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I.	Geologist under Water Resources Department
II.	No. of Vacancies– 05(01-W)

Online applications are invited from the prospective candidates through Proforma Application to be made available on the website of the Commission (<https://www.opsc.gov.in>). *The link for registration and payment of Examination fees shall be available from **08.09.2026** to **08.10.2026** till **5.00 P.M.** (Note: **08.10.2026 (5.00 P.M.)** is the last date/ closing date for submission of Registered online Application)* for recruitment to **05 (Five)** posts of Geologist in the rank of Group-A (JB) of Odisha Ground Water Geologist Service (Ground Water Development) (Method of Recruitment and Conditions of Service) Rules, 2020 & Notification vide No. 22065/WR dt. 23.07.2026 under Water Resources Department in the scale of pay of Rs. 56,100/- (Level 12, Cell -1 of Pay Matrix under Rule-3 of the ORSP Rules, 2017), with usual Dearness and other Allowances as may be sanctioned by the Government of Odisha from time to time.

2. VACANCY POSITION:

As per requisition furnished by the Water Resources Department, Government of Odisha, out of a total of **05 (01-w) vacancies**, 04 (01-w) vacancies are for UR category and 01 vacancy is reserved for SC category.

Also, 01 post is reserved for Person with Disabilities whose permanent disability is 40% or more.

Candidates belonging to the categories of PWD shall be adjusted against the categories to which they belong.

3. AGE:

A candidate must have attained the age of **21(twenty-one)** years and must not be above the age of **42 (forty-two)** years on the **1st day of January, 2026** i.e., he/she must have been born **not earlier than 2nd January, 1984 and not later than 1st January, 2005.**

4. EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION:

A candidate must hold at least a Second-Class Master's Degree in Geology or Applied Geology or Earth Science from any recognized University in India.

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5. EXAMINATION FEE:

The candidates other than SC, ST, and PwD category shall have to pay the examination fee amounting to **Rupees Seven Hundred (₹700/-) only** through online mode while filling the Online Application Form. The examination fees paid shall be refunded only to those candidates who actually appear in both the papers of Written Examination. Application without payment of examination fees (except SC/ ST/ PwD candidates) will be taken as incomplete and outrightly be rejected.

Refund shall be issued in due course after completion of the Written Examination. Refund will be processed to the original mode of payment used at the time of the transaction by the candidate. (Credit Card, Debit Card, UPI, Net Banking, Wallet etc.)

6. METHOD OF SELECTION:

The selection of candidates for recruitment to the posts of Geologist shall be made on the basis of **Written Examination (Objective Type) and Personality Test.**

The details of **Plan of Examination, Scheme, Subjects & Syllabus for the Written Examination (Objective Type)** is available in the **Long Advertisement.**

7. DATE OF WRITTEN EXAMINATION

The Written Examination will be held on **15.11.2026 (Sunday)**. The detailed Schedule and Centre of Examination will be notified in due course.

The candidates are advised to visit the Website of the Commission at **<https://www.opsc.gov.in>** for detailed information for applying to the above post.

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DATE: **01.09.2026**


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Recruitment to the posts of Geologist in Group – A (JB) of Odisha Ground Water Geologist Service under Department of Water Resources.

WEBSITE – www.opsc.gov.in

Online applications are invited from the prospective candidates through the Proforma application to be made available on the website of the Commission (<https://www.opsc.gov.in>). **The link for registration and payment of examination fee shall be available from 08.09.2026 to 08.10.2026 (5:00 P.M.) (Note: 08.10.2026 (5:00 P.M) is the last date/closing date for submission of Registered Online Application)** for recruitment to **05 (Five)** posts of **Geologist** in Group – A (JB) of Odisha Ground Water Geologist Service under Department of Water Resource in the scale of pay of Rs. 56,100/- in Level 12, Cell -1 of Pay Matrix under Rule-3 of the ORSP Rules, 2017 with usual Dearness and other Allowances as may be sanctioned by the Government of Odisha from time to time. The recruitment will be conducted according to provisions mentioned in the Odisha Ground Water Geologist Service (Ground Water Development) (Method of Recruitment and Conditions of Service) Rules, 2020 & Notification vide No. 22065/WR, dt. 23.07.2026 of Department of Water Resources.

