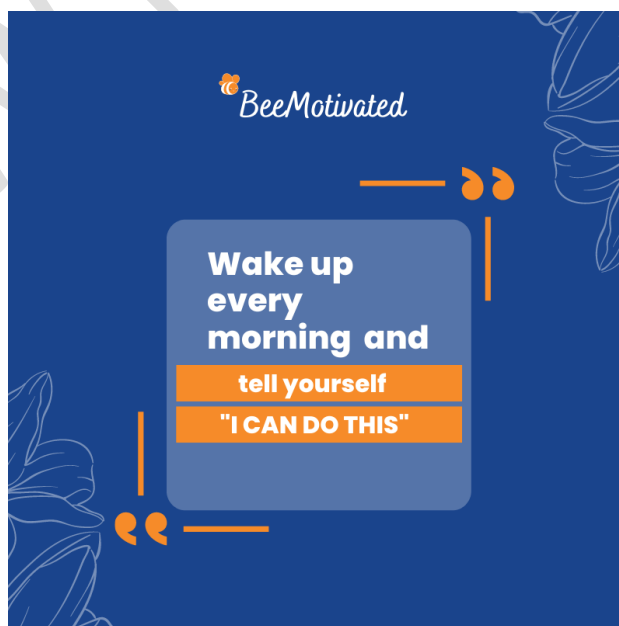




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# NABARD Complete Guide 2024-25 + Three months (Phase 1 + Phase 2) Study Plan



Dear Students,

Success in competitive exams demands discipline in routine, unwavering consistency in study habits, and persistent motivation. Embrace a structured plan, stay committed, and let your daily efforts propel you toward triumph. The journey may be challenging, but remember, each focused step brings you closer to your well-deserved success.

All the best  
Kailash

## Prelims Exam Pattern

### V. SELECTION PROCEDURE

A. The selection will be in three Phases as furnished below:

#### Preliminary Examination Structure for Grade A (RDBS/Rajbhasha) :

Sr. No.	Name of the Test	No. of Qs.	Max Marks	Version	Time
1	Test of Reasoning	20	20	Bilingual – Hindi and English except test of English language	Composite time of 120 Minutes for all the tests together
2	English Language	30	30		
3	Computer Knowledge	20	20		
4	Quantitative Aptitude	20	20		
5	Decision Making	10	10		
6	General Awareness	20	20		
7	Eco & Soc. Issues (with focus on Rural India)	40	40		
8	Agriculture & Rural Development with Emphasis on Rural India	40	40		
	<b>Total</b>	200	200		120 Minutes

i) Qualifying Section - Test of Reasoning, English Language, Computer Knowledge, Quantitative Aptitude, Decision Making

ii) Merit Section - General Awareness, Eco & Soc. Issues (with focus on Rural India), Agriculture & Rural Development with Emphasis on Rural India.

## Mains

### Main Examination for the post of Generalist

Paper	Grade A	Type of Paper	No. of Questions	Marks	Duration	Remarks
Paper I	General English	Online Descriptive	3	100	90 Minutes	Descriptive Answers to be typed using keyboard
Paper II	ESI & ARD	Objective	30	50	30 Minutes	
		Descriptive Type	6 questions will be asked, of which candidates will be required to attempt 4 questions [2 of 15 marks each (with difficulty level) and 2 of 10 marks each]	50	90 Minutes	Descriptive Answers to be typed using keyboard either in English or Hindi (Remington and Inscript keyboards)

## ARD &amp; ESI topics to be covered weekly

Week	ARD Topics	ESI Topics
1	Introduction, Crop Production Principles	Current Affairs, Schemes
2	Crop Production (All Topics), Cropping Systems	Economy & Banking, Budget
3	Seed Production, Agro-meteorology, Agro-climatic Zones	Sustainable Development Goals
4	Soil Science, Farm Irrigation	Economy & Inflation, Reports & Indices
5	Rural Development Introduction, Trends, Occupations	Schemes for Rural Development
6	Horticulture, Agri-Engineering, Agro-forestry	Population & Development, Kurukshetra Magazine
7	Animal Husbandry, Fisheries	Industrial Policy
8	Agri-economics, Farm Management	Rural Banking & Institutions
9	Agri-Extension, Climate	Globalization
10	Revision of Week 1 Topics	Social Structure
11	Revision of Week 3 & 11 Topics	Social & Economic Issues
12	Revision & Mock Tests	Prepare for Exams

