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INSTRUCTION BROCHURE
COMMON APTITUDE ENTRANCE TEST (CAET)
FOR
ADMISSION TO VARIOUS UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
IN



CONSTITUENT AND AFFILIATED COLLEGES
FOR
ACADEMIC SESSION 2021-22.

MESSAGE

The Common Aptitude Entrance Test (CAET) for Undergraduate Courses is scheduled to be conducted on 4th of April, 2021 (Sunday) at 1: 00 PM at various centres in Srinagar. The importance of this test cannot be underestimated as the candidates appearing in the test have to compete for different Undergraduate Courses, which would make them eligible to strive for employment after completion of their degree. The candidates have, therefore, to take the examination seriously and pursue studies vigorously so that they contest well after completion of the Degrees. The Cluster University Srinagar has made technological advances in order to enhance efficiency and transparency for further facilitating the candidates viz filling up of online application forms, deposition of fee, SMS facility for status of application form, online filling up of preference forms, candidate friendly upgraded website with regular updates, better internet facility at Cluster and its Constituent Colleges. It has been noticed in the past that the candidates do not perform quite well in this examination, apparently as they do not take the examination seriously. It would, therefore, be in the interest of the candidates that they take the examination seriously and improve their proficiency which will not only help them in future but will create a huge resource bank, which can be utilized optimally by the Union Territory in the public/private sector and will also enhance their employability at the National level. We would appreciate if the candidates remain in touch with the University website and also make suggestions, so as to further improve upon it and make it more user friendly. We would always value the inputs from the users and assure that we shall positively respond to the suggestions.

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INTRODUCTION:

Cluster University of Srinagar is a State University established under “The Srinagar and Jammu Cluster Universities Act, 2016” passed by the Jammu and Kashmir State Legislature on July 8, 2016. The establishment of Cluster Universities in the State of Jammu and Kashmir, the first of its kind in the country, is an innovative and a strategic intervention in the higher education sector of the State. The infrastructure development is funded through the Rashtriya Uchchattar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) scheme of the Ministry of Human Resource Development. The mandate of Cluster University Srinagar (CUS) is to provide opportunities to the aspiring students of the State to pursue higher education and also to bridge the critical gaps in specialized disciplines. The CUS has been created by pooling the resources of five existing colleges viz. Amar Singh College; Sri Pratap College; Govt. College for Women, M. A. Road; AAA Memorial Degree College, Bemina and Institute of Advanced Studies in Education. These five constituent colleges of the Cluster University have adequate academic, physical and technical infrastructural facilities and the mission of CUS as to lead these colleges to the advanced schools of learning. Four more colleges have been affiliated with the University since academic session 2020-21 viz- Govt. College for Engineering & Technology Safapora Ganderbal, GDC Hyderpora, GDC Eidgah and GDC Alochibagh.

The University has made a prodigious progress since its inception. The University has been recognized by the University Grants Commission under the UGC Act 1956 and has been authorized to award degrees for Graduation, Post-graduation and Research programmes. CUS has launched sixteen 5-year Integrated, eleven Post-graduate, two Professional and four Honours courses during the first three academic sessions. These courses have become quite popular among the student community as is evident from the fact that more than twelve-thousand applications have been received for academic session 2021-22.

The diversity of the 5-year integrated courses offered has added a new dimension to the Higher Educational sector of the State. The objective of introducing these courses is that students shall be able to choose the discipline of their interest at an early stage and become professionals in the chosen subject.

GENERAL INFORMATION & INSTRUCTIONS:

It is expected that the candidates shall be sincere, honest and behave responsibly while appearing in the Entrance Test and shall not resort to any unfair/fraudulent means or impersonation in the examination. In case a candidate is found resorting to any such act, criminal proceedings shall be initiated against him/her including his/her abettors/facilitators, besides debarring him / her permanently from appearing in the Entrance Test in future. The candidates seeking admission to Entrance Test are required to:

- Go through Information Brochure carefully and acquaint themselves with all the requirements.
- Satisfy the prescribed eligibility conditions.
- The candidates applying for admission will be required to appear in the Entrance Test at their own expenses.
- The recommendation for selection of the candidates in all the categories shall be subject to production of all the relevant certificates in original by the candidates and the verification of the same by the College at the time of admission, as the case may be.
- No intimation, whatsoever, about non-selection will be sent individually and no correspondence in this regard shall be entertained.
- The result will be available at the website of the University (www.cusrinagar.edu.in) for perusal of the candidates.

