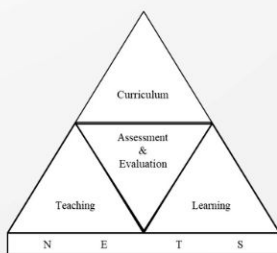


PERFORMANCE OF CANDIDATES

**GRADE 5
SCHOLARSHIP
EXAMINATION
2025**



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Table 1 : Grade 5 Scholarship Examinations 2020 - 2025
Performance of Candidates

Year		2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
No. Sat		326,264	335,158	329,668	332,949	319,284	303671
Obtained marks 70 or above (35 or above for each paper)	No.	283,305	258,481	273,515	258,871	248,912	213872
	%	86.83	77.12	82.97	77.75	77.96	70.43
Obtained marks 100 or above (50 or above for each paper)	No.	215,696	161,202	157,624	150,017	120,370	98417
	%	66.11	48.10	47.81	45.06	37.70	32.41
Equal or above the Cut-Off (Qualified to receive bursaries and apply for schools)	No.	47,193	47,536	48,257	50,664	51,244	51969
	%	14.46	14.18	14.64	15.22	16.05	17.11
Mean of Marks		125.65	109.31	115.11	111.74	107.25	102.44
Standard Deviation of Marks		36.42	34.75	32.17	34.98	30.88	32.54

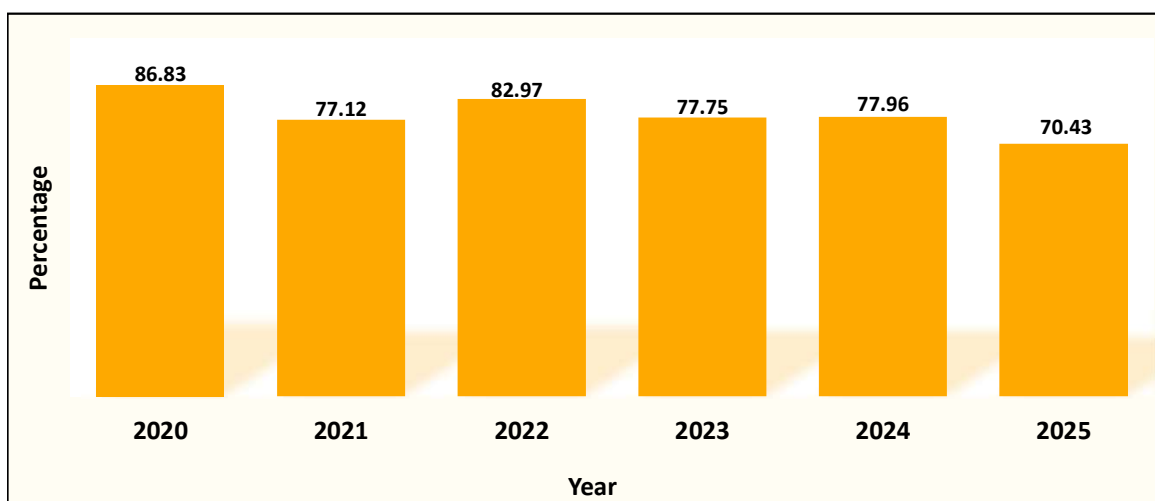


Figure 1 : Grade 5 Scholarship Examinations 2020 - 2025
Percentage of Candidates who Obtained Marks 70 or above (35 or Above for Each Paper)

Table 2: Grade 5 Scholarship Examinations 2015 - 2024

Year	Common Cut-Off marks		No. Sat	On or Above the Cut-Off (Qualified to Receive Bursaries and Apply for Schools)		Obtained marks 70 or above (35 or Above for Each Paper)	
	Sinhala Medium	Tamil Medium		No	%	No	%
2016	159	153	343,757	32,646	9.50	260,130	75.67
2017	164	156	350,462	33,163	9.46	243,236	69.40
2018	168	165	350,191	36,144	10.32	276,978	79.09
2019	159	154	332,168	47,667	14.35	259,445	78.11
2020	169	162	326,264	47,193	14.46	283,305	86.83
2021	152	149	335,158	47,536	14.18	258,481	77.12
2022	153	144	329,668	48,257	14.64	273,515	82.97
2023	154	147	332,949	50,664	15.22	258,871	77.75
2024	143	141	319,284	51,244	16.05	248,912	77.96
2025	140	134	303671	51969	17.11	213872	70.43

Table 3 : Grade 5 Scholarship Examination - 2025
Distribution of Candidates Who Sat the Examination, Obtained Marks On or Above the Cut Off, 100 or Above and 70 or Above by Province

Province	No. Sat	On or Above the Cut-Off		Obtained Marks 100 or Above (50 or Above for Each Paper)		Obtained marks 70 or Above (35 or Above for Each Paper)	
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
1 Western	68350	10774	15.76	22585	33.04	48063	70.32
2 Central	40364	5558	13.77	11833	29.32	27983	69.33
3 Southern	38980	7318	18.77	14105	36.19	28385	72.82
4 Northern	15234	2538	16.66	4091	26.85	10075	66.13
5 Eastern	28247	3892	13.78	7383	26.14	18440	65.28
6 North Western	37404	6919	18.50	13188	35.26	27139	72.56
7 North Central	23589	4266	18.08	6980	29.59	16032	67.96
8 Uva	22887	4613	20.16	7549	32.98	16409	71.70
9 Sabaragamuwa	28616	6091	21.29	10703	37.40	21346	74.59
All Island	303671	51969	17.11	98417	32.41	213872	70.43

Performance of Candidates in 2024 & 2025 by Province

(Arranged in the Descending Order of the Percentage of "Obtained Marks 70 or Above")

**Table 4a: Distribution of Candidates Who
Obtained Marks 70 or Above by
Province**

2024

Province	No. Sat	Obtained Marks 70 or Above	
		No.	%
1 Sabaragamuwa	29,990	24,544	81.84
2 Southern	40,833	33,086	81.03
3 North Western	39,381	31,423	79.79
4 Western	72,468	56,645	78.17
5 Uva	23,835	18,601	78.04
6 Central	42,910	33,279	77.56
7 North Central	24,341	18,439	75.75
8 Northern	16,430	11,975	72.88
9 Eastern	29,096	20,920	71.90
Island	319,284	248,912	77.96

**Table 4b: Distribution of Candidates
Who Obtained Marks 70 or Above
by Province**

2025

Province	No. Sat	Obtained Marks 70 or Above	
		No.	%
1 Sabaragamuwa	28616	21346	74.59
2 Southern	38980	28385	72.82
3 North Western	37404	27139	72.56
4 Uva	22887	16409	71.70
5 Western	68350	48063	70.32
6 Central	40364	27983	69.33
7 North Central	23589	16032	67.96
8 Northern	15234	10075	66.13
9 Eastern	28247	18440	65.28
Island	303671	213872	70.43

Performance of Candidates in 2024 & 2025 by Province

(Arranged in the Descending Order of the Percentage of "On or Above the Cut-Off")

**Table 5a: Distribution of Candidates Who
Obtained Marks On or Above the Cut-
Off by Province**

2024

Province	No. Sat	On or Above the Cut-Off	
		No.	%
1 Sabaragamuwa	29,990	5,931	19.78
2 Southern	40,833	7,495	18.36
3 Uva	23,835	4,257	17.86
4 North Western	39,381	7,004	17.79
5 North Central	24,341	4,009	16.47
6 Northern	16,430	2,590	15.76
7 Western	72,468	10,613	14.65
8 Eastern	29,096	3,876	13.32
9 Central	42,910	5,469	12.75
All Island	319,284	51,244	16.05

**Table 5b: Distribution of Candidates Who
Obtained Marks On or Above the
Cut-Off by Province**

2025

Province	No. Sat	On or Above the Cut-Off	
		No.	%
1 Sabaragamuwa	28616	6091	21.29
2 Uva	22887	4613	20.16
3 Southern	38980	7318	18.77
4 North Western	37404	6919	18.50
5 North Central	23589	4266	18.08
6 Northern	15234	2538	16.66
7 Western	68350	10774	15.76
8 Eastern	28247	3892	13.78
9 Central	40364	5558	13.77
All Island	303671	51969	17.11

