Banking Interview Question Bank

1. Resume-Based Questions

- 1. Walk us through your resume in 2 minutes.
- 2. Describe a challenging project from your past experience.
- 3. Give an example of a leadership role you've held.
- 4. What strengths make you a good fit for banking?
- 5. What weaknesses are you working to improve?
- 6. How does your education support a banking career?
- 7. Share a professional failure and lessons learned.
- 8. Why are you transitioning to banking?
- 9. Explain any employment gaps (if applicable).
- 10. How would your manager describe your work style?

2. Bank-Type Specific Questions

Public Sector Banks (SBI, PNB, etc.)

- 1. Why choose a public sector bank over private?
- 2. How would you promote financial inclusion in rural areas?
- 3. Explain the importance of government schemes like PM Jan Dhan Yojana.
- 4. How do PSBs handle bureaucratic delays?
- 5. What's your view on recent PSB mergers?
- 6. How can PSBs improve digital banking services?

- 7. Describe RBI's role in regulating PSBs.
- 8. What strategies reduce NPAs in PSBs?
- 9. How would you explain KYC norms to a rural customer?
- 10. What challenges do PSBs face in loan recovery?

Private Banks (HDFC, ICICI, etc.)

- 1. Why join a private bank?
- 2. How would you achieve aggressive sales targets?
- 3. Describe a time you resolved a customer complaint.
- 4. How do you cross-sell insurance with loans?
- 5. What digital banking trends interest you?
- 6. How would you handle high-pressure deadlines?
- 7. Explain the impact of UPI on private banks.
- 8. How do you stay updated on competitors?
- 9. What's your strategy for retaining HNI clients?
- 10. How would you pitch a credit card to a reluctant customer?

Regulatory Roles (RBI, SEBI, etc.)

- 1. Explain RBI's monetary policy tools.
- 2. How does repo rate affect inflation?
- 3. What's your stance on RBI's Digital Rupee (CBDC)?
- 4. How should RBI regulate cryptocurrencies?
- 5. Explain Basel III norms in simple terms.
- 6. How do you analyze macroeconomic data?
- 7. What's the role of NBFCs in India's economy?
- 8. How can RBI reduce banking sector NPAs?
- 9. Difference between fiscal and monetary policy.
- 10. Suggest reforms for rural credit access.

3. Technical & Analytical Questions

Banking Knowledge

- 1. Define CASA ratio and why it matters.
- 2. How is NIM (Net Interest Margin) calculated?
- 3. Difference between repo and reverse repo rates.
- 4. Explain NPA categories (Substandard/Doubtful/Loss).
- 5. How does KYC prevent fraud?
- 6. Describe the loan sanctioning process.
- 7. Compare RTGS, NEFT, and IMPS.
- 8. How do banks manage liquidity risk?
- 9. What's CAR (Capital Adequacy Ratio)?
- 10. How does inflation impact interest rates?

Logical Reasoning

- 1. Complete: 2, 5, 10, 17, 26, __.
- 2. Next in series: A, D, I, P, __.
- 3. Odd one out: 14, 28, 49, 65, 98.
- 4. If "LOAN" is coded as "NQCP," code "CREDIT."
- 5. Decode "XLIW" if "BANK" = "YDQL."

Situational Judgement

- 1. A customer disputes a failed transaction. Resolve it.
- 2. How would you reject a loan application politely?
- 3. A colleague is underperforming. How do you respond?
- 4. Explain a complex banking product to a layperson.
- 5. How would you handle an irate customer?

4. Current Affairs

- 1. How is AI transforming banking operations?
- 2. Discuss RBI's latest guidelines on digital lending.
- 3. Impact of rising repo rates on home loans.4. How do Neobanks challenge traditional banks?
- 5. Risks of Buy Now, Pay Later (BNPL) schemes.