Examination Scheme for Recruitment to the post of Parliamentary Interpreter (English/Hindi)

The Examination Scheme for recruitment to the post of Parliamentary Interpreter (English/Hindi) in the Rajya Sabha Secretariat consists of four stages -

- 1. Oration Test
- 2. Written Test
- 3. Simultaneous Interpretation Test
- 4. Interview

1. Oration Test

Examination	Paper	Marks	Time
	I English	50	3 minutes
Oration Test			
	II Hindi	50	3 minutes
		100	

In the Oration Test seven topics each in English and Hindi will be given to the candidates and a candidate will be required to speak ex-tempore for three minutes on a topic in English from the topics given in English and for three minutes on a topic in Hindi from the topics given in Hindi. The objective of the test is to assess fluency, language content, style, pronunciation & accent, material content and voice of the candidate.

2. Written Test

Candidates qualifying the Oration Test for the post of Parliamentary Interpreter (English/Hindi) will have to appear for written test as per the details given below:.

Examination	Paper	Marks	Time
Objective Type-	I.i).General Awareness (40 questions)	40	
Multiple Choice	ii).General Intelligence (40 questions)	40	
Answers	iii) English Language (40 questions)	40	2 Hours 30
	iv) Hindi Language (40 questions)	40	Minutes
		160	
Descriptive Type	II. i) Translation (English to Hindi) ii) Translation (Hindi to English)	50 50 100	2 Hours

Only those candidates who qualify the Written Test will be allowed to appear in the Simultaneous Interpretation Test. Prior to that, candidates would be provided short training in Simultaneous Interpretation.

3. Simultaneous Interpretation Test

Examination	Paper	Marks	Time
Simultaneous Interpretation Test	English to Hindi	50	5 minutes
interpretation rest	Hindi to English	50	5 minutes
		100	

In the Simultaneous Interpretation Test, the performance of the candidates will be assessed under five specific parameters i.e. Coverage; Accuracy; Style and Diction; Continuity of Interpretation; and Voice, Pronunciation and Accent. Only those candidates who qualify the Simultaneous Interpretation Test will be allowed to appear for the Interview.

4. Interview (40 marks)

The interview is structured to evaluate the interests, knowledge, traits, aptitude, skills etc. of the candidates with a view to assess his/her overall personality and to judge his/her suitability for the post.

5. Minimum Qualifying Marks

The minimum qualifying percentage of marks in **Oration Test, Paper-II (Descriptive Type)** of Written Test and Simultaneous Interpretation Test and Interview is as follows:-

Category	SC/ST	OBC	UR
Minimum qualifying percentage	40%	45%	50%
of marks.			

- **N.B.** (i) There is no minimum qualifying percentage of marks in Paper-I (Objective Type Multiple Choice Answers) of Written Test;
- (ii) In Oration test the candidate is required to obtain minimum qualifying percentage of marks separately in each of the two segments viz. (i) English & (ii) Hindi; and
- (iii) In Simultaneous Interpretation Test candidate is required to obtain minimum qualifying percentage of marks in both the segments taken together.

6. Merit List

Merit list is prepared based on the overall marks obtained in Oration Test (100 marks), Written Test (260 marks), Simultaneous Interpretation Test (100 marks) and Interview (40 marks). Candidates eliminated at any stage of recruitment process are not included in the final merit list.