

UNIVERSITY OF ALLAHABAD
INFORMATION AND GUIDELINES
FOR
COMBINED RESEARCH ENTRANCE TEST
(CRET)
Session : 2015 - 16

SCHEDULE:

The schedule of CRET-2015 has been as under:

Form available Online at www.aupravesh.org and its submission begins	:	02 nd July, 2015
Last date of Application	:	30 th August, 2015
Downloading of Admit Cards Online only	:	20 th September, 2015
Date of Entrance Test	:	11 th October, 2015

The University of Allahabad shall conduct **COMBINED RESEARCH ENTRANCE TEST-2015 (CRET-2015)** at Allahabad for admission to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (D.Phil.) (hereinafter referred to as D.Phil. Programme) of the University of Allahabad for the session 2015-16 in the subjects specified in SECTION 2 of this Bulletin.

As laid down in the Ordinance LVI of the First Ordinance of Allahabad University (made under Section 29 of the University of Allahabad Act, 2005) candidates for admission to the degree of D. Phil. Programme must hold a Master's degree (or a degree recognized by the University as equivalent thereto) in a relevant subject from the University, or any other University or an Institution recognized by it, and must fulfill other prescribed conditions of eligibility.

Regular teachers of the University of Allahabad and of any institution maintained by it or admitted to its privileges and international Students are exempted from appearing at CRET for admission to D. Phil. Programme. All other candidates for admission to the D. Phil. Programme in the concerned subjects are required to appear at CRET-2015 after applying and register their candidatures through the **ONLINE APPLICATION AND REGISTRATION PROCESS** at the website www.aupravesh.org and remitting the admissible Test Fee in the prescribed manner.

The details and instructions in respect of CRET-2015, the procedure applicable to the teachers and international Students exempted from CRET-2015 and relevant information on the D.Phil. Programme are set out in the following sections of this Bulletin.

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SECTION 1

GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1.01 Subject to the exceptions specified in para 1.09 (of this Section), all candidates seeking admission to the D.Phil. Programme of the University of Allahabad for the session 2015-16, in the subjects listed in para 2.02 (of Section 2), shall have to qualify in the COMBINED RESEARCH ENTRANCE TEST (CRET-2015) to be conducted by the Allahabad University at Allahabad.
- 1.02 CRET-2015 Shall have three Levels (**Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3**) of Tests / assessments.
- The **Level 1 Test** (multiple choice objective type test for assessing general awareness, academic aptitude and subject proficiency) and the **Level 2 Test** (subjective test for assessing subject expertise and research aptitude) shall be by means of Written Tests, to be conducted by the University. The **Level 3 Test** shall entail an interview and may include Presentations.
- Group Discussions or other modes of appraisal and shall be administered by the Doctoral Programme Committee of the Department / Institute / Centre concerned.
- 1.03 Candidates who have qualified the National Eligibility Test (NET) conducted by the University Grants Commission (UGC) / Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) shall be exempted from the Level 1 Test of CRET examination conducted by the University of Allahabad. Provided further, If the candidate desires to appear at Level 1 of the CRET examination he / she is allowed to appear at Level 1 of CRET examination, but his eligibility shall be determined only on the basis of the marks obtained by him / her in the CRET examination.
- 1.04 The following categories of candidates shall be exempted from the Level 1 and Level 2 Tests, both :
- 1.04.1 All the candidates selected by the University Grants Commission (UGC) / Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) for Junior Research Fellowship (JRF), subject to the validity norms of the respective fellowship. However, such candidates who have been selected for Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) are desires of appearing at Level 1 and Level 2 of the CRET-2015 examination, they are allowed to appear in CRET-2015 examination conducted by University of Allahabad. Provided further the eligibility of such candidates shall be determined only on the basis of the marks obtained by him / her in the CRET examination.
- 1.04.2 Candidates for D.Phil. in the Department of Electronics and Communication with M. Tech / M.E. in Electronics Engineering or equivalent subjects or M. Tech / M.E. in Computer Science and Engineering or equivalent Subjects. Further, exemption shall be granted to all such candidates who are holding M. Tech / M.E. degree in allied / equivalent subjects.
- 1.04.3 Candidates for D.Phil. in the Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences with M. Tech. in Geology/Applied geology or Geo-Physics (or equivalent subjects).
- 1.04.4 Candidates for D.Phil. in the Department of Earth and Planetary Sciences with M.Sc. in Geology/Applied Geology or Geo-Physics (or equivalent subjects) who have valid GATE score before the last date of applying for CRET and have a GATE Score of not less than 75%.
- 1.04.5 Serving Army, Navy and Air force Officers with not less than 15 years of service and holding the rank of Colonel in the Army, or equivalent rank in the Air Force/Navy, who are applying for D.Phil. in the Department of Defence and Strategic Studies are exempted from Level 1 and Level 2, both, and be separately assessed at level 3 against a specified number of vacancies.
- 1.05 There shall be negative marking in objective-type questions. For every correct answer 4 marks will be awarded and for each wrong answer 1 mark will be deducted.**
- 1.06 Reservation in D.Phil. Programme shall be implemented, as per MHRD/UGC directions, Government Orders, and guidelines. There shall be reserved 15% seats for the Scheduled