Table 6: Grade 5 Scholarship Examination - 2025
Distribution of Candidates Who Sat the Examination, Obtained Marks
On or Above the Cut Off, 100 or Above and 70 or Above by District

District	No. Sat	On or Above the Cut-Off		Obtained Marks 100 or Above (50 or Above for Each Paper)		Obtained Marks 70 or Above (35 or Above for Each Paper)	
		No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
1 Colombo	25098	3647	14.53	8018	31.95	17346	69.11
2 Gampaha	26234	4524	17.24	9111	34.73	18993	72.40
3 Kaluthara	17018	2603	15.30	5456	32.06	11724	68.89
4 Kandy	20802	2776	13.34	6364	30.59	14806	71.18
5 Mathale	7880	1167	14.81	2621	33.26	5532	70.20
6 Nuwara_Eliya	11682	1615	13.82	2848	24.38	7645	65.44
7 Galle	15796	2463	15.59	5336	33.78	11119	70.39
8 Mathara	12313	2152	17.48	4386	35.62	8933	72.55
9 Hambanthota	10871	2703	24.86	4383	40.32	8333	76.65
10 Jaffna	7427	1544	20.79	2345	31.57	5186	69.83
11 Kilinochchi	1646	202	12.27	380	23.09	1061	64.46
12 Mannar	1963	202	10.29	376	19.15	1203	61.28
13 Vavuniya	2535	400	15.78	642	25.33	1633	64.42
14 Mullaitivu	1663	190	11.43	348	20.93	992	59.65
15 Batticaloa	8831	1150	13.02	2247	25.44	5627	63.72
16 Ampara	12207	1921	15.74	3620	29.66	8544	69.99
17 Trincomalee	7209	821	11.39	1516	21.03	4269	59.22
18 Kurunegala	25238	5170	20.48	9983	39.56	19550	77.46
19 Puttalam	12166	1749	14.38	3205	26.34	7589	62.38
20 Anuradhapura	16249	2959	18.21	4795	29.51	10925	67.23
21 Polonnaruwa	7340	1307	17.81	2185	29.77	5107	69.58
22 Badulla	13493	2759	20.45	4437	32.88	9700	71.89
23 Monaragala	9394	1854	19.74	3112	33.13	6709	71.42
24 Rathnapura	16793	3796	22.60	6317	37.62	12400	73.84
25 Kegalle	11823	2295	19.41	4386	37.10	8946	75.67
All Island	303671	51969	17.11	98417	32.41	213872	70.43

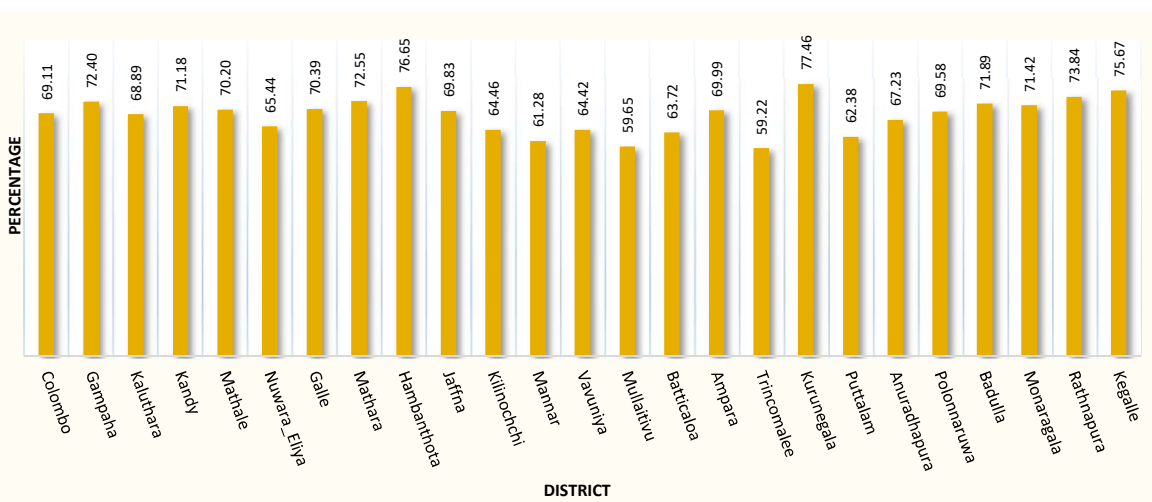


Figure 2: Grade 5 Scholarship Examination 2025
Distribution of the Percentage of Candidates Who Obtained Marks 70 or Above by District

Table 7a: Distribution of Candidates Who Sat the Examination, Obtained Marks 70 or Above by District (Descending Order)

2024

District	No. Sat	Obtained marks 70 or above (35 or Above for Each Paper)	
		No.	%
1 Kurunegala	26,589	22,402	84.25
2 Hambantota	11,608	9,660	83.22
3 Kegalle	12,490	10,360	82.95
4 Ratnapura	17,500	14,184	81.05
5 Matara	12,987	10,447	80.44
6 Gampaha	27,823	22,281	80.08
7 Galle	16,238	12,979	79.93
8 Kandy	22,092	17,456	79.02
9 Monaragala	9,479	7,405	78.12
10 Badulla	14,356	11,196	77.99
11 Matale	8,607	6,702	77.87
12 Kalutara	17,787	13,736	77.22
13 Colombo	26,858	20,628	76.80
14 Ampara	12,385	9,465	76.42
15 Polonnaruwa	7,547	5,739	76.04
16 Anuradhapura	16,794	12,700	75.62
17 Jaffna	8,034	6,005	74.74
18 Nuwara Eliya	12,211	9,121	74.69
19 Kilinochchi	1,731	1,253	72.39
20 Vavuniya	2,754	1,980	71.90
21 Mullaitivu	1,931	1,375	71.21
22 Puttalam	12,792	9,021	70.52
23 Batticaloa	9,200	6,469	70.32
24 Mannar	1,980	1,362	68.79
25 Trincomalee	7,511	4,986	66.38
All Island	319,284	248,912	77.96

Table 7b: Distribution of Candidates Who Sat the Examination, Obtained Marks 70 or Above by District (Descending Order)

2025

District	No. Sat	Obtained marks 70 or above (35 or Above for Each Paper)	
		No.	%
1 Kurunegala	25238	19550	77.46
2 Hambanthota	10871	8333	76.65
3 Kegalle	11823	8946	75.67
4 Rathnapura	16793	12400	73.84
5 Mathara	12313	8933	72.55
6 Gampaha	26234	18993	72.40
7 Badulla	13493	9700	71.89
8 Monaragala	9394	6709	71.42
9 Kandy	20802	14806	71.18
10 Galle	15796	11119	70.39
11 Mathale	7880	5532	70.20
12 Ampara	12207	8544	69.99
13 Jaffna	7427	5186	69.83
14 Polonnaruwa	7340	5107	69.58
15 Colombo	25098	17346	69.11
16 Kaluthara	17018	11724	68.89
17 Anuradhapura	16249	10925	67.23
18 Nuwara_Eliya	11682	7645	65.44
19 Kilinochchi	1646	1061	64.46
20 Vavuniya	2535	1633	64.42
21 Batticaloa	8831	5627	63.72
22 Puttalam	12166	7589	62.38
23 Mannar	1963	1203	61.28
24 Mullaitivu	1663	992	59.65
25 Trincomalee	7209	4269	59.22
	303,671	213,872	70.43

Table 8a: Distribution of Candidates Who Sat the Examination, Obtained Marks On or Above the Cut-Off by District (Descending Order)

2024

District	No. Sat	Obtained Marks On or Above the Cut-Off	
		No.	%
1 Hambantota	11,608	2,666	22.97
2 Ratnapura	17,500	3,695	21.11
3 Kurunegala	26,589	5,342	20.09
4 Jaffna	8,034	1,583	19.70
5 Monaragala	9,479	1,714	18.08
6 Kegalle	12,490	2,236	17.90
7 Badulla	14,356	2,543	17.71
8 Matara	12,987	2,267	17.46
9 Anuradhapura	16,794	2,820	16.79
10 Gampaha	27,823	4,437	15.95
11 Galle	16,238	2,562	15.78
12 Polonnaruwa	7,547	1,189	15.75
13 Ampara	12,385	1,874	15.13
14 Kalutara	17,787	2,484	13.97
15 Vavuniya	2,754	383	13.91
16 Colombo	26,858	3,692	13.75
17 Matale	8,607	1,157	13.44
18 Batticaloa	9,200	1,226	13.33
19 Kilinochchi	1,731	229	13.23
20 Puttalam	12,792	1,662	12.99
21 Nuwara Eliya	12,211	1,555	12.73
22 Kandy	22,092	2,757	12.48
23 Mullaitivu	1,931	232	12.01
24 Trincomalee	7,511	776	10.33
25 Mannar	1,980	163	8.23
All Island	319,284	51,244	16.05

