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Common University Entrance Test (CUET) for Undergraduates

"One Nation, One Entrance Test"

(Ministry of Education)

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The National Education Policy, 2020 recommended that the National Testing Agency (NTA) will serve as a premier, expert, autonomous testing organization to conduct entrance examinations for undergraduate (UG), graduate admissions and fellowships in higher education institutions.

Accordingly, it has been decided that there will be a common entrance examination in all Central Universities- Common University Entrance Test (CUET)- to be conducted by NTA for admission into all Central Universities from the year 2022-23. [1]

Q1. What is CUET (UG)?

The Common University Entrance Test (CUET) is being introduced for admission into all UG Programmes in all Central Universities for academic session 2022-23 under the Ministry of Education, (MoE). For the list of Universities along with Programmes/ Courses offered and their Eligibility Criteria please click here.

Q2. What are the advantages of CUET for the students?

It will provide a single window opportunity to students to seek admission in any of the Central Universities (CUs) across the country, for the academic session 2022-23. [2] It will also provide a common platform and equal opportunities to candidates across the country, especially those from rural and other remote areas, and help establish better connect with the Universities.

Q3. Can State/Private universities also opt CUET for Undergraduate programmes?

Yes, CUET may be opted for by state/private/deemed to be universities. In this regard notice has been issued by the UGC on 21.03.2022[3].

It is to be noted that the reservation policy of the universities will not be impacted by the new CUET. The UGC Chairperson has highlighted that the universities can enrol candidates for the

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[1] https://pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=1786589
[2] https://cdnasb.samarth.ac.in/site/FAQCUET2022.pdf
[3] 2328478_English.pdf (ugc.ac.in)

general seats as well as for the reserved seats on the basis of CUET scores. It will not impact the existing admission and reservation policy.[4]

Q4. What are the eligibility criteria for CUET Undergraduate courses?

For appearing in the CUET (UG) - 2022, the candidate:

- Must have either passed 12th/equivalent examination or appearing in 2022
- No age limit has been specified (however, candidates would be required to fulfill the age and other criteria (if any) of the University/ies in which they are desirous of taking admission.)[5]

Q5. Can previous year students also appear CUET (UG) 2022-23?

- If any University permits students of previous years of class XII to take admission in the current year also, such students would also be eligible to appear in CUET (UG) – 2022[6].

Q6. What is the last date to fill application forms for CUET (UG) 2022-23?

The Application form is available from 06.04.2022 to 06.05.2022[7].

Q7. Where is the application form for CUET (UG) 2022-23 available?

Candidates can apply for CUET (UG) – 2022 in the online mode only through the website https://cuet.samarth.ac.in. The Application Form in any other mode will not be accepted.[8]

Q8. When will CUET (UG) 2022 be conducted?

This year CUET will be conducted in the first / second week of July[9].

Q9. What will be the level of questions in CUET (UG) for academic session 2022-23?

All questions in various testing areas will be benchmarked at the level of Class XII only. Students having studied Class XII Board syllabus would be able to do well in CUET (UG) – 2022[10]. For more information about syllabus, **click here**.

Q10. What would be the mode of examination of CUET (UG) 2022-23?

The CUET (UG) - 2022 will be conducted in Computer Based Test (CBT) Mode.[11]

Q11. What is pattern of the CUET (UG) 2022-23 ?

The test will be of objective type. The question paper will comprise Multiple Choice questions[12].

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[4] https://newsonair.com/2022/03/23/know-all-about-cuet-the-one-nation-one-entrance-test/
[5] https://cdnasb.samarth.ac.in/site/CUETUG2022IB.pdf
[6] https://nta.ac.in/Download/Notice/Notice_20220327095145.pdf
[7] ibid
[8] https://cdnasb.samarth.ac.in/site/Public%20Notice-CUET%2006.04.2022.pdf
[9] https://cdnasb.samarth.ac.in/site/CUETUG2022IB.pdf
[10] https://nta.ac.in/Download/Notice/Notice_20220327095145.pdf
[11] https://nta.ac.in/Download/Notice/Notice_20220327095145.pdf
[12] https://cdnasb.samarth.ac.in/site/FAQCUET2022.pdf

Q12. What is the broad structure of the examination?