Caste (SC), 7.5% for the Scheduled Tribe (ST) and 27% for the Other Backward Class (OBC) Categories. A horizontal reservation of 3% shall be extended, **across the reserved and unreserved (i.e. General) categories, for the Physically Handicapped (PH) candidates in accordance with the relevant provisions in this regard.**

- 1.07 There shall be category-wise minimum qualifying marks for the level 1 and Level 2 Tests, separately for each Test and also on the aggregate total score of the two Tests, and for the Level 2 Test in respect of candidates exempted from the Level 1 Test, as follows

MINIMUM QUALIFYING MARKS

For General and OBC Category candidates:

Level 1 will be qualifying for Level 2 and Level 2 will be qualifying for Level 3. But for Level 3, marks of Level 2 only will be considered. In order to qualify Level 1, 40% marks are essential. Similarly, to qualify for Level 3, 40% marks at Level 2 is necessary. However, if a candidate fails to score 40% marks at Level 1 or at Level 2, he / she shall be eligible for Level 3 provided that the total marks at Level 1 and Level 2 is 50%. The merit of Level 2 only will be considered for Level 3.

For SC / ST / PH category candidates:

Level 1 will be qualifying for Level 2 and Level 2 will be qualifying for Level 3. But for Level 3, marks of Level 2 only will be considered. In order to qualify Level 1, 35% marks are essential. Similarly, to qualify for Level 3, 35% marks at Level 2 is necessary. However, if a candidate fails to score 35% marks at Level 1 or at Level 2, he / she shall be eligible for Level 3 provided that the total marks at Level 1 and Level 2 is 40%. The merit of Level 2 only will be considered for Level 3.

- 1.08.1 A candidate who fails to secure the minimum qualifying marks in the respective social categories (i.e. UR, OBC, SC and ST) at Level II Test, or have failed to secure minimum qualifying marks at Level I and Level II separately shall stand disqualified for level III.
- 1.08.2 A list of eligible candidates for the Level 3 Tests shall be drawn up, in according with the considerations specified in sub-para 1.08.4, from amongst the following categories of candidates fulfilling the eligibility Criteria (vide para 1.12)
- 1.08.2.1 Candidate exempted from Level 1 and Level 2 tests (vide para 1.04 and its subparagraphs).
- 1.08.2.2 Candidate exempted from the Level 1 test who obtained the prescribed minimum qualifying marks for the concerned category at the Level 2 Test (vide para 1.07)
- 1.08.2.3 Candidates who obtain the aggregate minimum qualifying marks for the concerned category on the total score of the Level 1 and Level 2 Tests (vide para 1.07)
- 1.08.3 A LIST OF ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES for the Level 3 Test shall be announced by the CRET-2015 Committee on the basis of the following considerations:

Vacancies in any Department / Institute / Centre / unit in any session will depend on the number of approved research supervisors of the subject/unit/centre concerned. As such, CRET 2015 Committee shall determine the number of vacancies as intimated by the respective Head/Coordinator of the Department / Centres in the respective subject / unit / centre concerned. The number of candidates (from amongst those qualifying for Level 3 Test on the basis of the written tests and those exempted from the Level 1 and Level 2 Tests) to be called for the Level 3 Test in the respective subject / unit / centre shall be determined on the basis of the vacancies as intimated by the respective Head of the Department / Director / Coordinator concerned. The list of such candidates (i.e. the List of Eligible candidates for the Level 3 Tests) shall include the candidates referred to in sub-sub-para 1.08.2.1 and the candidates drawn from those referred to in sub-paras 1.08.2.2 and 1.08.2.3, taken together in accordance with their merit position in the percentage scores for the Written Test, subject to the provisions of reservation of different social categories (i.e. SC, ST and OBC). (vide para 1.05). Thus, admission to D.Phil. Programme in a unit shall be finalized in the context of the availability of seats (vacancies) under the approved supervisors in the concerned Unit/Department and the Reservation

rules. Accordingly, the University reserves the right to determine the admissions to the D.Phil. programme in each unit as per relevant provisions of First Ordinances of Allahabad University (Ordinance LVI) and the Reservation Policy.