Table 8b: Distribution of Candidates Who Sat the Examination, Obtained Marks On or Above the Cut-Off by District (Descending Order)

2025

District	No. Sat	Obtained Marks On or Above the Cut-Off	
		No.	%
1 Hambanthota	10871	2703	24.86
2 Rathnapura	16793	3796	22.60
3 Jaffna	7427	1544	20.79
4 Kurunegala	25238	5170	20.48
5 Badulla	13493	2759	20.45
6 Monaragala	9394	1854	19.74
7 Kegalle	11823	2295	19.41
8 Anuradhapura	16249	2959	18.21
9 Polonnaruwa	7340	1307	17.81
10 Mathara	12313	2152	17.48
11 Gampaha	26234	4524	17.24
12 Vavuniya	2535	400	15.78
13 Ampara	12207	1921	15.74
14 Galle	15796	2463	15.59
15 Kaluthara	17018	2603	15.30
16 Mathale	7880	1167	14.81
17 Colombo	25098	3647	14.53
18 Puttalam	12166	1749	14.38
19 Nuwara_Eliya	11682	1615	13.82
20 Kandy	20802	2776	13.34
21 Batticaloa	8831	1150	13.02
22 Kilinochchi	1646	202	12.27
23 Mullaitivu	1663	190	11.43
24 Trincomalee	7209	821	11.39
25 Mannar	1963	202	10.29
All Island	303,671	51,969	17.11

Table 9: Distribution of Candidates Who Sat the Examination, Obtained Marks 70 or Above by Education Zone
Arranged in the Descending Order of the percentage of "Obtained Marks 70 or Above"

2024**2025**

Education Zone	No. Sat	Obtained Marks 70 or Above (35 or Above for Each Paper)	
		No.	%
1 Kegalle	4,337	3,790	87.39
2 Nikaweratiya	3,615	3,154	87.25
3 Walasmulla	2,970	2,590	87.21
4 Gampaha	7,613	6,556	86.12
5 Giriulla	4,476	3,804	84.99
6 Tangalle	3,016	2,561	84.91
7 Kuliyapitiya	4,470	3,789	84.77
8 Kurunegala	5,419	4,588	84.67
9 Mulatiyana (Hakmana)	2,722	2,301	84.53
10 Batticaloa	1,796	1,507	83.91
11 Kandy	5,690	4,769	83.81
12 Ampara	2,612	2,179	83.42
13 Maho	5,100	4,254	83.41
14 Akuressa	2,459	2,047	83.25
15 Balangoda	3,342	2,766	82.76
16 Homagama	5,040	4,150	82.34
17 Thanamalwila	1,818	1,493	82.12
18 Mawanella	4,100	3,365	82.07
19 Ratnapura	6,112	4,992	81.68
20 Minuwangoda	6,155	5,017	81.51
21 Hanguranketha	1,650	1,342	81.33
22 Embilipitiya	4,939	4,015	81.29
23 Bandarawela	3,104	2,523	81.28
24 Galle	7,089	5,762	81.28
25 Sri Jayawardanapura	6,444	5,177	80.34
26 Naula	703	564	80.23
27 Elpitiya	3,661	2,937	80.22
28 Hambantota	5,622	4,509	80.20
29 Ibbagamuwa	3,509	2,813	80.17
30 Wellawaya	2,293	1,836	80.07
31 Thirukkivil	917	733	79.93
32 Matara	5,138	4,102	79.84
33 Denuwara	2,830	2,256	79.72
34 Galewela	3,103	2,473	79.70
35 Matugama	3,415	2,717	79.56
36 Welimada	2,972	2,363	79.51
37 Udugama	2,192	1,741	79.43
38 Horana	5,745	4,556	79.30
39 Dehiattakandiya	1,149	910	79.20
40 Dehiowita	4,053	3,205	79.08
41 Wattagama	3,214	2,539	79.00
42 Badulla	2,854	2,253	78.94
43 Jaffna	2,703	2,130	78.80
44 Kelaniya	6,966	5,465	78.45
45 Tambuttegama	3,265	2,555	78.25
46 Teldeniya	2,312	1,801	77.90
47 Hingurakgoda	3,148	2,450	77.83
48 Wilgamuwa	860	669	77.79
49 Kalmunai	2,729	2,122	77.76
50 Polonnaruwa	2,239	1,738	77.62
51 Nivitigala	3,107	2,411	77.60

Education Zone	No. Sat	Obtained Marks 70 or Above (35 or Above for Each Paper)	
		No.	%
1 Nikaweratiya	3,535	2,881	81.50
2 Kegalle	4,077	3,270	80.21
3 Gampaha	7,190	5,706	79.36
4 Walasmulla	3,123	2,476	79.28
5 Kuliyapitiya	4,179	3,297	78.89
6 Tangalle	2,806	2,210	78.76
7 Kurunegala	5,255	4,137	78.73
8 Giriulla	4,293	3,331	77.59
9 Badulla	2,705	2,083	77.01
10 Balangoda	3,249	2,500	76.95
11 Maho	4,605	3,533	76.72
12 Kandy	5,776	4,358	75.45
13 Mulatiyana-Hakmana	2,512	1,891	75.28
14 Mawanella	3,742	2,813	75.17
15 Tanamalwila	1,764	1,316	74.60
16 Akuressa	2,329	1,737	74.58
17 Rathnapura	5,707	4,255	74.56
18 Minuwangoda	5,751	4,280	74.42
19 Batticaloa	1,713	1,274	74.37
20 Homagama	4,713	3,493	74.11
21 Wellawaya	2,348	1,740	74.11
22 Embilipitiya	4,863	3,598	73.99
23 Jaffna	2,481	1,834	73.92
24 Kalmunai	2,677	1,976	73.81
25 Hambantota	4,942	3,647	73.80
26 Hanguranketha	1,593	1,169	73.38
27 Dehiattakandiya	1,151	844	73.33
28 Thirukkivil	835	611	73.17
29 Bandarawela	2,960	2,165	73.14
30 Galewela	2,898	2,118	73.08
31 Sri Jayawardhanapura	6,044	4,411	72.98
32 Matara	4,827	3,521	72.94
33 Matugama	3,249	2,354	72.45
34 Polonnaruwa	2,130	1,541	72.35
35 Ampara	2,670	1,930	72.28
36 Dehiowita	4,004	2,863	71.50
37 Welimada	2,724	1,946	71.44
38 Wattagama	2,971	2,122	71.42
39 Hingurakgoda	3,099	2,211	71.35
40 Galle	6,972	4,966	71.23
41 Elpitiya	3,420	2,435	71.20
42 Tambuttegama	3,143	2,235	71.11
43 Naula	653	464	71.06
44 Horana	5,477	3,891	71.04
45 Wadamarachchi	1,244	880	70.74
46 Ibbagamuwa	3,371	2,371	70.34
47 Denuwara	2,542	1,786	70.26
48 Thenmarachchi	753	529	70.25
49 Piliyandala	4,327	3,027	69.96
50 Kelaniya	6,613	4,613	69.76
51 Mahiyanganaya	2,510	1,744	69.48

