

INFORMATION BULLETIN

#### **NATIONAL TESTING AGENCY**

### **Vision**

The right candidates joining best institutions will give India her demographic dividend.

# **Mission**

To improve equity and quality in education by administering research based valid, reliable, efficient, transparent, fair and international level assessments. The best subject matter experts, psychometricians and IT delivery and security professionals will ensure that the current gaps in existing assessment systems are properly identified and bridged.

# **Core Values**

NTA will create a system which will promote teaching (by teachers), learning (by students) and assessment (by parents and institutions). NTA strongly believes in quality, efficiency, effectiveness, equity and security of assessments. To practice these values, NTA will constantly engage with its stakeholders, viz. students, parents, teachers, experts and partner institutions.

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#### A. IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND DATES AT A GLANCE

(Please refer to Information Bulletin for details)

#### **Dates, fee details and Application Procedure:**

Online registration and submission of Application Form	13 February 2023 – 06 March 2023
(complete in all respect) through NTA Website:	(upto 05:00 P.M.)
gpat.nta.nic.in	
Last date for successful transaction of examination fee	06 March 2023
(through Canara/ ICICI Bank Credit Card/ Debit Card/Net	(upto 11:50 P.M.)
Banking upto 11:50 pm)	

Fee payable for GPA	Γ – 2023	
(through Credit Card /Debit Card (except Mas	ter/Visa Card)/ Net-Ba	anking/UPI)
General (UR)	Male- ₹ 2200/-	Female- ₹ 1100/-
Gen-EWS/ SC/ST/PwD /OBC-(NCL)	Male- ₹ 1100/-	Female- ₹ 1100/-
Third gender	₹1′	100/-
*Applicable service/processing charges & GST over and ab	ove the examination for	ee, are to be paid by the
candidate to the concerned Bank/ Payment Gateway Integr	ator (For details refer t	o Annexure-I).

Correction in the Particulars of Application Form online only	07 March 2023 - 09 March 2023
Downloading of Admit Cards by the candidate from NTA website	To be announced on the website
Date of Examination	To be announced later through website.
Duration of Examination	180 minutes (3.00 hours)
Timing of Examination	To be announced later on the website
Exam Centre	As indicated on the Admit Card
Display of Recorded Responses and Provisional Answer Keys on the Website for inviting challenges	To be announced later through website.
Declaration of Result on NTA Website	Will be intimated later through website.
Website	gpat.nta.nic.in / www.nta.ac.in

[Note: (i) Multiple Application Forms submitted by a candidate will not be accepted at any cost. (ii) The fee can be submitted only online through Net Banking, Credit Card, Debit Card or UPI Services. Processing charges and GST as applicable are chargeable to the candidate (in addition to the examination fee) by the concerned Bank/Payment Gateway Integrator. For details / procedure, please see Annexure-I]

- 1. Candidates must read carefully the Instructions (including how to fill up application form online) given in the Information Bulletin available on the NTA Website. Candidates not complying with the Instructions shall be summarily disqualified.
- 2. Candidates can apply for GPAT 2023 through "Online" mode only. The Application Form in any other mode will not be accepted.
- 3. Only one application is to be submitted by a candidate. More than one application i.e. multiple Application Forms submitted by a candidate will not be accepted.
- 4. Instructions for filling Online Application Form:
  - ❖ Download Information Bulletin and Replica of Application Form. Read these carefully to ensure your eligibility.
  - Follow the steps given below to Apply Online:
    - **Step-1:** Register for Online Registration using your own Email Id and Mobile No.and note down system generated Application Number.
    - Step-2: Complete the Online Application Form and note down the system generated

Application Number. Upload legible scanned images of: (i) a recent photograph (file size 10Kb – 200Kb) either in colour or black & white with 80% face (without mask) visible including ears against white background; (ii) candidate's signature (file size: 4kb - 30kb) (iii) PwD certificate (file size: 50kb to 300kb), if applicable.

Step-3: Pay fee using Canara/ICICI Bank through Net Banking/Debit Card/Credit Card/UPI and keep proof of fee paid.

- Download, save and print a copy of Confirmation Page of the Application Form (which would be downloadable only after successful remittance of fee) for future reference.
- All the 3 Steps can be done together or at separate timings. The submission of Application of a candidate could be considered as successful and his/her candidature would be confirmed only on the successful transaction/receipt of the prescribed application fee from him/her.
- 5. The Confirmation Page of the online Application Form will be generated **only after successful payment by the Candidate.** 
  - In case the Confirmation Page is not generated after payment of fee, then the candidate should approach the concerned Bank/Payment Gateway (in the helpline no. and email given in Annexure- I of the Information Bulletin) for ensuring the successful payment or for obtaining the refund of duplicate / multiple payments.
  - However, if inspite of above action payment has not been successfully made it means that
    the transaction has not been completed and the amount not reflected in the NTA account.
    Such amount will be refunded to concerned Credit/Debit Card within a reasonable time.
    Therefore, such candidates have to pay the fee once again and ensure the OK fee
    status.
- **6.** Candidates shall ensure that the information entered by them in their respective online Application Form is correct.
- 7. Information provided by the candidates in their respective online Application Forms, like, name of candidate, contact/ address details, category, PwD status, educational qualification details, date of birth, choice of exam cities, etc. will be treated as final. Any request for change in such particulars after the closure of correction period will not be considered by NTA under any circumstances.
- **8.** NTA does not edit /modify/alter any information entered by the candidates under any circumstances. Any request for change in information after submission of Application Form will not be entertained. Therefore, candidates are advised to exercise utmost caution for filling up correct details in the Application Form.
- **9.** NTA disclaims any liability that may arise to a candidate(s) due to incorrect information provided by him/her in his/her online Application Form.
- 10. Candidates must ensure that their email address and mobile number to be registered in their online Application Form are their own, as relevant/important information/ communication will be sent by NTA through e-mail on the registered e-mail address and / or through SMS on registered mobile number only. NTA shall not be responsible for any non-communication / miscommunication with a candidate in the email address or mobile number given by him/her other than his/her own.
  - Candidates are advised to visit the NTA Website and check their e-mails regularly for latest updates.
- **11.** Candidates are also requested to download and install the **SANDES application** as a secondary channel to receive time-to-time notifications from NTA.

**SANDES APP** can be downloaded and installed on Mobile Device by following the below-listed steps:

- Visit the Google Play Store on your Mobile Device.
- Search for the "Sandes App" in the search bar.
- It then displays the app in the play store.
- Click on Install, and then the app gets downloaded to your mobile device.
- Now, mobile users can enjoy the services of the Sandes Mobile App.

**12.** Candidates shall appear at their own cost at the Examination Centre on the Date, Shift and time indicated on their Admit Cards issued by the NTA in due course through its Website.

#### Note:

- i. The final submission of Online Application Form will remain incomplete if Step-2 and step-3 are not complete. Such forms will stand rejected and no correspondence on this account will be entertained.
- ii. No request for refund of fee once remitted by the candidate will be entertained by NTA under any circumstances.
- iii. NTA is facilitating to all candidates with an additional platform of UMANG and DigiLocker to download their documents like Confirmation Page, Admit Card, Score Cards, etc. Instruction will be provided in subsequent phases. Candidates are advised to visit the NTA Website and check their e-mails regularly for the latest updates.
- iv. The entire application process for **GPAT 2023** is online, including uploading of scanned images, payment of fees, and printing of confirmation page, admit card, etc. **Therefore, candidates are not required to send/submit any document(s) including confirmation page to NTA through Post/ Fax/WhatsApp/Email/by Hand.**
- v. Usage of Data and Information: NTA/Government of India can use the data provided by the End Users (test taker in this case) for internal purpose(s) including training, research and development, analysis and other permissible purpose(s). However, this information is not for use by any third party or private agency for any other use.

#### **Brief Advisory regarding COVID-19 Pandemic:**

Candidates are advised to carry only the following with them into the examination venue:

- Admit Card along with Self Declaration (Undertaking) downloaded from the NTA Website (a clear printout on A4 size paper) duly filled in.
- b) A simple transparent Ball Point Pen.
- c) Additional photograph, to be pasted on Attendance Sheet
- d) Personal hand sanitizer (50 ml).
- e) Personal transparent water bottle.
- f) ID Proof.
- g) Sugar tablets/fruits (like banana/apple/orange) in case the candidate is diabetic.

#### Note:

- 1. Candidate shall ensure that the information (like, his/her name. mother's name, father's name, gender, date of birth, category, PwD status, mobile number, email address, photograph and signature, choice of cities for exam centre, etc.) provided by them in their online Application Form are correct and of their own. Candidates are advised to exercise utmost care for filling up correct details in the Application Form. Any request for change in the particulars after the closure of correction period will not be considered by NTA under any circumstances. Corrections sent by the candidate through Post/ Fax/WhatsApp/Email/by Hand will not be entertained by NTA.
- 2. In case it is found at any time in future that the Candidate has used / uploaded the photograph, signature and certificate(s) of someone else in his/ her Application Form / Admit Card or he/she has tampered his/her Admit Card / result, these acts of the candidate shall be treated as Unfair Means (UFM) Practices on his/her part and he/she shall be proceeded with the actions as contemplated under the provisions of the Information Bulletin relating to Unfair Means Practices.
- 3. Candidates are NOT allowed to carry Instruments, Geometry or Pencil box, Handbag, Purse, any kind of Paper/ Stationery/ Textual material (printed or written material), Eatables (loose or packed), Mobile Phone/ Earphone/ Microphone/ Pager, Calculator, DocuPen, Slide Rules, Log Tables, Camera, Tape Recorder, Electronic Watches with facilities of calculator, any metallic item or electronic gadgets/ devices in the Examination Hall/Room. Smoking, chewing gutka, spitting etc. in the Examination Room/Hall is strictly prohibited
- 4. If any candidate is in possession of any of the above item, his/ her candidature will be treated as unfair means and lead to cancellation of the current examination & also debar the candidate for future examination(s) & the material will be seized.