- 1.08.4 Against each vacancy two candidates will be qualified for Level 3 (Academic Council Resolution No. 02/19 dated 15th May 2015). Further all JRF (UGC / CSIR) qualified candidate will be eligible for Level 3.
- 1.09 Regularly appointed teachers of the University of Allahabad (including University Institutes and Independent Centres of the University of Allahabad) or of any Constituents Institute or Constituent College of the University of Allahabad, desirous of admission to the D.Phil. programme in their respective subjects, should submit, on or before Sept 15, 2015, their application on the Application Form available in the Office of the Registrar, University of Allahabad, prescribed for the D.Phil. Programme, in the manner specified in the proviso to clause 1(c) of the **Ordinance LVI** (The Doctor of Philosophy Programme) of the First Ordinances of the University of Allahabad, to the Registrar, University of Allahabad. The 'Registrar shall record these Forms and forward them to the Head of the concerned Department (in the case of teachers of a Department of the University or of a Constituents College) or to the Director of the concerned Institute (in the case of teachers of a University Institute or a Constituent Institute).
- 1.10 International Students seeking admission to the D.Phil. Programme should contact the international Students Advisor of the University, who shall issue appropriate instructions to such of them who fulfill the qualifications for being considered for admission to the D.Phil. Programme. The cases of International Students are subject to the provisions of the third proviso to clause 1 (a) (iii) of the Ordinance LVI of the First Ordinances of the University of Allahabad. The process and schedule for the admission of International Students may be different from that for the candidates qualifying CRET-2015 and the teachers referred to in para-1.09.
- 1.11 All candidates (except the regularly appointed teachers and international students referred to in paras 1.09 and 1.10), including candidates exempted from the Level 1 of the Test (vide para 1.03) or the Level 1 and Level 2 of the Test both (vide para 1.04), should apply to the Director, Admissions-2015 through the **ONLINE APPLICATION AND REGISTRATION PROCESS** from the website www.aupraves.org, in accordance with the instructions set out in SECTION 3.
- 1.12 All candidates, **including candidates exempted from the Level 1 Test** (vide para 1.03) **or the Level 1 and Level 2 Tests both** (vide para 1.04), shall be required to fulfill the following **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA** for appearing in CRET-2015 and for admission to the D.Phil. Programme.
- 1.12.1 A minimum score at the Post-graduate Examination of 55% marks (or the equivalent Letter Grade/Grade Point under the seven point Letter Grade Scale), laid down by the UGC in **the case of General candidates and 50% marks (or the equivalent Letter Grade / Grade Point) in the case of OBC / SC / ST / PH candidates.**
- NOTE** : For the purposes of Criterion 1.12.1, **the percentage of marks obtained by the candidate shall not be rounded-off to the next higher integer.**
- 1.12.2 A minimum average score in the entire academic career of 54% marks (or the equivalent Letter Grade/Grade Point) in the case of General/OBC candidates; or 49% marks (or the equivalent Letter Grade/Grade Point) in the case of SC / ST / PH candidates.

NOTE : For the purposes of Criterion 1.12.2, the average percentages score of the candidate shall not be rounded-off to the next higher integer.

1.12.3 Not more than one III division (or equivalent Letter Grade/Grade Point) in the academic career before graduation.

1.12.4 A candidate having III division (or equivalent Letter Grade/Grade Point) at the graduate and post-graduate examinations shall not be considered for admission to D.Phil. Programme.

A candidate who does not fulfill the aforesaid Criteria 1.12.1 to 1.12.4 shall not be eligible to apply for and to appear in CRET-2015 and to be admitted to the D.Phil. Programme.

1.13 The rules and procedures for admission/registration and matters applicable to the D.Phil. students shall be governed by the Ordinance LVI (The Doctor of Philosophy Programme) of the of the First Ordinances of the University of Allahabad and other relevant Ordinances, Regulations and rules of the University of Allahabad.

1.14 With effect from the Session 2015-16, all admissions to the P.Phil. Programme shall initially be on PROVISIONAL basis and the admitted candidates shall be required to attend and attain the minimum requisite standards and shall be required to complete the Pre-Dotoral Programme offered by the respective Department/Unit/Centre. The course fee for the Pre Doctoral Programme may be chargeable to the Contingency Grant of candidates in receipt of a Fellowship/Scholarship/other stipend.

1.15 Final admission to the D.Phil. Programme shall be granted to the candidates only upon the successful completion of the Pre-Doctoral Programme of the duration of one Semester.

1.16 Under the provisions of clauses I(c) and 4(a) of the Ordinance LVI of the First Ordinances of the University of Allahabad. All candidates admitted to the D.Phil. Programme are required to pursue a course of research of duration of not less than twenty-four months, in residence within the territorial area of the University (i.e, the area within a radius of 16 kilometers from the Convocation (Senate) Hall of the University).

1.17 Under the provisions of clause I(c) of the Ordinance LVI of the First Ordinances of the University of Allahabad an employed candidate (other than a teacher referred to in para 1.09) shall not be considered for admission to the D.Phil. Programme except upon submitting a 'No Objection' Certificate from his/her employer to the effect that the candidate, If posted within the territorial area of the University, shall be permitted to report for research work to the Department/Institute/Centre concerned and to attend course-work and other academic activities there or at other location or if posted outside or transferred from, the said area, shall be granted leave of absence for the requisite period to fulfill the requirement of residence within the area.