2024

Education Zone	No. Sat	Obtained Marks 70 or Above (35 or Above for Each Paper)	
		No.	%
52 Thenmarachchi	787	607	77.13
53 Ambalangoda	3,296	2,539	77.03
54 Katugastota	3,671	2,823	76.90
55 Mahiyanganaya	2,692	2,064	76.67
56 Kekirawa	3,512	2,692	76.65
57 Kotmale	1,712	1,312	76.64
58 Piliyandala	4,834	3,700	76.54
59 Galenbindunuwewa	2,208	1,684	76.27
60 Matale	3,941	2,996	76.02
61 Monaragala	3,052	2,319	75.98
62 Bibile	2,316	1,757	75.86
63 Hatton	3,593	2,711	75.45
64 Batticaloa Central	2,990	2,253	75.35
65 Walapane	1,820	1,369	75.22
66 Kalutara	8,627	6,463	74.92
67 Deniyaya (Morawaka)	2,668	1,997	74.85
68 Chilaw	5,577	4,168	74.74
69 Viyaluwa	1,278	955	74.73
70 Gampola	4,375	3,268	74.70
71 Kilinochchi North	457	341	74.62
72 Anuradhapura	5,141	3,820	74.30
73 Negombo	7,089	5,243	73.96
74 Vadamarachchi	1,370	1,009	73.65
75 Muttur	1,525	1,116	73.18
76 Mullaitivu	1,375	1,006	73.16
77 Kebithigollewa	2,668	1,949	73.05
78 Vavuniya North	595	432	72.61
79 Kanthale	1,271	919	72.31
80 Akkaraipattu	2,249	1,626	72.30
81 Colombo	10,540	7,601	72.12
82 Dimbulagala	2,160	1,551	71.81
83 Valikamam	2,662	1,911	71.79
84 Vavuniya South	2,159	1,548	71.70
85 Kilinochchi South	1,274	912	71.59
86 Passara	1,456	1,038	71.29
87 Mahaoya	802	568	70.82
88 Trincomalee North	479	337	70.35
89 Mannar	1,537	1,071	69.68
90 Nuwara Eliya	3,436	2,387	69.47
91 Sammanthurai	1,927	1,327	68.86
92 Trincomalee	2,250	1,537	68.31
93 Islands	512	348	67.97
94 Paddirippu	1,520	1,025	67.43
95 Puttalam	7,215	4,853	67.26
96 Thunukkai	556	369	66.37
97 Madhu	443	291	65.69
98 Batticaloa West	1,081	665	61.52
99 Kalkudah	1,813	1,019	56.21
100 Kinniya	1,986	1,077	54.23
All Island	319,284	248,912	77.96

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Education Zone	No. Sat	Obtained Marks 70 or Above (35 or Above for Each Paper)	
		No.	%
52 Katugastota	3,215	2,230	69.36
53 Teldeniya	2,183	1,514	69.35
54 Monaragala	2,980	2,064	69.26
55 Bibile	2,302	1,589	69.03
56 Udugama	2,112	1,456	68.94
57 Nivitigala	2,974	2,047	68.83
58 Ambalangoda	3,292	2,262	68.71
59 Kekirawa	3,464	2,371	68.45
60 Viyaluwa	1,194	816	68.34
61 Matale	3,535	2,415	68.32
62 Akkaraipattu	2,120	1,442	68.02
63 Gampola	4,115	2,796	67.95
64 Passara	1,400	946	67.57
65 Deniyaya (Morawaka)	2,645	1,784	67.45
66 Wilgamuwa	794	535	67.38
67 Kilinochchi North	407	274	67.32
68 Kothmale	1,573	1,051	66.82
69 Valikamam	2,399	1,601	66.74
70 Batticaloa Central	2,865	1,904	66.46
71 Kantale	1,240	823	66.37
72 Hatton	3,419	2,267	66.31
73 Chilaw	5,237	3,462	66.11
74 Kalutara	8,292	5,479	66.08
75 Kebithigollewa	2,436	1,609	66.05
76 Negombo	6,680	4,394	65.78
77 Galenbindunuwewa	2,200	1,447	65.77
78 Anuradhapura	5,006	3,263	65.18
79 Trincomalee North	467	303	64.88
80 Vavuniya South	2,022	1,305	64.54
81 Walapane	1,748	1,127	64.47
82 Paddirippu	1,490	957	64.23
83 Dimbulagala	2,111	1,355	64.19
84 Colombo	10,014	6,415	64.06
85 Vavuniya North	513	328	63.94
86 Mahaoya	820	523	63.78
87 Kilinochchi South	1,239	787	63.52
88 Sammanthurai	1,934	1,218	62.98
89 Trincomalee	2,081	1,307	62.81
90 Madhu	429	268	62.47
91 Islands	550	342	62.18
92 Muttur	1,524	943	61.88
93 Mannar	1,534	935	60.95
94 Nuwaraeliya	3,349	2,031	60.64
95 Mullaitivu	1,181	707	59.86
96 Puttalam	6,929	4,127	59.56
97 Thunukkai	482	285	59.13
98 Batticaloa West	1,034	578	55.90
99 Kalkudah	1,729	914	52.86
100 Kinniya	1,897	893	47.07
All Island	303,671	213,872	70.43

Table 10: Distribution of Candidates Who Sat the Examination, Obtained Marks On or Above the Cut-Off by Education Zone Arranged in the Descending Order of the percentage of "Obtained Marks On or Above the Cut-Off"**2024****2025**

Education Zone	No. Sat	Obtained Marks On or Above the Cut-Off	
		No.	%
1 Jaffna	2,703	734	27.16
2 Walasmulla	2,970	785	26.43
3 Tangalle	3,016	778	25.80
4 Gampaha	7,613	1,809	23.76
5 Ratnapura	6,112	1,431	23.41
6 Kuliyapitiya	4,470	1,031	23.06
7 Akuressa	2,459	561	22.81
8 Batticaloa	1,796	408	22.72
9 Balangoda	3,342	750	22.44
10 Kegalle	4,337	969	22.34
11 Badulla	2,854	623	21.83
12 Giriulla	4,476	954	21.31
13 Nikaweratiya	3,615	764	21.13
14 Kurunegala	5,419	1,145	21.13
15 Bandarawela	3,104	654	21.07
16 Wellawaya	2,293	482	21.02
17 Polonnaruwa	2,239	468	20.90
18 Ampara	2,612	539	20.64
19 Homagama	5,040	1,026	20.36
20 Hambantota	5,622	1,103	19.62
21 Thenmarachchi	787	152	19.31
22 Embilipitiya	4,939	952	19.28
23 Kekirawa	3,512	664	18.91
24 Tambuttegama	3,265	614	18.81
25 Hanguranketha	1,650	307	18.61
26 Monaragala	3,052	566	18.55
27 Maho	5,100	928	18.20
28 Matara	5,138	933	18.16
29 Nivitigala	3,107	562	18.09
30 Thanamalwila	1,818	327	17.99
31 Galle	7,089	1,273	17.96
32 Welimada	2,972	528	17.77
33 Dehiattakandiya	1,149	201	17.49
34 Vadamarachchi	1,370	239	17.45
35 Anuradhapura	5,141	884	17.20
36 Thirukkivil	917	156	17.01
37 Minuwangoda	6,155	1,028	16.70
38 Mulatiyana (Hakmana)	2,722	453	16.64
39 Galewela	3,103	516	16.63
40 Horana	5,745	946	16.47
41 Hingurakgoda	3,148	502	15.95
42 Kilinochchi North	457	72	15.75
43 Dehiowita	4,053	630	15.54
44 Mawanella	4,100	637	15.54
45 Valikamam	2,662	413	15.51
46 Kalmunai	2,729	422	15.46
47 Sri Jayawardanapura	6,444	995	15.44
48 Hatton	3,593	540	15.03
49 Mahiyanganaya	2,692	403	14.97
50 Chilaw	5,577	831	14.90
51 Elpitiya	3,661	545	14.89