#### **Graduate Pharmacy Aptitude Test (GPAT)**

For Academic Session 2023-2024

#### 1. About National Testing Agency (NTA)

The Ministry of Education (MoE), Government of India (GOI) has established the National Testing Agency (NTA) as an independent, autonomous, and self-sustained premier testing organization under the Societies Registration Act (1860) for conducting efficient, transparent and international standards tests in order to assess the competency of candidates for admissions to premier higher education institutions.

The National Testing Agency (NTA) has been entrusted by the Ministry of Education with the task of conducting the Graduate Pharmacy Aptitude Test (GPAT) w.e.f 2019.

#### 2. About Graduate Pharmacy Aptitude Test

Graduate Pharmacy Aptitude Test (GPAT) is a National Level Entrance Examination for entry into M. Pharma Programme.

Till 2018, the Test was conducted by All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE). NTA is conducting this Test since 2019.

This test facilitates institutions to select suitable Pharmacy graduates for admission into the Masters (M. Pharma) program. The GPAT is a **three** hours Computer Based Online Test.

The GPAT score is accepted by all AICTE-Approved Institutions / University Departments / Constituent Colleges / Affiliated Colleges.

#### 3. Graduate Pharmacy Aptitude Test (GPAT)-2023

- 3.1 GPAT-2023 will be conducted by NTA as three hour entrance examination in Computer Based Test (CBT) mode to evaluate the candidates' ability across various segments, for admission to the Masters (M.Pharma) program Courses in the Academic Session 2023-24. The participating Institutions of GPAT-2023 are the Institutions which will be accepting the GPAT Scores.
- 3.2 NTA does not verify the information provided by the candidates during online registration and hence candidature will be **purely provisional** subject to fulfillment of eligibility criteria as per AICTE norms.
- 3.3 NTA has no role in counselling for admission to the Masters (M.Pharma) program. Candidates must apply separately to the desired GPAT-2023 Participating institutions with the GPAT Score 2023. Thereafter, each Participating Institute will release their respective cut off GPAT Scores which a candidate should meet to get qualified for admission to that particular Institution. Once qualified, the candidate will have to comply with the selection procedure of that particular Institution, which may comprise of Group Discussion (GD) and Personal Interview (PI). The final selection of the candidate will be based on the candidate's performance in GD & PI.
- 3.4 Candidates are advised to read the details of the admission process of each Participating Institute of GPAT-2023 on their respective websites.

#### 4. Scheme of Examination

#### 4.1 Pattern of Examination

Type of Questions	No. of Questions	Maximum Marks
Pharmaceutical Chemistry & Allied Subjects	38	152
Pharmaceutics & Allied Subjects	38	152
Pharmacognosy & Allied Subjects	10	40
Pharmacology & Allied Subjects	28	112
Other Subjects	11	44
Total	125	500

### 4.2 Syllabus:

The syllabus for the exam will be as prescribed by AICTE.

## 4.3 Medium of Question Paper:

The medium of Question Paper shall be in English only.

#### 4.4 Marking Scheme:

- i) Each question carries 04 (four) marks.
- ii) For each correct response, candidate will get 04 (four) marks.
- iii) For each incorrect response, 01 (one) mark will be deducted from the total score.
- iv) Un-answered/un-attempted will be given no marks.
- v) To answer a question, the candidate needs to choose one option which is most appropriate.
- vi) However, after the process of Challenges of the Answer Key, in case there are multiple correct options or change in key, only those candidates who have attempted it correctly as per the revised Answer Key will be awarded marks.
- vii) In case a Question is dropped due to some technical error, full marks shall be given to all the candidates irrespective of the fact who have attempted it or not.

### 5. Eligibility Criteria for GPAT-2023

- 5.1 The candidate must hold a Bachelor's Degree in Pharmacy (4 years after 10+2, including lateral entry students) or equivalent from a recognized university. Candidates appearing for the final year of Bachelor's Degree B.Pharmacy (10+2+4) whose result will be declared before commencement of admission for academic year 2023-24 can also apply for GPAT 2023 Computer Based Test (CBT).
- 5.2 B.Tech. (Pharmaceutical and Fine Chemical Technology)/ equivalent candidates are not eligible to apply. The candidate must be a citizen of India.
- 5.3 There is no age restriction for appearing in GPAT 2023.

#### 6. Reservations

- 6.1 In the case of Institutes run by the Central Government, the reservation would be applicable as mentioned below:
  - (i) 15% of the seats Scheduled Castes (SC) candidates
  - (ii) 7.5% seats for Scheduled Tribes (ST) candidates
  - (iii) 27% seats for Other Backward Classes (OBC) Non-Creamy Layer (NCL) candidates as per the Central List\*
  - (iv) 10% of the seats for General Economically Weaker Sections (General EWS) candidates
  - (v) Persons with Disability (PwD) with 40% or more disability
- 6.2 Each category will have **5%** reservations for the candidates with 40% or more disability as defined in Section 2 (r) and (zc) of Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) Act, 2016.
- 6.3 In the case of the Institutes run/aided/recognized by State Governments, the reservation policy of the respective State Governments shall be applicable.

#### Notes:

- 1. The benefit of reservation for admission to Central Educational Insititutions (CEIs) shall be given only to those classes/castes/tribes which are in the respective Central List published by the Government of India from time to time.
- \*Other Backward Classes Non-Creamy Layer (OBC–NCL) are as per the Central list of Other Backward Classes available on National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC), Government of India website <a href="www.ncbc.nic.in">www.ncbc.nic.in</a> Thus, the candidates falling in this list may mention OBC in the Category Column. State list OBC Candidates who are not in OBC-NCL (Central List) must choose General.
- 3. **Economically Weaker Section (EWS) -** This provision would be regulated as per the OM No. 20013/01/2019-BC-II dated January 17, 2019 issued by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment and the OM No. 12-4/2019-U1 dated 17.01.2019 as well as the Letters No 35-2/2019-T.S.I dated 21.01.2019, 01.02.2019, 04.02.2019 and 15.02.2019 of MHRD Department of Higher Education regarding implementation of reservation for Economically Weaker Section (EWS) for admission in Central Educational Institutions.

## 7 Provisions relating to Persons with Disability (PwD):

7.1 As per Section 2(t) of the RPwD Act, "Persons with Disability (PwD)" means a person with long term physical, mental, intellectual, or sensory impairment which, in interaction with barriers, hinders his full and effective participation in society equally with others.

According to Section 2(r) of the RPwD Act, 2016, "persons with benchmark disabilities" means a person with not less than forty percent (40%) of a specified disability where specified disability has not been defined in measurable terms and includes a person with disability where specified disability has been defined in measurable terms, as certified by the certifying authority.

The "specified disabilities", which are included in the Schedule of the RPwD Act, are as follows:

S. No.	Category	Type of Disability	Specified Disability
1.	Physical Disability	Locomotor Disability	a. Leprosy cured person, b. cerebral palsy, c. dwarfism, d. muscular dystrophy, e. acid attack victims.
		Visual Impairment	a. blindness, b. low vision
		Hearing Impairment	a. deaf, b. hard of hearing
		Speech & Language	Permanent disability arising out of conditions
		Disability	such as laryngectomy or aphasia affecting
			one or more components of speech and
			language due to organic or neurological
			causes.
2.	Intellectual Disability		a. specific learning disabilities/perceptual
			disabilities: Dyslexia, Dysgraphia,
			Dyscalculia, Dyspraxia & Developmental
			Aphasia)
			b. autism spectrum disorder
3.	Mental Behaviour		a. mental illness
4.	Disability caused due	i.Chronic Neurological	a. multiple sclerosis
	to	Conditions	b. Parkinson's disease
		ii. Blood disorder	a. Haemophilia, b. Thalassemia, c. Sickle cell disease
5.	Multiple Disabilities		More than one of the above specified disabilities including deaf blindness

#### 7.2 Facilities for PwD candidates to appear in the exam

As per the guidelines issued by the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan) under Ministry of Social Justice & following facilities will be made available to Person with Benchmark Disability:

a. In case of persons with benchmark disabilities in the category of blindness, locomotor disability (both arms affected-BA) and cerebral palsy, holding a disability certificate in the format prescribed in Annexure- II (A), the facility of scribe/reader/lab assistant shall be given, if so desired by the person.

In the case of other category of person with benchmark disability the provision of scribe/reader/lab assistant can be allowed on production of certificate to the effect that the person concerned has physical limitation to write and scribe is essential to write examination on his/her behalf, from the Chief Medical Officer/ Civil Surgeon/ Medical Superintendent of a Govt. Healthcare Institution as per Profoma at Annexure-II (A).

NTA will arrange for providing scribe to such candidates based on the requirement indicated in their Application Form.

b. Compensatory time of **one hour** for examination of **three hours** duration would be provided, whether such candidate with benchmark disability uses the facility of Scribe or not.

The NTA does not guarantee any change in the category or sub-category (PwD status) after the submission of the Online Application Form, and in any case, no change will be entertained by NTA after the declaration of GPAT 2023 NTA Scores. Therefore, the candidates are advised to fill in the category / sub-category column very carefully.

Note: PwD certificate (file size: 50kb to 300kb) may be uploaded while filling in the Application Form.

#### 7.3 Services of a Scribe

As per the office memorandum of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (Reference: F.No. 34-02/2015-DD-III dated August 29, 2018), the PwD candidates who are visually impaired OR have a disability in the upper limbs OR have lost fingers/hands thereby preventing them from properly operating the Computer Based Test platform may avail the services of a scribe (amanuensis).

The scribe will help the Candidate in reading the questions and/or keying in the answers as per the directions of the Candidate.

A scribe will NEITHER explain the questions NOR suggest any solutions.

PwBD candidates who desire to avail the services of a scribe need to opt for this during the online registration. A copy of the PwBD certificate must be uploaded at the time of online registration. If a candidate desires to bring his/her own Scribe, then he/she should submit a Letter of undertaking for using own Scribe as per the format available at Annexure- II (B).

It is to be noted that the Scribe may be provided by the National Testing Agency if requested in the online application form. However, the candidate is also permitted to bring his/her own scribe, if he/she so chooses.

However, in case a PwBD Candidate is bringing his/her own scribe, the qualification of the scribe should be one step below of the qualification of the candidate taking the examination. Such candidates have to submit the details of the own scribe at the examination centre as per the proforma prescribed at Annexurte-II (B) of the said Guidelines.