1.18 A candidate takes up employment after joining the D.Phil. Programme shall be required to immediately give information in writing to the effect to the Head/Director/Co-ordinator of the Department/Institute/Centre where he/she is enrolled, and his/her admission shall be subject to the provisions of clause 1 (c) referred to in para 1.17. In case the candidate conceals such information, or fails to present the prescribed 'No Objection' Certificate of the employer for continuing in research, or defaults on any other applicable condition in this regard, he/she shall not be entitled to continue in the D.Phil. Programme and his/her admission to the D.Phil. Programme shall stand terminated.

1.19 No candidate admitted, to and enrolled in the D.Phil. Programme shall be entitled to continue in, or accept, any remunerative assignment during the period of enrolment in the Programme, other than a Fellowship/Scholarship/other stipend awarded for pursuing the Programme. This provision shall not apply to the remuneration being drawn by the teachers referred to in para-1.09 or by the employed candidates referred to in para 1.17.

1.20 No candidate admitted to and enrolled in the D.Phil. Programme shall be entitled to continue in, or join any other Degree course or any whole-time Diploma/Certificate course

of the University of Allahabad or of any other University/Institution. However, he/she may be permitted (or required) to join a part-time or add-on Diploma/Certificate course, in according with the provisions of Ordinance LVI of the First Ordinances of the University of Allahabad and other relevant Ordinances of the University.

SECTION 2

PROVISIONS IN RESPECT OF THE SUBJECTS FOR CRET-2015

2.01 CRET-2015 shall be conducted in the **Subjects** mentioned in para.2.02

2.02 **SUBJECTS for CRET-2015**

S.No.	SUBJECTS
1	Agriculture Botany
2	Agriculture Chemistry
3	Agriculture Zoology
4	Ancient History
5	Anthropology
6	Arabic
7	Biochemistry
8	Bio-Informatics
9	Botany
10	Biotechnology
11	Chemistry
12	Commerce and Business Administration
13	Computer Science
14	Defence & Strategic Studies
15	Economics
16	Education
17	Electronics Engg. M. Tech in Electronics Engg. Or Allied Subject *
18	English
19	Environmental Studies
20	Geology / Applied Geology / Geo-Physics (Earth & Planetary Sciences)
21	Food Technology
22	Geography
23	Hindi
24	History (Medieval & Modern)
25	Law
26	Mathematics
27	Computer Applications (MCA))
28	Music
29	Nutritional Science
30	Painting

31	Persian
32	Philosophy
33	Physics
34	Political Science
35	Psychology
36	Sanskrit
37	Statistics
38	Urdu
39	Zoology
40	Home Science
41	Sociology
42	Material Science
43	Globalization & Development Studies
44	Atmospheric & Ocean Studies
45	Behaviour & Cognitive Science
46	Physical Education

* **Note:** M.Tech / M.E. in Electronics Engineering or Allied Subjects shall include M.Tech / M.E. in Electronics Engineering, Electronics & Telecommunications Engineering, Electronics & Communication Engineering, Electronics & Instrumentation Engineering, Electronics & Electrical Engineering and such other allied subjects. M. Tech. in Computer Science and Engineering and equivalent subjects / allied subjects shall also be exempted from Level I and Level II Test.

2.03 The University reserves the right to withdraw any of the subjects specified in para 2.02 from CRET-2015 without assigning any reason.

2.04 A candidate is entitled to appear for the Level 1 Test / Level 2 Test at CRET-2015 in only one subject being the subject in which he / she has passed the Post-Graduate examination or (where such subject is not included in the list given in para 2.02) in a subject that is admissible in this regard, on account of having been recognized by the University of Allahabad' as equivalent to the subject of the candidate at the Post-graduate examination or as having a variation merely in name and not in substance from the latter.

NOTE:

- i. The candidate is advised to satisfy himself/ herself of the admissibility of the subject of his/her' Post-Graduation for the purposes of appearing with a particular Subject at CRET-2015.
- ii. In case any question arises regarding the admissibility of the subject of a candidate at the Post Graduate examination for the purposes of appearing with a particular Subject at CRET 2015, the CRET -2015 Committee shall take a final decision on the recommendation of the Doctoral Programme Committee concerned, and such decision shall be binding on the candidate.

