2.  The property held by a "Family" in different locations or different places / cities would be clubbed while applying the land or property holding test to determine EWS status.
3.  The benefit of reservation under EWS can be availed upon production of an Income and Asset Certificate issued by a Competent Authority. The Income and Asset Certificate issued by any one of the Authorities as notified by the Government of India in the prescribed format shall only be accepted as proof of candidate's claim as belonging to EWS. The candidates shortlisted for document verification/interview shall be required to bring the requisite certificate as specified by the Government of India at the time of appearing for the process of document verification/interview.
4.  The term "Family" for this purpose will include the person who seeks benefit of reservation, his/her parents and siblings below the age of 18 years as also his/her spouse and children below the age of 18 years.
5.  The instructions issued by the Government of India in this regard from time to time shall be adhered to.

**Disclaimer: EWS Vacancies are tentative and subject to further directives of Government of India and outcome of any litigation.**

**These guidelines are subject to change in terms of GOI guidelines/ clarifications, if any, from time to time.**

**C.    CRP – ONLINE EXAMINATIONS**

**I.    The structure of the Examinations which will be conducted online are as follows:**

**a.  Preliminary Examination**

**For the post of Law Officer and Rajbhasha Adhikari**

| Sr. No. | Name of Tests | No. of Questions | Maximum Marks | Medium of Exam | Duration |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | English Language | 50 | 25 | English | 40 minutes |
| 2 | Reasoning | 50 | 50 | English and Hindi | 40 minutes |
| 3 | General Awareness with Special Reference to Banking Industry | 50 | 50 | English and Hindi | 40 minutes |
|  | Total | 150 | 125 |  |  |

**For the Post of IT Officer, Agriculture Field Officer, HR/Personnel Officer and Marketing Officer**

| Sr. No. | Name of Tests | No. of Questions | Maximum Marks | Medium of Exam | Duration |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | English Language | 50 | 25 | English | 40 minutes |
| 2 | Reasoning | 50 | 50 | English and Hindi | 40 minutes |
| 3 | Quantitative Aptitude | 50 | 50 | English and Hindi | 40 minutes |
|  | Total | 150 | 125 |  |  |

**Candidates have to qualify in each of the three tests by securing minimum cut-off marks to be decided by IBPS. Adequate number of candidates in each category as decided by IBPS depending upon requirements will be shortlisted for Online Main Examination.**

**b.  Main Examination**

**For the Post of Law Officer, IT Officer, Agriculture Field Officer, HR/Personnel Officer and Marketing Officer**

| Name of the Test | No. of Questions | Maximum Marks | Medium of Exam | Duration |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Professional Knowledge | 60 | 60 | English & Hindi | 45 minutes |

**For the Post of Rajbhasha Adhikari**

| Name of the Test | No. of Questions | Maximum Marks | Medium of Exam | Duration |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Professional Knowledge (Objective) | 45 |  | English & Hindi | 30 minutes |
| Professional Knowledge (Descriptive) | 2 | 60 | English & Hindi | 30 minutes |

**IBPS reserves the right to modify the structure of the examination which will be intimated through its website. Other detailed information regarding the examination will be given in an <u>Information Handout</u>, which will be made available for the candidates to download along with the call letters from the authorised IBPS website <u>www.ibps.in</u>**

**Please note that candidates will not be permitted to appear for the Online Preliminary as well as Online Main Examination without the following documents:**

**(1)  Valid Call Letter for the respective date and session of Examination**

**(2) Photo-identity proof (as specified) in original bearing the same name as it appears on the call letter/ application form and**

**(3) Photocopy of photo-identity proof (as mentioned in (2) above)**

**Candidates reporting late i.e. after the reporting time specified on the call letter for Examination will not be permitted to take the examination.**

The reporting time mentioned on the call letter is prior to the Start time of the test. Though the duration of the Online Preliminary Examination is 2 hours, candidates may be required to be at the venue for about 2 and half hours or more including the time required for completion of various formalities such as verification and collection of various requisite documents, logging in, giving of instructions etc.

For the Online Main Examination the duration of the examination is 45 minutes/ 60 minutes, candidates may be required to be at the venue for about 2 hours or more including the time required for completion of various formalities such as verification and collection of various requisite documents, logging in, giving of instructions etc.

**II.    Penalty for Wrong Answers (Applicable to both – Online Preliminary and Online Main examinations)**

There will be penalty for wrong answers marked in the Objective Tests. For each question for which a wrong answer has been given by the candidate one fourth or 0.25 of the marks assigned to that question will be deducted as penalty to arrive at corrected score. If a question is left blank, i.e. no answer is marked by the candidate, there will be no penalty for that question.

**III.    Examination Centres**

**(i)**    The examination will be conducted online in venues across many centres in India. The tentative list of Examination centres for the Online Preliminary Examination and those for Online Main Examination is available in Annexure II.

**(ii)**    No request for change of centre for Examination shall be entertained.

(iii)    IBPS, however, reserves the right to cancel any of the Examination Centres and/ or add some other Centres, at its discretion, depending upon the response, administrative feasibility, etc.

(iv)    IBPS also reserves the right to allot the candidate to any centre other than the one he/she has opted for.

(v)    Candidate will appear for the examination at an Examination Centre at his/her own risk and expenses and IBPS will not be responsible for any injury or losses etc. of any nature.

(vi)    Any unruly behaviour/misbehaviour in the examination hall may result in cancellation of candidature/ disqualification from this exam and also from future exams conducted by IBPS

**IV.    Scores**

- The corrected scores obtained by each of the candidates in different sessions (if held) will be normalized using equi-percentile method.
- Scores up to two decimal points shall be taken for the purpose of calculations.

**V.    CUTOFF SCORE (Online Main Examination)**

Each candidate will be required to obtain a minimum score in the test of Online Main examination and also secure sufficiently high scores to be considered to be shortlisted for interview. Depending on the number of vacancies available, cut-offs will be decided and candidates will be shortlisted for interview. Prior to the completion of the interview process, scores obtained in the online Main examination will not be shared with the candidates shortlisted for interview.

> **MARKS OBTAINED IN THE ONLINE MAIN EXAMINATION ONLY WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR SHORTLISTING FOR INTERVIEW AND ALSO FOR FINAL MERIT LISTING**

**D.    INTERVIEW**

Candidates who have been shortlisted in the Online Main Examination for CRP SPL-IX will subsequently be called for an Interview to be conducted by the Participating Organisations and coordinated by the Nodal Banks in each State/ UT. Interviews will be conducted at select centres. The centre, address of the venue, time & date of Interview will be informed to the shortlisted candidates in the call letter. Candidates are required to download their interview call letters from authorised IBPS website www.ibps.in. Please note that any request regarding change in date, centre etc. of interview will not be entertained. However the conducting agencies reserve the right to change the date/ venue/ time/ centre etc. of interview or hold supplementary process for particular date / session / venue / centre / set of candidates at its discretion, under unforeseen circumstances, if any.

The total marks allotted for Interview are 100. The minimum qualifying marks in interview will not be less than 40% (35% for SC/ST/OBC/PWBD candidates). The weightage (ratio) of Online Main Examination and interview will be 80:20 respectively. The combined final score of candidates shall be arrived at on the basis of total scores