2. VACANCY POSITION:

As per requisition filed by the Department of Water Resources, Government of Odisha, the category wise vacancy position along with reservation thereof is given below: -

Sl. No	Category	Vacancy
1	UR	04 (01-W) ✓
2	SC	01 ✓
Total		05 (01-w) ✓

Out of the total **05** number of vacancies mentioned above, **01 (one)** post is reserved for candidate belonging to **Persons with Disability (whose permanent disability is 40% or more)**. Candidate belonging to the category of Persons with Disability shall be adjusted against the category to which he/she belongs. The details is given below: -

Sub-Category	No. of Post
Persons with Disabilities	01 ✓
Hard of Hearing (HH) (with suitable aid)	

NOTE: -

- a) PwD candidates must upload their Permanent Disability Certificate. Candidate with Temporary Disability will not be considered for reservation under PwD category.
- b) Experience has shown that, some candidates obtain Caste certificate etc. immediately ahead of the date of Application and upload the same along with Online Application, only to secure admission to the examination, which sometimes get cancelled subsequently on the grounds of inadmissibility etc. If any such cancellation of any uploaded certificate is detected at any stage of the recruitment examination or even subsequently, the candidature of such candidates will be cancelled, or recommendation be withdrawn as the case may be if the candidate has availed the benefits of Reservation.
- c) In case of non-availability of eligible/ suitable women candidate(s) belonging to the respective category, the unfilled vacancies of that category shall be filled up by eligible/ suitable male candidate(s) of the same category.
- d) The number of vacancies to be filled up on the basis of this recruitment is subject to change by the Government without Notice, depending upon the exigencies of public service at the discretion of the State Government.
- e) The Physical requirement and Functional Classification of Persons with Disabilities (having permanent disability 40% or more) for the post of Geologist are as follows:-

Physical Requirement	Functional Classification
S - Work performed by sitting (on bench or chair) ✓ ST - Work performed by standing ✓ SE - Work performed by seeing ✓ H - Work performed by hearing /speaking ✓ MF- Work performed by manipulating (with fingers) ✓ RW- Work performed by reading & writing. ✓	Hard of Hearing (HH) ✓ (with suitable aid)

3. AGE:

A candidate must have attained the age of **21(twenty-one)** years and must not be above the age of **42 (Forty-two)** years on the **1st day of January, 2026** i.e., he/she must have been born **not earlier than 2nd January, 1984 and not later than 1st January, 2005.**

The upper age-limit prescribed above shall be relaxed by **05 (five) years** for candidates belonging to the categories of **Scheduled Castes (S.C.), Women & Ex-Servicemen and by 10 years for Persons with Disabilities** whose **permanent disability** is **40% (Forty percent) or more.**

Persons with Disabilities belonging to SC category are eligible for cumulative age relaxation benefit of 15 years.

Provided that, a candidate who comes under more than one category mentioned above, he/ she shall be eligible for only one benefit of upper age relaxation, which shall be considered most beneficial to him/her.

(SAVE AS PROVIDED ABOVE, THE AGE LIMITS PRESCRIBED CAN IN NO CASE BE RELAXED).

Date of birth entered in the High School Certificate or equivalent certificate issued by the concerned Board/Council will only be accepted by the Commission.

4. EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION:

A candidate must hold at least a Second-Class Master's Degree in Geology or Applied Geology or Earth Science from any recognized University in India.

5. KNOWLEDGE IN ODIA:

A candidate must be able to speak, read and write Odia and must have –

- i) Passed M.E. School or higher examination with Odia as a language subject; or
- ii) Passed Matriculation or equivalent examination with Odia as a medium of examination in non-language subject; or
- iii) Passed in Odia as a language subject in the final examination of Class VII from a school or educational institution recognized by the Government of Odisha or the Central Government; or
- iv) Passed a test in Odia in Middle English School standard conducted by the School & Mass Education Department of the Government of Odisha / Board of Secondary Education, Odisha.

