

Report on

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Ms. Injila Khan, Head-Programs & Media IMPAR

Ms. Injila Khan gave introductory remarks. She welcomed the speaker and the participants to IMPAR's SSC Awareness Program and gave a succinct account of Ms Anamika Singh and her achievements.



Ms. Anamika Singh, Mentor & Editor ALS

Ms. Anamika Singh started with an elucidation of the 'sarkari naukri' and thereafter the role of SSC Exams in govt jobs. She listed out the exams under SSC and how individuals are being recruited in government departments through this prestigious exam. She explained the eligibility criteria thereafter. She further moved to the syllabus that includes General Intelligence and Reasoning, General Awareness, Numerical Aptitude and English Comprehension. She also explained what type of questions would be included. The speaker pressed on studying the NCERT books for general awareness. She then moved to Numerical Aptitude. Since it's a competitive exam and solving questions in a time limit is important, she emphasized on practising more to increase the speed. One of the books she recommended is RS Sharma for mathematics. She moved to English Comprehension where basic comprehension and writing ability would be tested. English is never a major issue for people from English medium backgrounds. But practice is needed for all. Solving previous years' questions would help. She suggested to keeping a check on the vocabulary. She stressed on reading the newspaper, learning words but with its usage, one has to implement the learning else it would go in vain. This is the basic parameter for any SSC Exam.

Ms. Singh discussed the SSC Exam Calendar from previous years just to give an idea of the schedule. She also gave a sample of exam scheme. An individual is called for an interview as a result of the combined merit of the three tiers. She elaborately illustrated number of questions with marks allotted and time slot for each tier. She also highlighted negative marking. Many candidates have got good jobs through SSC and then they appear for UPSC. One can clear SSC Exam in one go if prepared well. She gave an idea of the cut off, how many people register and how many actually appear for the exam.

Exam Year	2016	2017	2018
No. of Regd. Candidates	38,04,000	30,26,598	25,97,000
No. of Appeared. Candidates	14,82,000	15,43,962	8,37,000
Overall % of attendance	38.95%	51.01%	32.23%
Candidates qualified in Tier-1	1,49,319	1,89,838	1,50,396
% of candidates qualified	10.07%	12.29%	17.96%
No. of vacancies	10,661	8,125	NA
Cut off for UR	137	126.5	137.07

One needs to prepare mentally first. Everything is available on internet in the present era. There is an ample amount of material. The key is to selectively choose the material. You should know what and how much you need to study. One can have access to the resources available on SSC preparing websites. She gave another tip to improve accuracy which is to solve 50 questions daily. One has to be in continuous revision mode. Keeping sources limited and revising the strengths would be a better idea. Try making a plan once you have the exam dates acc to which you can revise the entire syllabus.

Next she talked about planning, strategising and keeping priorities clear. One should have a time table with Micro and Macro targets. It shouldn't be extremely ambitious rather sustainable. One should be practical enough to not plan 14 hours a day study everyday for eight-nine months curriculum. If unachievable, it'd leave you demotivated and directionless. It should rather be inclusive with GK, English, Mathematics, reading a Newspaper. It would stimulate you in achieving your goal and would keep you disciplined.

She discussed Pareto Principle. One needs to give priority to that 20 per cent area which can bring 80 per cent results. One should be prepared to answer stereotypical questions of the society but they shouldn't make you lose hope or indolent. Positive mindset and a practical strategy is what are needed. Ms. Singh gave an overview of National Recruitment Agency. She also shared the secret which is to believe in yourself and stay motivated. One should not get trapped in fear psychosis. There are a few people who remain firm in their aim and they are the ones who recreate their lives. She concluded the session by sharing her own experience, challenges faced by her and how she had overcome them.





Ms. Ifra Rehman, Programme Manager IMPAR

Ms. Ifra Rehman proposed the vote of thanks. She thanked the hon'ble speaker to share her expertise and wisdom with us hoping to be fruitful to all the participants in future.

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