# **Certified Treasury Dealer Course**

# Rules & Syllabus 2017

#### Introduction :

Currently, the dealers are provided with hands on training within the organization followed by bourse programmes conducted by training bodies. It is also noticed that in the absence of an appropriate course, the competence level of the dealers vary significantly which at times impact the overall dealing functioning in the financial sector. The Institute has therefore launched a blended certificate programme in this area which will address the issues related to dealing comprehensively and help to bring about standardization and uniformity among the market players.

#### **Objectives :**

- To create a cadre of well trained dealers to handle the front office operations in the integrated dealing rooms in banks / financial institutions

#### Coverage:

The course will cover the dealing functions in detail under seven modules, as annexed.

# Target group :

- Newly posted officers in the dealing room
- Persons identified for posting in the dealing room
- People aspiring to become dealers in future

# Methodology:

Course has two components viz.,

- a) Online examination for 100 marks based on a specially designed courseware on Treasury Dealer
- b) Classroom Learning for 3 days in Mumbai or at pre-announced centres.

For details of Classroom Learning, Course Structure & Delivery, refer page 3.

# **Eligibility**:

The examination is open to :

- Agraduate in any discipline
- Members of the Institute

# Subject of Online Examination :

#### **Treasury Dealing Function**

# Examination Fees / Registration Fees :

	For members and Non-members
First two attempts	₹6,000/-*
Subsequent each attempts	₹3,000/-*

\* Plus Service Tax as applicable (Reg. No. AAATT3309DSD002)

# Medium of Examination :

Examination will be conducted in English only

#### Pattern of Examination :

 Question Paper will contain 120 objective type multiple choice questions for 100 marks.

- (ii) The examination will be held in Online Mode only
- (iii) There will NOT be negative marking for wrong answers.

# **PASSING CRITERIA**:

- 50 or more marks out of 100 marks in the online examination.
- 25 or more marks out of 50 marks in the Classroom learning

# **DURATION OF EXAMINATION :**

The duration of the examination will be of 2 hours.

# **PERIODICITY AND EXAMINATION CENTRES :**

- a) Examination will be conducted on pre-announced dates published on IIBF Web Site. Institute conducts examination on half yearly basis, however periodicity of the examination may be changed depending upon the requirement of banking industry.
- b) List of Examination centers will be available on the website. (Institute will conduct examination in those centers where there are 20 or more candidates.)

# PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING FOR EXAMINATION

Application for examination should be registered online from the Institute's website www.iibf.org.in. The schedule of examination and dates for registration will be published on IIBF website.

# **PROOF OF IDENTITY**

Non-members applying for Institute's examinations / courses are required to attach / submit a copy of any one of the following documents containing Name, Photo and Signature at the time of registration of Examination Application. Application without the same shall be liable to be rejected.

1) Photo I / Card issued by Employer or 2) PAN Card or 3) Driving Licencse or 4) Election Voter's I / Card or 5) Passport 6) Aadhaar Card

# STUDY MATERIAL / COURSEWARE

Candidates will be required to refer to the following while preparing for the examination:

Module	Topics	Books and Units / Chapters
1.	Financial Market and Role of Treasury	Units 1, 2 and 3 of Treasury Management book of IIBF*
2.	Money Market Operations	Units 4, 5 and 6 of Treasury Management book of IIBF*
3.	Investment and Fixed Income Securities	(1) Units 7,8,9,14,15,16,22,23,24,25 and 26 of Treasury Management book of IIBF*
		(2) Chapter 1, 2, 7, 8 and 16 of Fixed Income Securities by FABOZZI.***
4.	Forex Dealings	Units 10,17,18,19 and 21 of Treasury Management book of IIBF*
5.	Derivatives	(1) Units 11, 12 and 13 of Treasury Management book of IIBF*
		(2) Chapters 59, 61, 62, 64, 65 snf 66 of Fixed Income Securities by FABOZZI.***
6.	Model Code and Dealing Ethics	Unit 20 and Appendix A,B,C and D of Treasury Management book of IIBF*
7.	Time Value of Money and Interest Rate Calculations	Chapter 6 of Fixed Income Securities by FABOZZI.***

\*\*\* The Hand Book of Fixed Income Securities by Frank J Fabozzi and Steven V Mann (Eight Edition, McGraw Hill Education (India) Edition 2013).

\* Treasury Management, IIBF, published by Macmillan India Ltd.