Education Zone	No. Sat	Obtained Marks On or Above the Cut-Off	
		No.	%
1 Tangalle	2,806	802	28.58
2 Jaffna	2,481	699	28.17
3 Badulla	2,705	736	27.21
4 Walasmulla	3,123	834	26.71
5 Gampaha	7,190	1,852	25.76
6 Balangoda	3,249	832	25.61
7 Rathnapura	5,707	1,429	25.04
8 Akuressa	2,329	554	23.79
9 Kegalle	4,077	945	23.18
10 Wellawaya	2,348	544	23.17
11 Kuliyapitiya	4,179	944	22.59
12 Nikaweratiya	3,535	787	22.26
13 Kurunegala	5,255	1,150	21.88
14 Hambantota	4,942	1,067	21.59
15 Batticaloa	1,713	366	21.37
16 Wadamarachchi	1,244	261	20.98
17 Polonnaruwa	2,130	442	20.75
18 Kekirawa	3,464	714	20.61
19 Giriulla	4,293	881	20.52
20 Homagama	4,713	963	20.43
21 Bandarawela	2,960	600	20.27
22 Ampara	2,670	540	20.22
23 Tanamalwila	1,764	355	20.12
24 Tambuttegama	3,143	625	19.89
25 Embilipitiya	4,863	967	19.88
26 Maho	4,605	912	19.80
27 Welimada	2,724	537	19.71
28 Mahiyanganaya	2,510	494	19.68
29 Hanguranketha	1,593	308	19.33
30 Nivitigala	2,974	568	19.10
31 Monaragala	2,980	562	18.86
32 Thenmarachchi	753	142	18.86
33 Anuradhapura	5,006	932	18.62
34 Minuwangoda	5,751	1,051	18.28
35 Horana	5,477	991	18.09
36 Matara	4,827	857	17.75
37 Hingurakgoda	3,099	546	17.62
38 Dehiowita	4,004	700	17.48
39 Mawanella	3,742	650	17.37
40 Vavuniya South	2,022	351	17.36
41 Bibile	2,302	393	17.07
42 Galewela	2,898	490	16.91
43 Chilaw	5,237	879	16.78
44 Naula	653	109	16.69
45 Matugama	3,249	541	16.65
46 Kalmunai	2,677	442	16.51
47 Valikamam	2,399	393	16.38
48 Galenbindunuwewa	2,200	359	16.32
49 Galle	6,972	1,112	15.95
50 Sri Jayawardhanapura	6,044	957	15.83
51 Elpitiya	3,420	539	15.76

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Education Zone	No. Sat	Obtained Marks On or	
		Above the	
		Cut-Off	
		No.	%
52 Kanthale	1,271	189	14.87
53 Ibbagamuwa	3,509	520	14.82
54 Batticaloa Central	2,990	438	14.65
55 Bibile	2,316	339	14.64
56 Vavuniya South	2,159	315	14.59
57 Naula	703	101	14.37
58 Matugama	3,415	488	14.29
59 Kandy	5,690	813	14.29
60 Kelaniya	6,966	975	14.00
61 Ambalangoda	3,296	458	13.90
62 Kebithigollewa	2,668	363	13.61
63 Galenbindunuwewa	2,208	295	13.36
64 Kotmale	1,712	228	13.32
65 Wattegama	3,214	420	13.07
66 Udugama	2,192	286	13.05
67 Mullaitivu	1,375	179	13.02
68 Viyaluwa	1,278	164	12.83
69 Piliyandala	4,834	618	12.78
70 Akkaraipattu	2,249	285	12.67
71 Katugastota	3,671	461	12.56
72 Trincomalee	2,250	282	12.53
73 Mahaoya	802	100	12.47
74 Kilinochchi South	1,274	157	12.32
75 Denuwara	2,830	345	12.19
76 Kalutara	8,627	1,050	12.17
77 Paddirippu	1,520	185	12.17
78 Deniyaya (Morawaka)	2,668	320	11.99
79 Passara	1,456	171	11.74
80 Puttalam	7,215	831	11.52
81 Vavuniya North	595	68	11.43
82 Wilgamuwa	860	97	11.28
83 Matale	3,941	443	11.24
84 Gampola	4,375	487	11.13
85 Walapane	1,820	202	11.10
86 Muttur	1,525	167	10.95
87 Dimbulagala	2,160	219	10.14
88 Teldeniya	2,312	231	9.99
89 Colombo	10,540	1,053	9.99
90 Trincomalee North	479	46	9.60
91 Thunukkai	556	53	9.53
92 Sammanthurai	1,927	171	8.87
93 Negombo	7,089	625	8.82
94 Islands	512	45	8.79
95 Mannar	1,537	128	8.33
96 Nuwara Eliya	3,436	278	8.09
97 Madhu	443	35	7.90
98 Kalkudah	1,813	126	6.95
99 Batticaloa West	1,081	69	6.38
100 Kinniya	1,986	92	4.63
All Island	319,284	51,244	16.05

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Education Zone	No. Sat	Obtained Marks On or	
		Above the	
		Cut-Off	
		No.	%
52 Akkaraipattu	2,120	332	15.66
53 Kantale	1,240	194	15.65
54 Dehiattakandiya	1,151	179	15.55
55 Hatton	3,419	531	15.53
56 Kandy	5,776	893	15.46
57 Mulatiyana-Hakmana	2,512	386	15.37
58 Viyaluwa	1,194	183	15.33
59 Udugama	2,112	322	15.25
60 Dimbulagala	2,111	319	15.11
61 Thirukkivil	835	126	15.09
62 Kothmale	1,573	237	15.07
63 Passara	1,400	209	14.93
64 Ambalangoda	3,292	490	14.88
65 Trincomalee	2,081	309	14.85
66 Kelaniya	6,613	975	14.74
67 Ibbagamuwa	3,371	496	14.71
68 Piliyandala	4,327	625	14.44
69 Matale	3,535	485	13.72
70 Batticaloa Central	2,865	391	13.65
71 Kilinochchi North	407	55	13.51
72 Kebithigollewa	2,436	329	13.51
73 Deniyaya (Morawaka)	2,645	355	13.42
74 Paddirippu	1,490	198	13.29
75 Wattegama	2,971	393	13.23
76 Katugastota	3,215	416	12.94
77 Mahaoya	820	106	12.93
78 Kalutara	8,292	1,071	12.92
79 Mullaitivu	1,181	150	12.70
80 Puttalam	6,929	870	12.56
81 Teldeniya	2,183	273	12.51
82 Denuwara	2,542	317	12.47
83 Kilinochchi South	1,239	147	11.86
84 Gampola	4,115	484	11.76
85 Colombo	10,014	1,102	11.00
86 Trincomalee North	467	51	10.92
87 Madhu	429	46	10.72
88 Walapane	1,748	186	10.64
89 Nuwaraeliya	3,349	353	10.54
90 Wilgamuwa	794	83	10.45
91 Mannar	1,534	156	10.17
92 Sammanthurai	1,934	196	10.13
93 Negombo	6,680	646	9.67
94 Vavuniya North	513	49	9.55
95 Muttur	1,524	144	9.45
96 Islands	550	49	8.91
97 Batticaloa West	1,034	90	8.70
98 Thunukkai	482	40	8.30
99 Kinniya	1,897	123	6.48
100 Kalkudah	1,729	105	6.07
All Island	303,671	51,969	17.11

**Table 11: Grade 5 Scholarship Examination -2025
Distribution of Candidates Who Qualified
for Bursaries Under Special Needs
Category by Province**

Province	No.of Candidates
1 Western	58
2 Central	22
3 Southern	22
4 Northern	33
5 Eastern	39
6 North Western	25
7 North Central	17
8 Uva	16
9 Sabaragamuwa	26
All Island	258

**Table 12: Grade 5 Scholarship Examination -2025
Distribution of Candidates Who Qualified
for Bursaries Under Special Needs
Category by District**

District	No.of Candidates
1 Colombo	20
2 Gampaha	26
3 Kalutara	12
4 Kandy	15
5 Matale	2
6 Nuwara Eliya	5
7 Galle	10
8 Matara	9
9 Hambantota	3
10 Jaffna	20
11 Kilinochchi	7
12 Mannar	4
13 Vavuniya	1
14 Mullaitivu	1
15 Batticaloa	16
16 Ampara	20
17 Trincomalee	3
18 Kurunegala	20
19 Puttalam	5
20 Anuradhapura	14
21 Polonnaruwa	3
22 Badulla	10
23 Monaragala	6
24 Ratnapuraya	18
25 Kegalle	8
All Island	258

Table 13: Grade 5 Scholarship Examination - 2025
Frequency Distribution of Marks for the Paper I by Income Level & Gender

