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Entrance Examination for Admission to Ph.D. Programme 2023

INFORMATION HANDOUT

This Admission Test will be conducted ONLINE.

This handout contains details pertaining to various aspects of the online exam you are going to undertake and important instructions about related matters. You are advised to study the handout carefully as it will help you in preparing for the examination.

Before appearing for the online examination, you should strictly ensure yourself that you fulfil the eligibility criteria in all respects. **IGIDR** will reject, at any stage, any candidate who does not satisfy the eligibility criteria.

Please note that you will have to pass in each of the tests. However, since this is a competitive examination, mere passing is not adequate. You have to obtain a high rank in the order of merit. You should, therefore, put in your best efforts in the examination.

The on-line examination will comprise the following two topics for test, each one of them will be objective type multiple choice test.

| Module Name | No. of questions | Total Marks | Duration of Exam |
|--|------------------|-------------|--|
| I. Comprehension and English | 20 | 20 | Composite time of 180 minutes |
| II. Basic Mathematics | 70 | 70 | |
| | 90 | 90 | |
| Question Paper Language: English | | | |
| Question Type: MCQ | | | |
| Negative Marks: Yes. There is (0.25) negative mark for any wrong answer. | | | |

Note: Basic Mathematics will include the topics of Limit, Continuity, Differentiation, Integration, Probability, Combinatorics and Statistics (including applied statistics).

There will be penalty for wrong answers marked in objective type test. For every question for which a wrong answer is marked, 0.25 marks of the marks allotted to that question will be deducted as penalty.

You have to qualify in each of the tests separately. The qualifying criteria will be decided by the Institute as per the selection criteria, which will be uploaded to the web site independently.

(A) Details of the On-line Examination Pattern

1. Each Question will have four (04) alternatives
2. There is one (01) mark for each question which will be displayed at the top right-hand corner
3. There is (0.25) negative mark for any wrong answer
4. The questions will be available in English language only
5. Candidates can attempt questions in any sequence by clicking on the question number in the Section wise Summary Report on the left-hand side of the page
6. During examination, screen will continuously display the remaining time at its top right-hand corner
7. The candidates may ask the Invigilator their doubts or questions before the commencement of the examination. No queries shall be entertained after the commencement of the examination
8. Rough Sheet will be provided to the candidates for rough work during the test. All the rough sheets need to be returned to the Invigilator before leaving the examination venue

(B) About Answering Questions:

9. In order to answer a question, you have to Click on the option you think is appropriate / correct. The alternative which has been clicked on, will be highlighted and shall be treated as the answer given by you for the question
10. If you do not wish to attempt the question then you should not click on any option for that question and may click 'Next'
11. You can 'Bookmark' questions to review before submitting.
12. You can navigate between questions either by clicking on "Previous", "Next" or by directly clicking on the question numbers which are displayed as attempted/un-attempted/bookmarked in the Section wise Summary Report

(C) About Preview and Submission:

13. The answers are automatically saved by clicking on "Next / Previous" button
14. If the candidate wishes to submit the test, he/she has to click on the "Done" button
15. "Done" button will appear only on the last question 175 minutes after the exam start time.
16. On clicking "Done", there will be three warning screens displayed namely Warning 1, Warning 2 & Final Warning.
17. In case the candidate wants to return to the question paper, he/she can click on "Go to Test" otherwise he/she can click on "Finish" to submit the paper.

18. After the expiry of exam time the candidates will not be able to attempt any question or check their answers. The answers of the candidate would be saved automatically by the computer system even if he has not clicked the "Finish" button.
19. On clicking on "Finish", a feedback form will appear. Post filling the feedback form, the Thank You Message will be displayed.

