preliminary Exam, no representation in respect of objection to any finalized Answer Keys, shall be entertained on any ground, whatsoever it may be and such representations, if any, received after declaration of the result, shall stand rejected, without assigning any reason.

(ii) Valuation, Minimum marks & Result of Online Preliminary Exam by Service Provider -

After completion of Online Preliminary Examination, the valuation shall be made as early as possible. The Result shall be uploaded on the website of the M.P. High Court.

Minimum Marks -

The candidates of UR (Unreserved) and OBC Categories, who secure 60% Marks and the candidates belonging to S.C. & S.T. Categories, who secure 55% marks, subject to the maximum number of candidates in the ratio of 1:10 shall be eligible to apply for the Main Written Examination. However, candidates securing equal minimum cut-off Marks shall also be eligible to apply for the Main Written Examination, irrespective of the fact that by inclusion of such candidates, ratio of 1:10 exceeds.

Being the screening test, no reservation shall be given / applicable to the candidates; however, in order to provide fair opportunity to all categories candidates, a separate Merit list of successful candidates, for each category shall be prepared. There shall be no prescribed minimum number of candidates, if sufficient number of the candidates could not secure minimum prescribed marks in ratio of 1:10 of the vacancies.

A Notice to the effect that the result has been declared and is available on the website of M.P. High Court may be displayed on the Notice board of Examination Cell.

B- Main Written Examination (400 Marks)

1. Applications and Documents for Main Written Examination -

After declaration of Result of Online Preliminary Examination, the eligible/successful candidates shall have to submit Application Form for appearing in Main Written Exam, along-with Self-Attested copies of relevant documents, in prescribed proforma made available on the website of M.P. High Court, with the declaration of result.

The duly filled Applications, with documents, must reach the Examination Cell of the High Court within the prescribed time. Duly and correctly filled Application Form along-with Jammer fees shall be treated as valid, while incomplete Application Form or Application Form with incorrect particulars & without or deficit fees will not be considered to be valid. No correspondence shall be entertained in this regard and the same shall be filed without assigning any reason.

Non-receipt of completed Application Form of any candidate, within time mentioned above, for whatsoever reason i.e. even postal delay, will not be accepted as an excuse for late submission of Application Form and application received after last date shall be summarily rejected without assigning any reason.

2. List of Documents/Certificates to be submitted with the Application for Main Written Examination :-

Candidates qualifying for Main Written Examination shall have to submit with his/her Application Form documents mentioned as under :-

- (1) All details and Self-attested Copies of the Certificates/testimonial relating to their date of birth, caste, qualifications, domicile, experience, standing at the Bar, antecedents, etc.
- (2) Income-tax return of candidate (at least three previous years) in which his/her income should be shown from the profession of Advocate.
- (3) Certified Copies of 10 Finally decided/ Disposed off cases in which his/her name is shown mentioned by him in Application Form which

- may be verified by the High Court from the concerned authority.
- (4) Certificate of Continuous Practice for not less than seven years as on the Last date for filling Online Application Forms issued by the Principal District Judge or in case of High Court, by the Registrar (Judicial)/ Similar Competent Authority.
 - (5) Self-attested Copies of all other Educational Certificates and other testimonials mentioned in application.
 - (6) Such other document/certificate as may be required by Examination Cell.

3. Venue, Date & time of Main Written Examination -

The Main Written Examination shall be held only at Jabalpur, on two consecutive days. The Date & Time of Main Written Examination shall be notified later.

4. Syllabus / Pattern of Main Written Examination –

The Main Written Examination shall be held on two consecutive days in two shifts. There shall be four descriptive question papers. Each paper shall be of three hours duration and shall carry 100 Marks each. On first day, Examination of 1st and 2nd Question Paper and on Second day, Examination of 3rd and 4th Question Paper will be conducted.

