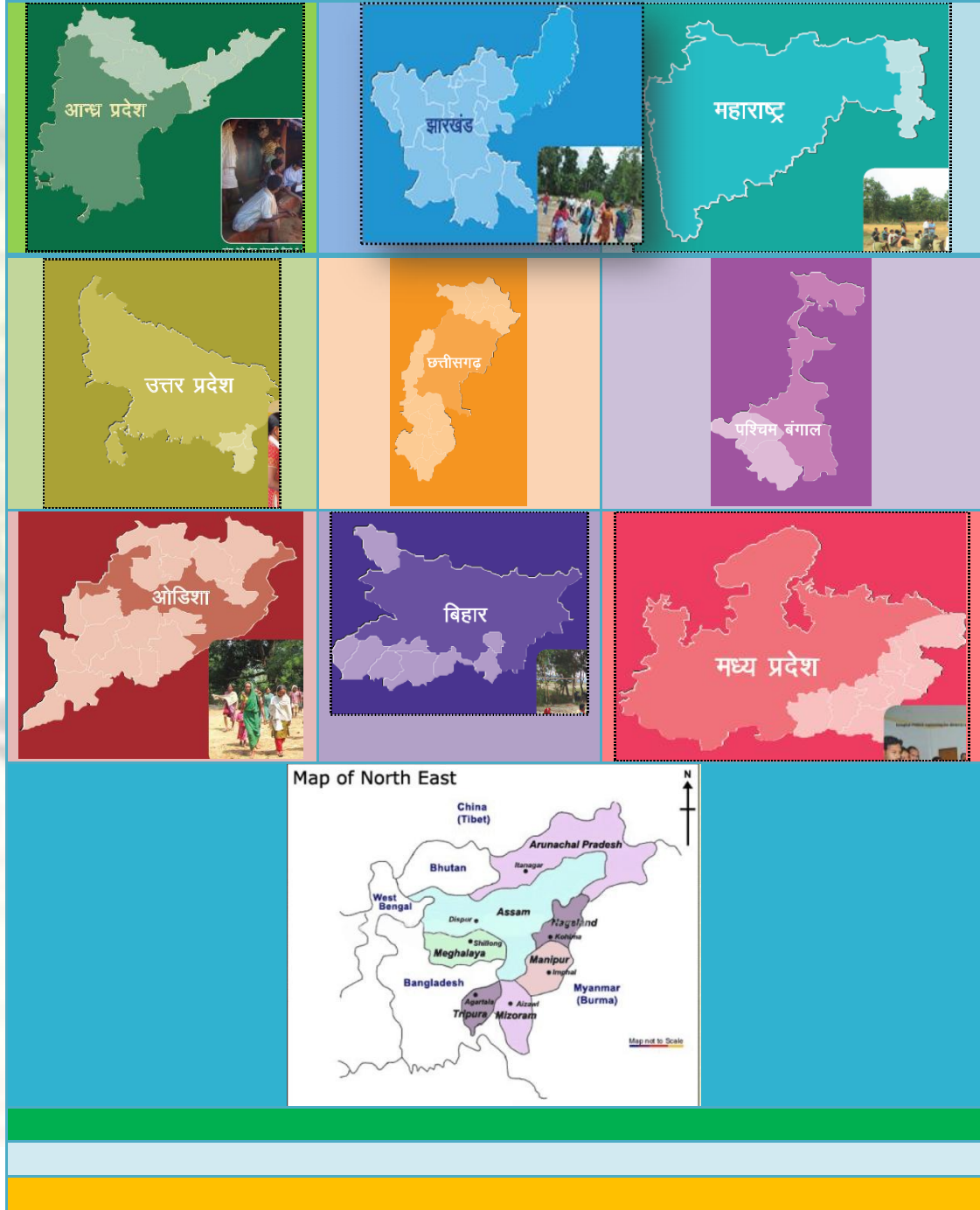


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Assessment Process

Selection for the PMRDF involves a three tiered assessment process, which includes:

I. **All India Competency Assessment Test (AICAT) (Online): 28th December 2013**

AICAT is an assessment of their understanding and orientation, and problem-solving abilities in a positive manner. Applicants will be shortlisted based on their performance in the AICAT. The shortlisted candidates will be tested using tools like essay writing & interview to ascertain their motivation, leadership, professional skills and pro-poor orientation.

II. **Written Test (Issue based): 16th January 2014**

III. **Personal Interview: 16th & 17th of January 2014**

Framework for AICAT Paper

Assessment process –

- Objective test
- Number of questions -90
- Sections-5
- Time – 90 minutes
- Timing- 2.30-4.00 p.m
- Each question is for 1 mark [For **Reading Comprehension** each question is for 2 marks]
- Negative marking - 0.25 [No negative marking for **Reading Comprehension**]
- Each section will have 20 questions [**Reading Comprehension section has 10 questions**]

Sections- (20 Marks each)

1. Reading Comprehension – 2 passages with 5 questions each
2. Data Interpretation & Inference - 4 Data Sets
3. General Awareness – 20 Questions
4. Logical reasoning – 20 Questions
5. Knowledge about National Programmes and Schemes – 20 Question

- ✓ common paper pattern
- Each question to have 4 options
- No sectional qualifying ,marks