

3.0	Eligibility and academic qualification criteria for appearing in JEPBN-2026 (As intimated by the concerned Authorities)
3.1	Eligibility criteria for application for JEPBN-2026 a) Citizenship: Applicant must be a citizen of India . b) Applicant must be a domicile of West Bengal. c) Gender: Male/ Female.
3.2	Eligibility criteria for admission For any further information, candidates must follow the instructions of the Nursing Directorate, Dept. of H&FW, Govt. of W.B. The candidate must pass (10+2) level examination from any recognised Board and must pass the GNM course from the Institute recognised by the Indian Nursing Council and obtain registration/RNRM certificate from the State Nursing Council of any State of India. (A) Upper age limit: i. W.B. State Govt Employee: The Nursing Personnel must not be more than 53 years of age on the last Date of application. ii. Others: No upper age limit (including ESI and Central Govt. employees). At the time of admission, candidates presently employed by the West Bengal State Govt. will have to follow the then-applicable TR rules of the W.B. State Govt. (B) Work experience: The candidates presently employed by the West Bengal State Govt. must have at least 3 years' qualifying uninterrupted/regularised experience in Govt. service as on the last Date of application . Work experience is not essential for others (including ESI and Central Govt. employees). Note: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Pass' means passing in both theory and practical, separately where applicable. • 'Pass' means completion of all requirements of the course, including completion of internship (where applicable), before admission. • 'Any recognised Board' means the Boards/Councils listed and published on the WBJEEB website.
3.3	Document verification a) Admit cards and rank cards are issued based on the information provided by the candidate. All verifications are done during and after counselling/admission by the allotted Institute . Hence, candidates cannot assume that the personal information shown on the admit card or rank card is approved by the Board. b) If during document verification by the allotted Institute , it is found that information given by the candidate is/are incorrect or if the candidate is unable to produce valid certificate/ document/ proof as per the then applicable rules and as on the Date of its verification , their information will be corrected/modified accordingly which may even make them ineligible for some/all seats or course. c) Similarly, if at any stage during or after counselling/admission, it is found on scrutiny that the information/document(s) provided by the candidate is false/incorrect, his/her candidature is liable to be treated as cancelled even if he/she secured a Merit Rank and/or a seat has been allotted to the candidate. Hence, securing a Rank does not constitute a right or guarantee a candidate's admission if they fail to comply with the required criteria.

4.0

Seat Matrix

Seat matrix for the academic session 2026-27 will be declared by the Dept of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of W.B. and WBUHS, in due course of time, and will be published on the Board's website before counselling.

There may be **other seats available** in some institutes/courses that are not offered for e-counselling. Hence, those seats will not be included in the seat matrix.

It is also worth noting that private institutions require a suitability certificate from the Indian Nursing Council.

5.0

Reservation of Seats for SC/ST/OBC-Category-A (More Backwards) /OBC-Category-B (Backwards)/PwD/EWS category of students

- a) Reservation policies of West Bengal University of Health Science and the Dept. of H&FW, Govt. of W. B. will be applicable for admission in reserved seats for SC/ST/ As per The Kolkata Gazette Notification dated June 10, 2025 - OBC-Category-A (**More Backward**) /OBC-Category-B (**Backward**) as per Vide Notification No. 1056-BCW/MR-33/2025 (Pt.1) dated the 27th May, 2025 & No.1057- BCW/MR 38/2025 Dated the 27th May, 2025 & No.1107-BCW/MR-38/2025 dated the 3rd June, 2025, No.917-BCW/MR-33/2025 Dated the 8th May, 2026 and No.1106-BCW/MR- 33/2025 Dated the 3rd June, 2025/EWS/PWD candidates.
- b) Such reserve-category seats shall be reserved for students domiciled in West Bengal only.
- c) The concerned authority will announce the list of reserved seats before counselling.
- d) Candidates claiming reserved seats must submit a relevant Certificate issued by either of the competent Authorities as listed below.
- e) Certificates are to be produced for verification at the **allotted Institute** during counselling, admission, etc. If at that time, it is found that any information given by the candidate is/are incorrect or if the candidate is unable to produce a certificate/ document/ proof **valid as per the then applicable rules as on the Date of its verification**, their information will be corrected/modified accordingly. The candidate may be reconsidered in the next round of counselling, if any. Any incorrect information/application will make them ineligible for all/some seats or courses.
- f) Candidates holding OBC certificates issued before 31.12.2009 must have the certificates revalidated by the issuing authority, with the OBC-Category-A (More Backwards) / OBC-Category-B (Backwards) classification clearly mentioned.
- g) **OBC-Category-A (More Backwards) and OBC-Category-B (Backwards) candidates must note that though there is a reservation for OBC-Category-A (More Backwards) and OBC-Category-B (Backwards) candidates so far as seat allotment is concerned, there is no reservation for OBC-Category-A (More Backwards) and OBC-Category-B (Backwards) in the TR policy of the Govt. of W.B.**

6.0 Requirements in terms of Domicile Criteria

- a) The candidate must be domiciled in West Bengal (except those who are employees of the Govt. of West Bengal) for admission **in any category of seat in the Post Basic Nursing course in any institute.**
- b) Employees of the Govt. of West Bengal with TR will be excluded from the domiciled criteria.
- c) Candidates need to submit the required proforma for the domicile certificate as per the details given in section 6.1 below, and keep the Certificate ready for production during counselling, admission, etc.
- d) If any of the certificates is then found to be invalid/expired, the candidate will lose the opportunity of admission.

