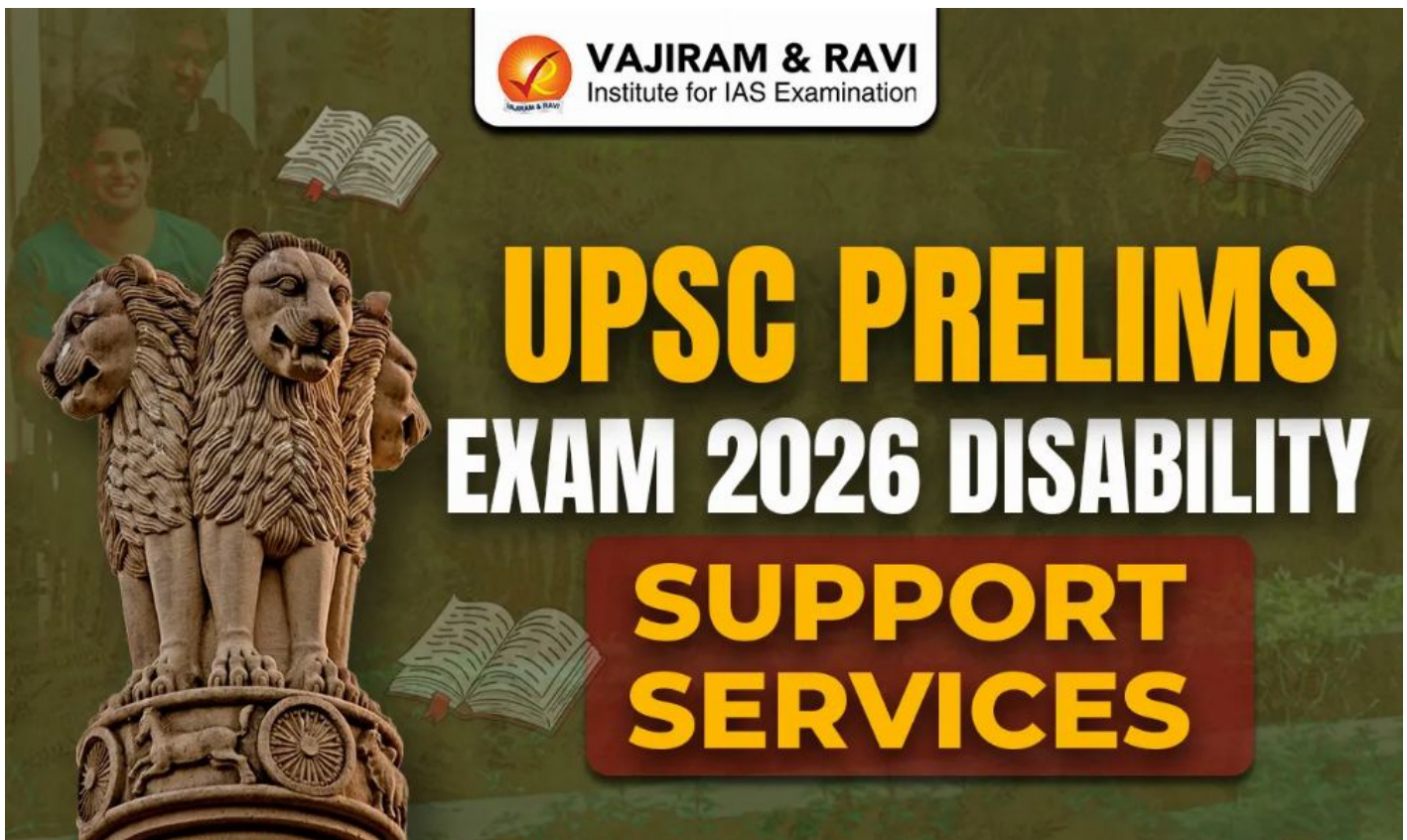


UPSC Prelims Exam 2026 Disability Support Services, Eligibility

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The Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) conducts the prestigious Civil Services Examination every year to recruit candidates for India's top administrative posts. For UPSC 2026, the Commission continues its strong commitment toward inclusive and accessible examinations by providing extensive support services for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD).

This detailed article explains everything about UPSC Prelims Exam 2026 Disability Support Services, including eligibility, facilities, documentation, category-wise benefits, and preparation tips for PwBD aspirants.

UPSC 2026 Disability Reservation Policy

UPSC 2026 provides **4% reservation for Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD)** across all stages of the Civil Services Examination, ensuring fair representation in government services. This quota is distributed among various disability categories, including visual, hearing, locomotor, intellectual, and multiple disabilities.

For focused and strategic preparation, aspirants can join the **PowerUp Prelims Test Series Programme by Vajiram and Ravi**, designed to strengthen conceptual clarity and exam-oriented practice.

UPSC 2026 Disability Reservation Policy		
Disability Category	Reservation Percentage	Sub-Categories
Blindness & Low Vision	1%	Blind, Low Vision
Deaf & Hard of Hearing	1%	Deaf, Hard of Hearing
Locomotor Disability	1%	Cerebral Palsy, Muscular Dystrophy, Leprosy Cured, Acid Attack Victims, Dwarfism, Both Arms / Legs Affected
Intellectual & Mental Disabilities	0.5%	Autism, Specific Learning Disability, Intellectual Disability, Mental Illness
Multiple Disabilities	0.5%	Combination of above disabilities including Deaf-Blindness

UPSC 2026 Disability Support Eligibility

PwBD candidates appearing for **UPSC 2026** are eligible for special support services based on their disability category. Eligibility is determined by a **valid disability certificate** issued by a competent authority, covering visual, hearing, locomotor, intellectual, and multiple disabilities.

UPSC 2026 Disability Support Eligibility - Category Wise	
Disability Category	Sub-Categories
Locomotor Disability (LD)	One Arm (OA), One Leg (OL), Both Arms (BA), Both Legs (BL), Both Arms & Legs (BLA), Spinal Injury (SI), Cerebral Palsy (CP), Dwarfism (Dw), Acid Attack Victims (AAV), Muscular Dystrophy (MDy), Leprosy Cured (LC)
Visual Impairment (VI)	Blind (B), Low Vision (LV)
Hearing Impairment (HI)	Deaf (D), Hard of Hearing (HH)

Multiple Disabilities (MD)	Combination of above disabilities, including Deaf-Blindness
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Qualification for UPSC Prelims Scribe Writer

The scribe facility is a crucial support service provided to PwBD candidates in the **UPSC Prelims** Exam, allowing candidates with physical or visual disabilities to complete the exam effectively. However, not everyone is eligible to serve as a scribe. Specific qualifications and approval requirements must be met to ensure fairness and compliance with UPSC guidelines.

- **Maximum Qualification:** The scribe's educational level must **not exceed the minimum qualification required** for the examination. For example, if the exam requires a graduate degree, the scribe should **not hold a postgraduate degree**. This ensures the scribe does not have an unfair advantage in assisting the candidate.
- **Minimum Qualification:** The scribe must have **at least completed matriculation (10th grade)**. This ensures they have a basic literacy and comprehension level to assist the candidate effectively.
- **Approval from UPSC:** Candidates may **bring their own scribe** or request UPSC to provide one. If opting for a personal scribe, candidates must **submit scribe details during application** and obtain formal approval from the Commission **before the examination**.
- **Additional Note:** UPSC does **not provide any remuneration** if a candidate brings their own scribe; the responsibility lies entirely with the candidate.

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