6. EXAMINATION FEE, MODE OF PAYMENT & REFUND:

As per Odisha payment of recruitment examination fees and Refund Rules, 2025 published vide Government in G.A. & P.G. Department Notification No. 34124-GAD-SC-rules-0020/2025/Gen. dated 10.10.2025, **the candidates other than SC, ST and PWD category shall have to pay the Examination fees.**

The candidates other than SC, ST and PWD category shall have to pay the examination fee amounting to **Rs. 700/- (Rupees Seven Hundred) only** through online mode while filling the Online Application Form. The examination fees paid shall be **refunded only to those candidates who actually appear in both the Paper-I & Paper-II of the Written Examination. Applications without payment of examination fees (except SC/ ST/ PWD candidates) will be taken as incomplete and outrightly be rejected.**

Refund shall be issued in due course after completion of the Written Examination. Refunds will be processed to the original mode of payment used at the time of the transaction by the candidate. (Credit Card, Debit Card, UPI, Net Banking, Wallet etc.).

However, the candidates shall have to furnish their bank account details i.e. Account Number, IFSC Code, Name of the Account Holder and Name of the Bank branch in the required field in the Online Application Form which will be required in case of failure of refund of money through the original mode of payment owing to technical glitches or other issues, if any. The Bank Account must remain valid/active. The onus of furnishing the correct bank account details lies with the candidates and the Commission (OPSC) shall not entertain any correspondence from any candidate in this regard.

7. METHOD OF SELECTION:

The Selection of candidates for recruitment to the post of Geologist shall be made through competitive examination to be conducted in two stages; viz- Written Examination and Interview as follows:

SL. NO.	COMPONENT	MARKS
1.	Written Examination ✓	450 ✓
2.	Personality Test / Interview ✓	50 ✓
TOTAL		500 ✓

A. WRITTEN EXAMINATION:

- The Written Examination will be conducted in 2 (Two) Papers of Total 450 Marks (Paper-I-150 marks and Paper-II-300 marks) of Objective Type Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ Pattern) with Optical Mark Recognition (OMR) Evaluation. ✓
- Paper-I (General Studies & Awareness) will consist of 150 marks with 75 questions and Paper- II (Geology) will consist of 300 marks with 150 questions each carrying two marks. ✓
- There will be a negative marking. For each wrong response, 25% marks will be deducted from the marks secured for correct answers. ✓
- For un-attempted questions, " zero" mark will be awarded. ✓
- The duration of the Written Examination will be 1½ (one and half) hours for Paper- I and 3 (three) hours for Paper-II. ✓
- The plan of Written Examination in tabular format is mentioned as follows: ✓

Paper	Full Marks	No. of Questions	Duration	Marking Scheme
<u>Paper –I</u> General Studies & Awareness	150	75	1 & ½ hours	For each correct answer 2 marks will be awarded. For each wrong response/ answer, 25% marks will be deducted from the marks awarded for correct answer. For each unattempt question "zero" mark will be given.
<u>Paper –II</u> Geology	300	150	3 hours	For each correct answer 2 marks will be awarded. For each wrong response/ answer, 25% marks will be deducted from the marks awarded for correct answer. For each unattempt question "zero" mark will be given.

- vii. The Commission will fix qualifying marks for each Paper and/or aggregate for each category of candidates.
- viii. The candidates who obtain such minimum qualifying marks in the Written Examination as may be fixed by the Commission *supra* will be shortlisted for the Personality Test /Interview based on the marks secured in the Written Examination out of 450 Marks in the ratio of about 1:2 of the advertised vacancies for different categories subject to a minimum of 5.

B. PERSONALITY TEST/ INTERVIEW:

The Personality Test/Interview will carry 50 Marks.

C. SELECT LIST:

- The Select List of the candidates in different categories will be drawn in order of merit based on the Aggregate Marks secured both in the Written Examination and Interview (out of 500 Marks) as per the norms laid in Odisha Ground Water Geologist Service (Ground Water Development) (Method of Recruitment and Conditions of Service) Rules, 2020.
- In case of a tie, who has obtained higher marks in the Written Examination will be placed higher in the Select List. In case of a further tie, who is older in age as per the date of birth will be placed above the younger.
- The matter relating to direct recruitment by the Commission which is not specified in the Rules will be guided by the Rules of Procedure laid down/ followed by the Commission. In case of any important unspecified matter, the Commission in consultation with the Govt. shall take a decision as deemed proper to ensure the

smooth and proper functioning of the selection process. Such decision shall be final, unless otherwise specified by the subsequent amendment(s) or decision(s).