Class Interval	Lower Income Group								Higher Income Group							
	Male				Female				Male				Female			
	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%
91-100	10	0.01	82,934	100.00	2	0.00	82,627	100.00	30	0.04	69,786	100.00	14	0.02	68,323	100.00
81-90	154	0.19	82,924	99.99	125	0.15	82,625	100.00	496	0.71	69,756	99.96	361	0.53	68,309	99.98
71-80	1,100	1.33	82,770	99.80	1,083	1.31	82,500	99.85	2,597	3.72	69,260	99.25	2,303	3.37	67,948	99.45
61-70	4,391	5.29	81,670	98.48	4,757	5.76	81,417	98.54	7,187	10.30	66,663	95.52	7,728	11.31	65,645	96.08
51-60	11,125	13.41	77,279	93.18	13,286	16.08	76,660	92.78	13,810	19.79	59,476	85.23	15,730	23.02	57,917	84.77
41-50	22,449	27.07	66,154	79.77	24,438	29.58	63,374	76.70	19,680	28.20	45,666	65.44	20,280	29.68	42,187	61.75
31-40	28,818	34.75	43,705	52.70	26,889	32.54	38,936	47.12	18,289	26.21	25,986	37.24	16,175	23.67	21,907	32.06
21-30	13,324	16.07	14,887	17.95	10,942	13.24	12,047	14.58	6,967	9.98	7,697	11.03	5,318	7.78	5,732	8.39
11-20	1,469	1.77	1,563	1.88	1,068	1.29	1,105	1.34	684	0.98	730	1.05	409	0.60	414	0.61
01-10	66	0.08	94	0.11	33	0.04	37	0.04	37	0.05	46	0.07	4	0.01	5	0.01
00-00	28	0.03	28	0.03	4	0.00	4	0.00	9	0.01	9	0.01	1	0.00	1	0.00

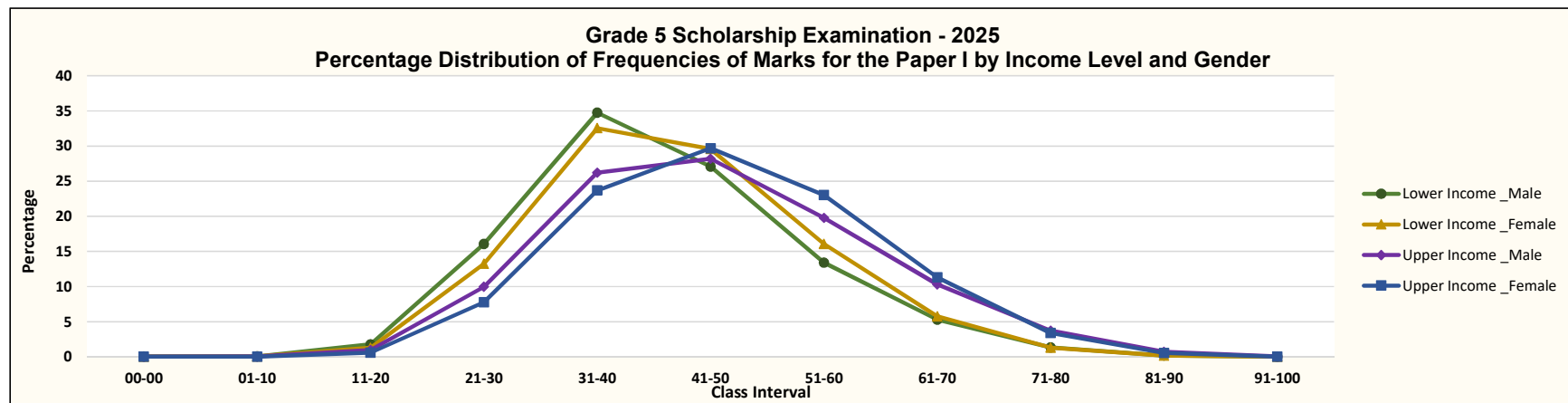


Figure 3: Percentage Frequency Distribution of Marks for the Paper I by Income Level & Gender

Table 14: Grade 5 Scholarship Examination - 2025
Frequency Distribution of Marks for the Paper II by Income Level & Gender

Class Interval	Lower Income Group								Higher Income Group							
	Male				Female				Male				Female			
	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%
91-100	1,117	1.35	82,934	100.00	1,835	2.22	82,627	100.00	2,763	3.96	69,787	100.00	4,229	6.19	68,323	100.00
81-90	7,181	8.66	81,817	98.65	10,128	12.26	80,792	97.78	12,260	17.57	67,024	96.04	15,722	23.01	64,094	93.81
71-80	10,855	13.09	74,636	89.99	13,841	16.75	70,664	85.52	13,490	19.33	54,764	78.47	14,672	21.47	48,372	70.80
61-70	11,044	13.32	63,781	76.91	12,753	15.43	56,823	68.77	10,601	15.19	41,274	59.14	10,482	15.34	33,700	49.32
51-60	10,324	12.45	52,737	63.59	11,503	13.92	44,070	53.34	8,414	12.06	30,673	43.95	7,927	11.60	23,218	33.98
41-50	10,257	12.37	42,413	51.14	10,488	12.69	32,567	39.41	7,080	10.15	22,259	31.90	6,202	9.08	15,291	22.38
31-40	10,584	12.76	32,156	38.77	9,260	11.21	22,079	26.72	6,173	8.85	15,179	21.75	4,651	6.81	9,089	13.30
21-30	10,110	12.19	21,572	26.01	7,241	8.76	12,819	15.51	5,061	7.25	9,006	12.90	2,859	4.18	4,438	6.50
11-20	9,369	11.30	11,462	13.82	4,788	5.79	5,578	6.75	3,273	4.69	3,945	5.65	1,361	1.99	1,579	2.31
01-10	2,036	2.45	2,093	2.52	773	0.94	790	0.96	649	0.93	672	0.96	211	0.31	218	0.32
00-00	57	0.07	57	0.07	17	0.02	17	0.02	23	0.03	23	0.03	7	0.01	7	0.01

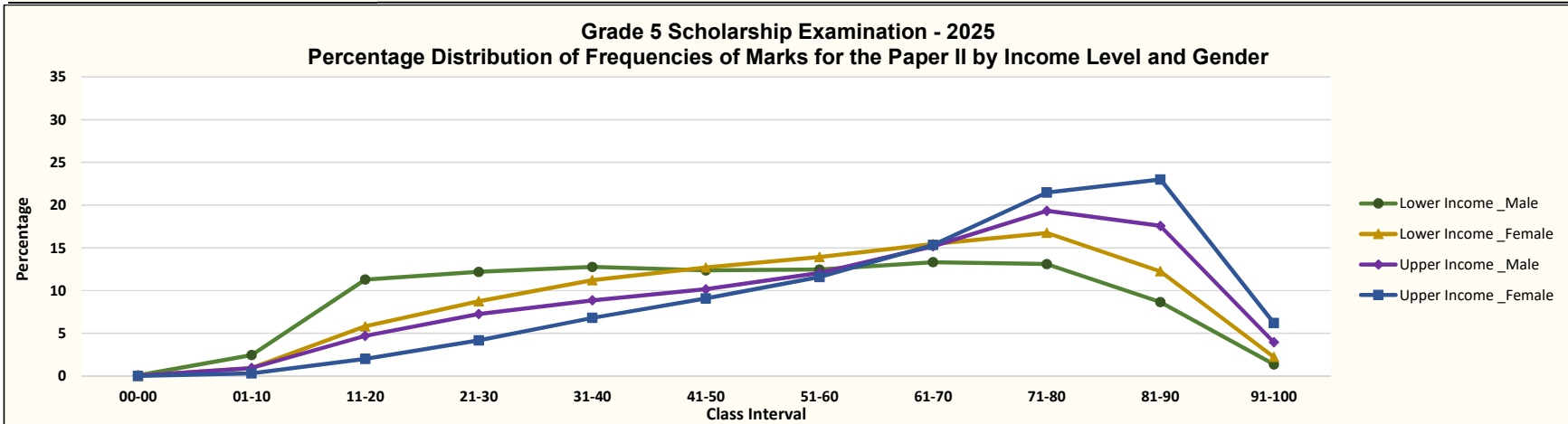


Figure 4: Percentage Frequency Distribution of Marks for the Paper II by Income Level & Gender