- The selection made by the University to the various courses shall be provisional till final determination of eligibility of the candidates by the concerned College.
- The University shall have power to review the provisional selection list at any time, notwithstanding the fact that the selected candidate has completed his/her admission formalities, where any bonafide error, lapse, mistake, fraud, cheating, misrepresentation, misinterpretation, impersonation or glaring injustice is brought to its notice which has resulted in the inclusion of the candidate in the selection list.
- Mere selection in the list does not confer any right to admission of the candidate, if he/she is otherwise found ineligible.
- Complaints against certificates, including those of reserved categories, will not be entertained as the University is neither an appellate authority nor an investigating agency.
- Permission of candidates to appear in Entrance Test shall be provisional on the basis of the entries in the Application Form, subject to their being eligible for admission to the courses applied for with reference to certificate being valid on the date of e-filing of Application Form.
- The answer key will be displayed/uploaded on the University website in the evening on the day of examination or next day as per the feasibility and will remain there for three days and thereafter will be removed. The candidates, who have any complaint against an answer of a question in the Question Paper, are free to make written representation with documentary proof within three working days, after the Key is made available and thereafter no representation will be entertained /accepted. The Answer Key will be got re-examined by the University on the basis of the representations so received and the revised key, if any, will be final and no complaint will be then entertained regarding the revised key.

The revised Key will be uploaded on the website of the University. The revised Answer Key, if any, will be applied to Answer Sheets of all the candidates, no matter whether they have made such representations or not. OMR Answer Sheets of candidates are machine graded and scanned / scrutinized and double checked with extreme care. As such, there shall be no re-evaluation/ rechecking of OMR Answer Sheets. No correspondence in this regard shall be entertained.

ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION:

The candidates applying for admission to various undergraduate courses must fulfil the eligibility conditions as mentioned in the application form.

CONDUCT OF ENTRANCE EXAMINATION:

- The Entrance Test shall be held at the centres as specified by the University in Srinagar.
- Centres shall be allotted by the University and the information regarding this shall be provided to the candidates on the Admit Cards.
- The Test Centre once allotted shall not be changed under any circumstances.
- The medium of test will be English only.
- The University shall not conduct another test in any circumstances whatsoever for those candidates who fail to appear in the test on the scheduled date/time.

NATURE OF QUESTION PAPER:

- It shall be the sole responsibility of the candidate to check the Question Booklet before attempting to answer any question. Where a Question Booklet has any missing page, blank page, missed question or damaged or defaced page, it shall be the responsibility of the concerned candidate to bring it to the notice of the concerned invigilator and get it replaced by a new Booklet of the same series. The Question Booklet must have 60

questions. No complaint in this regard shall be entertained by the University after the conclusion of the examination.

- University shall consist of Single Paper with four sections comprising of General English, Mathematics, General Knowledge and Reasoning with 60 questions (15 questions from each section) with time duration of 1.00 hour.
- The questions shall be multiple choice objective types with one mark each.
- There will be 0.25 negative marks for each wrong answer.
- The question paper shall be objective type containing multiple choice questions. It contains several pages stapled together in one cover.
- The Candidates should not make any type of marking on the Question Booklet.
- Each Question Booklet has four series, which are in alphabets i.e. A, B, C, D printed on the cover page of the Question Booklet.
- At the end of the Entrance Test, candidates can take the Question Booklets with them.