The broad structure of the exam is as follows: [13]

Sections	Subjects/ Tests	Questions to be Attempted	Question Type	Duration
Section IA - Languages	There are **13** different languages. Any of these languages may be chosen.	40 questions out of 50 in each language	Language to be tested through Reading Comprehension (based on different types of passages–Factual, Literary and Narrative, [Literary Aptitude and Vocabulary] MCQ Based Questions	45 Minutes for each language
Section IB - Languages	There are **20** Languages. Any other language apart from those offered in Section I A may be chosen.			
Section II - Domain	There are **27** Domains specific Subjects being offered under this Section. A candidate may choose a maximum of **Six (06)** Domains as desired by the applicable University/ Universities.	40 questions out of 50 in each subject	• Input text can be used for MCQ Based Questions • MCQs based on syllabus given on NTA website	45 Minutes for each Domain Specific Subjects
Section III- General Test	For any such undergraduate programme/ programmes being offered by Universities where a General Test is being used for admission.	60 questions out of 75	• Input text can be used for MCQ Based Questions • General Knowledge, Current Affairs, General Mental Ability, Numerical Ability, Quantitative Reasoning (Simple application of basic mathematical concepts arithmetic/algebra geometry/mensuration /stat taught till Grade 8), Logical and Analytical Reasoning	60 Minutes

The test will be held on multiple days, in two slots, morning and afternoon. For information on slots, please click here .

Q13. What is the medium of examination?

The Tests (other than "Language" Test) are offered in 13 languages i.e. Assamese, Bengali, English, Gujarati, Hindi, Kannada, Malayalam, Marathi, Odiya, Punjabi, Tamil, Telugu and Urdu. A candidate is required to opt for one of the specified languages as the medium of the paper, as per desired University's eligibility criteria, while applying.

The question paper in respect of the Domain Specific Subjects and the General Test, will be bi-lingual, i.e., it will be in the medium (one of the 13 languages) opted by the candidate and in

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[13] https://cdnasb.samarth.ac.in/site/CUETUG2022IB.pdf

English. In case of any discrepancy in translation, English version shall prevail except in "Language" Tests (Section 1A & 1B). [14]

Q14. In which cities will CUET (UG) 2022-23 be conducted?

The CUET (UG) – 2022-23 will be held in 547 cities within India and in 13 cities outside India. [15]

- To know about the list of 547 cities, please click here (see page no 52-58)
- To know about the list of 13 cities outside India, please click here (see page no.3).

Q15. What documents or certificates do students need to upload along with the Application Form?

Candidates need to upload the following with the application form:

- Scanned images of photograph and signature
- Certificates in respect of PwD/Category/BPL/Class X/XII Equivalence
- Certificate) as applicable. The documents / certificates etc., shall be verified directly at the time of admission by the University.[16]

Q16. What is the fee structure for CUET (UG) 2022-23?

The fee structure for CUET 2022 is mentioned below: [17]

Fee payable	Category of candidates	Slot I (Morning)		Slot II (Afternoon)	
		Centres in India (Fee in ₹)	Centres outside India (Fee in ₹)	Centers In India (Fee in ₹)	Centres outside India (Fee in ₹)
	General/Un-Reserved	650/-	3000/-	650/-	3000/-
	General-EWS/OBC-NCL*	600/-		600/-	
	SC/ST/PwBD/Third Gender	550/-		550/-	
Processing charges and Goods and Services Tax (GST) are to be paid by the candidates as applicable					

*OBC-NCL (Other backward classes)- NCL(Non creamy layer) as per the central list of other backward classes available on the website of the National Commission for Backward Classes.

Q17. Is there negative marking for CUET (UG) 2022-23

Yes, there is negative marking for CUET (UG) 2022-23. Detail are mentioned below: [18]

(i) Correct answer or the most appropriate answer: Five marks (+5)

(ii) Any incorrect option marked will be given minus one mark (-1).

(iii) Unanswered/Marked for Review will be given no mark (0).

Q18. Is there option of Re-Evaluation / Re-Checking of result?

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[14] https://cdnasb.samarth.ac.in/site/CUETUG2022IB.pdf
[15] https://cdnasb.samarth.ac.in/site/Public%20Notice-CUET%2006.04.2022.pdf
[16] https://cdnasb.samarth.ac.in/site/FAQCUET2022.pdf
[17] https://cdnasb.samarth.ac.in/site/Public%20Notice-CUET%2006.04.2022.pdf
[18] https://cdnasb.samarth.ac.in/site/CUETUG2022IB.pdf

No, there shall be no re-evaluation/re-checking of the result. No correspondence in this regard shall be entertained.[19]

Q19. Has Government set up the facilitation/Service Centre for the students to submit the online application form?

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 Centres is available on the website: www.csc.gov.in . To know the nearest Common Services Centre, please open the link - Find My CSC (https://findmycsc.nic.in/csc/).[20]

Q20. Is there any helpline number for students to get more information regarding CUET 2022-23?

For any queries/ clarifications, candidates can also call at the NTA Helpline number 011-40759000 or 011-6922 7700 or write to NTA at email- cuet-ug@nta.ac.in [21]

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