## NABARD 2024 Batch 2 Live class Plan (80 Days ARD &amp; ESI)

Sr.No	Date	Day	Subject	Time	Topics
Batch 2 from 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2024					
1	1 April	Monday	Intro	5:00 PM	NABARD Preparation Strategy & Approach
2	2 April	Tuesday	ESI	5:00 PM	NABARD ESI PYQ Analysis
3	3 April	Wednesday	ARD	4:00 PM	NABARD Previous Year Paper Analysis and Learning
4	4 April	Thursday	GA	4:00 PM	GA Road map and focus points based on Previous year paper
5	5 April	Friday	ARD	4:00 PM	ARD questions and Syllabus- What to Focus
6	6 April	Saturday	ESI	4:00 PM	ESI Questions and Syllabus- What to Focus
7	7 April	Sunday	Quants	4:00 PM	Quants 2021, 2022, 2023 analysis - Structure & Roadmap
8	8 April	Monday	English	4:00 PM	Role of English in Prelims and Mains based on previous year paper
9	9 April	Tuesday	ARD	4:00 PM	Introduction to agriculture & Agronomy
10	10 April	Wednesday	ESI	4:00 PM	Nature of Indian Economy Part-1
11	11 April	Thursday	Reasoning	4:00 PM	Reasoning 2021, 2022, 2023 analysis - Structure & Roadmap
12	12 April	Friday	DM	4:00 PM	Decision Making- Crucial for Prelims- Roadmap
13	15 April	Monday	ESI	4:00 PM	Nature of Indian Economy Part-2
14	16 April	Tuesday	ARD	4:00 PM	Classification of crops and Factor affecting crop Production
15	19 April	Friday	Computer Awareness	4:00 PM	Computer Awareness approach -History and Generations of computer Components of computer
16	20 April	Saturday	ARD	4:00 PM	Growth of agriculture - Union Budget & Economic Survey

17	22 April	Monday	ESI	4:00 PM	Inflation
18	24 April	Wednesday	ARD	4:00 PM	Seed Production
19	26 April	Friday	ESI	4:00 PM	Nature of Indian Economy Part-3
20	29 April	Monday	ARD	4:00 PM	Soil & Details
21	30 April	Tuesday	ESI	4:00 PM	Poverty & Employment Generation
22	2 May	Thursday	ARD	4:00 PM	Plant Nutrition & Deficiencies
23	4 May	Saturday	ESI	4:00 PM	Population
24	6 May	Monday	ARD	4:00 PM	Horticulture & Details
25	8 May	Wednesday	ESI	4:00 PM	Industrial Policy
26	10 May	Friday	ARD	4:00 PM	Post Harvest Management in Horticulture
27	13 May	Monday	ESI	4:00 PM	Rural Banking & Financial Institutions
28	14 May	Tuesday	ESI	4:00 PM	Globalisation of Economy Part-1
29	16 May	Thursday	ARD	4:00 PM	Animal Husbandry - Breeds of livestock
30	18 May	Saturday	ESI	4:00 PM	Globalisation of Economy Part-2
31	20 May	Monday	ARD	4:00 PM	Fisheries Science
32	22 May	Wednesday	ESI	4:00 PM	Social Structure of India Part-1
33	24 May	Friday	ARD	4:00 PM	Agroforestry
34	27 May	Monday	ESI	4:00 PM	Social Structure of India Part-2
35	28 May	Tuesday	ARD	4:00 PM	Agri Extension
36	30 May	Thursday	ARD	4:00 PM	Rural Development

**Daily Quants Reasoning & English Classes from 9.30am to 12.30 am & GA 2-3 Classes in a week**

## **NABARD- ARD (Syllabus and approach)**

### **Static topic to study**

- 1- Study of all branches of agriculture with their Latin/Greek name
- 2- Classification of crops based on season i.e., Kharif, Rabi & Zaid and examples
- 3- Crop production, important crops like- Wheat, Paddy, Sugarcane, Millets, pea, soybean, gram etc.
- 4- Seed production- generations and color of tags
- 5- Agri meteorology, Instrument used in meteorology
- 6- Soil classification based on color, with characteristics and states
- 7- Dryland Watershed classification and details
- 8- Soil Erosion & details
- 9- Irrigation types, methods and efficiency & Classification of irrigation projects
- 10- Agri engineering and uses in Agriculture, solar energy, biofuel and watershed
- 11- Horticulture – branches, classification and examples, Plantation crops and examples
- 12- Animal husbandry classification, common terms related to livestock and Classification of breeds and examples
- 13- Poultry production and classification, terms related to poultry and diseases
- 14- Mixed farming and classification
- 15- Fisheries – classification based on salinity with examples, terms related to fisheries
- 16- Forestry terms branches and classification
- 17- Agriculture extension, role of KVK in Agri extension