2.05 A candidate eligible to appear at the Level 3 Test of CRET-2015 and desirous of pursuing research in an inter-disciplinary area in which an approved D.Phil. Programme is offered by a Department / Centre / unit or an Institute, shall be allowed to pursue such inter-disciplinary D.Phil. Programme only if the CRET-2015 Committee and the relevant Doctoral Programme Committee (DPC) have permitted to pursue such D.Phil. Programme., se, In such a case, the candidate shall be required to submit, in original, the Certificate of

- Eligibility, issued by CRET-2015 Committee (vide para 4.09), along with other requisite documentation to such DPC for the concerned Inter-disciplinary area.
- 2.06 Before applying for CRET 2015 and appearing at any level, thereof, candidate must satisfy himself/herself that he/she fulfills the prescribed minimum eligibility criteria for admission to the D.Phil. Programme of the University of Allahabad, as specified in para 1.12, and that the subject opted by the candidate is appropriate to him/her, vide para 2.04, or is approved for purposes of admission to the D.Phil. programme in the inter-disciplinary area as opted by the candidate (vide para 2.05).
- 2.07 If a candidate fails to mention, in his/her On-line Application Form, the subject in which he/she wants to appear for CRET-2015, or indicates in the said Form a subject not specified in para 2.02, or not admissible to him/her under para 2.04, the Application Form shall be liable to be rejected. Where a candidate appears in CRET-2015 (at any Level) in a subject that is not admissible to him/her, his candidature shall be liable to be rejected.
- 2.08 The details entered by the applicant in the form will be verified at Level 3. If it is found at any stage that a candidate has appeared in CRET-2015 (at any Level) in a subject that is not admissible to him / her in terms of para 2.04, his candidature shall be liable to be rejected and he shall not be entitled to claim any relief or other concession in that regard.
- 2.09 At any stage of the admission process, the University of Allahabad reserves the right to cancel the candidature if the application is not meeting the requisite criteria,

SECTION 3

THE ONLINE APPLICATION AND REGISTRATION PROCESS, SCHEDULE AND TEST FEES FOR CRET-2015

- 3.01. A candidate who fulfills the minimum Eligibility Criteria (vide para 1.12), and seeks to appear in CRET-2015 in a Subject that is available and is also admissible to him / her (vide paras 2.02 and 2.04), must complete, and submit through the Internet, as per modality and schedule set out in the following paras, the prescribed ON-LINE APPLICATION / REGISTRATION FORM for appearing for the Level 1 Test / Level 2 Test / Level 3 Test (as the case may be) at CRET-2015 in the concerned / admissible Subject (vide para 2.04), and must remit, within due time, the prescribed Test Fees to the University of Allahabad in the manner described in para 3.09.

NOTE: The candidate is strongly advised to familiarize himself / herself with the SCHEDULE for different processes/stages of CRET-2015, which is set out in **para 3.05**.

- 3.02 The On-line Application / Registration Form for CRET-2015 shall be accessible only during the dates specified in the Schedule (vide para 3.05) at the University's Website for CRET, namely **www.aupraves.org**

The candidate has to **fill** and **submit** the Form **ON-LINE**, in accordance with the instructions given in the said Website and also summarized in this Section.

NOTE: The Form shall not be accessible at the Website after the last date of **accessibility** given in the Schedule.

- 3.03 Before proceeding to fill and submit the On-line Application / Registration Form for CRET - 2015, the candidate is strongly advised to carry out the following tasks for his/her own convenience:
- 3.03.1. Take a Print-out of this Bulletin (Information and Guidelines) and read it carefully.
- 3.03.2. Take a Print-out of the CRET-2015 Syllabus of the Subject in which he / she desires, and is eligible, to appear.
- 3.03.3 Read thoroughly the Instructions for the filling and submission of the Online Form.

- 3.03.4. Review and ensure the correctness of the details of his/her academic record at the High School and Intermediate (or equivalent) and the Graduation and Post graduation level, for purposes of making required entries in the On-line Form.
- 3.03.5 Get his / her latest Passport-size Color Photograph and his signature scanned by Computer, so that the scanned Photograph and Signature can be submitted with the On-line Form. The original of the scanned Photograph should be carefully preserved for submission to the CRET-2015 Committee in the manner specified in para 3.12.
- 3.03.6 Though it is not mandatory, it is advised that if the candidate does not already have an e-mail address (e-mail ID), he / she should create for himself / herself a valid email ID, in order that the CRET-2015 Committee may send him / her significant instructions or information (as per need) by e-mail.
- 3.04 As pointed out in para 2.04, the candidate is entitled to appear in only one Subject at CRET2015. The candidate is also prohibited from" submitting more: than" one On-line Application / Registration Form for CRET-2015. In case the candidate submits more than one On-line Form, all the Forms submitted by him shall stand cancelled.
- 3.05. **The SCHEDULE for different processes 1st stages of CRET-2015 is as follows :**

1	Online Registration Start Date	02nd July, 2015
2	Last date of Online Form Submission	30th August, 2015
3	Admit Cards download date	20th September, 2015 onwards
4	Date of CRET-2015 LEVEL 2 TESTS Time of LEVEL 1 TEST (Duration 3 hours) Time of LEVEL 2 TEST (Duration 3 hours)	11th October, 2015 9:00 A.M to 12:00 Noon 2:00 P.M to 5:00 P.M.
5	Declaration of Results of Level 1 & Level 2 Tests	By 1st week of December, 2015

- 3.06 **The TEST FEES prescribed for different categories of candidates for CRET-2015 are as follows:**

GENERAL / OBC	:	₹ 1000/-
SC / ST / PH	:	₹ 500/-

It should be noted that the Test Fees shall not be refunded or carried over in case the application of the candidate is rejected, or his / her candidature is cancelled at any stage, or he / she does not appear wholly or partially for CRET-2015.