D. SYLLABUS:

The Papers and Syllabus of the Written Examination is appended at **Appendix-A.** ✓

Note: -

Details relating to this recruitment like mark secured by Last Selected Candidate (LSC mark), individual marks, etc. shall only be declared in the Website of the Commission after publication of the Final Result and Select List.

8. PLACE OF EXAMINATION:

The venue of the Written Examination for the posts of Geologist will be located at Kataka and/or Bhubaneswar.

9. DATE OF EXAMINATION:

The Written Examination will be held on **15.11.2026 (Sunday)**. The detailed Schedule and Centre of Examination will be notified in due course.

N.B.: After completion of the Written Examination, the Provisional Answer Key of the Papers shall be uploaded in the Website soon after the written examination inviting suggestions/objections, if any, from the candidates. Those candidates who do not challenge the Provisional Answer Key shall forfeit their right to agitate the matter subsequently in any forum or in any other manner.

10. OTHER ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS:

- a) The candidate must be a citizen of India;
- b) He/ She must be of sound health and free from any physical defect likely to interfere with the discharge of his duties in the service and in case a candidate, who after such medical examination as the Government may prescribe, is not found to satisfy these requirements shall not be appointed to the service;
- c) A candidate if married must not have more than one spouse living provided that the State Government may, if satisfied that such marriage is permissible under the personal law applicable to such person or there are other grounds for doing so, exempt any person from the operation of this rule;
- d) Government servants, whether temporary or permanent, are eligible to apply provided that they possess the requisite qualification and are within the prescribed age-limit as provided under Para-3 & 4 of the Advertisement. They must inform their respective Head of Offices in writing regarding submission of their applications for this recruitment and furnish "No Objection Certificate" during document verification. **So, the candidates must obtain NOC well in advance;**

- e) If a candidate has at any time, been debarred for a certain period/chance(s) by the Odisha Public Service Commission or other State Public Service Commission or U.P.S.C. from appearing at any examination/ viva voce test, he/she will not be eligible for such recruitment for that specified period/chance(s);
- f) A candidate who claims change in his/her name after having passed the High School Certificate Examination or equivalent examination, is required to furnish copy of publication of the changed name in local leading daily newspaper as well as copy of notification in the Gazette in support of his/her change of name;
- g) **Only those candidates, who possess the requisite qualifications, are within the prescribed age limit & fulfil other eligibility conditions strictly etc. by the closing date of submission of registered online application form, will be considered eligible;**
- h) Every candidate selected for appointment shall be examined by the Medical Board. A candidate, who does not satisfy the requirement after medical examination, shall not be appointed to the service.

11. IMPORTANT POINTS:

- a) The provisions of the Odisha Conduct of Examination Act, 1988 (Odisha Act-2 of 1988) are applicable to the examination conducted by the Odisha Public Service Commission. Any violation of the above Act and violation of **"Instructions to candidates"** (as provided in the advertisement, application form, Brochure, Admission Certificate & Answer Script etc.) will be seriously viewed and disciplinary action will be taken against the concerned candidates as deemed proper.
- b) A candidate found guilty of seeking support for his/her candidature by offering illegal gratification or applying pressure on any person connected with the conduct of the recruitment process or found indulging in any type of malpractice in course of the selection or otherwise, shall, in addition to rendering himself/herself liable to criminal prosecution, be disqualified not only for the recruitment for which he/she is a candidate, but also may be debarred, either permanently or for a specified period, from any recruitment or selection to be conducted by the Commission;
- c) **Online applications submitted to OPSC, if found to be incomplete in any respect, are liable for rejection without entertaining any correspondence with the applicants on that score;**
- d) **Admission to Written Examination / Document Verification will be provisional. If on verification at any stage before or after the Written Examination/Document Verification / Publication of Result, it is found that a candidate does not fulfil all the eligibility conditions, his/her candidature will be liable for rejection. Decision of the Commission with regard to eligibility or otherwise of candidate shall be final;**
- e) This advertisement should not be construed as binding on the Government to make an appointment;
- f) **Reservation and Relaxation etc. meant for S.C. by Birth is admissible to the Scheduled Castes of Odisha only;**

