Civil Services Examination, 2024 – minimum qualifying marks

In the Civil Services Examination 2024, the minimum qualifying standards/marks secured by the last recommended candidate in various categories at various stages are as under:-

Examination	General	EWS	ОВС	sc	ST	PwBD-1	PwBD-2	PwBD-3	PwBD-5
CS (Prelim)*	87.98	85.92	87.28	79.03	74.23	69.42	65.30	40.56	40.56
CS (Main)#	729	696	702	685	684	663	696	307	361
CS (Final)	947	917	910	880	884	876	913	701	461

^{*}Cut off marks on the basis of GS Paper-I only. GS Paper-II was of qualifying nature with 33% marks as per Rule-15 of Civil Services Examination, 2024.

[#] Subject to 10% marks in each of the seven competitive papers i.e. Essay, GS-I, GS-II, GS-IV, Optional-I and Optional-II.

- 2. Wherever two or more candidates have secured equal aggregate marks in CSE Exam, 2024, the tie(s) have been resolved in accordance with the principles approved by the Commission, viz.
 - (i) Candidate securing more marks in the [@]Compulsory Papers and the Personality Test put together is to be ranked higher; and
 - (ii) In case where the marks mentioned at (i) above are equal, the candidate senior in age is to be ranked higher.

Abbreviation	Expanded Version					
GENERAL	General Category					
EWS	Economically Weaker Section					
OBC	Other Backward Classes					
SC	Schedule Caste					
ST	Scheduled Tribe					
PwBD Category						
PwBD-1	Locomotor disability including cerebral palsy, leprosy cured, dwarfism, acid attack victims and muscular					
	dystrophy					
PwBD-2	Blindness and low vision					
PwBD-3	Deaf and Hard of hearing					
PwBD-5	Multiple disabilities					

[®] Compulsory Papers include Essay, General Studies-I, General Studies-II, General Studies-III and General Studies-IV.