- 18- Ecology and climate change, GHGs, IPCC, UNFCCC, CoP etc
- 19- Agri economics, Agri marketing & Farm management

### **Dynamic Agriculture**

- 1- Agri production data as per latest advance estimates
- 2- State rank in production of various Agri and Horti commodities
- 3- ISFR 2021, Agri census, Livestock Census, handloom census
- 4- ARD schemes by Min of Agri, cooperation and farmers welfare. Ministry of rural development, Ministry of Panchayati raj, Ministry of MSME, Ministry of Jal shakti etc.
- 5- Kurukshetra magazine
- 6- Union Budget- ARD
- 7- Economic Survey- food and agriculture management
- 8- Latest Agri news in newspaper and PIB

### **Rural Development**

- 1- Concept of Rural Area, Structure of the Indian Rural Economy
- 2- Rural population in India; Occupational structure, Farmers, Agricultural Laborer
- 3- Panchayati Raj Institutions – Functions and Working
- 4- Schemes of Min of Rural Development- MGNREGA, DAY-NRLM, PMAY, Swachh Bharat, SPMRM etc

## **ESI Syllabus & Topics**

### **Important ESI topics- Static**

- 1. Nature of Indian Economy
- 2. Globalization - Economic Reforms in India & Privatization.
- 3. Inflation - Trends in Inflation
- 4. Poverty Alleviation and Employment Generation in India.
- 5. Population Trends - Population Growth and Economic Development
- 6. Agricultural performance - Issues in Food Security in India
- 7. Non-Institutional and Institutional Agencies in rural credit.
- 8. Public Sector Enterprises.
- 9. Rural banking and financial institutions in India - Reforms in Banking/ Financial sector.
- 10. Globalization of Economy
- 11. Role of International Funding Institutions - IMF & World Bank - WTO - Regional Economic Co-operation.
- 12. Social Structure in India
- 13. Urbanization and Migration
- 14. Social Infrastructure -Education, Health and Environment.
- 15. Education - Status & System of Education Educational Policy for India.
- 16. Problems of scheduled castes and scheduled tribes

## 17. Positive Discrimination in favour of the under privileged

**Dynamic Schemes & Reports**

1. Ayushman Bharat, PM Fasal Bima Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana, Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana, MGNREGA, E-SHRAM Portal, Mission Antyodaya-NRLM, Deen Dayal Upadhyay Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDUGJY), Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana, Oxfam Report, Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana, PM Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA), MUDRA Yojana, PM Gati Shakti, Jal Jeevan Mission, SVAMITVA, Soil Health Card Scheme Mid-Day Meal Scheme (PM Poshan) etc
2. RBI SEBI NABARD Top Officials Appointment, COP28, Green Initiatives, Four Labour Codes, NFHS, Gender Inequality Index IMF, IMF Reports, SDR s, SECC, Global Hunger Index
3. PIB Summary, Budget 2024-25
4. Farms Laws and Related Issues
5. CRR SLR Repo Reverse Repo LTRO TLTRO

**Institutions**

- National Housing Bank, Indian Gas Exchange (IGX), SCO, BIMSTEC, WTO, Recent Development
- Universal Basic Income (UBI), Ease of Doing Business Index
- Public Sector Enterprises, PSBs, Maharatna, Navratna, Urban Cooperative Banks

**General Awareness****Order or Priority:**

Beepedia > PIB Videos > Economic Banking and Finance Current Affairs > Live classes on Previous Year Questions + GA + Govt Schemes (Everyday)

