SSC CHSL Syllabus 2026

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Overview

Official SSC CHSL 2026 syllabus and exam pattern from SSC's notice dated 07.09.2026 for Lower Division Clerk / Junior Secretariat Assistant and Data Entry Operator posts. Selection is through two computer-based tiers; Tier-II includes a qualifying Computer Knowledge Test and a skill or typing test.

Important information

Item	Details
Stages	Tier-I and Tier-II (computer-based); Tier-II Session-II is the skill/typing test
Tier-I timing	60 minutes, with a sectional timer of 15 minutes per subject
Tier-II timing	Section-I: 30 + 30 minutes; Section-II: 40 minutes English, 20 minutes General Awareness; Section-III: 15 minutes
Negative marking	Tier-I: 0.50 mark per wrong answer; Tier-II: 1 mark per wrong answer in Sections I–III
Qualifying	All sections of Tier-II must be qualified; Computer Knowledge Test and skill/ typing test are qualifying
Question language	English, Hindi and the language opted by the candidate (Annexure list), except the English parts
DEO skill test	Part A: 15,000 key depressions per hour; Part B: 8,000 key depressions per hour; 15 minutes
LDC/JSA typing test	35 w.p.m. in English or 30 w.p.m. in Hindi, 10 minutes
Hindi typing font	Mangal font only for the Hindi typing/skill test

Exam pattern

Paper / Stage	Subjects	Questions	Marks	Duration
Tier-I (CBT)	English Language (25), General Intelligence (25), Quantitative Aptitude (25), General Awareness (25)	100	200	60 min (15 min per subject)
Tier-II Section-I	Mathematical Abilities (30), Reasoning and General Intelligence (30)	60	180	1 hour (30 + 30 min)
Tier-II Section-II	English Language and Comprehension (40), General Awareness (20)	60	180	1 hour (40 + 20 min)
Tier-II Section-III (qualifying)	Computer Knowledge Test	15	45	15 min
Tier-II Section-IV (qualifying)	Skill Test (DEO) / Typing Test (LDC/JSA)	—	—	10–15 min

Detailed syllabus

1. Tier-I: English Language (Basic Knowledge) (50 marks)

- Spot the Error
- Fill in the Blanks
- Synonyms/Homonyms
- Antonyms
- Spellings/Detecting mis-spelt words
- Idioms & Phrases
- One word substitution
- Improvement of Sentences
- Active/Passive Voice of Verbs
- Conversion into Direct/Indirect narration
- Shuffling of Sentence parts
- Shuffling of Sentences in a passage
- Cloze Passage
- Comprehension Passage

2. Tier-I: General Intelligence (50 marks)

- Semantic Analogy
- Symbolic operations
- Symbolic/Number Analogy
- Trends
- Figural Analogy
- Space Orientation
- Semantic Classification
- Venn Diagrams
- Symbolic/Number Classification
- Drawing inferences
- Figural Classification
- Punched hole/pattern-folding & unfolding
- Semantic Series
- Figural Pattern-folding and completion
- Number Series
- Embedded figures
- Figural Series
- Critical Thinking
- Problem Solving
- Emotional Intelligence
- Word Building
- Social Intelligence
- Coding and de-coding
- Numerical operations

Verbal and non-verbal questions.

3. Tier-I: Quantitative Aptitude (Basic Arithmetic Skill) (50 marks)

- Number Systems: computation of whole number, decimal and fractions, relationship between numbers
- Fundamental arithmetical operations: percentages, ratio and proportion, square roots, averages, interest (simple and compound), profit and loss, discount, partnership business, mixture and alligation, time and distance, time and work
- Algebra: basic algebraic identities of school algebra and elementary surds (simple problems), graphs of linear equations
- Geometry: triangle and its various kinds of centres, congruence and similarity of triangles, circle and its chords, tangents, angles subtended by chords of a circle, common tangents to two or more circles
- Mensuration: triangle, quadrilaterals, regular polygons, circle, right prism, right circular cone, right circular cylinder, sphere, hemispheres, rectangular parallelepiped, regular right pyramid with triangular or square base
- Trigonometry: trigonometric ratios, complementary angles, height and distances (simple problems only), standard identities like $\sin^2? + \cos^2? = 1$
- Statistical charts: use of tables and graphs — histogram, frequency polygon, bar-diagram, pie-chart

4. Tier-I: General Awareness (50 marks)

- Current events
- Everyday observation and experience in their scientific aspect
- History
- Culture
- Geography
- Economic Scene
- General policy
- Scientific research

Questions relating to India and its neighbouring countries, especially History, Culture, Geography, Economic Scene, General Policy and Scientific Research.