- g) Community (caste status) once mentioned by the candidates under the appropriate box of the online application form, will be treated as final and the same not be changed subsequently under any circumstances.
- h) **Any misrepresentation or suppression of information by the candidate in the online application form will result in cancellation of his/her candidature or penalty, as decided by the Commission shall be imposed on the candidate;**
- i) Mere empanelment in the select list shall not confer any right for appointment unless the Appointing Authority is satisfied after making such enquiry as may be deemed necessary that the candidate is suitable in all respects for appointment to the Service.
- j) No request for withdrawal of candidature and change of category will be entertained under any circumstances.
- k) All persons appointed under the Government of Odisha on or after 1st January, 2005, shall not be eligible for pension as defined under Sub-rule (1) of Rule-3 of the Odisha Civil Service (Pension) Rules, 1992; but shall be covered by the defined Contributory Pension Scheme in accordance with the Odisha Civil Services (Pension) Amendment Rules, 2005;
- l) **Submission of NPS application is mandatory for all recommended candidates at the time of joining in Government services.**
- m) Candidates are requested to bring the copies of certificates and other requisite documents as stated under Para-11 of this Advertisement at the time of Document Verification.

12. CERTIFICATES/DOCUMENTS TO BE ATTACHED:

Candidates who qualify in the written examination will be required to bring with them the hard copy of online application form along with copies of following certificates/documents and originals of the same for verification of their eligibility as per terms and conditions of the advertisement, the date of which shall be notified later on in due course, failing which his/her application shall be rejected for the said post. The candidates are required to mention on each copy of documents **"Submitted by me and Certified as Genuine and has not been cancelled"** and put their **full signature and date on the same.**

They must not attach the original certificates to their applications.

- a) Four (04) recent passport size photographs within six months (unsigned & unattested) which has been uploaded with online application form;
- b) H.S.C. or equivalent certificate in support of declaration of age issued by the concerned Board/Council;
- c) Master's Degree Certificate in Geology or Applied Geology or Earth Science from any recognized University in India.

- d) Mark-lists in support of all the aforesaid examinations (H.S.C to Master's Degree) passed including fail marks, if any, issued by the concerned Board/Council/University;
- e) Caste Certificate by birth in support of claim as S.C. wherever applicable (**Please see Note-1**);
- f) Required Odia Test Pass Certificate / Certificate issued by School Principal in case passed in Odia Language in Class-VII or Middle English School Standard / Certificate issued by Board of Secondary Education, Odisha;
- g) Disability Certificate (indicating percentage of permanent disability i.e. 40% or more) issued by the concerned Medical Board wherever applicable;
- h) Ex-Servicemen claiming age relaxation are required to submit/ upload Release Certificate issued as per Orissa Ex-Servicemen (Recruitment to State Civil Services and Posts) Rules, 1985 vide GA Department. Notification No. 22586/Gen, dt. 16.10.1985;
- i) No Objection Certificate issued by the Competent Authority/ Head of Office; wherever applicable;
- j) Proof of identity i.e. Aadhaar/ EPIC/ DL/ Passport/ PAN Card;
- k) If a candidate claims to possess qualification, equivalent to the prescribed qualification, the rule/authority (with number and date) under which it is so treated, must be furnished with the Application Form.

