



## OSSC CGL Examination – Detailed Exam Pattern & Syllabus Guide

The **Odisha Staff Selection Commission (OSSC)** conducts the **Combined Graduate Level (CGL) Examination** to recruit Group-B and Group-C posts in various Odisha government departments.

The OSSC CGL selection process generally includes:

- 1 Preliminary Examination
- 2 Main Examination
- 3 Certificate Verification

(For some technical posts, there may be skill tests.)

### OSSC CGL Preliminary Examination Pattern

**Nature:**

- Objective Type (MCQs)
- Computer-Based Test (CBT)
- Qualifying in nature (marks may not count for final merit in some recruitments)



### Pattern Overview

Subject	Questions	Marks
Arithmetic & Data Interpretation	30	30
Logical Reasoning & Analytical Ability	30	30
English Language	20	20
General Awareness (India & Odisha)	20	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

- ✓ Duration: **90 Minutes**
- ✓ Negative marking: **0.25** per wrong answer

## Detailed Prelims Syllabus

### ◆ Arithmetic & Data Interpretation

- Percentage
- Profit & Loss
- Ratio & Proportion
- Time & Work
- Time, Speed & Distance
- Average
- Simple & Compound Interest
- Tables, Pie Charts, Bar Graphs

### ◆ Logical Reasoning

- Number & Alphabet Series
- Coding-Decoding
- Syllogism
- Blood Relations
- Direction Sense
- Puzzles
- Analogy

### ◆ English

- Grammar
- Error Detection
- Synonyms & Antonyms
- Comprehension



- Sentence Correction

### ◆ General Awareness

- Indian Polity
- Economy
- History & Geography
- Current Affairs
- Odisha-specific current events

## OSSC CGL Main Examination Pattern

The Main Examination is merit-deciding and more comprehensive.

### OSSC CGL – Main Examination Pattern

#### Pattern Overview (General Pattern)

Paper	Subject	Marks
Paper I	<b>Language (Odia &amp; English)</b>	<b>100</b>
Paper II	<b>General Studies</b>	<b>100</b>
Paper III	<b>Technical / Optional</b> (if applicable)	<b>100</b>
<b>Total Marks</b>		<b>300</b>

**Duration: 2–3 Hours per Paper** → **Objective Type (CBT)**

#### Paper I – Language

<b>Odia</b>	<b>English</b>
✓ Grammar	✓ Grammar
✓ Translation	✓ Comprehension
✓ Comprehension	✓ Precis Writing
✓ Essay / Precis	✓ Vocabulary

#### Paper II – General Studies

• Polity	• Odisha GK
• Economy	• Current Affairs
• History	• Computer
• Geography	• Environment
• Science	

#### Paper III – (If Applicable)

**Subject-Specific**  
(Based on Post)

- ✓ Statistics
- ✓ Economics
- ✓ Commerce
- ✓ Technical Subjects
- ✓ Other Optional

(Note: Pattern may vary slightly depending on notification.)

## Detailed Mains Syllabus

### Paper I – Language (Odia & English)

#### Odia

- Grammar
- Translation



- Comprehension
- Essay / Precis

## **English**

- Comprehension
- Precis Writing
- Grammar
- Vocabulary

## **Paper II – General Studies**

### **◆ Polity**

- Indian Constitution
- Governance
- Panchayati Raj
- Odisha Administration

### **◆ Economy**

- Budget
- Five Year Plans
- Odisha economy

### **◆ History**

- Indian National Movement
- Odisha history

### **◆ Geography**

- Physical Geography
- Odisha rivers, resources

### **◆ Science**

- Basic Physics, Chemistry, Biology
- IT & Computer Awareness

### **◆ Current Affairs**

- National & Odisha current events



## Paper III (For Certain Posts)

- Subject-specific topics depending on post (e.g., Statistics, Economics, Commerce, etc.)

## Certificate Verification

After clearing Mains:

- Educational documents verification
- Caste/Category certificate verification
- Identity proof verification

## Important Preparation Insights

- ✓ Odisha-specific current affairs are crucial
- ✓ Arithmetic & reasoning must be strong for prelims
- ✓ Language paper requires grammar practice
- ✓ Regular mock tests are essential