

**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:

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

**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.