If it is found at any stage that a candidate has availed the services of a scribe and/or availed the compensatory time, but does not possess the extent of disability that warrants the use of a scribe and/or grant of compensatory time, the candidate will be excluded from the process of evaluation, ranking, counseling, and admission. In case such a candidate has already been admitted to any Institution, the admission of the candidate will be cancelled.

Candidates are advised to go through the Public Notice No. No.NTA/Exam/PwD/Scribe/2022 dated 11.09.2022 on the NTA website www.nta.ac.in in this regard.

The NTA does not entertain any change in the category or sub-category (PwBD status) after the completion of correction window of the online Application Form. Further, no change will be entertained by NTA after the declaration of NTA Score for the Exam. Therefore, the candidates are advised to fill in the category/sub-category column very carefully.

#### Note:

- 1. The minimum degree of disability should be 40% (Benchmark Disability) in order to be eligible for availing reservation for persons with specified disability.
- 2. The extent of "specified disability" in a person shall be assessed in accordance with the "Guidelines for the purpose of assessing the extent of specified disability in a person included under the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (49 of 2016)" notified in the Gazette of India by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment [Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)] on 4 January 2018.
- 3. No change in the category will be entertained later.

Candidates must note that the benefit of reservation will be given to them subject to verification of documents. If it is discovered at any stage that a candidate has used a false/fake/incorrect document, or has furnished false, incorrect, or incomplete information, in order to avail the benefit of reservation, then such a candidate shall be excluded from all admission processes. In case such a candidate has already been given admission, the admission shall stand cancelled.

- 8. Guidelines for conducting written examination for persons with specified disabilities covered under the definition of Section 2(s) of the RPwD Act, 2016 but not covered under the definition of section 2(r) of the said Act i.e. persons having less than 40% disability and having difficulty in writing
  - I. These guidelines may be called as Guidelines for conducting written examination for persons with specified disabilities covered under the definition of Section 2(s) of the RPwD Act, 2016 but not covered under the definition of Section 2(r) of the said Act, i.e. persons having less than 40% disability and having difficulty in writing.
  - II. The facility of scribe and/or compensatory time shall be granted solely to those having difficulty in writing subject to production of a certificate to the effect that person concerned has limitation to write and that scribe is essential to write examination on his/her behalf from the competent medical authority of a Government healthcare institution as per proforma at Annexure-III (A).
  - III. The medical authority for the purpose of certification as mentioned in point (II) above should be a multi-member authority comprising the following:
    - i. Chief Medical officer/Civil Surgeon/Chief District Medical Officer.....Chairperson
    - ii. Orthopaedic/PMR specialist
    - iii. Neurologist, if available\*
    - iv. Clinical Psychologist/Rehabilitation Psychologist/ Psychiatrist/Special Educator
    - v. Occupational therapist, if available\*
    - vi. Any other expert based on the condition of the candidate as may be nominated by the Chairperson. (\*the Chief Medical Officer/Civil Surgeon/Chief District Medical Officer may make full efforts for inclusion of neurologists, occupational therapist from the nearest District or the Medical College/Institute, if the same is not available in the District)"
  - IV. Compensatory time not less than 20 minutes per hour of the examination should be allowed for persons who are eligible for getting scribe. In case the duration of the examination is less than an hour, then the duration of the compensatory time should be allowed on prorata basis. Compensatory time should not be less than 5 minutes and should be in the multiple of 5.
  - Physical Disability certificate (Unique Disability Identification (UDID) issued by the notified medical authority needs to be uploaded in the Online Application Form of GPAT 2023.

#### 9. Choice of Cities for Exam Centre

- 9.1 The City of Examination Centres where the test shall be conducted are given at Annexure-V. It is mandatory for candidates to select four cities of their choice while filling Online Application Form of GPAT 2023. Effort will be made to allot Centre of examination to the candidates in order of the City Choice opted by them in their Application Form. However, due to logistic & administrative reasons, a different city of nearby area may be allotted.
- 9.2 The City of Examination once chosen and allotted cannot be changed (after the closing of the correction window) and any request in this regard will not be entertained.
- 9.3 NTA will allocate the examination centre in the chosen city, which will be mentioned in the Admit Card.

#### 10. General Instructions

- 10.1 GPAT 2023 is an Examination for Admission to Pharmacy (PG) Programme Courses for 2023-24 Academic Session.
- 10.2 Merely appearing in GPAT 2023 does not make a candidate qualified and eligible for admission in Institutions and it does not confer any automatic rights to secure a PG seat.
- 10.3 Online Registration begins on 13 February, 2023 onwards and must be completed by 06 March, 2023.
- 10.4 Fee can be deposited by the candidates till 06 March, 2023 upto 11:50 pm.
- 10.5 However, registered candidates can edit their particulars in certain field during the correction window between 07 March, 2023 to 09 March, 2023 upto 11:50 pm. No new registrations will be entertained during the correction period.
- 10.6 Applications of candidates producing false or fabricated information will not be considered and candidates may be debarred from appearing in any future examinations conducted by NTA/AICTE.
- 10.7 Before initiating registration process, candidates should go through the Information Bulletin carefully for eligibility criteria, scheme, and pattern of examination etc. Any queries and other issues will only be entertained if the requested information is not given in the Information Bulletin.
- 10.8 Incomplete application, if not in accordance with instructions, will not be considered and is liable to be rejected. Applicant should carefully fill up all the fields during registration process correctly. Application cannot be modified/edited, after the closing of correction window period.
- 10.9 The Examination Fee once paid will neither be refunded nor be carried forward under any circumstances.
- 10.10 NTA/AICTE reserves the right to withdraw permission, if any, granted inadvertently to any candidate who is not eligible to appear in GPAT-2023 even though Admit Card/Registration number has been issued or is displayed on website.
- 10.11 Candidates must verify criteria of eligibility for admission from the respective institutions where they want to seek admission.
- 10.12 The existing schedule, pattern, policy and guidelines are for ready reference only but in no way, they are or ought to be treated as representative or acknowledgment of fact that NTA/AICTE is bound to follow the same in future.
- 10.13 In case of any ambiguity in interpretation of any of the instructions/terms and conditions/rules/criteria regarding the determination of eligibility/conduct of examinations/registration of candidates/information contained herein, the interpretation of the NTA/AICTE will be final and binding.
- 10.14 Requests shall not be entertained for change in date or subject of examination.

- 10.15 Absentees from the examination will forfeit their examination fee. No further communication will be acknowledged in this regard.
- 10.16 Result for GPAT 2023 will be available on the website **gpat.nta.nic.in** only.
- 10.17 Candidates should ensure before applying for online registration that their degree is recognized as per provisions of AICTE. If it is found at any time that degree is not recognized, the candidature/result of the candidate shall be cancelled.
- 10.18 All the correspondence should be addressed by e-mail. The e-mail query shall be addressed only if it is not anonymous and contains the name, postal address and contact number of the sender. An e-mail containing vague or general queries and other queries as contained in the Information Bulletin shall not be entertained. Queries shall not be entertained from person claiming themselves to be representative, associates or officiates of the applicant candidate.
- 10.19 The following information shall not be revealed by phone or email:
  - a. Internal documentation /status of NTA
  - b. Internal decision-making process of NTA/AICTE, Any claim/counter claim thereof
  - c. Dates and venue of internal meetings or name of the staff/officers dealing.
  - d. Any information which in the opinion of NTA/AICTE cannot be revealed.
- 10.20 Terms & Conditions of GPAT 2023 as mentioned in the Information Bulletin shall apply.
- 10.21 GPAT 2023 will be conducted by NTA at exam centers engaged for the purpose. Candidates are advised to familiarize themselves with the route and location of the exam centre. (Refer to Annexure V for List of Exam cities)
- 10.22 Candidates are advised to look into the website **gpat.nta.nic.in** regularly for various information, updates and notices pertaining to GPAT 2023 examination.
- 10.23 Kindly note that by registering for the GPAT 2023, candidates are covered by Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA). As per NDA, candidates cannot disclose any question or contents of question paper in part or otherwise with any person or party or website or such other media/publication. Any act in breach of the NDA shall be liable for penal action as per law. Kindly note that this is a punishable offence and shall lead to cancellation of candidature.
- 10.24 Candidates are deemed to have read, agreed and accepted the contents of Information Bulletin and the terms and conditions in the information bulletin for GPAT 2023 on completing the registration/Online Application Form by the candidates.
- 10.25 Candidates can register for **GPAT 2023 only once**.
- 10.26 Possession/Use of mobile phone or any such electronic devices is strictly prohibited in the premises of GPAT 2023 Test Centers. Candidates shall be liable for penal action for Possession/ Use of Mobile phones/ Electronic devices.
- 10.27 The jurisdiction for court cases/disputes shall be within the exclusive jurisdiction of competent courts at Delhi/New Delhi only.

## 11. Registration and Application Process

#### Instructions for filling online application form

- 11.1 Candidates have to apply for GPAT-2023 "Online" ONLY by accessing the website: gpat.nta.nic.in. The Application Form other than online mode would not be accepted in any case. Only one application is to be submitted by a candidate. More than one application i.e. multiple application forms submitted by a candidate will be rejected.
- 11.2 It is suggested that the candidate should keep the following ready before starting the filling of the Application Form:
  - A computer with proper internet connectivity
  - o The particulars of a valid Government ID proof
  - The Date of Birth (as mentioned in Class X Board Certificate)
  - Govt Identity Details like Aadhaar Number (last 4 digits)/Election Card (EPIC No.)/Passport number/Ration Card Number/ Bank Account Number/PAN Number/ Other valid Govt IDs.
  - o Educational/Qualification details
  - Scanned clear passport photograph in JPG/JPEG format (size between 10 kb-200 kb) either in colour or black & white with 80% face (without mask) visible including ears against white background
  - Scanned clear signature in JPG/JPEG format (size between 4 kb-30 kb)
  - o PwD certificate (file size: 50kb to 300kb), if applicable.
  - List of City of your choice (Refer Annexure-V for Cities)
  - Bank account details for payment of fee.
  - o A valid e-mail Id as important communications will be made on this e-mail Id
  - A valid mobile number as important information via SMS will be sent to this number
  - A valid debit/credit card or Net banking account for ONLINE payment.
- 11.3 Information Bulletin should be downloaded and read carefully by the candidate to be sure about his/her eligibility and acquaint themselves with requirements for submission of Online Application Form.
- 11.4 In order to avoid correction in the particulars in later stage, the candidate should *exercise utmost caution while filling up correct details.*
- 11.5 Follow following Steps may be followed to Apply Online:
  - **Step-1:** Apply for Online Registration using own Email Id and Mobile No.
  - Step-2: Fill in the Online Application Form and note down the system generated Application Number. Upload scanned images of: (i) the recent photograph (file size 10Kb 200Kb) either in colour or black & white with 80% face (without mask) visible including ears against white background; (ii) candidate's signature (file size: 4kb 30kb) (iii) PwD certificate (file size: 50kb to 300kb), if applicable.
  - Step-3: Pay fee using Canara Bank/ICICI Bank through Net Banking/Debit Card/Credit Card/UPI and keep proof of fee paid.