6.1 Criteria to be treated as the domicile of West Bengal and the applicable proforma of the Certificate

Only those candidates will be treated as domiciled in West Bengal who are either,

- a) residing in West Bengal continuously at least for the last 10 (ten) years as on 31.12.2025.

OR

- b) whose parent(s) is/are permanent resident(s) of West Bengal having a permanent address within the State of West Bengal.

In case of a) above, a certificate is to be obtained as per form 'A1' (APPENDIX-1).

In case of b) above, a certificate is to be obtained in proforma 'B' (APPENDIX-2) or the candidate must produce in original any two of Voter ID card/ Aadhaar card/ Passport/ Ration card belonging to his/her parents. **The said documents must justify that the residential address of the parent(s) is in West Bengal.**

During counselling, etc., if SC/ST/OBC-Category-A (More Backwards) and OBC-Category-B (Backwards) candidates cannot produce the required domicile certificate, they may produce/upload their category certificates (issued by the Govt. of W.B.) instead of the domicile certificate. But if the category certificate is found invalid during verification, their domicile status is also considered NON-West Bengal.

6.2 Competent authority to issue a domicile certificate

- a) Proforma 'a1' or 'b' must be signed and certified by any of the following competent authorities of the Central Government or the State Government *having local jurisdiction over the place of permanent residence of the concerned candidate or their parents, viz.*
 - i. District Magistrate, Additional District Magistrate, Deputy Magistrate, Deputy Collector, Sub – Divisional Officer, Block Development Officer.
 - ii. Superintendent of Police, Additional Superintendent of Police, Sub-divisional Police Officer, Deputy Superintendent of Police.
 - iii. Commissioner, Additional Commissioner, Joint Commissioner, Deputy Commissioner, Assistant Commissioner of Police, Commissionerate.
 - iv. Judicial Magistrate of any rank or position in the concerned District or Metropolitan locality or Hon'ble High Court at Calcutta or Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
 - v. Corporation Area - Commissioner, Additional Commissioner, Joint Commissioner, Assistant Commissioner.
 - vi. Assistant Secretary or above in the Secretariat to the Government of West Bengal (including GTA) or the Central Government.
 - vii. Deputy Director or above in the Directorate of the Government of West Bengal or the

Central Government.

- viii. Collector of Kolkata (Stamp and Revenue) located at 11, N.S. Road, Kolkata-700001, for the inhabitants under the jurisdiction of Kolkata Police Area.
- b) Officials issuing domicile certificates MUST provide their full name, designation, place of posting with address, and landline/mobile number. They should also provide their identity card number, if available.
- c) **Note: Domicile certificates issued by any elected people's representative, such as a Municipal Commissioner, Councillor of a Municipal Corporation/Municipality, Member of the three-tier Panchayat system or GTA, MLA, or MP, are not acceptable.**

Certification from any other authority other than those enumerated above will not be accepted.

7.0 Competent Authorities for the issuance of SC/ST Certificate for candidates claiming under such a reserved category of seats

SC/ST Certificates are to be issued by any of the following authorities:

- a) Sub-Divisional Officers for all districts except Kolkata.
- b) District Welfare Officer, Kolkata & Ex-Officio Joint Director, B.C.W. in case of Kolkata Municipal Area (as defined in clause (9) of Section 2 of K.M.C Act, 1980).

8.0 Competent Authorities for the issuance of OBC-Category-A (More Backwards) (NCL*) and OBC-Category-B (Backwards) (NCL*) Certificate for candidates claiming under such reserve category of seats

As per Notification vide No. 374(71)-TW/EC/MR-103/94 dated 27/7/1994, read with Memorandum No. 1204-SBCW/MR-67/10 dated 27/7/2015 issued by Backwards Classes Welfare Department. The Government of W.B., the Sub-Divisional Officer of a Sub-Division in a District, is the certificate-issuing authority. In Kolkata, such a certificate is issued by an officer authorised by the State Government. Accordingly, the District Welfare Officer, Kolkata, and the Ex officio Joint Director, BCW Dept., have been notified to act as the Certificate-issuing authority for Kolkata, covering the jurisdiction of the Kolkata Municipal Corporation.

The OBC-Category-A (More Backwards) or OBC-Category-B (Backwards) candidates who belong to the creamy layer will not be considered as reserved category candidates. If the OBC-Category-A (More Backwards) (NCL*) or OBC-Category-B (Backwards) (NCL*) certificate is issued before 01.04.2026, then the candidate has to provide the income certificate issued by the same authority that issued the earlier caste certificate.

***NCL-Non-Creamy Layer**

9.0 Competent Authorities for issuance of EWS Certificate for W.B. domicile candidates claiming under such reserved category of seats and others.

As per Office Memorandum No. 325-PAR(AR)/3P-1/2019 dated 09th July 2019 issued by the Personnel & Administrative Reforms Department (Administrative Reforms Cell), Govt. of West Bengal read with Memorandum No. 959-BCW/MR-52/2019 dated 18th May 2023 issued by Backward Classes Welfare Department, Govt. of West Bengal, EWS Certificates are to be issued by any of the following authorities:

- a) District Magistrate/ Additional District Magistrate
- b) Sub-Divisional Officers
- c) District Welfare Officer, Kolkata and Ex officio Joint Director, BCW & TD in respect of Kolkata covering the jurisdiction of the Kolkata Municipal Corporation.

N.B. For eligibility and other details, please refer to the Memoranda mentioned above.