As banking and finance fields are dynamic, rules and regulations witness rapid changes. Therefore, the books as mentioned above should not be considered as the only source of information while preparing for the examinations. Candidates are advised to go through the updates put on the IIBF website from time to time and go through Master Circulars / Master Directions issued by RBI and publications of IIBF like IIBF Vision, Bank Quest, etc. All these sources are important from the examination point of view. Candidates are also to visit the websites of organizations like RBI, SEBI, BIS, IRDAI, FEDAI etc. besides going through other books & publications covering the subject/exam concerned etc. Questions based on current developments relating to the subject/exam may also be asked.

# Cut-off Date of Guidelines /Important Developments for Examinations

The Institute has a practice of asking questions in each exam about the recent developments / guidelines issued by the regulator(s) in order to test if the candidates keep themselves abreast of the current developments. However, there could be changes in the developments / guidelines from the date the question papers are prepared and the dates of the actual examinations.

In order to address these issues effectively, it has been decided that:

- (i) In respect of the examinations to be conducted by the Institute for the period February to July of a calendar year, instructions / guidelines issued by the regulator(s) and important developments in banking and finance up to 31st December will only be considered for the purpose of inclusion in the question papers".
- (ii) In respect of the examinations to be conducted by the Institute for the period August to January of a calendar year, instructions / guidelines issued by the regulator(s) and important developments in banking and finance up to 30th June will only be considered for the purpose of inclusion in the question papers.

The table given below further clarifies the situation.

Particulars	Cut-off Date of Guidelines / Important Developments for Examination/s
For the examinations to be conducted by the Institute for the period February 2017 to July 2017	
For the examinations to be conducted by the Institute for the period August 2017 to January 2018	

#### TUTORIAL / CONTACT PROGRAMMES

Tutorial / Contact programmes may be organized by the Institute at various centres. For details in this regard candidates may visit Institute's website www.iibf.org.in.

#### **COURSE STRUCTURE & DELIVERY**

Certified Treasury Dealer Course has two parts viz. written examination and class room learning. To be declared successful, a candidate has to secure a minimum of 50% marks in the online examination and 50% in class room learning. The steps in completing the course are as under :

#### 1.Study :

A minimum 3 months study of the stipulated courseware is envisaged. Institute will accept application for examination up to a certain date before the dates of announced exams so as to ensure that the study period is adhered to.

#### 2. Examination :

Candidates will have to appear first for the online examination conducted by IIBF (Multiple Choice Questions mode) and pass the examination.

# 3. Classroom Learning :

Candidates passing the written examination has to undergo class room learning. For this purpose, he/she needs to log on to IIBF website - www.iibf.org.in and select his/her convenient slot for class room learning (3 days) from the dates and venue at select centres announced by the Institute by paying prescribed fees.

Classroom learning will include mock dealing sessions covering forex and Fixed Income bonds. It will also cover exercises, case studies to evaluate the understanding and application of concepts covered in the written examinations. Inputs on various trading techniques, Technical analysis by industry experts, Interpretation of market / economic data, Fundamental Analysis and Technical Analysis.

During the class room learning, candidates will be assessed (Internal assessment) for class room performance for a total of 50 marks. Marks for class room learning will be awarded by faculty based on classroom participation, analytical skills, case discussions, dealing ability etc. Candidates who obtain 25 or more marks will be declared as successful.

# 4. Time Limit for Classroom Learning :

Classroom learning is required to be completed within 15 months from the date of declaration of the online examination results in which the candidate passes.

In case a candidate fails to complete the Class Room Learning either on account of not able to successfully complete the Class Room Learning or by not attending the training for Class Room Learning within the stipulated period of 15 months, the candidate would be required to RE-ENROLL himself for the Online examination foregoing credit for the subject/s passed in the Online examination earlier in case he wants to complete the course.

#### Classroom Learning fee :

Class room learning including learning kit (3 days Non-residential including learning kit.) ₹10,000/-\*

\* Plus Service Tax as applicable (Reg. No. AAATT3309DSD002)

# Refund of fee :

Examination fee is not refundable. For refund of classroom learning fee, application for the same giving sufficient reason/s should reach the Institute one month in advance and in case the refund is effected 25% will be deducted towards administrative charges.

# Award of Certificate :

Certificate will be issued to candidates by IIBF jointly with FIMMDA within 2 months on successful completion of both online examination and classroom learning. No certificate will be issued for passing only the online examination.