NOTE 1:

- (i) **Candidates claiming to be belonging to S.C. category of Odisha by birth are required to submit copy of the relevant Caste Certificate issued by the competent authority in the prescribed form.**
- (ii) **Women candidates belonging to S.C. categories by birth are required to submit Caste Certificate showing "daughter of". Caste Certificate by virtue of marriage (i.e. showing "wife of") are not acceptable and liable for rejection.**
- (iii) **Community (Caste status) once mentioned by the candidates in the online application form shall not be changed under any circumstances.
The Competent Authorities are as prescribed by the Government of Odisha under relevant Reservation Rules.**

NOTE 2:

Master's Degree Certificate, Caste Certificate, Odia Test Pass Certificate, Permanent Disability Certificate of Person with Disabilities (indicating % of permanent disability) and Release Certificate of Ex-Servicemen [issued as per Orissa Ex-Servicemen (Recruitment to State Civil Services and Posts) Rules, 1985 vide GA Department. Notification No. 22586/Gen, dt. 16.10.1985] must have been issued by the Competent Authority on or before the date of submission of the online application form by the candidate.

13. GROUND OF REJECTION OF APPLICATION:

Applications of candidates will be rejected by the Commission on any of the following grounds: -

- (a) In-complete online application form including non-uploading of required documents in the online application form.
- (b) Non-submission of hard copy of online application form at the time of verification of original documents.
- (c) Declaration not signed (full signature) by the candidate in the hard copy of online application form.
- (d) Not passing Odia Test (M.E. standard)/ not furnishing Odia Test pass evidence by the date for submission of registered online application form as required under Para -5 of the Advertisement.
- (e) Not coming within the age limit as mentioned in Para-3 of the advertisement (Age relaxation shall not be allowed to P.W.D. candidates with less than 40% permanent disability).
- (f) Not having prescribed requisite qualification by the date of submission of registered online application form as provided under Para-4 of the advertisement.
- (g) Not furnishing copies of certificates/documents as provided under Para-12 of the Advertisement.
- (h) Submission/ uploading of wrong information / false information/ forged or fake or manipulated certificates/ testimonials with respect to qualification/ Age/ Category status (SC/ PWD/ Ex-Servicemen/Women)/ OT pass evidence etc.
- (i) Suppression of facts / information about eligibility, if any.
- (j) Non-payment of examination fee, (wherever applicable), as provided under Para - 6 of Advertisement.
- (k) Any such certificates as provided under Para-12 of the Advertisement issued after the last date for submission of Online Application Form will not be entertained to consider eligibility.
- (l) Application received through any other mode (except Online through proforma Application to be made available on WEBSITE OF OPSC).

NB: Application /candidature of a candidate shall be rejected at any stage of recruitment process, whenever discrepancy is noticed/ detected.

14. HOW TO APPLY:

- a) Candidates must carefully go through the details of this Advertisement available in the Website of OPSC before filling up online application form.
- b) Candidates must apply online through the concerned Website of the OPSC **<http://opsc.gov.in>**. Applications received through **any other mode** would not be accepted and summarily rejected.
- c) **Before filling up the online application form, the candidates must go through detailed instructions available at OPSC portal.**

- d) The online application form is automated and system driven & will guide the candidate seamlessly in filling the application. The requisite options shall be enabled and information shall be asked as per data furnished by the candidate. Before filling up the information, ensure that accurate information is fed. The candidate must also verify the submitted copy of online application after its submission. If the candidate further wants to modify any information, she/he has to cancel the application and apply again within the last date of submission of application.
- e) Candidates are requested to upload the scanned image of latest passport size photograph along with scanned image of his/her full signature and scanned image of Left-hand Thumb Impression (LTI) in the online application form. Uploaded photograph, Specimen (full) signature and LTI must be clearly identifiable / visible; otherwise, the application of the candidate is liable to be rejected by the Commission and no representation from the candidate will be entertained.
- f) Candidates should keep at least four copies of latest passport size photograph which is uploaded to the online application form for future use.
- g) *On successful submission of the online Registration, a unique "**Permanent Public Service Account Number (PPSAN)**" will be assigned to the applicant. Candidates are required to take a printout of the finally submitted online Registration/Re-registration and finally submitted Online Application forms and put his/her signature under the declaration for submission to OPSC along with copies of requisite certificate & documents as and when asked.*
- h) **The candidates are advised to submit the Online Application Form well in advance without waiting for the closing date to avoid the last hour rush.**
- i) Certificate of Admission to the written examination to the eligible candidates will be uploaded in the Website of the OPSC prior to the date of written examination, which will be published in the Website of the Commission and Newspapers. The candidates are required to download their Admission Certificate from the Website of the Commission and produce the same at the Examination centre for admission to the written examination. No separate correspondence will be made on this score.
- j) "NOTICE" to candidates for document verification shall be uploaded in the website of OPSC prior to the date of Document Verification.
- k) **Any complaint** on the conduct of examination must be sent to the Grievance Wing of the Commission by e-Mail (opsc@od.gov.in) within **07(Seven) days of completion of the examination.**
- l) **Experience has shown that the candidates do submit online application form with omission/error/without uploading documents and subsequently send e-mail/letter to the Commission for rectification. The Commission is under no obligation to entertain such request/representation.**