All the 3 Steps can be done together or at separate timings. The submission of Application of a candidate could be considered as successful and his/her candidature would be confirmed only on the successful transaction/receipt of the prescribed application fee from him/her.

#### Note:

- (i) The final submission of Online Application Form will remain incomplete if Step 2 and Step-3 are not completed, such Application Forms will stand rejected and no correspondence on this account will be entertained.
- (ii) No request for refund of fee once remitted by the candidate will be entertained.
- (iii) The entire application process of GPAT-2023 is online, including uploading of scanned images, Payment of Fees and Printing of Confirmation page. Therefore, candidates are not required to send/submit any document(s) including Confirmation page to NTA through Post/Fax/By Hand/E-mail.
- (iv) Candidates are advised to keep visiting the NTA's website regularly for latest updates and to check their e-mails.
- (V) The NTA can make use of the data generated for the purpose of research and analysis.
- (vi) All the candidates who have submitted the online application and paid the examination fee till last date will be allowed to appear in GPAT-2023 and their Admit Cards will be uploaded on the website as per schedule.
- (vii) NTA does not verify the information filled by the candidates in the application form nor verifies any certificate of category/educational qualification for deciding the eligibility of candidates.
- (Viii) The certificates of educational qualification and category (if applied under reserved category) will be verified by the concerned institution. The candidates are, therefore, advised to ensure their eligibility and the category (if applying under reserved category).
- (ix) The NTA will, in no way, be responsible for any wrong/incorrect information furnished by the candidate(s) in his/her Online Application Form. The letter/e-mails/WhatsApp Message/Public Grivence in this regard will not be entertained by the NTA.

# 11.6 Procedure for Filling Application Form

#### Part I: Registration Page

Fill in the basic information and note down the system generated Application No.

- (i) Candidate's Name/ Mother's Name/ Father's Name:
  - Provide Candidate's Name, Mother's Name, Father's Name as given in the Secondary School Examination or equivalent Board/ University Certificate in capital letters. No prefix in the name of the candidate is allowed.
- (ii) Date of Birth: dd/mm/yyyy
  - Provide Candidate's date of birth as recorded in Secondary School Examination or equivalent Board/ University Certificate.
- (iii) Mobile Number and e-mail Address:
  - Candidates must provide own Mobile Number and e-mail address.

Note: Only one e-mail address and one Mobile Number are valid for one application

#### **PART II: Fill in the complete Application Form**

Fill in the complete Application

#### Note:

- (i) Other Backward Classes (OBC) Non Creamy Layer as per the Central List of Other Backward Classes available on National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC), Government of India website (www.ncbc.nic.in). Thus, the candidates falling in this list may mention OBC in the Category Column. State list OBC Candidates who are not in OBC-NCL (Central List) must choose General.
- (ii) Economically Weaker Section (EWS) As per the OM No. 20013/01/2019-BC-II dated January 17, 2019 issued by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment and the OM No. 12-4/2019-U1 dated 17.01.2019 as well as the Letters No 35-2/2019-T.S.I dated 21.01.2019, 01.02.2019, 04.02.2019 and 15.02.2019 of MHRD Department of Higher Education (which is known as Ministry of Eduction) regarding implementation of reservation for Economically Weaker Section (EWS) for admission in Central Educational Institutions.
- (iii) Provide complete postal address with PIN Code (Correspondence Address as well as Permanent Address) for further correspondence. PIN code of Correspondence Address should be given in the space provided for this purpose.

Note: The NTA shall not be responsible for any delay/loss in postal transit or for an incorrect Correspondence address given by the Applicant in the Application Form.

Choice of Cities for Examination Centres: The City of Examination Centres where the test shall be conducted are given at Annexure-V. It is mandatory for candidates to select four cities of their choice while filling Online Application Form of GPAT 2023. Effort will be made to allot Centre of examination to the candidates in order of the City choice opted by them in their Application Form. However, due to administrative reasons, a different city of nearby area may be allotted.

Allocation of test centre will be based on the candidates' permanent or correspondence address.

#### Uploading of scanned images

#### (i) Candidate's Photograph: to be uploaded

- Photograph should not be with cap or goggles. Photograph should cover 80% face (without mask) visible including ears against white background.
- Spectacles are allowed if being used regularly.
- Polaroid and Computer generated photos are not acceptable.
- Applications not complying with these instructions or with unclear photographs are liable to be rejected.
- Candidates may please note that if it is found that photograph uploaded is
  fabricated i.e. de- shaped or seems to be hand-made or computer made, the form
  of the candidate will be rejected and the same would be considered as using
  unfairmeans and the candidate would be dealt with accordingly.
- Application without photograph shall be rejected. The photograph need not be attested.
   Candidates are advised to take 6 to 8 passport size coloured photographs with white background.

Note: Passport size photograph is to be used for uploading on Online Application Form and also for pasting on Attendance Sheet at the examination centre.

 The candidate should scan his/her passport size photograph for uploading. File size must be between 10 kb to 200 kb.

#### (ii) Candidate's Signature: to be uploaded

The candidates are required to upload the full signature in **running hand** writing in the appropriate box given in the Online Application Form. Writing full name in the Box in Capital letters would not be accepted as signature and the Application Form would be rejected. Further, unsigned Online Application Forms will also be rejected.

- The candidate should put his full signature on white paper with Black/Blue lnk pen and scan for uploading.
- File size must be between 04 kb to 30 kb.

Note: Candidate must ensure that the uploaded images are clear and proper.

#### (iii) Candidate's PwD Centrificate, if applicable.

#### 11.7 Check List for filling the Online Application Form:

The candidates are advised to ensure the following points before filling the Online Application Forms:

- (i) Whether they fulfill the eligibility conditions for the Test as prescribed under the heading 'Conditions of Eligibility'.
- (ii) That they have filled their gender and category viz General/OBC (Non-Creamy Layer)/SC/ ST/Gen-EWS/ Male/Female/Third gender, in the relevant column correctly.
- (iii) That they have filled their **Subject and City of examination** in the relevant column correctly.
- (iv) That the Person with Disability (PwD) candidate has filled the relevant column in the Online Application Form. Only PwD candidates have to fill this column and the others have to leave it blank.
- (v) Whether they have kept a Printout of Application Form (confirmation page) for their own record.

#### 11.8 Important Points to Note:

- (i) The Candidates should fill their complete postal address with PIN Code for further correspondence.
- (ii) The Candidate must ensure that e-mail address and Mobile Number provided in the Online Application Form are their own (which cannot be changed later) as communication may be sent by NTA through e-mail or SMS.
- (iii) The Candidate should not give the postal address, Mobile Number or e-mail ID of Coaching Centre in the Online Application Form.
- (iv) In order to appear in GPAT, 2023, the candidates are required to apply 'online'. The Application Form other than online mode shall not be accepted. No change will be accepted through offline mode i.e. through fax/application including e-mail etc.
- (v) Online submission of application may be done by accessing the **NTA official website**: **gpat.nta.nic.in.**
- (vi) Online Application Form cannot be withdrawn once it is submitted successfully.
- (vii) Application Form of candidates who do not fulfill the eligibility criteria shall be rejected.
- (viii) A candidate is allowed to submit only one Application Form. If a candidate submits more than one Application Form, the candidature is likely to be cancelled.

(ix) Request for change in any particular in the Application Form shall not be entertained after closing of correction window.

**Note:** However, a chance will be given to the candidates to correct / modify / edit some of the particular(s) of the Application Form online only, during 07 March, 2022 to 09 March, 2023 (Correction window).

- (x) The City of Examination Centres where the test shall be conducted are given in the Information Bulletin. The Cities indicated for the entrance examination should be carefully chosen by the candidate, as no change will be allowed once application is submitted.
- (xi) Selection of a candidate in the test is provisional, subject to being found otherwise eligible for admission.
- (xii) In case a candidate is found providing incorrect information or the identity is proved to be false at any time in the future, the candidate shall face penal action as per the law.
- (xiii) The Candidates are not required to send/ submit the confirmation page of Online Application Form to the NTA. However, he/she is advised to retain the following documents with them as reference for future correspondence:
  - **At least four printouts of the Confirmation Page of Online Application Form.**
  - Proof of fee paid
  - Photographs (same as uploaded on the Online Application Form)–6 to 8 passport size photographs need to be kept aside.
  - The name on the photo identification must match with the name as shown on the Admit Card. If the name has been changed due to events such as marriage, candidate must show the relevant document at the time of exam. Marriage Certificate / Divorce / Decree / Legal Name Change Document.

#### 11.9 **Provision of Aadhaar:**

The Aadhaar number is only one of the types of identification and is not mandatory. Candidates may also enter Passport number, Ration Card number, Election Card (EPIC No.), Bank Account number or any other valid Government identity number.

#### 12. Admit Card for GPAT-2023

- 1. The Admit Card is issued provisionally to the candidates, subject to their satisfying the eligibility conditions.
- 2. The candidate has to download the Admit Card from the NTA website and appear for the Examination at the given Centre on Date, timing and discipline as indicated in their Admit Card.
- 3. No candidate will be allowed to appear at the examination centre, on Date and timing other than that allotted to them in their Admit Card.
- 4. In case candidates are unable to download Admit Cards from the website, they may approach the Help Line between 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.
- 5. The candidates are advised to read the instructions on the Admit Card carefully and follow them during the conduct of the examination.