- **Beepedia:** - Comprises of all current affairs related to all sectors and specially banking and finance sector. It is expected from you to study daily Beepedia, weekly Beepedia and monthly Beepedia.
- **PIB current affairs:** - Compilation of all important PIB news, watch to cover PIB current affairs specially June, July and august
- **Economic and financial affairs (Current & Static):** - cover both as it is important part not only for GA but also Dynamic part of ESI.
- **Union Budget & Economic Survey:** - This is important section, must cover both documents specially related to Agri and rural development. This part is also covered under Current agriculture data & Reports (Agriculture)
- **Schemes:** - Cover all important schemes specially related to ARD and also Education, Transport, health and infrastructure

## Decision Making

### Topics to study

- Meaning of decision making
- Steps in decision making process
- Systematic decision making and Bounded rationality
- Types of decisions
- Decision making techniques
- Decision making theories
- Leadership styles related to decision making
- Biases in decision making

**Note** - Decision making is a small topic. 2-3 readings and lot of practice of questions can easily prepare you for this part.

### Mistakes to avoid:

- Totally neglecting this part can land you in trouble by missing qualifying for Phase 1
- Overly focusing on this part and studying multiple books would take up a lot of time which is not the right strategy to crack this exam

**Strategy** - Maintain a balance; maintain regularity and practice every week in small part

## ENGLISH (Syllabus and approach)

### Basic topics to study

1. Parts of Speech
2. Tenses
3. Rules of Grammar
4. Articles (Along with exceptions)
5. Direct and Indirect speech
6. Active/Passive Voice
7. Reading and vocabulary to be done EVERYDAY
8. Idioms and Phrases

For reading and vocabulary practice, read newspaper editorial article every day and note down the difficult words. Find the meaning, synonym and antonym of these difficult words and make a new sentence using that word, to understand its usage.

### Types of questions to practice

1. **Fill in the blanks (All Patterns)**
  - a. Single Fillers



- b. Double fillers
  - c. Triple fillers
  - d. Two words in one blank (6 suggestions given, 2 need to be chosen)
  - e. Two words in two blanks (5/6 suggestions given, 2 need to be chosen)
  - f. One word in one blank of each of the two given sentences
  - g. One or more than one word in each of the two blanks (6 suggestions and a sentence with two blanks given, in options, combination of words that can fill the blanks are given)
  - h. 2 similar appearing words (homophones) in one blank each of three sentences
  - i. Idioms or phrasal verb based
2. **Error Detection (All Patterns)**
- a. Identify error in one part of a sentence divided in 4 parts
  - b. Choose the set of parts that do not have an error
  - c. Error only in highlighted parts, identify the part
  - d. Errors in 3 sentences
  - e. Errors in 4 sentences
  - f. Choose the combination of Error-free sentences (3 sentences given)
  - g. Choose the combination of Error-free sentences (4 sentences given)
  - h. Error or no error in 2 sentences given
  - i. Spelling or context error in highlighted words/phrases
  - j. Error in more than one part of a sentence divided in 5 parts
3. Word Swapping
  4. Correct Word usage
  5. Sentence Rearrangement (Old and new pattern)
  6. Sentence improvement / Correction (Old and New pattern)
  7. Match the column
  8. Cloze Passage
  9. Connectors
  10. Reading Comprehension

To practice reading comprehension either practice from free ixamBee mock tests or you can try reading chapters from English NCERT books and solve the back questions of those chapters. It will help you evaluate if you are able to understand what you read.

## Quantitative Aptitude (Syllabus and Approach)

### ➤ Quantitative Aptitude - Order of Priority:

▪ Series > Simplification > Quadratic Equations > Percentage > Profit & Loss > SI & CI > Alligation > Time and Work > Average > Ratio & Proportion > Ages > Partnership > Permutation & Combination > Probability > Mensuration > Number System > HCF –LCM

### Pre-Preparation

1. Shortcuts Tricks (squares, cubes, square root, cube root, multiplication tricks, addition tricks etc.)
2. Learn Squares upto 40



3. Learn Cubes upto 20
4. Learn Tables upto 20
5. Learn percentage fractions upto 20

**a. Note: -Most of these things are provided in the end of pdf**

More tips to clear Quant section

1. In every week, try to do minimum 10 sets of DI
2. Sunday is the revision day for all the work done in the last 6 days.
3. Make your notes for all formulas, basics & Tricks so that it will be easy for you to revise

Remember, QRE, Computer & Decision Making is qualifying, So plan for Quant accordingly.