(D) General Instructions:

- (1) Please note Date, reporting time and Venue address of the examination given in the Admit Card.
- (2) You may visit the venue one day before the Online Examination to confirm the location so that you are able to report **on time** (as printed in the Admit Card) on the day of the examination. Late comers will not be allowed.
- (3) The Admit Card must be brought with you to the examination venue.
- (4) You must scrupulously follow the instructions of the Test Administrator and Organization Representative at the examination venue. If you violate the instructions, you will be disqualified and will be asked to leave the examination venue.
- (5) No use of calculators (separate or with watch), books, note books or written notes, cell phones (with or without camera facility), or any other electronic device will be allowed during the examination.
- (6) Please bring this Admit Card with the original ID proof. Currently valid photo identity proof may be Aadhaar Card, driving license, Voter ID, Passport, PAN, E-Aadhaar color printout, soft copy of above ID proof if shown in DigiLocker. Please note that your name as appearing on the Admit Card (provided by you during the process of registration) should exactly match the name as appearing on the photo identity proof. Female candidates who have changed first/last/ middle name post marriage must take special note of this. If there is any mismatch between the name indicated in the Admit Card and Photo Identity Proof you will not be allowed to appear for the exam.
In case of candidates who have changed their name will be allowed only if they produce Gazette notifications/their marriage certification/affidavit.
- (7) You should bring with you a ball-point pen (transparent). Rough sheet will be provided which can be used for rough work. After the test is over you **MUST** submit the rough sheet to the invigilator.
- (8) The possibility of occurrences of some problem in the administration of the examination cannot be ruled out completely which may impact test delivery and/or result from being generated. In that event, every effort will be made to rectify such problem, which may include the conduct of another examination if considered necessary. Decision of the test conducting body in this regard shall be final. Candidates not willing to accept such change shall lose his/her candidature for this exam.
- (9) Anyone found to be disclosing, publishing, reproducing, transmitting, storing or facilitating transmission and storage of test contents in any form or any information therein in whole or part thereof or by any means verbal or written, electronic or mechanical or taking away the papers supplied in the examination hall or found to be in unauthorized possession of test content is likely to be prosecuted.
- (10) Instances for providing incorrect information and/or process violation by a candidate detected at any stage of the selection, process will lead to disqualification of the candidate from the selection process and he/she will not be allowed to appear in any recruitment process of the Organization in the future. If such instances go undetected during the current selection process but are detected subsequently, such disqualification will take place with retrospective affect.

EXAM RELATED INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 **Candidate is required to report at the exam venue strictly as per the time slot mentioned in the admit card AND/OR informed via SMS/Mail on their registered mobile number/mail prior to exam date. It is expected that candidate strictly adhere to this time slot – as entry into the exam venue will be provided based upon the individual’s time slot ONLY. Candidates should report at least 60 minutes before the Reporting time indicated on the Admit Card.**
- 2 **Items permitted into the venue for Candidates**
Candidates will be permitted to carry only certain items with them into the venue.
 - a. **Personal transparent water bottle**
 - b. **Personal hand sanitizer (50 ml)**
 - c. **A simple transparent pen**
 - d. **Exam related documents (Admit Card and Original Valid identity (ID) proof)**
 - e. **In case of Scribe Candidates - Scribe form duly filled and signed with Photograph affixed.**

No other Items are permitted inside the venue.
- 3 **Candidate should not share any of their personal belonging/material with anyone**
- 4 **All candidates (and Scribe, if applicable) will be checked with Thermo guns at the entry point for temperature. In case, any person is observed to be having above normal temperature (> 99.14° F) or displaying any symptoms of the virus, they may be allowed entry into the venue and separate sitting arrangement made.**
- 5 **In candidate registration:**
 - a. **Candidate registration will be done through photo capture and Thumb impression (LTI) capture using bio-metric device.**
 - b. **Seat number will be given to the candidate.**
- 6 **Rough sheet(s) will be issued in the examination hall to each candidate by the Invigilator.**
- 7 **Post Examination Controls**
 - **On completion of examination, the candidates should move out in an orderly manner without crowding as instructed by the venue staff.**

WISH YOU GOOD LUCK