NATURE OF OMR ANSWER SHEET:

- In order to maintain transparency of examination, candidates are provided OMR (Optical Mark Reader) Answer Sheet having original copy and candidate's copy.
- The candidates are directed to fold at perforation at the top of sheet, tear it after the Test is over and separate original copy and candidate's copy. Finally they shall have to hand over the original copy to the invigilator and take along with them the candidate's copy.
- The OMR Answer Sheets are used in order to simplify the procedure of evaluation and also to ensure highest accuracy.

- Each circle on the OMR Sheet has an alphabetical or numerical value. So a small mistake in shading the round spot on the circle can make a big mistake.
- The OMR Answer Sheets will be supplied to the candidates in the examination hall.
- At the top of the OMR Sheet, there are few blank spaces which are to be filled in carefully. Write Booklet series, and Roll Number in numerical and also darken the appropriate circles.
- Append your signature at the space provided for the purpose on your OMR Sheet. This is to be authenticated by the invigilator and superintendent of the examination centre.
- Complete the formalities and wait for the signal to start, tear and open the seal of Question Booklet, begin reading and answering the questions.
- Recording of wrong Roll No. or Question Paper Series or its omission on the OMR Answer Sheet shall be done by the candidate at his/her own risk.
- The University shall, in no case, entertain any complaint of the candidate regarding the same.
- Each question is followed by four responses i.e.1, 2, 3, and 4 or A, B, C &D of which only one is correct or the most appropriate response.
- Indicate the correct response by darkening the appropriate circle completely with black or blue ball point pen on the Answer Sheet.
- If more than one circle is darkened or if the response is marked in any other manner, it shall be treated as wrong.

INSTRUCTIONS:

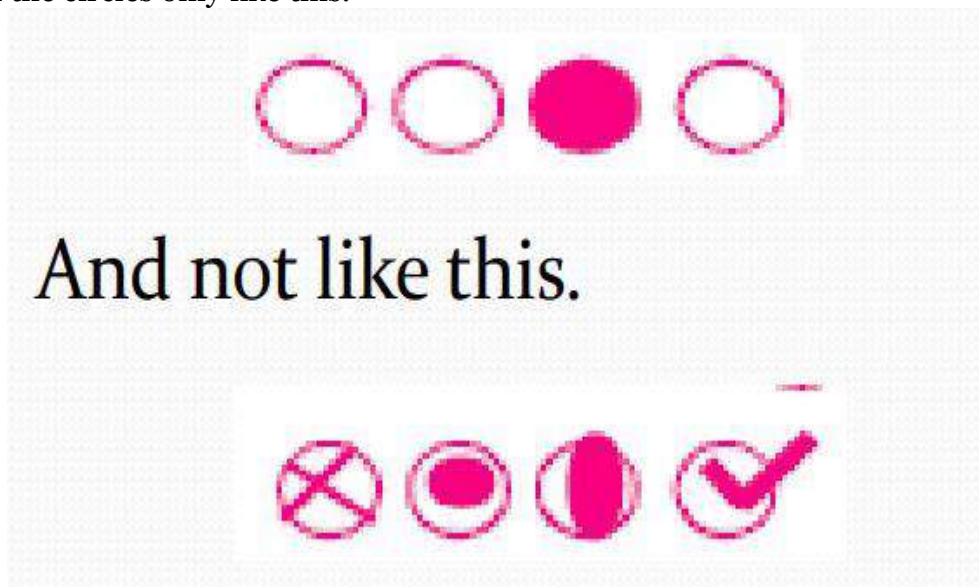
CANDIDATES ARE REQUIRED TO GO THROUGH THE INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN BELOW CAREFULLY:

