



Governance & Inclusive Access

The UPSC has launched a major accessibility reform by introducing the **'Centre of Choice' facility** for all **Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD)**, ensuring that no eligible candidate is denied an exam centre they prefer.

Under the strategy adopted by the Commission, the **existing capacity of each centre** will first be utilised by both PwBD and non-PwBD candidates. Once a centre reaches full capacity, it will **stop appearing as an option for non-PwBD candidates**, but **PwBD candidates can continue selecting it**. The UPSC will then arrange **additional capacity** to ensure every PwBD applicant receives the centre of their choice.

This marks a significant step toward making national examinations more **inclusive, equitable, and accessible**.

APSC relevance: Important for disability rights, inclusive exam governance, and administrative reforms to enhance accessibility in public services.