

**NON-TAMIL INDIAN LANGUAGES
(FOUNDATION BENGALI / FOUNDATION GUJARATI / FOUNDATION HINDI / FOUNDATION PANJABI / FOUNDATION URDU)**

1 Purpose of the Examination

The purpose of the Non-Tamil Indian Languages (Foundation Bengali / Foundation Gujarati / Foundation Hindi / Foundation Panjabi / Foundation Urdu) examination is to assess candidates' literacy skills: listening and speaking.

2 Examination Format

Pupils will be assessed in the following areas:

PAPER	COMPONENT	ITEM TYPE	NO OF ITEMS	MARK
Listening Comprehension	The following types of texts may be tested: news, announcements, advertisements, instructions, conversations, interviews, speeches and stories	MCQ	15	15
Oral	(a) Reading Aloud (b) Picture Description (c) Picture Interpretation/Explanation	OE	1 passage	20
		OE	1 picture	10
			Total	65

3 Duration

Listening Comprehension Examination

The Listening Comprehension examination, comprising 15 multiple-choice questions, should take about 30 minutes.

Oral Examination

Each pupil is expected to read aloud a short passage and talk about a picture. For this paper, each pupil will spend about 11 minutes, which include 5 minutes of preparation time.