- The examination centres will open 30 minutes before the reporting time of the Entrance Test on the day of examination.
- Wearing of mask and adherence to COVID-19 SOPs is mandatory.
- Candidates are expected to be on their seats at the reporting time of the Entrance Test.
- Candidates who do not possess the Admit Cards will not be allowed to sit in the examination hall under any circumstances.
- No textual material, printed/ handwritten will be allowed in the Examination hall. Candidates are advised not to carry any such material in the examination hall.
- The candidates are not allowed to bring mobile phones/ calculators / pocket transistors/ electronic watches with facilities of calculator/slide rules, any form of table or any other such aid.
- Tea, coffee, cold drinks or snacks are not allowed in the examination hall during the Entrance Test.
- Smoking in the examination hall is not allowed.
- The candidate must sit in the seat allotted to him/ her.
- In no case a candidate can change his/ her seat.
- No candidate will leave the hall before the expiry of full time prescribed for the Entrance Test and without handing over Answer Sheet to the invigilator on duty.
- No person/ persons other than those authorized by the University shall be allowed to enter the examination hall.
- Amanuensis will not be allowed.

- The candidate's misbehaviour in any manner in the Examination Hall shall entail him/ her disqualification. Any disturbance in the examination hall shall be deemed as misbehaviour and the candidates shall forfeit the right to continue to sit in the examination hall. The decision of the centre superintendent shall be final.

ATTENTION

Darken the circles only like this.



IF YOUR ROLL NO IS "06393"
YOU MUST DARKEN AS SHOWN BELOW

Roll No.				
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IF YOUR QUESTION BOOKLET SERIES IS "D"
YOU MUST DARKEN AS SHOWN BELOW

Question Set Code	
A	<input type="radio"/>
B	<input type="radio"/>
C	<input type="radio"/>
D	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

OMR SAMPLE

Note: 1. A Candidate must read instructions given at back of the Candidate's Copy carefully before filling this OMR sheet.
 2. After examination is over, the Candidate must fold below at perforation to carry candidate's / Carbon copy along with him/herself.

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ORIGINAL COPY

FILL IN THE FOLLOWING ENTRIES WITH BLACK / BLUE BALL POINT PEN ONLY

NAME OF THE CANDIDATE (IN CAPITAL LETTERS)

DATE: / /

EXAM. ROLL NUMBER

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QUESTION BOOKLET SERIES

A (A)
 B (B)
 C (C)
 D (D)



ANSWER SHEET NUMBER

UNIVERSITY REGISTRATION NUMBER

SUBJECT:

PAPER:

SESSION:

ANSWERS

1	A	B	C	D	16	A	B	C	D	31	A	B	C	D	46	A	B	C	D
2	A	B	C	D	17	A	B	C	D	32	A	B	C	D	47	A	B	C	D
3	A	B	C	D	18	A	B	C	D	33	A	B	C	D	48	A	B	C	D
4	A	B	C	D	19	A	B	C	D	34	A	B	C	D	49	A	B	C	D
5	A	B	C	D	20	A	B	C	D	35	A	B	C	D	50	A	B	C	D
6	A	B	C	D	21	A	B	C	D	36	A	B	C	D	51	A	B	C	D
7	A	B	C	D	22	A	B	C	D	37	A	B	C	D	52	A	B	C	D
8	A	B	C	D	23	A	B	C	D	38	A	B	C	D	53	A	B	C	D
9	A	B	C	D	24	A	B	C	D	39	A	B	C	D	54	A	B	C	D
10	A	B	C	D	25	A	B	C	D	40	A	B	C	D	55	A	B	C	D
11	A	B	C	D	26	A	B	C	D	41	A	B	C	D	56	A	B	C	D
12	A	B	C	D	27	A	B	C	D	42	A	B	C	D	57	A	B	C	D
13	A	B	C	D	28	A	B	C	D	43	A	B	C	D	58	A	B	C	D
14	A	B	C	D	29	A	B	C	D	44	A	B	C	D	59	A	B	C	D
15	A	B	C	D	30	A	B	C	D	45	A	B	C	D	60	A	B	C	D

I have filled all the required information above as per instructions correctly.

SIGNATURE OF THE CANDIDATE

The Candidate has filled all the required information as per instructions correctly.

SIGNATURE OF THE INVIGILATOR

SIGNATURE OF THE CENTRE SUPERINTENDENT