

# Odisha High Court ASO Exam Syllabus 2025

## Overview

The Odisha High Court Assistant Section Officer (ASO) Examination assesses candidates on their knowledge and skills across multiple domains. The selection process includes a Preliminary Examination, Main Written Examination, Computer Application Test, and Viva-Voce.

## 1. Preliminary Examination (Objective Type)

**Total Marks:** 150

**Duration:** 2 Hours

### Subjects and Marks Distribution:

- **General English:** 50 Marks
- **General Knowledge:** 50 Marks
- **Logical Reasoning & Analytical Ability:** 50 Marks

### Key Topics:

#### General English:

- Reading Comprehension
- Vocabulary (Synonyms, Antonyms)
- Sentence Correction and Error Detection
- Grammar (Articles, Verbs, Tenses, Adverbs)
- Para Fillers and Cloze Tests
- Idioms and Phrases

#### General Knowledge:

- Current Affairs (National & International)
- History and Geography (India and Odisha)
- Important Days and Events
- Awards and Honors

- Environmental Issues
- Sports, Science & Technology

### **Logical Reasoning & Analytical Ability:**

- Analogies
- Decision Making
- Blood Relations
- Arithmetic Reasoning
- Visual Reasoning
- Problem-Solving Techniques

### **Qualifying Marks:**

- **General Category:** Candidates must secure **at least 40% marks** to qualify for the Main Written Examination.
- **SC/ST Category:** Candidates must secure **at least 33% marks** to qualify for the Main Written Examination.

## **2. Main Written Examination (Descriptive Type)**

**Total Marks:** 300

**Duration:** 5 Hours

### **Subjects and Marks Distribution:**

- **General English:** 100 Marks
- **General Knowledge:** 100 Marks
- **Mathematics:** 100 Marks

### **Detailed Syllabus:**

#### **General English:**

- Essay Writing
- Letter Writing (Formal & Informal)
- Precise Writing

- Comprehension and Grammar

### **General Knowledge:**

- Indian Constitution and Governance
- Polity and Economy
- Scientific Research and Developments
- Socio-economic Policies

### **Mathematics:**

- Number Systems
- Ratio & Proportion
- Profit & Loss
- Time & Work
- Probability & Permutations
- Simplification and Approximation
- Quadratic Equations
- Speed, Time, and Distance

### **Qualifying Marks:**

- **General Category:** A **minimum of 45% marks** is required to proceed to the Computer Application Test.
- **SC/ST Category:** A **minimum of 33% marks** is required to proceed to the Computer Application Test.

## **3. Computer Application Test**

**Total Marks:** 100

**Duration:** 1 Hour

- **Theory:** 50 Marks
- **Practical:** 50 Marks

### Key Topics:

- Basic Computer Operations
- MS Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- Internet Usage and Email
- Data Management
- Typing and Formatting

### Qualifying Marks:

Candidates must obtain **at least 50% marks** to qualify for the Viva-Voce stage.

### 4. Viva-Voce (Interview)

**Total Marks:** 40

This stage evaluates the candidate's communication skills, general awareness, and professional knowledge.

### Final Merit List Calculation:

The final merit is prepared based on marks secured in the Main Written Examination, Computer Application Test, and Viva-Voce.

### Important Points to Note:

- **Negative Marking: 0.5 marks** will be deducted for each incorrect answer in the Preliminary Examination.
- **Qualifying Criteria:** Candidates must qualify at each stage to proceed to the next level.
- **Computer Test:** A minimum qualifying score is mandatory for selection.

**Preparation Tip:** Regular practice with previous year's papers and understanding the exam structure is essential for success.