Table 15: Grade 5 Scholarship Examination - 2025

Frequency Distribution of Marks for the Paper I by Income Level

Class Interval	Lower Income Group				Higher Income Group				Total			
	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%
91-100	12	0.01	165,561	100.00	44	0.03	138,109	100.00	56	0.02	303,670	100.00
81-90	279	0.17	165,549	99.99	857	0.62	138,065	99.97	1,136	0.37	303,614	99.98
71-80	2,183	1.32	165,270	99.82	4,900	3.55	137,208	99.35	7,083	2.33	302,478	99.61
61-70	9,148	5.53	163,087	98.51	14,915	10.80	132,308	95.80	24,063	7.92	295,395	97.28
51-60	24,411	14.74	153,939	92.98	29,540	21.39	117,393	85.00	53,951	17.77	271,332	89.35
41-50	46,887	28.32	129,528	78.24	39,960	28.93	87,853	63.61	86,847	28.60	217,381	71.58
31-40	55,707	33.65	82,641	49.92	34,464	24.95	47,893	34.68	90,171	29.69	130,534	42.99
21-30	24,266	14.66	26,934	16.27	12,285	8.90	13,429	9.72	36,551	12.04	40,363	13.29
11-20	2,537	1.53	2,668	1.61	1,093	0.79	1,144	0.83	3,630	1.20	3,812	1.26
01-10	99	0.06	131	0.08	41	0.03	51	0.04	140	0.05	182	0.06
00-00	32	0.02	32	0.02	10	0.01	10	0.01	42	0.01	42	0.01

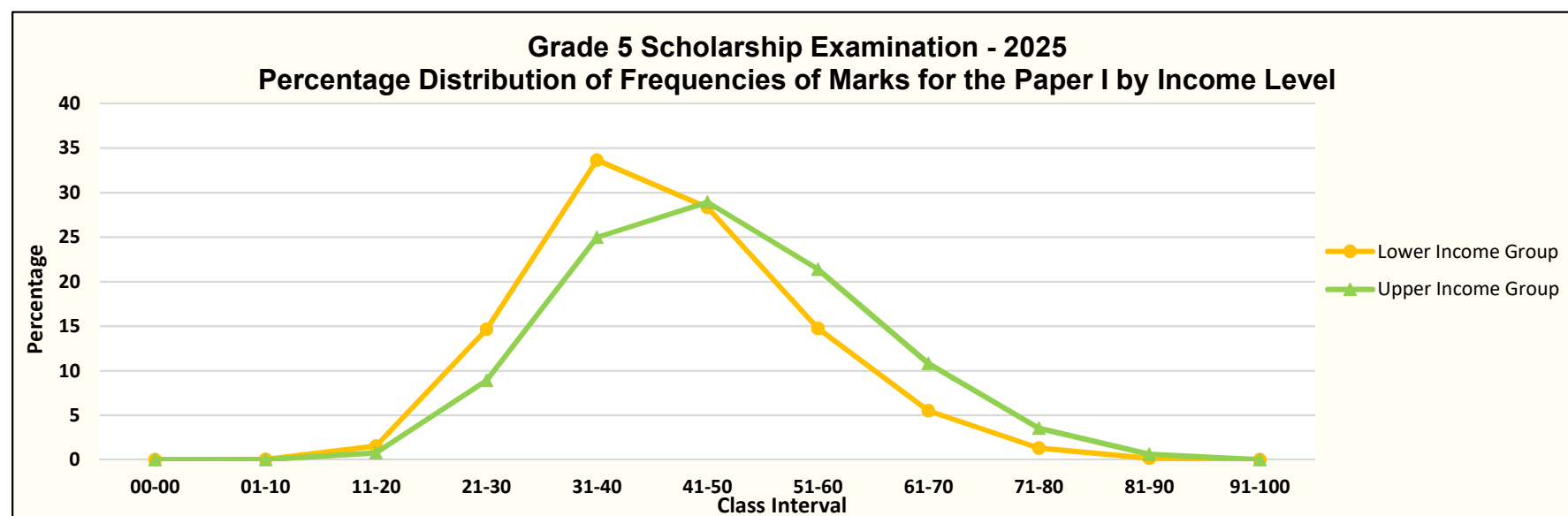


Figure 5: Percentage Frequency Distribution of Marks for the Paper I by Income Level

Table 16: Grade 5 Scholarship Examination - 2025

Frequency Distribution of Marks for the Paper II by Income Level

Class Interval	Lower Income Group				Higher Income Group				Total			
	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%
91-100	2,952	1.78	165,561	100.00	6,992	5.06	138,110	100.00	9,944	3.27	303,671	100.00
81-90	17,309	10.45	162,609	98.22	27,982	20.26	131,118	94.94	45,291	14.91	293,727	96.73
71-80	24,696	14.92	145,300	87.76	28,162	20.39	103,136	74.68	52,858	17.41	248,436	81.81
61-70	23,797	14.37	120,604	72.85	21,083	15.27	74,974	54.29	44,880	14.78	195,578	64.40
51-60	21,827	13.18	96,807	58.47	16,341	11.83	53,891	39.02	38,168	12.57	150,698	49.63
41-50	20,745	12.53	74,980	45.29	13,282	9.62	37,550	27.19	34,027	11.21	112,530	37.06
31-40	19,844	11.99	54,235	32.76	10,824	7.84	24,268	17.57	30,668	10.10	78,503	25.85
21-30	17,351	10.48	34,391	20.77	7,920	5.73	13,444	9.73	25,271	8.32	47,835	15.75
11-20	14,157	8.55	17,040	10.29	4,634	3.36	5,524	4.00	18,791	6.19	22,564	7.43
01-10	2,809	1.70	2,883	1.74	860	0.62	890	0.64	3,669	1.21	3,773	1.24
00-00	74	0.04	74	0.04	30	0.02	30	0.02	104	0.03	104	0.03

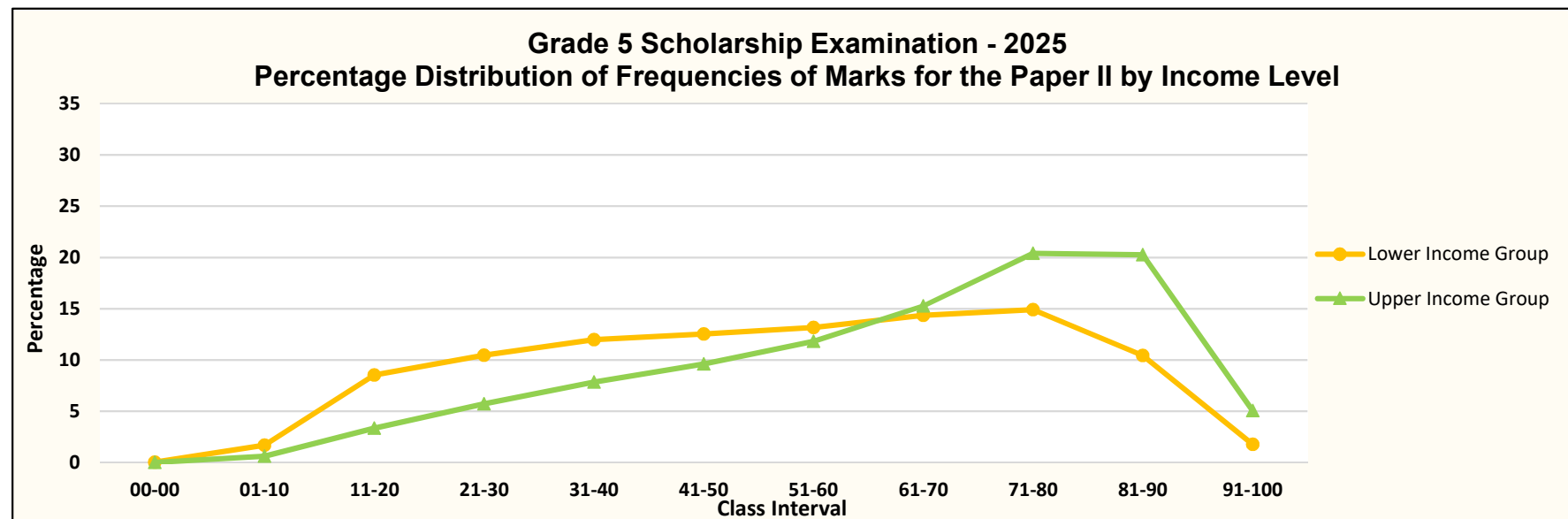


Figure 6: Percentage Frequency Distribution of Marks for the Paper II by Income Level