NOTE : There is no provision for the withdrawal by a candidate of his / her application / candidature for CRET-2015 once he / she has submitted the Form or, pursuant to the same, remitted the Test Fees.

Online Form Submission for CRET-2015

- 3.07** Candidates are advised to submit online form for the CRET-2015 at the concerned link of the website www.aupravesh.org. The website has all the information required for online form submission.

PROSPECTUS : The prospectus for CRET-2015 is available on the concerned link of the website www.aupravesh.org and the admission aspirants can visit the website and download it. Aspirants are advised to read the prospectus carefully before applying.

Requirement for Online Form Submission : Admission aspirants are required to have a scanned copy of their coloured photograph (3.5 x 4.5 cm) and their signature. These scanned copies of coloured photo (3.5 x 4.5 cm) in JPEG (*.JPG) Format and signature (in JPEG (*.JPG) Format) are required to be uploaded during the online form submission. The file size of photograph and signature in any case shall not exceed 20 KB for each file separately. All aspirants filling the online form are advised to read the instructions to fill up the online form, which has all the pre requisite and the guidelines to this regard.

PROCEDURE FOR ONLINE SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FORM FOR CRET-2015

Candidates can submit online form for the Admission Test-2015 at the concerned link of the website aupravesh.org. The website has all the information required for online form submission. Online Prospectus: The prospectus for all courses of Admission Test-2015 is available on the concerned link of the website www.aupravesh.org and the admission aspirants can visit the website and download it. Aspirants are advised to read the prospectus carefully before applying.

Requirement for Online Form Submission: Admission aspirants are required to have a scanned copy of their coloured photograph (3.5 x 4.5 cm) and their signature. These scanned copies of coloured photo (3.5 x 4.5 cm) in JPEG (*.JPG) Format and signature (in JPEG (*.JPG) Format) are required to be uploaded during the online form submission. The file size of photograph and signature in any case shall not exceed **20 KB** for each file separately. All aspirants filling the online form are advised to read the instructions to fill up the online form, which has all the pre-requisite and the guidelines to this regard.

3.08 INSTRUCTIONS FOR ON-LINE SUBMISSION :

- i. The address of the web-site is www.aupravesh.org. Click the button "Apply Online".
- ii. After opening the website the name of the Entrance Examination, its online starting date for filling up the form, its date of closing will be displayed. The candidate has to opt the class in which he/she wishes to appear in the Entrance Examination.
- iii. Upon opening the website, four buttons will be displayed for downloading the Brochure, and opening the online Application Form, for printing Application form/Challan form and for printing Admit Card. The candidates are advised to read the instructions and **click the button to agree and accept** the conditions/instructions. Option for printing Admit Card shall be available only from the date given in the schedule for Admission Test.
- iv. The candidate is advised to read the downloaded Brochure before filling up the Application Form. After reading the Brochure carefully the candidate is advised to click the "Apply Online" button. Upon clicking the "Apply Online" button the application form will be displayed on the screen. The candidate is required to fill up the form correctly and as per instructions mentioned in the Brochure. The fields/columns marked with red asterisk are mandatory to be filled.

- v. The scanned copy of photograph and signature as per the specifications mentioned above shall be uploaded at the requisite place in the Application form which is mandatory.
- vi. After filling up the Application Form the candidate can view his filled up application form with the use of preview application form button.
- vii. After ensuring that all the entries have been filled up by the candidate correctly. The candidate can submit the form online by entering the correct image code displayed on the screen.
- viii. **Then applicants are requested to choose payment option CHALLAN or ONLINE.**

If Applicant selects Challan option:

- a. After the successful submission of the application form two buttons will appear on the screen for printing the Application form and Challan form. Clicking the buttons accordingly the application form as well as Challan form can be printed.
- b. Candidates are advised to take a minimum of two set of printouts of application form and Challan form which will show the generated "**Application ID**" and other details.
- c. If the candidate fails or forgets to print the application form and challan form for any reason he can print it using the application ID, date of birth sent to him on his e-mail address and through SMS (on registered mobile no.). The candidate will be permitted to print the filled up application form only when he/she will enter the correct data only i.e. application ID and date of birth.
- d. **After taking the print out of the Challan Form the candidate is required to deposit the requisite fee for the test using aforesaid Challan Form at any Branch of the HDFC Bank in India.**
- e. The candidate will receive a confirmation message via e-mail and SMS confirming the receipt of the payment of the fee.
- f. The first copy of the Challan Form will be kept by the Bank; one copy has to be kept by the candidate himself or herself.
- g. The applicants are advised to keep the candidates copy of challan duly stamped by HDFC bank with himself/herself till the admission process is completed.