6. In case of any discrepancy in the particulars of the candidate or his/her photograph and signatures shown in the Admit Card and Confirmation Page, the candidate may immediately approach the Help Line between 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. In such cases, candidates would appear in the examination with the already downloaded Admit Card. However, NTA will take necessary action to make correction in the record later.

#### Note:

- a. Candidate may please note that Admit Cards will not be sent by post.
- b. In no case, the duplicate Admit Card for GPAT-2023 would be issued at the Examination Centres.
- c. Candidate must not mutilate the Admit Card or change any entry made therein.
- d. Candidates are advised to preserve their Admit Cards in good condition for future reference.
- e. No Admit Card shall be issued to the candidates whose Applications are found to be incomplete for any reasons (including indistinct/ doubtful photographs/unsigned Applications) or who do not fulfill the eligibility criteria for the examination.
- f. Issue of Admit Cards, however, shall not necessarily mean acceptance of eligibility which shall be further scrutinized at subsequent stages of admission process.

#### 7. Conduct of Exam

Candidates are advised to go through the instructions given in the Admit Card carefully before going for the Examination.

#### 8. Documents to be brought to the Examination Centre

- i. Candidates must bring the following documents to the Test Centre
- ii. Printed copy of Admit Card downloaded from NTA website.
- iii. One passport size photograph (same as uploaded on the Online Application Form) for pasting on the specific space in the Attendance Sheet at Centre during the Examination. Any one of the authorized photo IDs (must be original, valid andnon- expired) PAN card/ Driving License/ Voter ID/ Passport/ Aadhaar Card (With photograph)/ Aadhaar Enrolment No/ Ration Card). The name on the photo identification must match with the name as shown on the Admit Card.
- iv. **PwD certificate** issued by the Competent Authority, if claiming the relaxation under PwD category.
- v. **PwD certificate** issued by the Competent Authority, if claiming the relaxation under PwD category below 40% category.

#### 13. Procedure for appearing in Computer Based Test (CBT)

The detailed procedure for CBT are provided at Annexure-VI. Please read them carefully.

#### 14. Conduct of the Examination

#### 14.1 Important Instructions for Candidates

(Candidates are advised to go through instruction printed on Admit Card carefully before going for the Examination)

a. Candidates MUST bring the following documents on the day of examination at the test centre. Candidates who will not bring these will not be allowed to appear in the examination.

- i. Print copy of Admit Card downloaded from NTA website
- ii. One passport size photograph (same as uploaded on the Online Application Form) for pasting on the specific space in the attendance sheet at the Centre during the Examination
- iii. Any one of the authorized Govt photo IDs (original, valid and non-expired), viz. PAN card/Driving License/Voter ID/Passport/Aadhaar Card (With photograph)/Aadhaar Enrolment No/Ration Card
- iv. PwD certificate issued by the Competent Authority, if claiming the relaxation under PwD category.

If the name has been changed due to events such as marriage, candidate must show the relevant document at the time of exam. Marriage Certificate / Divorce / Decree / Legal Name Change Document.

- b. The candidates shall report at the Examination Centre **two hours before the commencement of the examination** so as to complete the frisking and registration formalities well before the time of exam.
- c. Registration desk will close 90 minutes prior to the examination.
- d. The candidates are advised to read the instructions on the Admit Card carefully and follow them strictly.
- e. Candidates should take their seat immediately after opening of the examination hall on their allotted seat. If not they are likely to miss some of the general instructions to be announced in the Examination Rooms/Halls. The NTA shall not be responsible for any delay.
- f. Any candidate found to have changed room/hall or the seat on his/her own other than allotted would be considered as a case of Unfairmeans and the candidature shall be cancelled and no plea would be accepted.
- g. The candidate must show, on demand, the Admit Card for entry in the examination room/hall. A candidate who does not possess the valid Admit Card shall not be allowed to enter the examination centre.
- h. The candidate should ensure that the question paper available on the computer is as per the opted Subject Code/ Discipline indicated in the Admit Card. In case, the subject of question paper is other than the opted paper, the same may be brought to the notice of the Invigilator concerned.
- i. Candidates are not allowed to carry any baggage inside the Examination Centre. NTA will not be responsible for any belongings stolen or lost at the premises.
- j. Candidate shall appear at their own cost at the Centre on Date and time as indicated in their Admit Card issued by the NTA.
- k. No candidate, without the special permission of the Centre Superintendent or the Invigilator concerned, will leave his/her seat or Examination Room/Hall until the full duration of the paper is over. Candidates must follow the instructions strictly as instructed by the Centre Superintendent/Invigilators.

- Candidates should not be in possession of any material listed in the list of prohibited material.
- m. All calculations/writing work are to be done only in the rough sheet provided at the centre in the Examination Room/Hall and on completion of the test candidates must hand over the rough sheets to the invigilator on duty in the Room/Hall.
- n. The candidate must sign and paste the photograph on the Attendance Sheet at the appropriate place.
- o. The candidates are governed by all Rules and Regulations of the NTA with regard to their conduct in the Examination Hall. All cases of **Unfair means** will be dealt with as per rules.

#### 14.2 **Centres for GPAT-2023**

- The list of cities where Examination Centers are located is given at Annexure V.
   Candidates shall appear at the centre as shown on their Admit Cards at their own cost. No TA, DA or any accommodation facility will be admissible for appearing in GPAT 2023.
- 2. Candidate has the option of choosing four cities for the examination during the Online Application.
- 3. Candidates are advised to familiarize themselves with the location of test centre and plan travel time accordingly. Candidates have to reach the test centers on or before the reporting time. Candidates may note that late entry to the examination premises is not permitted under any circumstances. NTA/AICTE shall not be responsible for any delayed arrival of the candidate in reaching the centre due to any reason.
- 4. Biometric information of all the candidates shall be captured.
- 5. Identity checks will be made upon arrival at the test centre to ensure that there are no unauthorized candidates appearing for the test. Candidates are required to cooperate with the security personnel for security checks.
- 6. Please note that only registered candidates will be allowed at the Examination Centre.
- 7. Friends or relatives accompanying the candidates shall not be allowed entry in the test centre under any circumstances and will not be allowed to contact the candidate while the examination process is going on.

### 15. Test Practice Centres (TPCs)

As per the guidelines of the Ministry of Education NTA has set up, established and created a network of Test Practice Centres for candidates, especially in remote and rural areas to enable them to practice and be comfortable in taking a Computer Based Test (CBT). Details mentioned in the Annexure-VII.

#### 16. Caution Notice & Non-Disclosure Agreement (India)

#### **16.1. CAUTION NOTICE**

- a) Candidates are advised to refer to GPAT 2023 website <u>gpat.nta.nic.in</u> for authentic information and periodic updates about GPAT 2023.
- Candidates are advised not to be allured by various claims of any party or person or institute for qualifying GPAT 2023 examination or securing seat.
- c) Candidates are advised to bring any such information to the notice to NTA by e-mail on gpat@nta.ac.in.

#### 16.2. NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT (NDA)

- a) GPAT-2023 is a proprietary examination and is conducted by NTA on behalf of Govt. of India. The contents of this exam are confidential, proprietary and are owned by NTA/AICTE and explicitly prohibits the candidate from publishing, reproducing or transmitting any or some contents of this test, in whole or in part, in any form or by any means, verbal or written, electronic or mechanical or for any purpose. Hangouts, Blogs etc. using either one's own account or proxy account (s).
- b) By registering for and /or appearing in GPAT 2023, the candidate explicitly agrees to the above Non-Disclosure Agreement and general terms of use for GPAT 2023 as contained in this Information Bulletin & GPAT 2023 website gpat.nta.nic.in
- c) Violation of any act or breach of the same shall be liable for penal action and cancellation of the candidature at the bare threshold.

#### 17. Unfair Means Practices and Breach of Examination Rules

#### 17.1 Definition

Unfair Means practice is an activity that allows a candidate to gain an unfair advantage over other candidates. It includes, but is not limited to:

- a) Being in possession of any item or article which has been prohibited or can be used for unfair practices including any stationery item, communication device, accessories, eatable items, ornaments or any other material or information relevant or not relevant to the examination in the paper concerned;
- b) Using someone to write examination (impersonation) or preparing material for copying;
- Breaching examination rules or any direction issued by NTA in connection with GPAT 2023 examination.;
- Assisting other candidate to engage in malpractices, giving or receiving assistance directly or indirectly of any kind or attempting to do so;

- e) Writing questions or answers on any material other than the answer sheet given by the Centre Superintendent for writing answers;
- f) Contacting or communicating or trying to do so with any person, other than the Examination Staff, during the examination time in the Examination Centre;
- g) Threatening any of the officials connected with the conduct of the examination or threatening any of the candidates;
- h) Using or attempting to use any other undesirable method or means in connection with the examination;
- Manipulation and fabrication of online documents viz. Admit Card, Rank Letter, Self-Declaration, etc.;
- j) Forceful entry in /exit from Examination Centre/Hall;
- Use or attempted use of any electronic device after entering the Examination Centre;
- I) Affixing/uploading of wrong/morphed photographs/signatures on the Application Form/Admit Card/Proforma;
- m) Creating obstacles in smooth and fair conduct of examination.
- n) Any other malpractices declared as Unfair Means by the NTA.

Disclaimer- The decision of NTA shall be final and binding for declaration of any person / candidate guilty of foregoing or such offence as shall be classified as Unfair Means Case (UMC).

#### 18. Display of Recorded Responses

The NTA will display the recorded responses and Question Paper attempted by the candidates on the NTA website <a href="mailto:gpat.nta.nic.in">gpat.nta.nic.in</a> prior to declaration of result. The recorded responses are likely to be displayed for two to three days.

