

Agniveer Army (GD) Syllabus 2026

Indian Army — Indian Army — Agnipath Scheme, General Duty Soldier

Vacancies	25,000+ posts (2026 cycle, across GD, Technical, Clerk/Store Keeper and Tradesman categories)
Age Limit	17.5–21 years (as per the specific notification; some categories allow relaxation for serving/Territorial Army-linked candidates)
Qualification	GD: Class 10 pass with 45% aggregate marks and 33% in each subject (or equivalent); other categories (Technical, Clerk, Tradesman) have their own qualification and subject-percentage requirements
Application Fee	■250 (deducted at the time of registration, common across categories)
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Overview

Agniveer Army recruits soldiers into the Indian Army for a four-year tour of duty under the Agnipath scheme, with up to 25% of each batch eligible for retention as regular soldiers based on performance and organisational requirements. The 2026 notification (released 13 February 2026) advertised 25,000+ vacancies across General Duty (GD), Technical, Clerk/Store Keeper and Tradesman categories, each with its own subject combination and difficulty level roughly spanning Class 8 to Class 12 NCERT standards. Selection runs through Physical Fitness Test (PFT) and Physical Measurement Test (PMT), a Medical Examination, and the Common Entrance Examination (CEE) — with the exact ordering of physical tests and CEE varying by recruitment rally and category.

What's New in the 2026 Cycle

- 2026 notification released 13 February 2026 for 25,000+ vacancies; applications closed 1 April 2026; CEE conducted 1–16 June 2026.
- Syllabus and difficulty level vary meaningfully by category — GD is Class 10-level, Technical leans toward Class 12 Science, and each category has its own subject weightage.
- Negative marking policy differs by category as per the current notification — always confirm the specific deduction for your applied category before the exam.
- Minimum qualifying marks and subject combinations are category-specific — GD, Technical, Clerk/Store Keeper and Tradesman each have distinct CEE structures.

Exam Pattern

Physical Fitness Test (PFT) & Physical Measurement Test (PMT)

Mode: Field test — running, physical measurements (height, chest, weight) | Duration: Conducted at the recruitment rally

Section	Questions	Marks
Race, Height/Chest/Weight measurement	—	Qualifying

Negative marking: Not applicable — qualifying (pass/fail) only | **Nature:** Mandatory gate; only candidates who clear PFT/PMT proceed to the Medical Examination and CEE.

Medical Examination

Mode: Physical and medical fitness assessment by Army medical officers | Duration: Conducted at Military Hospital, typically within 14 days of referral

Section	Questions	Marks
Medical fitness assessment	—	Qualifying

Negative marking: Not applicable — qualifying (pass/fail) only | **Nature:** Mandatory; includes tests for narcotic/psychotropic substance use as applicable.

Common Entrance Examination (CEE) — General Duty (GD)

Mode: Online, objective MCQ | Duration: As specified in the current notification

Section	Questions	Marks
General Knowledge	—	Qualifying
Mathematics	—	Qualifying
General Science	—	Qualifying
Logical Reasoning	—	Qualifying

Negative marking: As per the current notification for the GD category (verify against the official notice, since this has varied across recent cycles) | **Nature:** Merit-determining, combined with PFT/PMT performance as per the current scheme.

Agniveer Army (GD) — Detailed Subject-Wise Syllabus

General Knowledge

Consistently rated one of the most scoring sections — a steady current-affairs habit pays off more than last-minute cramming.

- Current events — national & international, defence-related news
- Indian history & culture
- Indian geography — physical & political
- Indian polity & constitution basics
- Sports & general awareness
- Government schemes relevant to defence & rural development

Mathematics

Set at a Class 10 level for most categories — mastering fundamentals fully is achievable with consistent practice.

- Number system & simplification
- Percentage, ratio & proportion, average
- Profit, loss & discount, simple interest
- Time, speed & distance, time & work
- Basic algebra & mensuration
- Data interpretation basics

General Science

Weighted toward Class 8–10 basics — broad coverage matters more than depth on any one topic.

- Physics — basic mechanics, electricity, motion (Class 8–10 level)
- Chemistry — elements, compounds, basic reactions (Class 8–10 level)
- Biology — human body, health & hygiene basics
- Environmental science fundamentals

Logical Reasoning

Standard pattern-based questions — quick to improve with regular timed practice.

- Analogies, classification
- Series completion
- Coding-decoding
- Direction sense & blood relations
- Non-verbal reasoning & pattern recognition

Selection Process

- 1 Physical Fitness Test (PFT) and Physical Measurement Test (PMT) at the recruitment rally.
- 2 Medical Examination at a designated Military Hospital.
- 3 Common Entrance Examination (CEE) — category-specific subject combination.
- 4 Final merit and enrolment based on combined performance across all stages, as per the current scheme.

Salary & Job Profile

Agniveers receive a starting monthly package of approximately ₹30,000, rising to around ₹40,000 by the fourth year, with a portion contributed to the Agniveer Corpus Fund (matched by the government) and paid out as a lump sum — including a Seva Nidhi package — on completion of the four-year tenure, along with a one-time Agniveer Skill Certificate.

Best Books for Preparation

- NCERT textbooks (Class 8–12) — Mathematics & Science, category-dependent

- Lucent's General Knowledge
- Agniveer GD/Technical/Clerk Guide — Arihant/Kiran Publications (category-specific)
- A Modern Approach to Verbal & Non-Verbal Reasoning — R.S. Aggarwal

Previous Cut-off Trends (Approximate)

Agniveer CEE cut-offs vary sharply by category, recruitment rally zone and the number of PFT/PMT-qualified candidates in that region, since Army recruitment is organised zone-wise rather than as a single national cut-off. Always check the rally-specific and category-specific official cut-off/result release.

Preparation Tips

- Balance physical training and academic study from the start — neglecting either one can eliminate an otherwise strong candidate.
- Focus revision on your specific category's subject combination and difficulty level rather than a generic 'Agniveer syllabus' — GD, Technical, Clerk and Tradesman differ meaningfully.
- General Knowledge is consistently rated one of the most scoring sections — build a steady current-affairs habit well before the CEE.
- Practise previous years' category-specific papers to understand the real difficulty level and question style.

Exam Day Guidelines

- Carry the Admit Card/call letter and original identity/education documents as specified for the rally.
- Begin physical training (running, push-ups) months in advance — PFT is a hard elimination gate before the CEE for most rally formats.
- Report to the Military Hospital within the specified window if referred for the medical exam — delays can affect your candidature.
- No electronic devices are allowed during the CEE.

Frequently Asked Questions

How many vacancies were announced for Agniveer Army 2026?

The February 2026 notification advertised 25,000+ vacancies across General Duty, Technical, Clerk/Store Keeper and Tradesman categories.

What is the age limit for Agniveer Army?

Generally 17.5 to 21 years as per the specific notification, though this can vary slightly by category and recruitment cycle.

Does the Agniveer syllabus differ by category?

Yes — GD, Technical, Clerk/Store Keeper and Tradesman each have their own subject combination and difficulty level, roughly spanning Class 8 to Class 12 NCERT standards.

Is there negative marking in the Agniveer CEE?

This varies by category and has differed across recent notifications — some sources indicate no negative marking for GD while Technical posts have carried a per-question deduction, so always verify against your specific category's current official notification.

What happens after 4 years as an Agniveer?

Up to 25% of each batch may be offered retention as regular soldiers based on performance and organisational requirements; others exit with the Seva Nidhi package and an Agniveer Skill Certificate.

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