

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
(DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL & TRAINING)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.6064
(ANSWERED ON 01.04.2026)

ESTABLISHMENT OF SSC CENTRES

6064. MR PATHAN YUSUF:

Will the **PRIME MINISTER** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government plans to establish dedicated examination centres for the Staff Selection Commission (SSC) GD Constable and SSC CGL examinations in Murshidabad district, particularly at Berhampore;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the proposed timeline for setting up such centres;
- (c) if not, the reasons for not having examination centres in Murshidabad district despite repeated requests from local candidates and elected representatives;
- (d) whether the Government is aware that thousands of candidates from the densely populated adjoining districts of Malda, Murshidabad, Birbhum, Purba Bardhaman and northern parts of Nadia are forced to travel long distances to appear in SSC GD and SSC CGL examinations causing immense hardship, high travel costs and inconvenience; and
- (e) if so, whether the Government is likely to consider opening of SSC GD and SSC CGL examination centres at Berhampore given its central location and the large number of applicants from these districts every year?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES
AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE
(DR. JITENDRA SINGH)**

(a) to (e): As per the exam notification published by SSC, the Constable (GD) Examination 2026 is scheduled to be conducted in 130 cities across the country including six cities in West Bengal. Similarly, for the CGL Examination 2025, 135 cities across the country including six cities in West Bengal were designated as exam centres.

The following cities in West Bengal have been designated as centres for the aforementioned SSC examinations –

1. Asansol (Paschim Bardhaman district)
2. Burdwan (Purba Bardhaman district)
3. Durgapur (Paschim Bardhaman district)
4. Malda (Malda district)
5. Siliguri (Jalpaiguri & Darjeeling districts)
6. Suri (Birbhum district)
7. Kolkata / Howrah

The respective exam notifications may be seen at:
https://ssc.gov.in/api/attachment/uploads/masterData/NoticeBoards/Notice_of_CTGD_2026.pdf
; and

https://ssc.gov.in/api/attachment/uploads/masterData/NoticeBoards/Notice_of_adv_cgl_2025.pdf

SSC makes all efforts to accommodate candidates at their preferred or nearby available centres. SSC has recently introduced the “self-slotting” facility allowing candidates to select their exam city, date & shift for greater convenience.
