

NABARD Grade B Prelims Syllabus 2026

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Subject	Syllabus Topics
Test of Reasoning	• Coding–Decoding • Direction Sense Test • Analogy • Data Sufficiency • Clocks & Calendars • Statement–Conclusions • Logical Venn Diagrams • Statement–Arguments
English Language	• Reading Comprehension • Jumbled Sentences • Sentence Improvement • Cloze Test • Idioms and Phrases • Synonyms & Antonyms • One-Word Substitution
Quantitative Aptitude	• Average • Percentage • Profit and Loss • Number System • Speed, Distance, and Time • Simple & Compound Interest • Ratio and Proportion

	• Partnership • Data Interpretation • Number Series • Time and Work • Probability
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NABARD Grade B Mains Syllabus 2026

NABARD Grade B 2026 Mains Syllabus 2026 includes sections of Reasoning, Quantitative Aptitude/ Professional Knowledge, General Awareness (with special reference to agriculture, rural development and banking), Computer Knowledge, English Language (Descriptive) (Essay, Precis writing, Report / Letter Writing).

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Test of Reasoning	• Coding–Decoding • Direction Sense Test • Analogy • Data Sufficiency • Clocks & Calendars • Statement–Conclusions • Logical Venn Diagrams • Statement–Arguments
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	• One-Word Substitution
Quantitative Aptitude	• Average • Percentage • Profit and Loss • Number System • Speed, Distance, and Time • Simple & Compound Interest • Ratio and Proportion • Partnership • Data Interpretation • Number Series • Time and Work • Probability
Computer Knowledge	• Microsoft Office • Computer Network • Computer Fundamentals • Input and Output Devices • Components of Computer • Computer Storage Devices • Internet • OSI Model
General Awareness	• Important Financial News • Economic News • Banking News • Indian Constitution

	• Books and Authors • Important Days
Economic and Social Issues	• Nature of the Indian Economy • Globalization • Economic Reforms • Privatization and Inflation • Economic Underdevelopment • Social Infrastructure • Education • Social Justice • Human Development • Social Structure in India • Demographic Trends
Agriculture & Rural Development	• Soil Erosion and Water Conservation • Water Resources • Farm and Agricultural Engineering • Plantation and Horticulture • Animal Husbandry • Fisheries and Forestry • Agricultural Extension • Ecology and Climatic Changes • Present Scenario of Indian Agriculture

Economic & Social Issues Syllabus

Broad Area	Topics Covered
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Indian Economy – Structure & Reforms	Nature of Indian Economy - Structural and Institutional features - Economic underdevelopment - Opening up the Indian Economy - Globalisation - Economic Reforms in India - Privatisation.
Inflation & Economic Planning	Inflation - Trends in Inflation & their Impact on National Economy and Individual Income. Objectives of Economic Planning- Evaluation of Indian Planning
Poverty & Employment	Poverty Alleviation and Employment Generation in India - Rural and Urban - Measurement of Poverty - Poverty Alleviation Programmes of the Government.
Population & Development	Population Trends - Population Growth and Economic Development - Population Policy in India.
Agriculture & Rural Credit	Agriculture - Characteristics / Status - Technical and Institutional changes in Indian Agriculture - Agricultural performance - Issues in Food Security in India - Non-Institutional and Institutional Agencies in rural credit.
Industry & Public Sector	Industry - Industrial and Labour Policy - Industrial performance - Regional Imbalance in India's Industrial Development - Public Sector Enterprises.
Banking & Financial System	Rural Marketing Development of banking and financial institutions in India - Reforms in Banking/ Financial sector.
Global Economy	Globalisation of Economy - Role of International Funding Institutions - IMF & World Bank - WTO - Regional Economic Co-operation.
Social Structure & Demography	Social Structure in India - Multiculturalism - Demographic trends - Urbanisation and Migration - Gender Issues Joint family system
Social Infrastructure	Social Infrastructure - Education - Health and Environment.
Education System	Education - Status & System of Education - Socio - Economic Problems associated with Illiteracy -

	Educational relevance and educational wastage - Educational Policy for India.
Social Justice & Development	Social Justice: Problems of scheduled castes and scheduled tribes - socio-economic programmes for scheduled castes and scheduled tribes and other backward classes. Positive Discrimination in favour of the underprivileged - Social Movements - Indian Political Systems - Human Development.
Current Issues	Current Economic & Social Issues.

Agriculture Syllabus

Section	Topics Covered
Agriculture	Present Scenario of Indian Agriculture and Allied activities; Recent trends, major challenges in agriculture, and measures to enhance the viability of agriculture. Factors of Production in agriculture; Agricultural Finance and Marketing; Impact of Globalisation on Indian Agriculture and issues of Food Security; Concept and Types of Farm Management.
Agriculture & Agronomy	Agriculture: definition, meaning and its branches, Agronomy: definition, meaning and scope of agronomy. Classification of field crops. Factors affecting crop production, Agro Climatic Zones; Cropping Systems: Definition and types of cropping systems. Problems of dry land agriculture; Seed production, seed processing, seed village; Meteorology: weather parameters, crop-weather advisory; Precision Farming, System of Crop Intensification, organic farming;
Soil and Water Conservation	Major soil types, soil fertility, fertilisers, soil erosion, soil conservation, watershed management;
Water Resource & Irrigation Management	Irrigation Management: types of irrigation, sources of irrigation, crop water requirement, command area development, water conservation techniques, micro