5. Tier-II: Mathematical Abilities (90 marks)

- Number Systems: computation of whole number, decimal and fractions, relationship between numbers
- Fundamental arithmetical operations: percentages, ratio and proportion, square roots, averages, interest (simple and compound), profit and loss, discount, partnership business, mixture and alligation, time and distance, time and work
- Algebra: basic algebraic identities of school algebra and elementary surds (simple problems), graphs of linear equations
- Geometry: triangle and its various kinds of centres, congruence and similarity of triangles, circle and its chords, tangents, angles subtended by chords of a circle, common tangents to two or more circles
- Mensuration: triangle, quadrilaterals, regular polygons, circle, right prism, right circular cone, right circular cylinder, sphere, hemispheres, rectangular parallelepiped, regular right pyramid with triangular or square base
- Trigonometry: trigonometric ratios, complementary angles, height and distances (simple problems only), standard identities like $\sin^2? + \cos^2? = 1$
- Statistics and probability: histogram, frequency polygon, bar-diagram, pie-chart; mean, median, mode, standard deviation; simple probabilities

30 questions, 3 marks each.

6. Tier-II: Reasoning and General Intelligence (90 marks)

- Semantic Analogy
- Symbolic operations
- Symbolic/Number Analogy
- Trends
- Figural Analogy
- Space Orientation
- Semantic Classification
- Venn Diagrams
- Symbolic/Number Classification
- Drawing inferences
- Figural Classification
- Punched hole/pattern-folding & unfolding
- Semantic Series
- Figural Pattern-folding and completion
- Number Series
- Embedded figures
- Figural Series
- Critical Thinking
- Problem Solving
- Emotional Intelligence
- Word Building
- Social Intelligence
- Coding and de-coding
- Numerical operations

30 questions, 3 marks each.

7. Tier-II: English Language and Comprehension (120 marks)

- Vocabulary, grammar, sentence structure, synonyms, antonyms and their correct usage
- Spot the Error
- Fill in the Blanks
- Synonyms/Homonyms
- Antonyms
- Spellings/Detecting mis-spelt words
- Idioms & Phrases
- One word substitution
- Improvement of Sentences
- Active/Passive Voice of Verbs
- Conversion into Direct/Indirect narration
- Shuffling of Sentence parts
- Shuffling of Sentences in a passage
- Cloze Passage
- Comprehension Passage

40 questions, 3 marks each. Two or more comprehension paragraphs — one simple (book or story), one based on a current-affairs editorial or report.

8. Tier-II: General Awareness (60 marks)

- Current events
- Everyday observation and experience in their scientific aspect
- History
- Culture
- Geography
- Economic Scene
- General policy
- Scientific research

20 questions, 3 marks each. Questions relating to India and its neighbouring countries, especially History, Culture, Geography, Economic Scene, General Policy and Scientific Research.

9. Tier-II: Computer Knowledge Test (qualifying) (45 marks)

- Computer Basics: organization of a computer, CPU, input/output devices, computer memory, memory organization, back-up devices, ports, Windows Explorer, keyboard shortcuts
- Software: Windows operating system including basics of Microsoft Office like MS Word, MS Excel and PowerPoint
- Working with Internet and e-mails: web browsing & searching, downloading & uploading, managing an e-mail account, e-Banking
- Basics of networking and cyber security: networking devices and protocols, network and information security threats (hacking, virus, worms, Trojan etc.) and preventive measures

15 questions, 3 marks each, 15 minutes.

10. Tier-II: Skill Test / Typing Test (qualifying)

- Part A — DEO / DEO Grade A in the departments listed in the notice: 15,000 key depressions per hour; passage of 3,700–4,000 key depressions in 15 minutes
- Part B — other DEO / DEO Grade A posts: 8,000 key depressions per hour; passage of 2,000–2,200 key depressions in 15 minutes
- Part C — LDC/JSA typing test: 35 w.p.m. (English) or 30 w.p.m. (Hindi) in 10 minutes

Hindi typing/skill test must be done in Mangal font.

Official sources

Official syllabus: https://ssc.gov.in/api/attachment/uploads/masterData/NoticeBoards/Notice_of_adv_chsl_2026.pdf

Official website: https://ssc.gov.in

Online version: https://www.jobnirdesh.com/syllabus/ssc-chsl-syllabus-2026

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