Syllabus for Main Written Examination shall include the following subjects and topics for which the marks are prescribed as under:-

1st Paper–Constitution, Civil Law & Procedure (100 Marks)

1. Constitution of India	20 Marks
2. Civil Procedure Code,	20 Marks
3. Transfer of Property Act,	12 Marks
4. Contract Act,	12 Marks
5. Hindu Marriage Act & Hindu Succession Act	12 Marks
6. Specific Relief Act,	08 Marks
7. Limitation Act	08 Marks
8. M.P. Accommodation Control Act	08 Marks

2nd Paper – Article & Summary Writing (100 Marks)

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| 1. Article on Social Topic | 20 Marks |
| 2. Article on Legal Topic | 20 Marks |
| 3. Summary Writing (Legal) | 20 Marks |
| 4. Translation of Hindi into English | 20 Marks |
| 5. Translation of English into Hindi | 20 Marks |

3rd Paper – Local Laws, Criminal Law & Procedure (100 Marks)

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| 1. Indian Penal Code | 20 Marks |
| 2. Criminal Procedure Code | 20 Marks |
| 3. Evidence Act | 20 Marks |
| 4. SC & ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act | 12 Marks |
| 5. POCSO Act | 12 Marks |
| 6. NDPS Act (Chapter-3,4 & 5) | 08 Marks |
| 7. Negotiable Instrument Act (Ch.-13 &17) | 08 Marks |

4th Paper – Judgment Writing (100 Marks)

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| 1. Settlement of Issues | 10 Marks |
| 2. Framing of Charges | 10 Marks |
| 3. Judgment writing (Civil) | 40 Marks |
| 4. Judgment writing (Criminal) | 40 Marks |

Note-1. For Summary Writing, the candidate(s) shall be asked to summarize it into 1/3rd words of the matter given.

Note-2. All provisions of the mentioned laws, in force as on date of Advertisement.

Note-3. It is compulsory for the candidate to appear in the exam of all Question Papers. If any candidate does not appear in any Question Paper then he/she shall not be permitted to appear in the examination of remaining Question Paper(s), the answer sheets of such candidate shall not be evaluated and his/her candidature shall be deemed to be cancelled.

It is cautioned that the candidates are required to write their Roll No. only in place provided for that purpose at the first cover-page. Writing of his/her own name or roll no. or any mark of identification in any form or any Number or name or mark, by which the Answer-book of a candidate may be distinguished/ identified from others, in any place of the Answer-Book not provided for, is strictly prohibited and shall, in addition to other grounds, entail cancellation of his/her candidature and withholding of his/her result. Any correspondence, in this regard, shall not be entertained. Candidate shall use **only blue or black ink** and shall not use red, green *etc.* ink or Pencil for writing in Answer books.

5. Result & Minimum marks of Main Written Examination—

After valuation of Answer Books of Main Written Examination, the result shall be prepared. Endeavour shall be made to declare the result as early as possible.

The Unreserved & O.B.C. candidates will have to secure at least 50% marks aggregate and the S.C. & S.T. candidates will have to secure at least 45% marks aggregate in four papers to be declared successful for Interview/ Viva Voce. Result shall be prepared Merit-wise, in the ratio of 1:3, subject to the availability of qualified candidates, i.e. who have secured minimum qualifying marks. However, all candidates securing marks equal to the cut-off marks, shall be eligible for Interview/Viva Voce.

The Roll No. Wise List of candidates successful for Interview/ Viva Voce shall be made available on Website of M.P. High Court. However, the Marks obtained by candidates in Main Written Exam shall not be disclosed at this stage and shall be disclosed only after the declaration of Final Result.

6. Marks of candidates:-

The marks obtained by the candidates in Online Preliminary Exam may be disclosed after declaration of result of Online Preliminary Exam

and marks obtained by the candidates in Main Written Exam shall be disclosed to concern candidate under RTI only after declaration of Final Result and recommendation letter of selected candidates are sent to Law Department.

7. Rechecking/Revaluation :-

There is no provision for Rechecking of Marks or Revaluation of Answer-books at any stage of Examination. Any representation/application received in this regard shall not be entertained and will automatically stand rejected without assigning any reason.

