

# Shri Govind Guru University

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# શ્રી ગોવિંદ ગુરુ યુનિવર્સિટી

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SGGU/PHD/2840/2024

Date: 30th April, 2024

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Sub: National Eligibility Test (NET) as an Entrance Test for Admission to Ph.D. Dear Ph.D. aspirants,

As you are aware, the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standard and Procedure for Award of Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2022 provides for the admission of students to Ph.D., who qualify for fellowship/scholarship in UGC-NET/UGC-CSIR NET/GATE/CEED and similar National level tests, based on Interview.

In addition, Higher Education Institutions (HEIS) conduct their entrance tests for admission to Ph.D. programmes, requiring the students to write multiple entrance tests.

To help the students with one national entrance test for admission to Ph.D. as a part of the implementation of National Education Policy (NEP), 2020, the Commission in its 578<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2024, decided that from the academic session 2024-25 onwards, the NET score can be used for admission to Ph.D. programmes in place of entrance tests conducted by the different universities/HEIs.

A Public Notice issued by the UGC on 27th March, 2024 in this regards is enclosed.

With regards,

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#### **Enclosure:**

1. No.F.4-1(UGC-NET Review Committee)/2024(NET)/140648 March 27, 2024/7 चैत्र 1946







(Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE

## National Eligibility Test (NET) as an Entrance Test for Admission to Ph.D.

The University Grants Commission conducts the National Eligibility Test (NET) through the National Testing Agency (NTA). The NET is conducted twice a year, in June and December. Currently, the NET scores are used (a) to award Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) and (b) as eligibility for appointment as Assistant Professor for those with a Master's degree.

Many universities conduct their entrance tests for admission to their Ph.D. programmes, requiring the students to write multiple Ph.D. entrance tests. To help the students with one national entrance test for Ph.D. admissions as a part of implementing the National Education Policy 2020, the UGC constituted an expert committee to review the provisions of the National Eligibility Test (NET).

Based on the expert committee's recommendations, in its 578<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 13 March 2024, the UGC has decided that from the academic session 2024-25, the NET score can be used for admission to Ph.D. programmes in place of entrance tests conducted by the different universities/HEIs.

From June 2024 onwards, therefore, the NET candidates will be declared eligible in three categories:

- Category-1: Eligible for (i) admission to Ph.D. with JRF and (ii) appointment as Assistant Professor.
- Category-2: Eligible for (i) admission to Ph.D. without JRF and (ii) appointment as Assistant Professor.
- **Category-3:** Eligible for admission to Ph.D. programme only and not for the award of JRF or appointment as Assistant Professor.

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The determination of the eligibility of NET for different categories is summarized below:

Qualified for	Eligible for		
	JRF	Assistant Professor	Ph.D. Admission
<b>Category-1</b> : Award of JRF and appointment as Assistant Professor	Yes	Yes	Yes
Category-2: Appointment as Assistant Professor and admission to Ph.D.	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Category-3:</b> Admission to Ph.D. only	No	No	Yes

The result of NET will be declared in percentile along with the marks obtained by a candidate to utilize the marks for admission to Ph.D.

The JRF-qualified students are admitted into the Ph.D. programme based on an interview as per the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2022.

For students who qualify in Categories 2 and 3, 70% weightage will be given for test scores and 30% weightage for the interview for admission to Ph.D. programmes. The Ph.D. admission will be based on the combined merit of NET marks and the marks obtained in the interview/viva voce.

The marks obtained in the NET by the candidates in Categories 2 and 3 will be valid for a period of one year for admission to Ph.D.

The notification and Bulletin of Information for the NET June 2024 will be issued by the National Testing Agency shortly at <a href="https://ugcnet.nta.nic.in">https://ugcnet.nta.nic.in</a>.

(Manish Joshi)