15. **FACILITATION COUNTER:**

*To resolve any technical problem faced during online Registration and in filling up of Application forms, candidate may contact OPSC Technical Support **over Telephone No. 0671-2304707** between 10.30 A.M. to 1.30 P.M. & 2.00 P.M. to 5.30 P.M. on any Odisha Government working days.*

In case of any guidance/information on this advertisement & recruitment, candidates may go through the **FAQ** available in the website of the Commission or contact the O.P.S.C. Facilitation Counter over **Telephone No. 0671-2304141/ 2305611 & Extn. - 205** on any working day between **10.30 A.M. to 01.30 P.M. & 02.00 P.M. to 5.30 P.M.**

The candidates are required to visit the website of the Commission at **<https://www.opsc.gov.in>** for detailed information about important notices, rejection of applications, the date & time of Written Examination/Document Verification and also keep track of publication of various notices to the effect in the leading local daily newspapers for information.

16. **GENERAL:**

Candidates submitting forged/manipulated documents will be debarred from appearing examination conducted by Odisha Public Service Commission for a specific period to be decided by the Commission. Candidates adopting unfair means will be permanently debarred.

CLOSING DATES

1. THE LINK FOR REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT OF EXAMINATION FEES SHALL BE AVAILABLE IN THE WEBSITE FROM **08.09.2026 TO 08.10.2026 (5.00 P.M.)** (NOTE: - **08.10.2026 (5.00 P.M.)** IS THE LAST DATE FOR SUBMISSION OF ONLINE APPLICATION FORM).
2. ONLY ONLINE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED WITHIN THE DEADLINE I.E., **08.10.2026 (5.00 P.M.)** SHALL BE ACCEPTED.

NB: - THE ONLINE APPLICATION FORMS IF FOUND DEFECTIVE IN ANY RESPECT ARE LIABLE TO BE SUMMARILY REJECTED.

KATAKA
DATE -01.09.2026


SECRETARY
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THE SYLLABUS OF WRITTEN EXAMINATION FOR RECRUITMENT TO THE POSTS OF GEOLOGIST, GROUP-A (JB) OF DIRECTORATE OF GROUND WATER DEVELOPMENT UNDER DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

WRITTEN EXAMINATION**450 Marks****I. PAPER- I (GENERAL STUDIES & AWARENESS)**

Total Marks	150
Total Questions	75 (Objective Multiple-Choice Question)
Duration	1 & ½ hours

The Paper in General Studies & Awareness will include knowledge of (i) Current Affairs, (ii) Sports, (iii) History, (iv) Geography, (v) General Science, (vi) Political Science, (vii) Economics, (viii) Sociology, (ix) Astrophysics, (x) Space Science etc. as may be expected of a normal Graduate person.

II. PAPER- II (SPECIALIZATION PAPER- GEOLOGY)

Total Marks	300
Total Questions	150 (Objective Multiple-Choice Question)
Duration	3 hours

SL. No.	TOPICS
i.	Geomorphology
ii.	Remote Sensing
iii.	Structural Geology
iv.	Geodynamics
v.	Stratigraphy
vi.	Palaeontology
vii.	Igneous Petrology
viii.	Sedimentology
ix.	Metamorphic Petrology
x.	Rock Mechanics
xi.	Geographical Information System
xii.	Ground Water Hydrology

NOTE:

- The questions of Paper-II will be of Bachelor's Degree standard.
- The distribution of questions in both the Papers shall be decided by the Commission.