If Applicant selects ONLINE option:

- a. **After clicking ONLINE option please click submit Application form button.**
- b. **The details of payment mode will be displayed then click PAY ONLINE.**
- c. **On clicking PAY ONLINE button the applicant will be connected to HDFC gateway for payment.**
- d. **Then select Credit Card, Debit Card or Net Banking.**
- e. **Then fill the details as required and then submit the application form & get the printout of application form.**

Once the candidate has been Registered he / she should view and take a print copy (Print-out) of his / her **ADMIT CARD** from the date **20th August, 2015** by entering his / her **Application ID**. The ADMIT CARD shall indicate the Roll Number, the Subject and the Level 1 / Level 2 Test Centre of the candidate.

For the convenience of the online application Help Desk has been setup for the Online Form submission

Help-desk on mobile numbers +91 9455690337 and +91 9455690338

- 3.09 The candidate is required to preserve the CRET-2015 ADMIT CARD. It shall be required to be presented at the concerned Test Centre for the Level 1 / Level 2 Test and at the relevant Department / Institute / Centre at the time of the Level 3 Test.
- 3.10 A candidate called for the CRET-2015 Level 3 Test shall be required to present the ORIGINALS of all his / her Mark-sheets, Certificates and other documents / credentials and to submit one self-attested legible photocopy of each of these at the relevant Department / Institute / Centre.
- 3.11 A candidate shall not be entitled to be considered for admission to the D.Phil. Programme merely on the basis of having secured the qualifying marks at the Level 1 /Level 2 Test and appearing for the Level 3 Test of CRET-2015.
- 3.12 In case it is found that a candidate for CRET-2015 has furnished false or erroneous information or forged or fake documents, or otherwise adopted fraudulent means, his / her candidature and admission shall be cancelled retrospectively at any stage, and he / she shall be debarred from appearing at any subsequent Research Entrance Test or other Admission Test or any other Examination conducted by the University of Allahabad.
- 3.13 Candidates appearing at CRET-2015 shall be governed by the Rules, Regulations and Ordinances relating to the Examinations of the University of Allahabad. Candidates found using unfair means shall be liable to be punished as per rules and regulations of the University of Allahabad in that regard.
- 3.14 **Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained anywhere in the Ordinances and Rules of the University of Allahabad, no scrutiny or re-evaluation of the answer books of the Level 1 / Level 2 Tests shall be permitted on any ground.**
- 3.15 No representation or query regarding the conduct of CRET-2015 shall be entertained by the office of the Director Admissions, University of Allahabad, Allahabad.
- 3.16 In the case of any of the following complaints of a candidate who has submitted the On-line Application/Registration Form (vide para 3.10), he / she may file a GRIEVANCE Help-desk on mobile numbers **+91 9455690337 & +91 9455690338**
- 3.16.1. That he / she duly fulfils the eligibility criteria (vide para 1.12), but his/her On-Line Application for CRET-2015 has been rejected.
- 3.16.2. That the Subject opted by him / her in the On-line Application is admissible (vide para 2.04), but he / she has not been permitted to appear with the same for CRET-2015.
- 3.16.3. That he / she is eligible for exemption from the Level 1 Test (vide para 1.04) or from the Level 1 and Level 2 Tests, both (vide para 1.06), but has not been granted such exemption. 3.25.4. That his/her ADMIT CARD has not been displayed on the CRET Website.
- NOTE** : Grievances shall not be received after the last date and time mentioned above and shall not be entertained from any person who has not submitted the On-line Application I Registration Form, or from an e-mail ID other than that of a candidate who has duly submitted the said Form., or on any issue other than those specified in sub-paras 3.25.1 to 3.25.4
- 3.17 In case of any dispute regarding CRET-2015, the decision of the CRET-2015 Committee shall be final. However, an appeal may be made to the Vice-Chancellor. Under no circumstances shall a candidate take recourse to the court of law directly.
- 3.18 The University reserves the right or refuses admission to, or cancel the admission of a candidate for CRET-2015 and the D. Phil. Programme, at any point of time, if it is found that:
- 3.27.1. Minimum eligibility criteria were not fulfilled.
- 3.18.2. False information / documents were furnished.
- 3.18.3. Unfair means were used.

- 3.18.4. Any other valid requirement was not fulfilled or rules were violated.
- 3.19 In case of any litigation, only the High Court of Judicature of Allahabad shall have jurisdiction.
- 3.20. A candidate who does not fulfill the minimum eligibility criteria (vide para 1.12) but has inadvertently been allowed to appear for CRET-2015, cannot, at any stage, claim that he / she meets the eligibility requirements.