#### 19. Display of Provisional Answer Key for Challenges

- 1. The NTA will display Provisional Answer Key of the questions on the NTA website: gpat.nta.nic.in, with a Public Notice issued to this effect on the said website, to provide an opportunity to the candidates to challenge the Provisional Answer Keys with a non-refundable online payment of ₹ 200/- per question challenged as processing charges. The provisional Answer Keys are likely to be displayed for two to three days.
- 2. Only paid challenges made during stipulated time through key challenge link will be considered.
- 3. The NTA's decision on the challenges shall be final and no further communication will be entertained. NTA will not inform the Candidates individually about their challenges.
- 4. The subject experts will examine all the challenges received and then a final answer key will be displayed and Results will be declared based on it.

#### 20. Declaration of Results

The result will be compiled based on Final Answer Keys. No grievance with regard to Answer Key(s) after Declaration of Result of GPAT-2023 will be entertained. The raw (actual) marks obtained by a candidate will be considered further for computation of the Result of GPAT-2023. No Score Card will be dispatched to the candidates and the candidates are advised to download their Score Cards from the website: <a href="mailto:gpat.nta.nic.in">gpat.nta.nic.in</a> only.

There is no provision for rechecking/re-evaluation/re-totaling of the result/score and no query in this regard will be entertained.

The National Testing Agency (NTA) is an Examination conducting body and will provide GPAT Score 2023. The NTA does not collect the information regarding total number of seats available in the Institutions and reservation criteria followed by the Institutions.

#### Rules for tie-breaking: -

- A National Merit Ranking (All India Rank) will be arrived based on the Score secured against Total Score.
- Student having same Score shall be listed in a chronological (ascending) order as per their date of birth.
- Candidates having same score would be given the same Merit, and the Merit number would be increased by the same number i.e. if there are two candidates at Merit 2, Merit 3 would not be awarded to the next candidate but Merit 4 would be given.

#### 21. Correspondence with NTA

All the correspondence should be addressed by e-mail to NTA on gpat@nta.ac.in. The email query shall be addressed only if it is not anonymous and contains the name, Registration/Application No, postal address and contact number of the sender. An email containing vague or general queries and other queries as contained in the Information Bulletin shall not be entertained. Queries shall not be entertained from person claiming to be representatives, associates or officiates of the applicant candidate. The following information shall not be revealed by phone or email:

- a. Internal documentation/status.
- b. Internal decision making process of NTA. Any claim/counter claim thereof.
- c. Dates & venue of internal meetings or name of the staff/officers dealing with it.
- d. Any information which in the opinion of NTA cannot be revealed.

#### 22. Query Redressal System

National Testing Agency (NTA) has established a Query Redressal System (QRS), an online web-enabled system developed by NTA. QRS is the platform based on web technology which primarily aims to enable submission of queries/grievances by the Registered Candidate(s) of GPAT 2023 Examination with (24x7) facility for speedy redressal of the queries/grievances. A Unique Registration Number will be generated for tracking the status of the queries/grievances.

The Registered Candidate(s) are advised to use the online facility for speedy response before mailing their queries on the official email id of GPAT i.e. <a href="mailto:gpat@nta.ac.in">gpat@nta.ac.in</a>.

#### 23. Common Services Centres/Facilitation Centres (Annexure-VIII)

Candidates who are not well conversant to submit the online application due to various constraints, can use the services of Common Services Centre, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India under the Digital India initiatives of Hon'ble Prime Minister. The Common Services Centre (CSC) scheme is a part of the ambitious National e-Governance Plan (NeGP) of Government of India and is managed at each village panchayat level by a Village level Entrepreneur (VLE).

There are more than 1.5 lakhs Common Services Centres (CSC) across the country which will provide the desired support to candidates from urban as well as rural areas in online submission of application form and payment of fee through e-wallet. The list of the Common Services Centre is available on website:www.csc.gov.in.

# 24. Weeding Out Rules

The record of Graduate Pharmacy Aptitude Test (GPAT) -2023 would be preserved upto 90 days from the date of declaration of result.

#### 25. Legal Jurisdiction

All disputes pertaining to the conduct of GPAT- 2023 Examination including results shall fall within the **jurisdiction of Delhi / New Delhi** only. Further, any legal question arising out of the Examination shall be entertained only when raised within 30 days from the declaration of result.

The Director (Administration) of the NTA shall be the official by whose designation the NTA may sue or be sued.

# 1. <u>Processing Charges and Goods and Service Taxes (GST) and Procedure for Payment of Fee</u> <u>Mode of Payment of Fee/ Service Provider and Service/Processing charges & GST</u>

Prescribed Examination Fee (please see the Information at a Glance) can be paid through any Bank/Payment Gateway in any Payment Mode [service/processing charges per transaction & GST applicable @ 18 % are to be paid by the candidate, except for payment made through debit card (Visa/Master)]:

S. No	Mode of Payment	ICICI BANK			CAN	IARA BANK
1	Net Banking	ICICI	NIL Charge		Canara Bank	NIL Charge
•	Net ballking	Other Banks	4.00 + GST		Other Banks	5.00 + GST
_	Debit Cards	ICICI or	Transaction upto Rs 2000/-	0 %	Rupay Card of Canara Bank or	Nil Charge
2		Other Banks	Transaction above Rs 2000/-	0.5 % + GST	Other Banks	Nil Charge
3	Credit Cards	Domestic	0.40% of Trans	saction value	Domestic	0.80% + GST
3	Credit Cards	International	2.35% of Trans	saction value	International	2.35% + GST
4	Unified Payment	ICICI or other	Transaction upto Rs 2000/-	0 %	- NIL Charge	·
•	(UPI) banks		Transaction above Rs 2000/-	0 % + GST	Till Silaigo	

### 2. Helplines:

# (a) If Paying through Canara Bank:

Level	Name	Email ID	Contact No.
1	Help Desk	pgsupport@billdesk.com/dssronoida@canarabank.com/	(022)61060524/
		cb18688@canarabank.com	8700098336/
			7428206788/
			9535293631
	Complaint	pgsupport@billdesk.com/dssronoida@canarabank.com/	(022)61060524/
2	Management	cb18688@canarabank.com	8700098336/
	Services		7428206788/
			9535293631
	Customer	pgsupport@billdesk.com/dssronoida@canarabank.com/	(022)61060524/
3	Care	cb18688@canarabank.com	8700098336/
			7428206788/
			9535293631
4	Through SMS		(022)61060524/
			8700098336/
			7428206788/
			9535293631

## (b) If Paying through ICICI Bank:

Level	Name	Email ID	Contact Number
1	Vikas Dwivedi	support.nta@ingenico.com	9599533577
2	Nitin Sharma	nitin.sh@icicibank.com	9870101521

# (c) NTA Helpdesk Contact details (incase the payment related issues are not resolved through the above-mentioned Helplines of the concerned Bank/Payment Gateway Integrator)

Email: gpat@nta.ac.in Phone No.: 011-40759000

#### 3. Procedure to raise payment related Grievance:

After (successful completion of all the Steps, Confirmation Page of the Application Form, should be downloaded and a printout of the same may be retained for future reference. The Confirmation Page of the online Application Form could be generated **only after successful payment by the Candidate.** 

In case the Confirmation Page is not generated after payment of prescribed Fee, then the candidate should approach the concerned Bank/Payment Gateway integrator (in the helpline number and email given in Annexure- I of the Information Bulletin), for ensuring the successful payment.

Inspite of above, if successful transaction is not reflected on the Portal, the candidate may contact NTA Helpline. If the payment issue is still not resolved, the candidate may pay second time. However, any duplicate payment received from the candidate by NTA in course of said transactions will be refunded through the same payment mode through which the duplicate payment is received, after fee reconciliation by NTA.

# 4. Information to be provided by the Candidate while raising any payment related query/grievance through QRS/email/Helplines: -

- a. Name of the Bank and /or payment Gateway.
- b. Date and time of the transaction
- c. Transaction Number
- d. Bank Reference Number
- e. Proof of transaction
- f. Screenshot from the payment portal (incase of payment failure)

# Annexure-II (A)

	Certificate regar	ding physical limita	ation to write in an examination		
Certifica	Certificate No Dated				
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Aged	AgedYears, Son/Daughter of Mr./Mrs				
R/o					
			autho	Jilly	
with C	GPAT 2023 Applicati	ion No	, and GPAT 2023 Roll No.	ı	
			e following Disability (name of the Specified		
Disabilit	ty)	_ in (percentage) of		_	
(in word	ls)	(in Figures).			
(Ass	ase tick on the "Specified sessment may be done or istry of Social Justice and	the basis of Gazette of I Empowerment)	ndia. Extraordinary, Part-II, Section 3 Sub-section (ii),		
S. No.	Category	Type of Disability	Specified Disability		
1.	Physical Disability	Locomotor Disability	a. Leprosy cured person, b. cerebral palsy, c. dwarfism, d. muscular dystrophy, e. acid attack victims.		
		Visual Impairment	a. blindness, b. low vision		
		Hearing Impairment	a. deaf, b. hard of hearing		
		Speech & Language Disability	Permanent disability arising out of conditions such as laryngectomy or aphasia affecting one or more components of speech and language due to organic or neurological causes.		
2.	Intellectual Disability		a. specific learning disabilities/perceptual disabilities:     Dyslexia, Dysgraphia, Dyscalculia, Dyspraxia & Developmental Aphasia)     b. autism spectrum disorder		
3.	Mental Behaviour		a. mental illness		
4.	Disability caused due to	i. Chronic Neurological Conditions	a. multiple sclerosis     b. Parkinson's disease		
		ii. Blood disorder	a. Haemophilia, b. Thalassemia, c. Sickle cell disease		
5.	Multiple Disabilities		More than one of the above specified disabilities including deaf blindness		
	o further certify that he/shation owing to his/her disab		which hampers his/her writing capabilities to write the		
			Name:		
		Chief N	Medical Officer/ Civil Surgeon/ Medical Superintendent		

Government Health Care Institution with Seal

# Letter of Undertaking for using Own Scribe

Recent
Photograph of
the applicant
to be pasted
here.

