

BRAC Institute of Governance and Development (BIGD), Brac University
Master of Arts in Governance and Development (MAGD)

Application ID No. _____ Name _____

Please read this section very carefully before proceeding to the test. This test is for 120 minutes consisting of **five sections**, which carry 100 marks as follows. (**ALL SECTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED**)

Sl	Sections	Type	Questions	Marks	Suggested Time
I	Mathematics	MCQ	10	10	20 Minutes
II	Logical Reasoning	MCQ	10	10	20 Minutes
III	Current affairs	Short answer questions	5	30	30 Minutes
IV	Public policy	Critical analysis	1	30	30 Minutes
V	Analytical thinking		1	20	20 Minutes
	Total			100	120 Minutes

INSTRUCTIONS:

- You should receive **one** question set including this instruction sheet, and **four** answer books. If you have not received any one or more of these, please stand up and ask the invigilator for the item(s) you need. At the end of the test, you must submit all sets.
- Write your name and application ID on the Answer Sheets and in the space at the top of this set.
- Each section has its own answer sheet in the answer book. Answer the multiple-choice questions in the answer book by putting a cross (X) in the appropriate box. Do not put more than one cross (X) for an answer as it will be considered a wrong answer. Do not answer any multiple-choice questions on the question set.
- You are advised not to leave any multiple-choice questions unanswered as a wrong answer will not lead to a negative marking.
- You may use the blank spaces of the question set for rough work. Do not use any other paper for rough work.
- You may use a pencil for rough work but the final answers must be in ink (ballpoint or fountain pen).
- You may use a non-programmable calculator. Electronic devices are not allowed including the smartwatch in the examination hall.
- You are requested to obey the instructions given below:
 - Keep absolute silence during the whole duration of the test.
 - Do not communicate with other candidates in any manner.
 - Do not copy from any source.
 - Cell phones are not allowed in the examination hall

Failure to follow the above instructions may lead to the cancellation of your answer script.

Do not turn this page until you are asked to do

Sample Question

SECTION I: MATHEMATICS (MCQ)

Marks- 10 (10 Question)

Suggested Time- 20 Minutes

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- A and B together can paint a wall in 3 days. A can do it alone in 5 days. How many days would it take B to do this job alone?
 a) 0.5 b) 7.5 c) 5.0 d) 6.4 e) None

SECTION II: LOGICAL REASONING (MCQ)

Marks- 10 (10 Question)

Suggested Time- 20 Minutes

- **Statement:** "You are hereby appointed as a programmer with a probation period of one year and your performance will be reviewed at the end of the period for confirmation." - A line in an appointment letter.

Assumptions:

- I. The performance of an individual generally is not known at the time of the appointment offer.
- II. Generally, an individual tries to prove his worth during the probation period.
 - a) Only assumption I is implicit
 - b) Only assumption II is implicit
 - c) Either I or II is implicit
 - d) Neither I nor II is implicit
 - e) Both I and II are implicit

SECTION III: CURRENT AFFAIRS (Short answer questions)

Marks- 30 (05 Question)

Suggested Time- 30 Minutes

- Why did the submarine Titan implode? Who do you think is/are responsible for this accident?

SECTION IV: PUBLIC POLICY (Critical analysis)

Compose a 500-word essay on any one of the following topics. Ensure that your discussion is relevant, and insightful, and incorporates appropriate policies (if necessary) of Bangladesh.

Marks- 30 (01 Question)

Suggested Time- 30 Minutes

- **Economic Policies and Informal Sector:** A significant portion of Bangladesh's labor force operates within the informal sector. Discuss the implications of this on economic growth, taxation, and social welfare. How can public policies be shaped to incorporate and uplift the informal sector, thereby fostering overall economic development and good governance?

SECTION V: ANALYTICAL THINKING

Marks- 20 (01 Question)

Suggested Time- 20 Minutes

- In psychology, Dunning-Kruger effect means a cognitive bias whereby people with limited knowledge or competence in a given intellectual or social domain greatly overestimate their own knowledge or competence in that domain relative to objective criteria." Explain this phenomenon in your own language. You can reflect whether you agree/disagree with this, and why?