

SSC exams start today with revised schedule



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The Secondary School Certificate (SSC) and equivalent examinations for 2025 begin today under all the education boards across the country.

The tests will continue until May 13, according to the revised schedule released by the Board of Intermediate and Higher Secondary Education, Dhaka.



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Under the general education boards, the exams will start with the Bangla first paper and end with the Bangla second paper.

All theoretical tests will be held from 10:00am to 1:00pm on the scheduled dates, while practical exams are slated for May 15 to 22.

This year's SSC exams will cover the whole syllabus, with full marks and full duration for all subjects.

This year, around 19.28 lakh students are expected to sit for the exams, which is, on average, over one lakh fewer than that of the last four years.

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When asked about the low number of examinees, Prof SM Kamal Uddin Hyder, convener of the Inter-Education Board Examination Control Committee, explained that usually a significant number of unsuccessful candidates of the previous year usually sit for the exams.

But this year, the number is notably lower because last year's pass rate was significantly higher. This was the main reason behind the lower number of examinees, Prof Hyder added.

To prevent malpractice, the Bangladesh Inter-Education Board Coordination Committee issued a set of stringent directives, stating that legal action will be taken against anyone involved in question paper leaks, spreading rumours, fraud, or other irregularities.

Special directives for students include arrival at exam centres at least 30 minutes before the scheduled time. Only scientific calculators will be allowed in the exam halls, and carrying or using mobile phones is strictly prohibited for everyone except the centre secretary. All coaching centres will remain closed until the exams end.

Following the publication of results, students will have the option to apply for re-evaluation within seven days.