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Preliminary Examination

Madhya Pradesh Public Service Commission (MPPSC)

State Service Preliminary Examination (SSPE) — Latest Revised 10-Unit Syllabus & Exam Scheme (English Medium)

Paper	Subject	Questions	Total Marks	Duration	Nature
Paper I	General Studies (10 Units)	100 Questions	200 Marks	2 Hours	Scoring (Merit for Mains Selection)
Paper II	General Aptitude Test (CSAT)	100 Questions	200 Marks	2 Hours	Qualifying (33% Minimum Qualifying Marks)

PAPER I: GENERAL STUDIES (10 UNITS) — 100 Questions / 200 Marks

Unit 1: Concept, Culture & History of India

- **Ancient Indian Knowledge Tradition & Ideas:** Bharatvarsha, Vedas, Upanishads, Aranyakas, Brahman Granthas, Shaddarshana, Smritis, Rit, Sabha-Samiti, Ganatantra, Varnashrama, Purushartha, Rina, Sanskara, Panch Mahayagya, Principle of Karma, Bodhisattva, Tirthankara.
- **Ancient & Medieval India:** Salient features, major historical events, administrative, social, and economic systems.
- **Modern Indian History:** National freedom struggle and major socio-religious reform movements.
- **Post-Independence:** National integration, linguistic reorganization of states, and emergence of Madhya Pradesh.

Unit 2: History, Culture & Literature of Madhya Pradesh

- **Historical Dynasties of MP:** Major historical milestones, ancient and medieval ruling dynasties of Madhya Pradesh.
- **Freedom Movement:** Role and prominent contribution of Madhya Pradesh in India's independence movement.
- **Art & Architecture:** Major arts, classical and folk architecture, sculpture, painting, and religious traditions.
- **Folk Culture & Literature:** Regional folk dances, songs, theater, fairs, festivals, and major literary figures and works.
- **Tourism & Heritage:** World Heritage Sites (Khajuraho, Sanchi, Bhimbetka), prominent historical, religious, and natural tourist spots.

Unit 3: Geography of India

- **Physical Features:** Physiographic divisions, mountain ranges, plateaus, coastal plains, and islands.
- **Drainage System & Climate:** Major river basins, monsoon mechanisms, seasons, temperature and rainfall distribution.
- **Natural Resources:** Major soil types, natural vegetation, wildlife reserves, national parks, and biosphere reserves.
- **Economic Geography:** Agriculture, major crops, irrigation methods, key mineral and energy resources, conventional and non-conventional sources.
- **Demographics & Transport:** Population distribution, density, growth, literacy, sex ratio, and major transport corridors (Road, Rail, Waterways).

Unit 4: Geography of Madhya Pradesh

- **Physical Divisions & Climate:** Plateau of Malwa, Bundelkhand, Rewa-Panna, Narmada-Son valley, Satpura-Maikal ranges; climate variations, temperature and rainfall regimes.
- **Rivers & Water Resources:** Narmada, Chambal, Betwa, Son, Tapti; major multi-purpose river valley and irrigation projects.
- **Forest & Wildlife:** Forest cover, protected area network, national parks, wildlife sanctuaries, and tiger reserves of MP.
- **Minerals & Energy:** Coal, manganese, copper, bauxite, limestone, diamond; thermal, hydro, and renewable solar/wind energy installations.
- **Agriculture & Industries:** Major kharif and rabi crops, agro-climatic zones, food processing, and key industrial clusters.

Unit 5: Constitutional System of India & Madhya Pradesh

- **Constitution of India:** Constituent Assembly, Preamble, Fundamental Rights, Directive Principles of State Policy, and Fundamental Duties.
- **Union Government:** President, Prime Minister, Council of Ministers, Parliament, Supreme Court, and Judicial Review.
- **State Constitutional Framework (MP):** Governor, Chief Minister, State Council of Ministers, Legislative Assembly, High Court of Madhya Pradesh.
- **Local Self-Government:** 73rd and 74th Constitutional Amendment Acts; Panchayati Raj and Urban Local Bodies in MP.
- **Good Governance:** Lokayukta, State Human Rights Commission, Information Commission, and public service guarantee delivery systems.

