

cancel the candidature of the suspected applicants. Hence the applicants are advised in their own interest not to indulge in any unfair practice in the exams.

VI. SYLLABUS

Illustrative syllabus for Phase II (Main Examination) may be as furnished below:

For All Posts from (i) to (x) in Table 1

- 1) Paper I – English:** Essay, Précis writing, Comprehension and Business/Office Correspondence. The paper on English shall be framed in a manner to assess the writing skills including expressions and understanding the topic.

For General Posts as at (a) in Table 1

2) Paper II – Economic & Social Issues and Agriculture & Rural Development

Economic & Social Issues: Nature of Indian Economy - Structural and Institutional features - Economic underdevelopment - Opening up the Indian Economy - Globalisation - Economic Reforms in India - Privatisation. Inflation - Trends in Inflation & their Impact on National Economy and Individual Income. Poverty Alleviation and Employment Generation in India - Rural and Urban - Measurement of Poverty - Poverty Alleviation Programmes of the Government. Population Trends - Population Growth and Economic Development - Population Policy in India. Agriculture - Characteristics / Status - Technical and Institutional changes in Indian Agriculture - Agricultural performance - Issues in Food Security in India - Non Institutional and Institutional Agencies in rural credit. Industry - Industrial and Labour Policy - Industrial performance - Regional Imbalance in India's Industrial Development - Public Sector Enterprises. Rural banking and financial institutions in India - Reforms in Banking/ Financial sector. Globalisation of Economy - Role of International Funding Institutions - IMF & World Bank - WTO - Regional Economic Co-operation. Social Structure in India - Multiculturalism - Demographic trends - Urbanisation and Migration - Gender Issues Joint family system - Social Infrastructure - Education - Health and Environment. Education - Status & System of Education - Socio -Economic Problems associated with Illiteracy - Educational relevance and educational wastage - Educational Policy for India. Social Justice: Problems of scheduled castes and scheduled tribes - socio-economic programmes for scheduled castes and scheduled tribes and other backward classes. Positive Discrimination in favour of the under privileged - Social Movements - Indian Political Systems - Human Development. Current Economic & Social Issues.

Agriculture & Rural Development:

Agriculture: definition, meaning and its branches, Agronomy: definition, meaning and scope of agronomy. Classification of field crops. Factors affecting on crop production, Agro Climatic Zones; Cropping Systems: Definition and types of cropping systems. Problems of dry land agriculture; Seed production, seed processing, seed village; Meteorology: weather parameters, crop-weather advisory; Precision Farming, System of Crop Intensification, organic farming;

- Soil and Water Conservation* : Major soil types, soil fertility, fertilisers, soil erosion, soil conservation, watershed management;

- b) *Water Resource: Irrigation Management:* types of irrigation, sources of irrigation, crop-water requirement, command area development, water conservation techniques, micro-irrigation, irrigation pumps, major, medium and minor irrigation.
- c) *Farm and Agri Engineering :* Farm Machinery and Power, Sources of power on the farm- human, animal, mechanical, electrical, wind, solar and biomass, bio fuels, water harvesting structures, farm ponds, watershed management, Agro Processing, Controlled and modified storage, perishable food storage, godowns, bins and grain silos.
- d) *Plantation & Horticulture:* Definition, meaning and its branches. Agronomic practices and production technology of various plantation and horticulture crops. Post-harvest management, value and supply chain management of Plantation and Horticulture crops.
- e) *Animal Husbandry:* Farm animals and their role in Indian economy, Animal husbandry methods in India, common terms pertaining to different species of livestock, Utility classification of breeds of cattle. Introduction to common feeds and fodders, their classification and utility.
Introduction to poultry industry in India (past, present and future status), Common terms pertaining to poultry production and management. Concept of mixed farming and its relevance to socio-economic conditions of farmers in India. Complimentary and obligatory nature of livestock and poultry production with that of agricultural farming.
- f) *Fisheries:* Fisheries resources, management and exploitation - freshwater, brackish water and marine; Aquaculture- Inland and marine; biotechnology; post-harvest technology. Importance of fisheries in India. Common terms pertaining to fish production.
- g) *Forestry:* Basic concepts of Forest and Forestry. Principles of silviculture, forest mensuration, forest management and forest economics. Concepts of social forestry, agroforestry, joint forest management. Forest policy and legislation in India, India State of Forest Report 2015. Recent developments under Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
- h) *Agriculture Extensions:* Its importance and role, methods of evaluation of extension programmes, Role of Krishi Vigyan Kendra's (KVK) in dissemination of Agricultural technologies.
- i) *Ecology and Climate Change:* Ecology and its relevance to man, natural resources, their sustainable management and conservation. Causes of climate change, Green House Gases (GHG), major GHG emitting countries, climate analysis, distinguish between adaptation and mitigation, climate change impact to agriculture and rural livelihood, carbon credit, IPCC, UNFCCC, CoP meetings, funding mechanisms for climate change projects, initiatives by Govt of India, NAPCC, SAPCC, INDC.
- j) Present Scenario of Indian Agriculture and Allied activities; recent trends, major challenges in agriculture measures to enhance viability of agriculture. Factors of Production in agriculture; Agricultural Finance and Marketing; Impact of

