

## Method of selection

### **Scheme of Test**

The test will consist of one paper of two hours duration. The paper will consist of two Sections. The Aptitude Section (Section A) will have 50 questions on (i) scientific phenomenon in everyday life; (ii) general knowledge in sciences; and (iii) common statistics. All these questions would be compulsory with each question carrying 1 mark. The subject Specific Section (Section B & C) would pertain to (B) Life Sciences and (C) Social Sciences. The candidate may attempt questions in either of the two areas. Each area of section B & C would have 100 questions and the candidate may attempt any 75 questions in the predesigned area of Section B or C. If, a candidate attempts more than 75 questions, then first 75 attempted questions will only be considered for evaluation. Candidates are required to indicate the option for Section B or C in the application form too.

Each question carries one mark. **Negative marking @ 0.25 will be made for each of the wrong answer.** The questions in both the Sections would appear in English only.

The qualifying marks will be 55% obtained in both the Sections (A+B or C) for General Category & OBC and 50% for SC/ST and Physically Handicapped.

The test will be held in the following **streams**: (1) Aptitude test (common for all) (2) Life Sciences (3) Social Sciences. Subjects covered under **Life Sciences** include microbiology, physiology, molecular biology, genetics, human biology, biotechnology, biochemistry, bioinformatics, biophysics, immunology, pharmacology, Nursing, zoology, botany, environmental sciences and veterinary science (excluding Agriculture extension/ Soil Science), etc). Subjects covered under **Social Sciences** include psychology, sociology, anthropology, social work, home sciences, statistics and Public health/Health economics (excluding others)

### **ANSWER KEYS**

The answer keys for the ICMR-JRF examination will be uploaded on ICMR-JRF website after 3 days of the exam. The answer key will contain the right answers of the questions. The candidates can cross check their answers with the answer keys and calculate their probable score well before the declaration of the final result. If the candidate finds any discrepancies/doubts regarding the answers in the examination, then he/she can communicate the same with Professor In-charge (Examination Cell) through e-mail: [shivamanru@gmail.com](mailto:shivamanru@gmail.com) within 48 hours after uploading the answer keys. Revised key after considering the representation will be announced on the ICMR website in the due course of time. ICMR's decision on the representation/observation shall be final and the result will be declared on the basis of final answer keys.