

## **IRMA 2011 Analysis**

The IRMA exam conducted on 13th Nov was of easy to moderate level with a slight change in pattern from last year as regards to number and difficulty level of questions. The paper was moderate in level as compared to last year. The brief of the paper is given below. The time duration was 120 minutes. There were 5 options for each question.

Section	Questions	Marking Pattern	Time
Verbal Ability/Reading Comprehension	40	1 for correct and -0.25 for wrong	120 mins
Quantitative ability	50		
Logical Reasoning	50		
Issues of Social concern	60		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>200</b>		

The sectional analysis is given below.

### **Verbal Ability/ Reading Comprehension:**

There passage on RC was somewhat related to Political Thinking and Science. The questions were tricky and at times it was difficult to pick the right options. The maximum number of questions that can be attempted from this passage could be 8-10. There were 10 questions on Sentence Completion based on Vocabulary, 5-7 questions on Sentence Correction and 4-5 questions on Critical Reasoning. Overall this was an Easy-Moderate section. The Minimum number of correct attempts has to be 20, with the potential to score around 25-28 by allocating around 25 minutes for this section.

### **Quantitative ability/ Data Interpretation**

This section was the easiest section. As compared to last year, where there was 50-50 distribution between QA and DI, this time there were only 5-6 questions on Modern Maths covering basic Probability. The rest of questions were from Data Interpretation. There were questions covering Pie-Chart, Line Graph, Bar Graph, Tables and combined charts with questions ranging from 4-6 in each set. The questions required calculations, but were easy to comprehend. There were 5 questions from Data Sufficiency. The Minimum number of correct attempts has to be 23, with the potential to score around 31-34 by allocating around 30 minutes for this section.

### **Logical Reasoning**

The questions were mainly from Selections and Arrangements, Coding-Decoding and Series Completion and Strong and Weak Arguments. This section was moderate to difficult as compared to other sections. There were 3 sets on sitting arrangements covering around 15 questions, of which at least 8-9 could have been done easily. The set on Coding/Decoding

was easy, but confusing at first glance. There was a set on Arrangement of words, which required concept of Coding/Decoding as well as Logical Arrangement. There were 4 questions on Strong and Weak Argument covering a paragraph, which were moderate. There were 4 Data sufficiency questions on Blood Relation requiring basic reasoning concepts and should have been attempted. The Minimum number of correct attempts has to be 19, with the potential to score around 23 by allocating around 40 minutes for this section.

### **Issues of Social concern**

This section has always been the key to determining whether one gets a call from IRMA or not. The section had 60 questions with heavy emphasis on Economics, followed by focus on Government schemes. . The Minimum number of attempts has to be 22, with the potential to score around 28 by allocating around 25 minutes for this section.

### **SECTIONAL SCORES AND OVERALL CUT-OFFS**

The overall level of the paper was on the medium side and scores and cut-offs are expected to go lower this time as compared to last year. Below is presented the summary of the above analysis.

<b>Section</b>	<b>Questions</b>	<b>Time Allocation</b>	<b>Total Attempts</b>	<b>Possible Correct Attempts</b>	<b>Possible Scores</b>
Verbal Ability/Reading Comprehension	40	25	30-32	28-30	26-27
Quantitative ability/Data Interpretation	50	30	33-35	30-32	29-30
Logical Reasoning	50	40	23-25	21-22	20-21
Issues of Social concern	60	25	28-30	23-25	24-26
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>114-120</b>	<b>103-107</b>	<b>101-105</b>

The Probable Cut-offs could be 103 for IRMA and around 83 for XIMB (RM).

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