

VARIOUS ENTRIES TO JOIN INDIAN ARMY

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ABSTRACT: - In this research paper we will try to learn a brief introduction about our Indian Army and the various entries through which we can join our prestigious Army along with their educational qualifications which will help you to understand about the various ways to join Indian Army.

1. INTRODUCTION

On 1st April 1895, the Indian army was established with Field Marshal Kondandera Madappa Cariappa as the first Indian Commander-in-chief of the Indian Army and Field Marshal Sam Hormusji Framji Jamshedsji Manekshaw as the first Chief of the Army Staff of the Indian Army.

There are seven commands of Indian Army that is Eastern command whose headquarter is present in Kolkata, Central Command whose headquarter is present in Lucknow, Northern command whose headquarter is present in Udhampur, Southern Command whose headquarter is present in Pune, South Western command whose headquarter is present in Jaipur, Western Command whose headquarter is present in Chandigarh and Training command whose headquarter is situated in Shimla.

Indian Army is a place where young teenager is transformed to responsible gentlemen who have the responsibility of securing all the international borders of India on their shoulder. They are taught that the safety of their motherland comes first everywhere and every time, then the Army, then their men and at last their own safety. You need to be physically as well as mentally very tough and bold to join the Indian Army and prove yourself worthy at each and every step for the most prestigious uniform.

2. DIFFERENT TYPE OF ENTRIES

There are various ways and on different posts through which an individual can join the Indian Army as if he wants to join the Indian army as a Jawan then he has to first clear the physical efficiency test which includes 1600m race with long jump, 10 pull ups and balance beam. Only those candidates who cleared the physical test are sent for medical examination and those who cleared the medical examination are sent for written examination and at last all marks are calculated to release a final merit list. Candidates whose name are on the list are called for training. The minimum and maximum age of an individual to join Indian Army as a Jawan is 18 and 23 respectively.

- If an individual is willing to join Indian Army as an officer then the very first opportunity after clearing his 12th boards exam for him is National Defence Academy and only boys are eligible for this entry. For that first of all he has to clear the written exam which is conducted by UPSC and after clearing the exam he is sent for 5 days interview process which is known as SSB (Service Selection Board) where his officer like qualities and physical fitness is tested and evaluated. Only handful of candidates are able to clear the interview procedure because of high rejection rate. Once the candidate qualifies the SSB he is sent for the medical examination. Finally, at last the total marks obtained by the candidate in the written exam and interview is calculated and final merit list is generated and all the selected candidates are called at NATIONAL DEFENCE ACADEMY which is situated at Khadakwasla for training of 3 years.
- Second option after 12th is Technical Entry Scheme (TES). Only boys are eligible for this type of entry. In this the candidates are shortlisted with the help of the scores in JEE exam and directly called for the SSB interview and after clearing the interview the candidate is sent for medical examination and the students coming in the final merit list are sent to technical institutions for training.
- Third option is after graduation, which is CDS (COMBINED DEFENCE SERVICE) exam. Any graduate can apply for this exam which is conducted by Union Public Service Commission. Selected candidates are sent for SSB and at last for medical examination. Finally, the selected candidates are sent to INDIAN MILITARY ACADEMY and OFFICERS TRAINING ACADEMY according to the preferences of the candidate. Both male and female can apply for this type of entry.
- Fourth option is TGC (TECHNICAL GRADUATE COURSE) and only male engineering graduates can apply for this entry. Candidates are shortlisted on the basis of their percentage in their semester exams and directly called for the SSB interview and those who pass the interview are called for medical examination and finally those whose names are called in the merit list are sent to the INDIAN MILITARY ACADEMY for training. You get permanent commission in this entry.
- Fifth option is SSC (SHORT SERVICE COMMISSION) and only male engineering graduates can apply for this entry. Candidates are shortlisted on the basis of their percentage in their

semester exams and directly called for the SSB interview and those who pass the interview are called for medical examination and finally those whose names are called in the merit list are sent to the OFFICERS TRAINING ACADEMY. You get short service commission in this entry means that after a specific duration of service you have an option to continue your service or you can retire from your post.

- Sixth option is SSC TECH FOR WOMEN and only unmarried female graduate candidates can apply for this post. Candidates are shortlisted on the basis of their percentage in their semester exams and directly called for the SSB interview and those who pass the interview are called for medical examination and finally those whose names are called in the merit list are sent to OTA for training.
- Seventh option is NCC (SPECIAL ENTRY SCHEME). In this only NCC students having Grade C certificate with minimum B grade and 50% marks in graduation can apply for this post for short service commission. Both male and female are eligible for this type of entry.
- Eighth option is JAG (JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL) entry. Only law graduates with minimum 55% aggregate marks in LLB are eligible. Both male and female are eligible for this entry who wants to join Indian army as a judge or advocate for Short Service Commission.

3. RESULT

There are total 8 entries to join Indian army.

- NDA
- TES
- CDS
- TGC
- SSC(MEN)
- SSC(WOMEN)
- NCC
- JAG

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