RAJASTHAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, AJMER
SYLLABUS FOR SCREENING TEST FOR THE POST OF
RESEARCH OFFICER
(ARCHIVES DEPARTMENT, RAJASTHAN)

Section – ‘A’

1. Sources of Ancient Indian History.
2. Mauryan Age – Chandragupta Maurya and Ashoka.
5. Establishment of Delhi Sultanate and consolidation.
7. India under the Great Mughals : From Babar to Aurangzeb.
8. Growth of Administrative system under the Mughals : Central, Provincial, Revenue and Military Administration.
9. Mughal Religious, Rajput, North-west and Deccan Policy.
10. Growth of Art and Architecture during the Mughal Period.

Section – ‘B’

2. Indian States and growth of British Paramountcy : Mysore, Punjab, Awadh and Hyderabad.
3. Revolt of 1857 : Causes, expansion, nature and results.
5. Ripon and Curzon.
7. Formation of Mulsim League and its activities.

Section – ‘C’

1. Sources of History of Rajasthan – Khyats, Archival sources, East India Company records, Records of Tribal and Peasant Movements, Non-archival sources.
2. Mughal and the Rajput Relations : Mewar, Marwar, Amer, Bikaner and Harauti.
3. Role of Rajasthan in the Revolt of 1857.
**Section – ‘D’**

1. Nature and Scope of Historical Research.
2. Importance of Sources in History – Primary and Secondary Sources.
3. Causation in History.
4. Objectivity in History.

**Section – ‘E’**

1. Definition of Archives and allied terms. Archives and allied Institutions. Accession requisition and characteristics of records.
2. Origin & Development of Archives in India.
3. Uses of Archives – Archives and its finding aids (Indexes, Lists, Check list etc.)
8. Planning for binding of books and volumes, finding equipment and technique. Storage and housing of documentary materials.
9. Importance of Cartographic records, video tapes and micro filming.
10. Reprography – Advantages, Applications & Techniques.
11. Introductions of Computer Application in Rajasthan State Archives.

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Pattern of Question Papers:

1. Objective Type Paper
2. Maximum Marks : 100
3. Number of Questions : 100
4. Duration of Paper : Two Hours
5. All Questions carry equal marks
6. There will be Negative Marking

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