# Code of Conduct :

All the successful candidates will be encouraged to adhere to a code of conduct which will be issued along with the Certificate.

#### SYLLABUS FOR ONLINE EXAMINATION

The details of the prescribed syllabus which is indicative are furnished in the booklet. However, keeping in view the professional nature of examinations, all matters falling within the realm of the subject concerned will have to be studied by the candidate as questions can be asked on all relevant matters under the subject. Candidates appearing for the examination should particularly prepare themselves for answering questions that may be asked on the latest developments taking place under the various subject/s of the said examination although those topics may not have been specifically included in the syllabus. The Institute also reserves to itself the right to vary the syllabus / rules / fee structure from time to time. Any alterations

made will be notified from time to time. Further, questions based on current developments in banking and finance may be asked.

Candidates are advised to refer to financial news papers / periodicals more particularly "IIBF VISION" and "BANK QUEST" published by the Institute.

# Module - I : Financial Markets and Role of Treasury

Financial markets, participants and Instruments, operating environment, regulations and practices. Need for treasury and centralization Treasury management, Treasury organization - Front Office, Back Office and Mid Office. Dealing systems and treasury operations, Treasury as Profit Centre.

#### Module - II : Money Market Operations

Fund management, CRR maintenance, liquidity management, money market operations, need for centralized funding operations, managing banks' surplus funds, bank level ALM and maturity gap analysis. Market quotes in money market products, trading opportunities in Money market, Repo trading. Arbitrage by running maturity mismatches - role of Treasury in resource mobilizations - Overnight call money market. Repos and Reverse repos, CBLOs, Marginal Standing Facilities, Certificate of Deposits, Inter-Bank Participation Certificate, Refinance as source of funding, export refinance, NABARD refinance, SIDBI refinance.

#### Module - III : Investments

Objectives of investments, Types of investments, Coupon and YTM concepts, Bond market basics, bond pricing and yield calculation, accrued interest, clean and dirty price, interest rate risk measures like Duration, PV01 and Convexity and hedging products. Trading strategies and portfolio management. Dealing platforms and settlement systems .Regulatory guidelines, maintenance of SLR, investment classifications, valuations and provisioning.

#### Module - IV : Forex Dealings

Exchange rates and linkage to macroeconomic factors like Balance of Payment, Current Account Deficit, Inflation, Interest Rate etc. Foreign exchange market participants, market quotes - direct and indirect quotations, One way quote and both way quotes, Dealing terminologies, Cash, Spot and forward rates, Concept of premium and discount in currency forward market, handling merchant transaction, cover operations, open positions, gap limits. Arbitrage through currency swaps operations. Dealing platforms and settlement procedures. Currency trading strategies, fundamental analysis, interpretation of market data, technical analysis. Role of brokers. Valuation of forex positions and gaps. Risk management in forex operations observance of NOOP limits, Gap limits, limits on overseas investments / borrowings, funding rupee gaps through currency swaps, central bank intervention in Forex market.

#### Module - V : Derivatives

Derivative: Nature, types, fundamentals, forwards, currency futures and options, interest rate swaps and futures, concept of margins, Interest rate swaps and FRAs. Basic understanding of duration, PV01 of swaps, Option Greeks. Use of derivatives to hedge currency and interest rate risks. Valuation of derivative products, Hedge accounting and Trading position in Derivatives. Credit derivatives - basic concepts and products. Risk managements of Derivative product, current exposure, potential future exposures, hedge effectiveness, RBI / FIMMDAguidelines.

#### Module - VI : Model Code and Dealing Ethics

Dealer's code of conduct, dealing through brokers, model market practices, dealing ethics. Customer suitability and appropriateness. Code of conduct for contribution to financial benchmarks, Code of Conduct for dealing on NDS-OM and the role of FEDAI and FIMMDA.

# Module - VII : Time Value of Money and Interest Rate Calculations

Calculation of present value, future value, discounting, compounding, simple interest, day count conventions, money market and bond market basis, Forward rates, yield curves - YTM, par yield curve.