I, a candidate with (name	of the disability) appearing for the
(name of the examinati	ion) bearing Roll Noat
(name of the	he centre) in the District
(name of the	State). My qualification is
I do hereby state	that
(name of the scribe) will provide the service	of scribe/reader/lab assistant for the
undersigned for taking the aforesaid examination.	
I do hereby undertake that his qualification is	In case,
subsequently it is found that his qualification is no	ot as declared by the undersigned and is
beyond my qualification, I shall forfeit my right to the	e post and claims relating thereto.
(:	Signature of the candidate with Disability)
Place:	
Date:	
NOTE: Please bring Aadhaar Card/ Any other Go	ovt ID Card of Scribe

Certificate for person with specified disability covered under the definition of Section 2
(s) of the RPwD Act, 2016 but not covered under the definition of Section 2(r) of the said
Act, i.e. persons having less than 40% disability and having difficulty in writing.

1.	This is to certify that, we have examined Mr/Ms/Mrs(name of the candidate), S/o/D/o, a resident of (Vill/PO/PS/District/State), aged yrs, a person with (nature of disability/condition), and to state that he/she has limitation which hampers his/her writing capability owing to his/her above condition. He/she requires support of scribe for writing the examination.					
2.	The above candidate uses aids and assistive device such as prosthetics & orthotics, hearing aid (name to be specified) which is /are essential for the candidate to appear at the examination with the assistance of scribe.					
3.	<ol> <li>This certificate is issued only for the purpose of appearing in written examinations conducted by recruitment agencies as well as academic institutions and is valid upto (it is valid for maximum period of six months or less as may be certified by the medical authority)</li> </ol> Signature of Medical Authority					
	ignature Name)	(Signature & Name)	(Signature & Name)	(Signature & Name)	(Signature & Name)	
Orthopedi c/ PMR specialist		Clinical Psychologist/ Rehabilitation Psychologi st/Psychiatrist / Special Educator	Neurclogist (if available)	Occupation al therapist (if available)	Other Expert, as nominated by the Chairperson (if any)	
(Signature & Name)						
Chief Medical Officer/Civil Surgeon/Chief District Medical Officer Chairperson						
	Name of Government Hospital/Health Care Centre with Seal Place:  Date:					

# Annexure – III (B)

Letter of Undertaking by the person with specified disability covered under the definition of Section 2 (s) of the RPwD Act, 2016 but not covered under the definition of Section 2(r) of the said Act, i.e. persons having less than 40%o disability and having difficulty in writing

1.	i a candidate with (nature d	ΟT				
	disability/condition) appearing for the (name of					
	the at (name of					
	the centre) in the District(name of the State). My education qualification is	al				
2.	I do hereby state that (name of the scribe) will provide the service of scribe for the undersigned for taking the aforementioned examination.	of				
<ol> <li>I do hereby undertake that his qualification is In case, subset it is found that his/her qualification is not as declared by the undersigned and is my qualification. I shall forfeit my right to the post or certificate/diploma/deg claims relating thereto.</li> </ol>						
	(Signature of the candidate (counter signature by the parent/guardian, if the candidate is minor	,				
Pla	ce:					
Dat	e:					

# **Annexure -IV**

# List of Examination Cities for GPAT-2023

STATE	Sr. No	CITY	CITY CODE
ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR	1	PORT BLAIR	AN01
ANDHRA PRADESH	2	GUNTUR	AP07
ANDHRA PRADESH	3	KURNOOL	AP10
ANDHRA PRADESH	4	NELLORE	AP11
ANDHRA PRADESH	5	RAJAHMUNDRY	AP13
ANDHRA PRADESH	6	TIRUPATHI	AP16
ANDHRA PRADESH	7	VIJAYAWADA	AP17
ANDHRA PRADESH	8	VISAKHAPATNAM	AP18
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	9	ITANAGAR/NAHARLAGUN	AL01
ASSAM	10	DIBRUGARH	AM01
ASSAM	11	GUWAHATI	AM02
BIHAR	12	GAYA	BR05
BIHAR	13	MUZAFFARPUR	BR06
BIHAR	14	PATNA	BR07
BIHAR	15	BEGUSARAI	BR13
CHANDIGARH/MOHALI	16	CHANDIGARH/MOHALI	CH01
CHHATTISGARH	17	BHILAI NAGAR/DURG	CG01
CHHATTISGARH	18	RAIPUR	CG03
DELHI	19	DELHI-NCR	DL01
GOA	20	PANAJI	G001
GUJARAT	21	AHMEDABAD/GANDHINAGAR	GJ01
GUJARAT	22	ANAND	GJ02
GUJARAT	23	BHUJ	GJ17
GUJARAT	24	MEHSANA	GJ08
GUJARAT	25	RAJKOT	GJ10
GUJARAT	26	SURAT	GJ11
GUJARAT	27	VADODARA	GJ12
GUJARAT	28	VALSAD/VAPI	GJ13
HARYANA	29	FARIDABAD	HR03
HARYANA	30	GURUGRAM	HR04
HARYANA	31	KURUKSHETRA	HR07
HIMACHAL PRADESH	32	BILASPUR (HIMACHAL PRADESH)	HP01
HIMACHAL PRADESH	33	HAMIRPUR (HIMACHAL PRADESH)	HP03
HIMACHAL PRADESH	34	SHIMLA	HP06
JAMMU AND KASHMIR	35	JAMMU	JK02
JAMMU AND KASHMIR	36	SRINAGAR	JK04
JHARKHAND	37	DHANBAD	JH02
JHARKHAND	38	JAMSHEDPUR	JH03
JHARKHAND	39	RANCHI	JH04
KARNATAKA	40	BELAGAVI(BELGAUM)	KK02
KARNATAKA	41	BENGALURU	KK04
KARNATAKA	42	DHARWAD/HUBBALLI(HUBLI)	KK10
KARNATAKA	43	GULBARGA	KK08

STATE	Sr. No	CITY	CITY CODE
KARNATAKA	44	MANGALURU(MANGALORE)	KK12
KARNATAKA	45	MYSURU(MYSORE)	KK14
KERALA	46	ERNAKULAM	KL04
KERALA	47	KOTTAYAM	KL11
KERALA	48	KOZHIKODE	KL12
KERALA	49	THIRUVANANTHAPURAM	KL17
KERALA	50	THRISSUR	KL18
LADAKH	51	LEH	LL01
LAKSHWADEEP	52	KAVARATTI	LD01
MADHYA PRADESH	53	BHOPAL	MP03
MADHYA PRADESH	54	GWALIOR	MP06
MADHYA PRADESH	55	INDORE	MP07
MADHYA PRADESH	56	JABALPUR	MP08
MADHYA PRADESH	57	SAGAR	MP12
MAHARASHTRA	58	AHEMEDNAGAR	MR01
MAHARASHTRA	59	AMRAVATI	MR03
MAHARASHTRA	60	AURANGABAD (MAHARASHTRA)	MR04
MAHARASHTRA	61	JALGAON	MR13
MAHARASHTRA	62	KOLHAPUR	MR14
MAHARASHTRA	63	MUMBAI/NAVI MUMBAI	MR16
MAHARASHTRA	64	NAGPUR	MR17
MAHARASHTRA	65	NANDED	MR18
MAHARASHTRA	66	NASHIK	MR19
MAHARASHTRA	67	PUNE	MR22
MAHARASHTRA	68	SOLAPUR	MR27
MAHARASHTRA	69	THANE	MR28
MAHARASHTRA	70	WARDHA	MR29
MANIPUR	71	IMPHAL	MN01
MEGHALAYA	72	SHILLONG	MG01
MIZORAM	73	AIZAWL	MZ01
NAGALAND	74	DIMAPUR	NL01
NAGALAND	75	KOHIMA	NL02
ODISHA	76	BALASORE (BALESWAR)	OR02
ODISHA	77	BERHAMPUR-GANJAM	OR03
ODISHA	78	BHUBANESWAR	OR04
ODISHA	79	JEYPORE / KORAPUT	OR19
ODISHA	80	SAMBALPUR	OR09
PUDUCHERRY	81	PUDUCHERRY	PO01
PUNJAB	82	AMRITSAR	PB01
PUNJAB	83	BHATINDA	PB02
PUNJAB	84	LUDHIANA	PB05
PUNJAB	85	PATIALA/ FATEHGARH SAHIB	PB08
RAJASTHAN	86	JAIPUR	RJ06
RAJASTHAN	87	JODHPUR	RJ07
RAJASTHAN	88	КОТА	RJ08

STATE	Sr. No	CITY	CITY CODE
RAJASTHAN	89	UDAIPUR	RJ11
TAMIL NADU	90	CHENNAI	TN01
TAMIL NADU	91	COIMBATORE	TN02
TAMIL NADU	92	MADURAI	TN08
TAMIL NADU	93	TIRUCHIRAPPALLI	TN14
TELANGANA	94	HYDERABAD	TL01
TELANGANA	95	KARIMNAGAR	TL02
TELANGANA	96	WARANGAL	TL07
TRIPURA	97	AGARTALA	TA01
UTTAR PRADESH	98	AGRA	UP01
UTTAR PRADESH	99	ALLAHABAD/PRAYAGRAJ	UP03
UTTAR PRADESH	100	BAREILLY	UP04
UTTAR PRADESH	101	GORAKHPUR	UP08
UTTAR PRADESH	102	KANPUR	UP11
UTTAR PRADESH	103	LUCKNOW	UP12
UTTAR PRADESH	104	MEERUT	UP14
UTTAR PRADESH	105	VARANASI	UP18
UTTARAKHAND	106	DEHRADUN	UK01
UTTARAKHAND	107	HALDWANI	UK02
UTTARAKHAND	108	ROORKEE	UK06
WEST BENGAL	109	KOLKATA	WB10
WEST BENGAL	110	SILIGURI	WB11

### **Computer Based Test (CBT)**

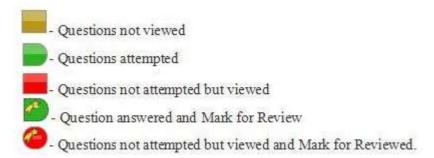
- (a) A computer terminal (node) indicating Roll Number will be allotted to each candidate. Candidates should find and sit on their allotted computers only. Any candidate found to have changed room/hall or the computer on their own rather than the one allotted would be liable to cancellation of candidature and no plea in this regard would be entertained.
- (b) The computer terminal allotted to the candidate will display Welcome login screen, Candidate's photograph and subject opted by the candidate. For login, the candidate will have to enter login-ID and password.
- (c) After logging in, the candidate shall be able to see the detailed instructions for the examination. Candidates are advised to go through the instructions carefully regarding the type of questions and Marking Scheme. At the designated time of start of the examination, the candidates will be able to proceed and see the questions on the computer screen.