## Reasoning

**Reasoning Ability:** You should master all chapters other than Puzzles and Seating arrangement. However, if possible, parallelly, practise Puzzles and Seating Arrangement daily.

**Priority order** – Blood Relations > Inequalities > Syllogism > Distance & Directions > Puzzles & Seating arrangement > Analytical reasoning > Machine input High level reasoning

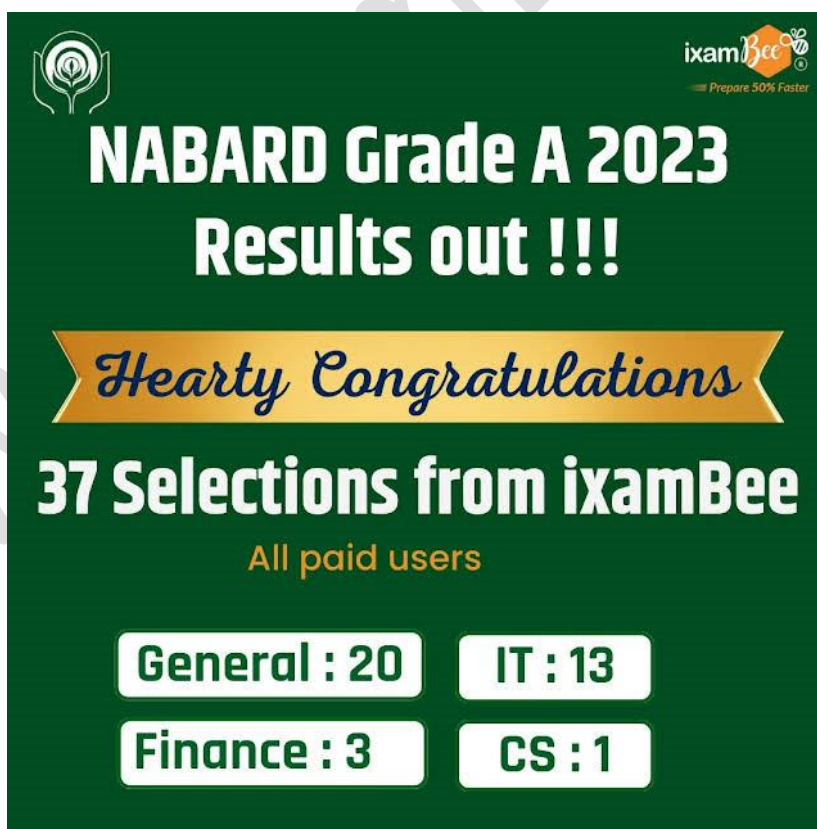
## Computer awareness

Study the following topics and try to do maximum MCQs from practice tests.

1. History of computer
2. Generation of computer
3. Software
4. Hardware
5. Different Types of Computers
6. Shortcut Key
7. Computer Language
8. Networking
9. MS office
10. MCQs related to MS office
11. New Generation Technology
12. MCQs based on New Generation Technology

## NABARD Mock Tests & Previous Year Paper

	<i>Previous Year Paper</i>	<i>Free Mock Tests</i>
<b><u>NABARD Grade A Prelims</u></b> <b><u>(2018,2019,2020,2021,2022,2023)</u></b>	<a href="https://www.ixambee.com/previousyear-question-paper/nabard-gradea-pre">https://www.ixambee.com/previousyear-question-paper/nabard-gradea-pre</a>	<a href="https://www.ixambee.com/free-mock-test/nabard-grade-aphase-i">https://www.ixambee.com/free-mock-test/nabard-grade-aphase-i</a>
<b><u>NABARD Grade A Grade B Mains</u></b>	<a href="https://www.ixambee.com/previousyear-question-paper/nabard-gradea-grade-b-mains">https://www.ixambee.com/previousyear-question-paper/nabard-gradea-grade-b-mains</a>	<a href="https://www.ixambee.com/free-mock-test/nabard-grade-aphase-ii">https://www.ixambee.com/free-mock-test/nabard-grade-aphase-ii</a>



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<b>General : 20</b>	<b>IT : 13</b>
<b>Finance : 3</b>	<b>CS : 1</b>



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**43** Selections from ixamBee  
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## General



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& Many More....

## Environment



## Fisheries



## Rajbhasha



## Agriculture Engineering



## Computer/IT



## Development & Management



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