C- Interview/Viva Voce

The Interview/ Viva Voce shall be of 50 marks and a candidate has to secure minimum 40% marks in Interview to be finally selected. Interview Board(s) consisting of Hon'ble Judges of High Court shall be constituted by Hon'ble the Chief Justice. If any candidate has been awarded less than 20 marks or more than 40 marks, Interview Board may record reason(s) for that. Interview shall be held only at Jabalpur.

After result of Main Written Examination, the candidates who qualified for Interview shall submit Bio-Data Form and Attestation forms to be made available on the website. Call Letters shall be generated by the Service Provider and a Interview plan, showing Roll No., Name of the candidates, place, date & time of Interview and also list of original documents/testimonials to be produced for checking and comparing with the photocopies submitted with the Application Form for Main Written Exam, shall be ported on the website of the M.P. High Court.

Before Interview, the original documents of the candidates shall be checked by the Staff of the Examination Cell and any candidate fails to produce original document, he/she may be debarred from appearing in Interview. The Candidature of candidate who remained absent on the given time and Place for Interview/Viva Voce shall be deemed to be rejected.

8. Final Result /Select List –

After completion of process of interview / Viva Voce (1) Provisional Select List. (2) Roll No.-Wise Marks List of all candidates who have qualified for Interview and (3) Roll No.-Wise Marks List of all candidates who appeared in Main Written Examination shall be prepared. Final result shall be prepared, on the basis of aggregate marks obtained by candidate in Main Written Examination and Viva-Voce. **In final result, if two or more candidates obtained equal Marks in the aggregate, then the candidate who has secured higher Marks in Interview shall be given preference over the other and if Marks of Interview are also same then candidate older in age will be given preference in their respective category.**

The Provisional Select list/result, subject to approval of Full Court of M.P. High Court, shall be declared and published in order of merit on the Website of M.P. High Court (www.mphc.gov.in) after approval from the Examination-cum-Selection & Appointment Committee and Hon'ble the Chief Justice.

9. Post Selection Process :-

- (i) A candidate selected for appointment shall be required to undergo medical examination or physical fitness by a Medical Board before he/she is appointed. Every candidate who appears before a Medical Board shall pay the Medical Examination fee, which in no case shall be refundable.
- (ii) The Training shall be such as may be prescribed by the M.P. High Court.
- (iii) A person appointed in the Madhya Pradesh Higher Judicial Service District Judge-Entry Level (Direct Recruitment from Bar) shall be on probation for a period of two years and the High Court may extend the period of probation. The High Court may, at any time during or at the end of period of probation, recommend the termination of services of such probationers.

(iv) The conditions of service of appointment on the post Advertised shall be governed by the Rules, Regulations and Circulars *etc.* applicable to the M.P. Higher Judicial Services, in force from time to time.

10. Corrigendum :-

At any time after the recruitment process has started, if any Clarification, Modification etc. is required to be made on the part of High Court then it may be done by porting a Corrigendum on the official website of MP High Court. Porting of Corrigendum on official website shall be deemed as sufficient notice to all candidates / aspirants and no objection shall be entertained on the ground that candidate was having no information of such Corrigendum.

11. RTI –

The information in PDF form as to “**Candidate Response Sheet**” of Online Preliminary Examination, shall be made available, only to the candidate concerned on the website of M.P. High Court, subject to payment of prescribed fees only after declaration of result & before expiry of a period of 03 months from the date of declaration of Online Preliminary Exam result. After expiry of period of 03 months from the date of declaration of result of Online Preliminary Examination and thereafter, the data regarding answer-sheets of online preliminary examination may be eliminated.

RTI Application for Marks in Main Written Examination shall not be entertained before the declaration of Final Result.

12. Elimination/disposal of Used Examination Materials :-

After lapse of one year from the date of declaration of Final result/select list of the selection process, all used Answer-books of Main Written Examination & Interview, Application Forms (except Application forms for Main Written Exam of finally selected candidates) and other Examination Material, shall be eliminated / disposed off unless otherwise directed by Competent Authority or Hon’ble Court or case is pending

before Hon'ble Court. However, regarding Online Preliminary Examination, data of online answer-sheets etc. shall be eliminated after lapse of three months from the date of declaration of result of Online Preliminary Examination.

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