The keyboard attached to the computer, if any, will be disabled during the entire duration of the examination. Depending on the type of question, the answers to questions can either be entered by clicking on the virtual on-screen keyboard (numeric or otherwise) using the computer mouse or by clicking the chosen option(s) using the computer mouse.

Candidates will have the option to change/modify answers already entered anytime during the entire duration of the examination.

In case the computer/mouse allotted to any candidate malfunctions anytime during the test, the candidate will be immediately allotted another computer system and the time lost due to this will be adjusted in the server so as to give the candidate the full allotted time.

- (d) The on-screen computer clock counter of every candidate will be set at the server. The countdown timer in the top right side of computer screen will display the time remaining (in minutes) available for the candidate to complete the examination. When the timer reaches zero, the examination will end by itself. Candidate will not be required to end or submit the examination.
- (e) The Question Palette displayed on the right side of screen will show the status of each question using one of the following text/color codes/symbols.



The question(s) "Answered and Marked for Review" status for a question indicates that candidate would like to have a relook at that question again. A candidate has the option of answering a question and simultaneously placing it under "Marked for Review", these answers will be considered for evaluation. However, if a candidate has simply put "Marked

for Review" for a question without answering it, the corresponding question 'Marked for Review' without an answer will not be considered for evaluation. It may be noted that a candidate can return to any "Marked for Review" question any time during the examination by clicking on the corresponding question number icon displayed on the Question Palette of the corresponding section.

- (f) Candidate can click on an arrow/symbol which appears to the left of question palette to collapse the question palette thereby maximizing the question viewing window. To view the question palette again, candidate can click on arrow/symbol which appears on the right side of question window.
- (g) Candidate can click to navigate to the bottom and to navigate to the top of the question area, without scrolling. Using the computer mouse the candidate can scroll up and down the question viewing area for viewing the entire question.
- (h) Blank Sheets for doing rough work/calculations shall be provided to the candidates. The Blanks Sheets would have a Header page for the candidates to write down his/her Name and Roll Number. All calculations/writing work are to be done only in the Blank Sheets provided at the Centre in the Examination Room/Hall and on completion of the test, candidates must hand over the rough sheets to the invigilator on duty in the Room/Hall.

#### (i) Navigating to a Question

To navigate between questions within a Paper, candidate needs to do the following:

- Click on the question number in the Question Palette at the right of the screen to go
  to that numbered question directly. Note that using this option does NOT save the
  answer to the currently displayed question.
- ii. Click on "Next" to save the answer of any question. Clicking on "Next" will save the answer for the current question and the next question will be displayed on the candidate's computer screen.
- iii. Click on "Flag" to mark a question for review (without answering it) and proceed to the next question.

#### (j) Answering a Question

To navigate between questions within a Paper, candidate needs to do the following:

Procedure for answering a multiple-choice type question:

- To select the option(s), click on the corresponding button(s) of the option(s)
- To deselect the chosen answer, click on the button of the chosen option again or click on the "Clear Response" button.
- To save the answer, the candidate MUST click on the "Next" button.
- To mark the question for review (without answering it), click on the "Flag" button.

#### (k) Navigating through sections:

- Sections in the question paper are displayed on the top bar of the screen. Questions
  in a section can be viewed by clicking on the section name. The section in which
  candidate is currently viewing will be highlighted.
- ii. After clicking the "Next" button on the last question for a section, candidate will automatically be taken to the first question of the next section.

- iii. Candidate can shuffle between sections and questions within sections any time during the examination as per the convenience only during the time stipulated.
- iv. Candidate can view the corresponding section summary as part of the legend that appears in every section above the question palette.

# (I) Procedure for answering questions that require inputs from on-screen virtual key board (numeric or otherwise):

- i. Candidate will have to use the on-screen virtual keyboard (that would be displayed just below the question statement of these type of questions) and the attached computer mouse to enter his/her answer in the space provided for answer.
- ii. The answer can be changed, if required, anytime during the test. To save the answer, the candidate MUST click on the "Next" button.
- iii. To mark the question for review (without answering it), click on the "Flag" button.

Candidate will have the option to change previously saved answer of any question, anytime during the entire duration of the test. To change the answer to a question that has already been answered, first select the corresponding question from the Question Palette, then click on "Clear Response" to clear the previously entered answer and subsequently follow the procedure for answering that type of question.

# (m) Rough Work:

All calculations/writing work is to be done only in the rough sheet provided at the Centre in the examination Room/Hall and on completion of the test candidates must hand over the rough sheets to the invigilator on duty in the Room/Hall.

#### Annexure - VI

#### **NTA: Test Practice Centres (TPCs)**

#### What is a Test Practice Centre (TPCs)?

The Ministry of Human Resource Development mandated the NTA to set up, establish and create a network of Test Practice Centres for candidates, especially in remote and rural areas to enable them to practice and be comfortable in taking a Computer Based Test (CBT). This facility is completely free of cost. Candidates can register online (on NTA website) where they are provided a convenient TPC near to their location to practice on a given computer node. This facilitates and eases the process of being able to take a Computer Based Test (CBT). The entire experience of using a computer is close to the actual experience of taking a CBT. All efforts are made to provide practice tests and questions so that candidates can familiarize themselves with logging into the system, go through the detailed instructions regarding the test, use the mouse or numeric keyboard on screen (virtual) for attempting each question, scroll down to the next question, navigate between questions, review and edit their options and submit questions.

The objective of TPCs is primarily to organize test practice for the upcoming NTA examinations.

#### **ANNEXURE-VII**

#### **COMMON SERVICES CENTRES/FACILITATION CENTRES**

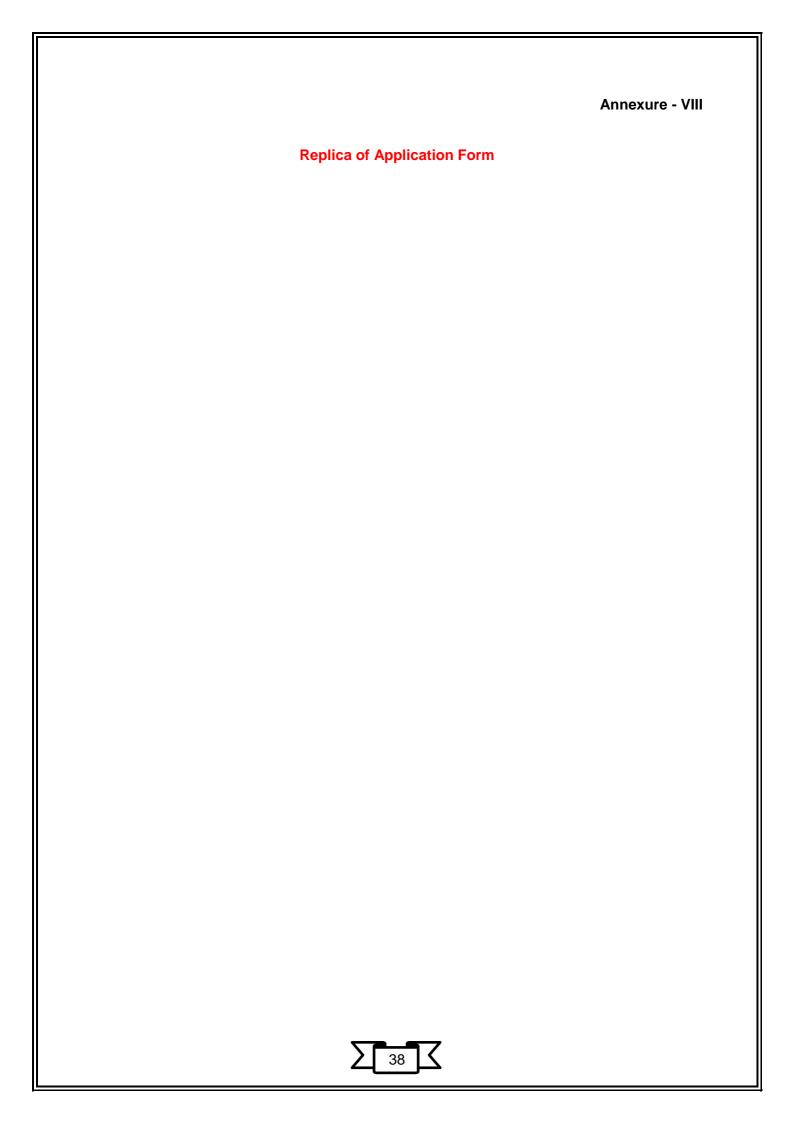
Candidates, who are not well conversant to submit the online application due to various constraints, can use the services of Common Services Centre, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India under the Digital India initiatives of Hon'ble Prime Minister. The Common Services Centre (CSC) scheme is a part of the ambitious national e-Governance Plan (NeGP) of Government of India and is managed at each village panchayat level by a Village level Entrepreneur (VLE)

There are more than 1.5 lakhs Common Services Centres (CSC) across the country which will provide the desired support to candidates from urban as well as rural areas in online submission of Application Form and payment of fee through e-wallet. The list of the Common Services Centre is available on website: <a href="www.csc.gov.in">www.csc.gov.in</a>.

# The Common Services Centre will be providing following services on the rates indicated against each:

S. No.	Services	Service Charges per transaction (GST applicable @ 18%)
1	Preparing e-mail, Submission of Application form & Printout till Fee Payment (Including uploading of Scanned Images)	Rs 25/-+GST
2	Uploading of Scanned Images only	Rs 10/-+GST
3	On line payment of Fee	Rs 0.5% of Fee +GST
4	Downloading of Admit Card/ OMR Answer Sheet/Answer Key	Rs 10+GST
5	Online claim for Responses/ Answer Key	Rs 25+GST
6	Printout per page	Rs 5+GST

**Note:** To know nearest Common Services Centre, please open link - http://gis.csc.gov.in/locator/csc.aspx







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