Globalization on Indian Agriculture and issues of Food Security; Concept and Types of Farm Management.

Rural Development: Concept of Rural Area, Structure of the Indian Rural Economy- Importance and role of the rural sector in India- Economic, Social and Demographic Characteristics of the Indian rural economy, causes of rural backwardness.

Rural population in India; Occupational structure, Farmers, Agricultural Labourers, Artisans, Handicrafts, Traders, Forest dwellers/tribes and others in rural India- Trends of change in rural population and rural work force; problems and conditions of rural labour; Issues and challenges in Handlooms

Panchayati Raj Institutions – Functions and Working. MGNREGA, NRLM – Aajeevika, Rural Drinking water Programmes, Swachh Bharat, Rural Housing, PURA and other rural development programmes.

Note: The illustrative syllabus for Main Examination - Paper II for specialised disciplines / posts at Sr. No. (ii) to (x) in Table 1 is given in Annexure.

VII. PRE-RECRUITMENT TRAINING (PRT) FOR SC/ST/OBC/PWBD CANDIDATES

The Bank arranges pre examination training to SC/ST/OBC/PWBD candidates, free of cost. Candidates who desire to avail of the training may apply **SEPARATELY** to the Chief General Manager, NABARD at any one of the centres marked below(**), in the format furnished below on or before **16 April 2018**. The cover containing the application should be super-scribed "APPLICATION FOR PRE-EXAMINATION TRAINING FOR SC/ST/OBC/PWBD CANDIDATES FOR ASST. MANAGER IN RDBS, Outstation **Candidates should not send their application for training to NABARD, HRMD, HO, MUMBAI, as it will not entertain such applications. However, candidates opting for Mumbai Centre for PRT may forward their application to NABARD, HRMD, HO, Plot No. C-25, G Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Mumbai.**

The pre-examination training would be held prior to Preliminary Examination in the following centres. The exact date, time and venue would be informed to the candidates in advance. **The training will be held subject to receipt of adequate number of requests.**

(**) **ADDRESSES OF THE CENTRE:** ONE CENTRE TO BE CHOSEN FROM THE LIST GIVEN BELOW:

(1) NABARD Tower, Opp. Municipal Garden, Usmanpura, Ahmedabad 380 013, (2) NABARD Towers, 46, K.G. Road, Bangalore 560 009, (3) E-5, Arera Colony, Bittan Market, P.O. Ravishankar Nagar, Bhopal 462 016, (4) "Ankur", 2/1 Nayapalli, Civic Centre, Bhubaneswar 751 015, (5) Plot No.3, Sector 34-A, Chandigarh 160 022, (6) 48 Mahatma Gandhi Road, Nungambakkam, Chennai 600034, (7) Hotel Sunrise Building, 113/3, Rajpur Road, Dehradun 248 001, (8) G.S. Road, Opp. Assam Secretariat, Dispur, Guwahati 781001, (9) 1-1-61, R.T.C. Cross Roads, Musheerabad, Hyderabad 500 020 (10) 3, Nehru Place, Tonk Road, Jaipur 302015, (11) B-II, 4th Floor, South Block, Bahu Plaza, Jammu 180 012, (12) Abhilasha, II Floor, 6 Royd Street Kolkata 700016, (13) 11, Vipin Khand, Gomtinagar, Lucknow 226 010, (14) C-24/G Block, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra East, Mumbai 400051, (15) 24 Rajendar Place, New Delhi 110125. (16) Maurya Lok Complex, Block B, 4&5 Floors, Dak Bungalow Road, Patna 800 001 (17) 54 Wellesley Road, Shivaji Nagar, Pune 411 005 (18) 1st Floor, Pithalia Complex,