# IMPORTANT RULES / INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

# 1. ADMIT LETTER OF EXAMINATIONS :

- a. Admit letter to all eligible candidates will be emailed to the candidates in their email id registered with the Institute, 10 days before the examination date.
- Admit letter of all eligible candidates will be hosted on Institute's website www.iibf.org.in under the menu 'Exam Related', 1 week before the examination date.
- c. For downloading and printing of admit letter from the above mentioned website, candidates will have to enter the following:
  - i. Membership or registration number as login id
  - ii. Edit profile password.
  - iii. If candidates do not remember their Edit profile password, they have to click on the 'Forgot password / Get Password' button after entering the Membership or Registration number. On clicking fresh edit profile password will be sent to their registered email id.
- d. Candidates are required to produce printed copy of admit letter along with Membership identity card or any other valid photo ID card (Aadhaar card / Employer's card / PAN Card / Driving License / Election voter's card / Passport etc.) at the examination venue.
- e. In the absence of printed copy of Admit Letter and Photo Identity Card, candidates will be denied permission to write Examination.

#### 2. Mobile Phones

a. Mobile phones and other electronic / smart gadgets (except calculator as permissible) are not allowed in the examination hall. It is clarified that mere possession of mobile phone and other electronic / smart gadgets in the examination hall whether in switch off mode or silent mode shall also be deemed to be resorting to adoption of unfair means in the examination.

#### 3. Use of calculator

- Candidates will be allowed to use battery operated portable calculator in the examination. The calculator can be of any type up to 6 functions, 12 digits.
- b. Attempt to use any other type of calculator not complying with the specifications indicated above or having more features than mentioned above shall tantamount to use of unfair means. Scientific calculator is not allowed.

#### 4. Other Rules / Information

- a. Candidates should ensure that they sign the Attendance Sheet.
- b. Candidates are advised to reach the Examination Venue at least 30 minutes before commencement of the examination.
- c. No candidate will be permitted to enter the Examination Venue / hall after expiry of 15 minutes and to leave the hall in the first 30 minutes from the scheduled commencement of the examination.
- d. Candidates would be able to login to the system only with the password mentioned in this Admit Letter. This password should not be disclosed to others. Keep it safe to avoid the possible misuse.

- e. If the examination could not commence on scheduled time or there is delay due to Failure of power, Technical snag of whatsoever nature or for any such reason having bearing upon the conduct of examination; candidates have to :
  - i. Wait till resumption of power supply / solving of technical snag.
  - ii. Take-up the examination at other venue arranged by the examination conducting authority.
  - iii. Follow instructions given by the examination conducting authority.
- f. Candidates are required to strictly follow all the instructions given by the examination conducting authority during the examination and adhere to Rules of the examination.
- g. Violation of any of the Rules / Instructions, misuse of the Admit Letter will be considered to be an act of serious misconduct and the Institute will take action as per the Rules of the examination, which will also be reported to the employer of the candidate.

#### 5. Rules, Penalities for Misconduct / Unfair Practices :

- Communication of any sort between candidates or with outsiders is not permitted and complete silence should be maintained during the examination.
- b. Copying answers from other candidates / other printed / Electronic material or permitting others to copy or consultation of any kind will attract the rules relating to unfair practices in the examination.
- c. No candidate shall impersonate others or allow others to impersonate himself/herself at the examination.
- d. No candidate shall misbehave / argue with the Examination Conducting Authorities at the centre.
- e. Candidates have to compulsory return any papers given including that given for rough work to invigilator.
- f. Candidates should not possess and / or use books, notes, periodicals, etc. in the examination hall at the time of examination / or use mathematical tables, slide rules, stencils etc. during the examination.

If any candidate violates any of the above rules, it will be considered to be an act of misconduct and he/she will be liable for punishment.

# PLEASE REFER INSTITUTE'S WEBSITE UNDER THE MENU "EXAM RELATED" FOR DETAILS OF DEBARMENT PERIOD FOR UNFAIR PRACTICES ADOPTED BY CANDIDATES DURING CONDUCT OF INSTITUTE'S EXAMINATIONS.

# 6. Result Advice / Consolidated Marksheet / Final Certificate

- a. Result Advice of candidates will be hosted on Institute's website on declaration of result, which can be downloaded by the candidates.
- b. Consolidated mark sheet for candidates completing examination having more than one subject, will be available on the Institute's website after the declaration of results. Candidates can download the same after entering login credentials using their membership number and edit profile password.
- c. Final certificates will be sent by speed post within 2 months after the declaration of result.

# **CONTACT DETAILS :**

Register your queries through website www.iibf.org.in > Members / Candidates Support Services (Help) or Email all your queries to care@iibf.org.in Member Support Service Office :

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