Table 17: Grade 5 Scholarship Examination - 2025

Frequency Distribution of Marks for the Paper I by Gender

Class Interval	Male				Female				Total			
	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%
91-100	40	0.03	152,720	100.00	16	0.01	150,950	100.00	56	0.02	303,670	100.00
81-90	650	0.43	152,680	99.97	486	0.32	150,934	99.99	1,136	0.37	303,614	99.98
71-80	3,697	2.42	152,030	99.55	3,386	2.24	150,448	99.67	7,083	2.33	302,478	99.61
61-70	11,578	7.58	148,333	97.13	12,485	8.27	147,062	97.42	24,063	7.92	295,395	97.28
51-60	24,935	16.33	136,755	89.55	29,016	19.22	134,577	89.15	53,951	17.77	271,332	89.35
41-50	42,129	27.59	111,820	73.22	44,718	29.62	105,561	69.93	86,847	28.60	217,381	71.58
31-40	47,107	30.85	69,691	45.63	43,064	28.53	60,843	40.31	90,171	29.69	130,534	42.99
21-30	20,291	13.29	22,584	14.79	16,260	10.77	17,779	11.78	36,551	12.04	40,363	13.29
11-20	2,153	1.41	2,293	1.50	1,477	0.98	1,519	1.01	3,630	1.20	3,812	1.26
01-10	103	0.07	140	0.09	37	0.02	42	0.03	140	0.05	182	0.06
00-00	37	0.02	37	0.02	5	0.00	5	0.00	42	0.01	42	0.01

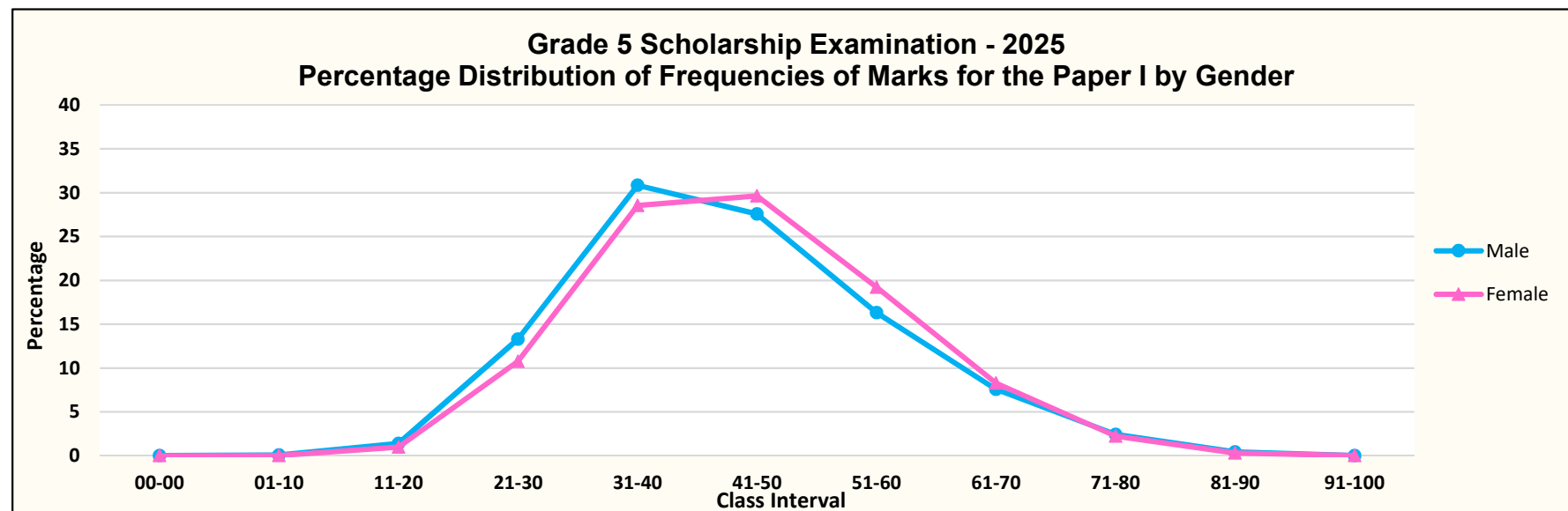


Figure 7: Percentage Frequency Distribution of Marks for the Paper I by Gender

Table 18: Grade 5 Scholarship Examination - 2025
Frequency Distribution of Marks for the Paper II by Gender

Class Interval	Male				Female				Total			
	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%	Frq.	%	Cum.Frq.	%
91-100	3,880	2.54	152,721	100.00	6,064	4.02	150,950	100.00	9,944	3.27	303,671	100.00
81-90	19,441	12.73	148,841	97.46	25,850	17.12	144,886	95.98	45,291	14.91	293,727	96.73
71-80	24,345	15.94	129,400	84.73	28,513	18.89	119,036	78.86	52,858	17.41	248,436	81.81
61-70	21,645	14.17	105,055	68.79	23,235	15.39	90,523	59.97	44,880	14.78	195,578	64.40
51-60	18,738	12.27	83,410	54.62	19,430	12.87	67,288	44.58	38,168	12.57	150,698	49.63
41-50	17,337	11.35	64,672	42.35	16,690	11.06	47,858	31.70	34,027	11.21	112,530	37.06
31-40	16,757	10.97	47,335	30.99	13,911	9.22	31,168	20.65	30,668	10.10	78,503	25.85
21-30	15,171	9.93	30,578	20.02	10,100	6.69	17,257	11.43	25,271	8.32	47,835	15.75
11-20	12,642	8.28	15,407	10.09	6,149	4.07	7,157	4.74	18,791	6.19	22,564	7.43
01-10	2,685	1.76	2,765	1.81	984	0.65	1,008	0.67	3,669	1.21	3,773	1.24
00-00	80	0.05	80	0.05	24	0.02	24	0.02	104	0.03	104	0.03

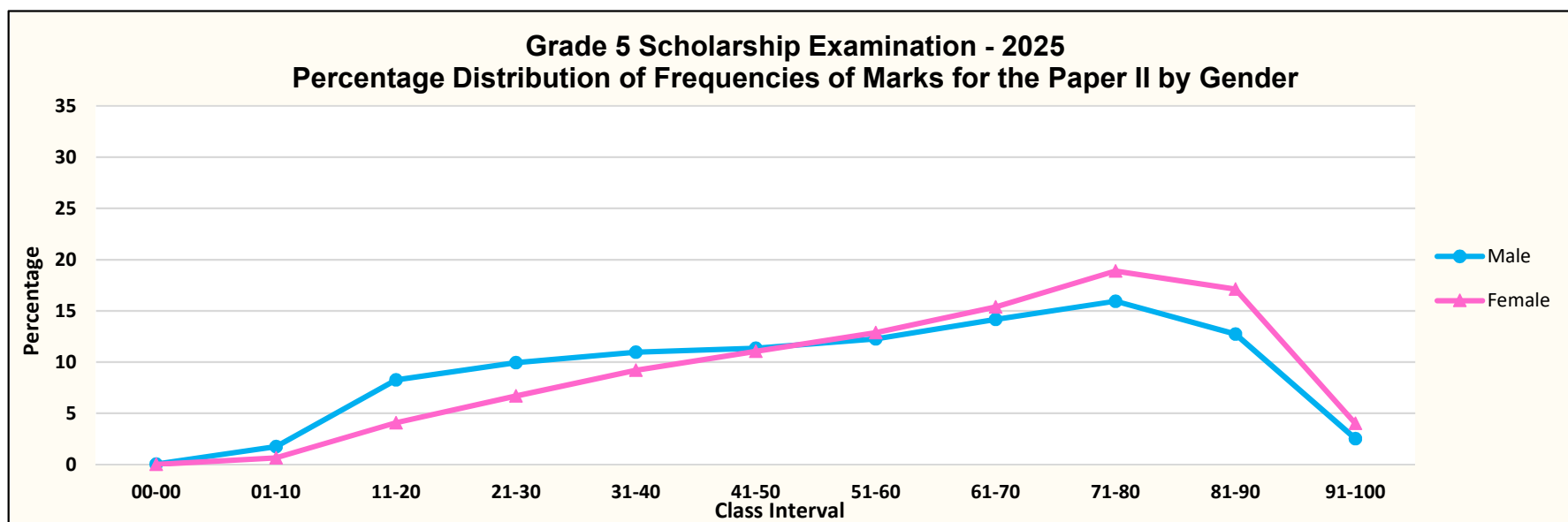


Figure 8: Percentage Frequency Distribution of Marks for the Paper II by Gender