SECTION 4

THE STRUCTURE OF CRET-2015

- 4.01 **LEVEL 1 TEST** : This test is of objective type questions and it is divided into two sections - Section A and Section B. Negative Marking for wrong answers is applicable as mentioned in para 1.05 for Level 1 Test.
- 4.01.1 Section A : General Awareness, Academic and Research Aptitude : This Section of the paper will comprise of 50 multiple choice questions all of which are to be attempted. Each question will carry 4 marks. Duration of this Section will be 01:30 hours.
- 4.01.2 Section B : Subject Proficiency in the CRET 2015 subject applied for : This Section will comprise of 50 multiple choices type objective questions of the subject opted by the candidate. All questions are to be attempted. Each question carries 4 marks. Duration of this Section will be 01:30 hours.
- NOTE** : Test for Level 1 -- Section A and Level 1 - Section B will be in continuation. Candidates will not be allowed to leave the examination room in between the two Sections. Immediately after completion of Section A duration, i.e. 1:30 hours, the question / answer booklet for Section A will be collected and simultaneously question booklet and answer sheet for Section B will be distributed. Total duration of Level 1 Test (Level 1 A and Level 1 B) is 3 hours.
- 4.02 **LEVEL 2 (WRITTEN SUBJECT TEST)**: This test is of subjective type based on the subject of CRET-2015 opted by the candidate in its online registration and eligibility.
- 4.02.1 The duration of Level 2 (Written Subject Test) of CRET-2015 shall be two hours and the total marks shall be 200. This Test will comprise of 3 sections consisting of Short Answer (10 questions of 10 marks each to be answered in 50 words), Medium Answer (3 questions of 20 marks each to be answered in 200 words) and Long Answer question (1 question of 40 marks to be answered in 400 words). In all 14 questions are to be answered in Level 2 Test. There may or may not be internal choices within each question.

SECTION 5

General Instructions

- 5.0 The University reserves the right to declare the number of eligible candidates in each subject in accordance with the relevant Ordinances and the present reservation policy of the University. However, admission to D. Phil. Programme will be finalized on the basis of the availability of seats and supervisors in the concerned Department/Centre/Institute.
- 5.01 The list of eligible candidates for Level 3 (Interview) by the concerned DPC shall be sent to the concerned Department/Centre/Institute. The eligible candidates (including JRFs / CSIR qualified candidates) shall contact the concerned Department/Centre/Institute for further instructions and final selection for admission to its D.Phil. Programme.
- 5.02 A Certificate of Eligibility issued by the Director, CRET-2015 to the eligible candidates, shall be sent together with the list of eligible candidates to the concerned Department for distribution to the students. This will support the eligibility of the candidate for admission to D.Phil. Programme of the concerned/allied subject and shall be submitted in original with the prescribed Application Form for admission to D.Phil. of the University to be filled and submitted for Level 3 (Interview) to the concerned DPC.

- 5.03 No weightage of NET / JRF shall be admissible to the candidates on their Written Subject Test score of CRET-2015. All eligible candidates including JRFs will be treated at par for the Level 3 Test.

SECTION 6

LEVEL 3 (INTERVIEW)

- 6.0 Candidates found eligible for Level-3 (Interview) shall be required to contact the concerned/allied Departments/Centre/institute. They shall fill the form prescribed by the University of Allahabad, for admission to its D.Phil. Programme and appear before the DPC of the subject for interview and other formalities as desired by the concerned DPC. Their admission shall be finalized by concerned DPC depending on tile availability of seats and supervisors.
- 6.02 A candidate desirous of pursuing inter-disciplinary research shall be permitted to apply for Level.3 of CRET.2015 in anyone of the allied subjects for whom the Certificate of Eligibility shall have to be submitted in original with the prescribed application form.

SECTION 7: IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES

- 7.01 Every candidate MUST CARRY HIS/HER ADMIT CARD for being permitted to appear at the concerned test(s) of CRET-2015.
- 7.02 Every candidate must sit on his / her marked seat as per the roll number allotted.
- 7.03 No candidate shall be allowed to enter the Examination Hall after 15 minutes of the commencement of the Test.
- 7.04 No candidate will be allowed to leave the Examination Hall till the end of the Test.
- 7.05 Calculators/mobile phones/pagers etc. shall not be allowed within the premises of the examination centre.
- 7.06 All candidates are required to retain the admit cards after the test for presenting it at the time of Level.3 (Interview) before the concerned DPC and final admission to the D.Phil, programme of the University.
- 7.07 Eligible candidates at Level 2 are required to collect Eligibility Certificate from the concerned department / centre/institute. The certificate has to be submitted in original along with the prescribed Application/Registration form for Level 3 (Interview).