Unit 6: Economy of India & Madhya Pradesh

- **Indian Economy:** National Income, GDP growth trends, sectors of economy (Agriculture, Industry, Services), Inflation, and Budgetary process.
- **Financial Institutions:** Reserve Bank of India (RBI), Commercial Banks, SEBI, Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs), and Financial Inclusion.
- **External Sector:** Foreign trade, Balance of Payments, foreign direct investment (FDI), and international financial institutions (IMF, World Bank, WTO).
- **Madhya Pradesh Economy:** State GDP growth trends, agricultural scenario, MSMEs, industrial policy, infrastructure, and One District One Product (ODOP) initiative.
- **Social Welfare:** Sustainable development initiatives, education, health, employment schemes, and women/child development welfare programs.

Unit 7: Science, Environment & Health

- **Basic Scientific Branches:** Core conceptual knowledge of Physics, Chemistry, and Biology fundamentals.
- **Scientific Achievements & Space Tech:** Premier Indian research institutions (ISRO, DRDO, CSIR), satellites, launch vehicles, and remote sensing applications.
- **Human Health & Nutrition:** Human physiology, balanced diet, macronutrients/micronutrients, malnutrition, and deficiencies.
- **Diseases & Public Health:** Infectious and non-communicable diseases; genetic disorders with special focus on Sickle Cell Anemia (causes, diagnosis, management & Mission Sickle Cell).
- **Environment & Ecology:** Ecosystems, biodiversity conservation, Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), environmental pollution, climate change, and Disaster Management frameworks.

Unit 8: Current International, National & Regional Affairs

- **Current Events:** Major political, economic, scientific, and geopolitical events of international and national significance.
- **State Current Affairs:** Major schemes, events, policy decisions, and notable developments in Madhya Pradesh.
- **Personalities & Places:** Eminent personalities in news, awards, honors, summits, and bilateral/multilateral agreements.
- **Sports & Games:** Olympic, Paralympic, Commonwealth, Asian Games, National Games; sports awards (Khel Ratna, Arjuna, Dronacharya, Vikram Award); sports academies and institutions in MP.

Unit 9: Information & Communication Technology (ICT)

- **Computer & Information Tech:** Architecture of computers, hardware, software, operating systems, and computer networks.
- **Advanced Digital Tech:** Artificial Intelligence (AI), Machine Learning, Robotics, Internet of Things (IoT), and Cloud Computing.
- **Cybersecurity:** Cyber threats (malware, phishing, ransomware), cyber laws, Information Technology Act 2000, and institutional safeguards (CERT-In).
- **E-Governance & Digital India:** Citizen service portals, UPI, DigiLocker, digital public infrastructure, and E-Commerce platforms.

Unit 10: Tribes of Madhya Pradesh: Heritage, Folk Culture & Literature

- **Demography & Distribution:** Geographical spread of tribal communities in MP, statutory and constitutional provisions (Article 244, 5th Schedule).
- **Major Tribal Communities:** Bhil, Gond, Baiga, Sahariya, Bharia, Korku, Kol; Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs) of MP.
- **Tribal Culture & Traditions:** Customs, marriage systems, festivals (Bhagoria, Meghnath, Karma), traditional arts, handicrafts, and dialects.
- **Tribal Freedom Fighters:** Tantia Bhil, Bhima Nayak, Birsa Munda, Shankar Shah, Raghunath Shah, Badal Bhoi, and Rani Durgavati.
- **Welfare Institutions:** Tribal Research Institute, tribal museums, welfare schemes, and literature preservation initiatives.

PAPER II: GENERAL APTITUDE TEST (CSAT) — 100 Questions / 200 Marks (Qualifying 33%)

Paper II Curriculum Breakdown

- **1. Reading Comprehension:** Passages evaluating analytical understanding and deduction.
- **2. Interpersonal Skills & Communication:** Verbal and organizational communication principles.
- **3. Logical Reasoning & Analytical Ability:** Syllogisms, series, deductions, patterns, and critical reasoning.
- **4. Decision Making & Problem Solving:** Administrative and situational evaluation scenarios.
- **5. General Mental Ability:** Spatial reasoning, direction sense, blood relations, and coding-decoding.
- **6. Basic Numeracy & Data Interpretation:** Class X level numbers, ratios, percentages, charts, graphs, and data sufficiency.
- **7. Hindi Language Comprehension Skills (Class X Level):** Comprehension passages tested in Hindi without English translation.

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