	irrigation, irrigation pumps, major, medium and minor irrigation.
Farm and Agri Engineering	Farm Machinery and Power, Sources of power on the farm- human, animal, mechanical, electrical, wind, solar and biomass, biofuels, water harvesting structures, farm ponds, watershed management, Agro Processing, Controlled and modified storage, perishable food storage, godowns, bins and grain silos.
Plantation & Horticulture	Definition, meaning and its branches. Agronomic practices and production technology of various plantation and horticulture crops. Post-harvest management, value and supply chain management of Plantation and Horticulture crops.
Animal Husbandry & Poultry	Farm animals and their role in the Indian economy, Animal husbandry methods in India, common terms pertaining to different species of livestock, Utility - 9 - classification of breeds of cattle. Introduction to common feeds and fodders, their classification and utility. Introduction to the poultry industry in India (past, present and future status), Common terms pertaining to poultry production and management. Concept of mixed farming and its relevance to the socio-economic conditions of farmers in India. Complementary and obligatory nature of livestock and poultry production with that of agricultural farming.
Fisheries	Fisheries resources, management and exploitation - freshwater, brackishwater and marine; Aquaculture- Inland and marine; biotechnology; post-harvest technology. Importance of fisheries in India. Common terms pertaining to fish production.
Forestry	Basic concepts of Forest and Forestry. Principles of silviculture, forest mensuration, forest management and forest economics. Concepts of social forestry, agroforestry, joint forest management. Forest policy and legislation in India, India State of Forest Report 2015.

	Recent developments under the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
Agricultural Extensions	Its importance and role, methods of evaluation of extension programmes, and the role of Krishi Vigyan Kendra's (KVK) in the dissemination of Agricultural technologies.
Ecology and Climate Change	Ecology and its relevance to man, natural resources, their sustainable management and conservation. Causes of climate change, Greenhouse Gases (GHG), major GHG emitting countries, climate analysis, distinguish between adaptation and mitigation, climate change impact on agriculture and rural livelihood, carbon credit, IPCC, UNFCCC, CoP meetings, funding mechanisms for climate change projects, initiatives by the Govt of India, NAPCC, SAPCC, INDC

Rural Development Syllabus

Section	Topics Covered
Rural Development – Overview	Concept of Rural Area, Structure of the Indian Rural Economy-Importance and role of the rural sector in India, Economic, Social and Demographic Characteristics of the Indian rural economy, causes of Rural Backwardness.
Rural Population & Workforce	Rural population in India; Occupational structure, Farmers, Agricultural Labourers, Artisans, Handicrafts, Traders, Forest dwellers/tribes and others in rural India- Trends of change in rural population and rural work force; problems and conditions of rural labour; Issues and challenges in Handlooms
Rural Governance & Development Programmes	Panchayati Raj Institutions – Functions and Working. MGNREGA, NRLM – Aajeevika, Rural Drinking water Programmes, Swachh Bharat, Rural housing, PURA and other rural development programmes.

Rural Credit & Financial Institutions	Rural Credit System, Role of Rural Credit in Rural Development. Evolution and Growth of the Rural Credit System in India. Role and functions of RBI, NABARD, SIDBI and other financial institutions.
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Development Economics, Statistics, Finance & Management Syllabus

Section	Topics Covered
Development Economics	Measures of development, Economic Development Models, role of subsidies, importance of savings and investment, Importance of agriculture, Terms of trade in agriculture, Development issues in India – Post 2015 Agenda.
Statistics	Basic statistical concepts, Summarising of data, Frequency distribution, Measures of Central Tendency, Relative dispersion, Elementary Probability, Relative Frequency Approach, sampling, Axiomatic Approach, Analysis of frequency distribution, Correlation, Regression, Sampling Methods, Time Series Analysis.
Finance	Financial system in India; Regulation of Banks & Financial Institutions, Banking and financial Institutions in India; financial system- features, characteristics and issues; Micro finance, its significance and importance; Union Budget; Project finance- Assessment and Sources for block capital, working capital, Infrastructure financing- Risk Management in Banking Sector, Sources of capital, instruments and methods, salient features; Development finance- scope and needs of development finance; Concept of project cycle management, Private and Social Cost Benefit significance of development finance, Financial Inclusion – Use of Technology, Public Private Partnership.

Management	Its nature and scope; The Management Processes; Planning, Organisation, Staffing, Directing and Controlling; The Role of a Manager in an Organisation.
Leadership	The Tasks of a Leader; Leadership Styles; Leadership Theories; A successful Leader versus an effective Leader.
Human Resource Development & Motivation	Concept of HRD; Goals of HRD; Performance Appraisal - Potential appraisal and development - Performance Counselling - Career Planning - Training and Development - Rewards - Employee Welfare. Motivation, Morale and Incentives: Theories of Motivation; How Managers Motivate; Concept of Morale; Factors determining morale; Role of Incentives in Building up Morale.
Communication & Corporate Governance	Steps in the Communication Process; Communication Channels; Oral versus Written Communication; Verbal versus non-verbal Communication; upward, downward and lateral communication; Barriers to Communication, Role of Information Technology. Corporate Governance: Factors affecting Corporate Governance; Mechanisms of Corporate Governance.