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NOTIFICATION

The Rajiv Gandhi University notifies the following guidelines for Selection Procedure which is in force in connection with RGU PhD Entrance Test-2021 [RGUPET-2021] under which the Entrance Test shall be conducted to admit candidates to various PhD programmes being offered in its 24 Departments/Institutes during the Academic session 2021-2022;

- (1) That, the University shall admit the students for Ph.D. program through an Entrance Test (RGUPET).
- (2) RGUPET shall be a two-stage process i.e. Written test, and Interview/Viva-voce. The syllabus of RGUPET written test shall consist of 50% of research methodology and 50% shall be subject-specific based on the syllabus approved for the Master's degree in the subject concerned by the University.
- (3) RGUPET written test qualifying marks shall be 50% in aggregate. A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 50% to 45% shall be allowed for the candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-abled categories.
- (4) The RGUPET-2021 will be held in the RGU notified centre(s) by observing necessary precautions and the norms of social distancing. More manpower shall be engaged for sanitization of the examination halls and centres before and after each sitting.
- (5) The RGUPET Committee will prepare the schedules of the Examination observing the COVID protocols in consultation with the Examination Branch & Academic Branch.
- (6) RGUPET shall be conducted in one seating for each subject/discipline of 3 hour duration consisting of 100 MCQ, carrying 1 mark each. 50% of MCQs will consist of questions based on Research Methodology and remaining 50% shall be from subject concerned based on UGC guidelines.
- (7) Candidates scoring a minimum of 50% mark in written test shall be short-listed and called for the Interview (viva-voce) in order of merit in 3:1 ratio against the vacant seats in the Department/Institute concerned including the RGUPET exempted candidates. The viva-voce/interview shall be conducted for 100 marks; of which 50 marks shall cover the synopsis/research plan part and remaining 50 marks shall be based on performance of the candidate's research aptitude, other relevant knowledge domain, etc.
- (8) RGUPET written test qualified candidates shall be called for interview/viva-voce in 3:1 ratio against the number of seats notified for admission in a given subject/discipline. The name list of such candidates belonging to various reserved categories as mentioned above shall be prepared on the basis of their secured score in RGUPET written test and also the choice mentioned by them the application for the specific area(s) of research within the given subject/discipline, if so specified and advertised by the Department/ Institute/ Centre concerned together with the number of seat(s) available in that specific area(s) of research. The list shall be published on University website and the selected candidates shall be informed through email and/ or text message.

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(9) Candidates who fulfill the minimum eligibility conditions mentioned above and have qualified UGC-NET (including JRF/UGC-CSIR NET (including JRF)/State Level Eligibility Test (SLET) accredited by UGC/GATE (only for Engineering and Technology courses), or have been awarded M. Phil. degree fulfilling the prescribed criteria, or have submitted M. Phil. dissertation in this University which has been evaluated but the viva-voce is pending or have been awarded Teacher fellowship shall be considered exempted from the written test. The regular faculty member of the University or the colleges affiliated by the University) in Arunachal Pradesh shall be exempted from RGUPET written test provided they fulfill the minimum eligibility conditions. All in-service candidates shall submit along with application form a "No Objection Certificate" from their employer/competent authority with a specific mention therein that requisite six-month study leave for pursuing PhD. course work as a regular scholar shall be sanctioned consequent upon his/ her selection. The non-submission of NOC latest by the time of viva-voce, by the in-service candidates shall make forfeit their claim for selection to this programme .

(10) Exemption of candidates from RGUPET written test, Procedure of conducting Viva-Voce Examination, and Final selection of the candidates for admission shall be governed as per the existing University ordinance/rules/criteria in this regard.

(11) In case of a self-financing foreign national(s) who is admitted through the Embassies/High commission of his/her country or admitted under a MoU with due clearance from the Indian Mission(s) concerned abroad shall also be exempted from appearing the RGUPET. As per revised guidelines/instructions of the Department of Higher Education, MoE, GOI, on grant of research visa, the foreigner(s) who desire to undertake research in India, should therefore, apply to the Indian Missions concerned abroad with the brief synopsis of the research project to be undertaken in India, the details of places to be visited, previous visits, whether the scholar has secured admission into a recognized or reputed institution and evidence of financial resources. The eligibility for exemption from the entrance examinations (RGUPET) shall be decided by the University on the criterion, as provided by the UGC and the prevailing ordinance(s).

(12) A candidate shall be considered exempted from RGUPET written test as per the provision that such exemption has been sought in the application form. Such exempted candidates shall be eligible to appear in interview/viva-voce directly to be conducted by the respective department provided their choice for pursuing research in specific area(s) within the given subject/discipline, if any, is in conformity with such requirement as specified and advertised by the concerned Department/ Institute/Centre.

(13) Candidates shall be required to discuss their research interest/area through a presentation during interview/viva-voce before DRC/duly constituted Board of respective Department/Institute/Centre.

(14) The interview/viva-voce shall also consider the following aspects, viz. whether

- (i) the candidate possesses the competence for the proposed research;
- (ii) the research work shall be suitably undertaken at the University;
- (iii)) the proposed area of research shall contribute to new/additional knowledge.

(15) Selection of candidates shall be made in order of merit. RGUPET written test appearing candidates shall be shortlisted giving a weightage of 70% for the written test and 30% to the performance in the interview/viva-voce whereas the candidates belonging to exempted category as specified above shall be shortlisted on the basis of their marks secured in the interview/viva-voce.



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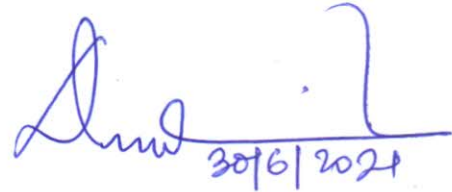
(16) 40 % of the seats of the Ph.D. course in the Department/Institute/Centre shall be kept for the RGUPET appearing candidates and remaining 60% for the RGUPET exempted candidates. However, the seat shall be inter-convertible in case of non-availability of qualified and/or suitable candidate(s) in either of these two categories. An exempted candidate shall also appear in RGUPET written test provided he/she submits a separate application for both the categories and in such cases his/her result shall be prepared separately for both the categories on the basis of merit as mentioned above.

(17) Further, reservation of seats for different categories of candidates shall be as per the latest Reservation Policy of Government. In case, the seats allotted for SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer) /EWS/Differently-abled categories remain unfilled, the University shall launch a Special Admission Drive for that particular category, devise within one month from the date of closure of admission of general category by adopting suitable mechanisms along with eligibility conditions mentioned above to ensure that most of the seats under these categories are filled.

NB: The conduct of RGUPET shall be guided by the situation and condition or on subject to improvement in pandemic situation.

For further details, visit RGU's website www.rgu.ac.in

This is issued with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor.



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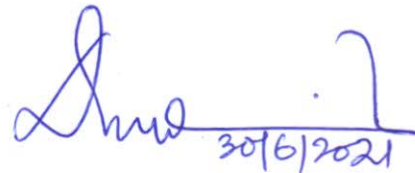
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