

What is CTET/ Eligibility/ Pattern/ Syllabus

CTET - Central Teacher Eligibility Test

- Central Teacher Eligibility Test (CTET) is a national-level exam conducted by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) twice a year to shortlist candidates for appointment as teachers in classes I-VIII.
- Passing in CTET is the eligibility criteria for recruitment as teachers of Classes I to VIII in schools under the purview of the Central Government (KVS, NVS, Central Tibetan Schools, etc.), and schools under the administrative control of the union territories (UTs)
- **CTET Eligibility**
- **Minimum Qualifications for becoming Teacher for**
- **Classes I-V: Primary Stage (Paper – 1)**
- Senior Secondary (or its equivalent) with at least 50% marks and passed or appearing in final year of 2- year Diploma in Elementary Education (by whatever name known)
- OR
- Senior Secondary (or its equivalent) with at least 45% marks and passed or appearing in final year of 2- year Diploma in Elementary Education (by whatever name known), in accordance with the NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure), Regulations, 2002
- **Minimum Qualifications for becoming Teacher for Classes VI-VIII: Elementary Stage (Paper – 2)**
- Graduation and passed or appearing in final year of 2-year Diploma in Elementary Education
- OR
- Graduation with at least 50% marks and passed or appearing final year of Bachelor in Education (B.Ed).
- OR
- Senior Secondary (or its equivalent) with at least 50% marks and passed or appearing in final year of 4- year Bachelor in Elementary Education (B.El.Ed).

○ **STRUCTURE AND CONTENT OF CTET**

○ All questions in CTET will be Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs), with four alternatives out of which one answer will be most appropriate.

○ Each carrying one mark and there will be no negative marking.

○ **Paper I (for Classes I to V) Primary Stage**

○ Duration of examination- Two-and-a-half hours

Syllabus of Paper I

○ Child Development and Pedagogy - 30 MCQs - 30 Marks

○ Language I - 30 MCQs - 30 Marks

○ Language II - 30 MCQs - 30 Marks

○ Mathematics - 30 MCQs - 30 Marks

○ Environmental Studies - 30 MCQs - 30 Marks

○ Total 150 MCQs -150 Marks

Nature and standard of questions

○ The test items on Child Development and Pedagogy will focus on educational psychology of teaching and learning relevant to the age group of 6-11 years.

○ The Test items in Mathematics and Environmental Studies will focus on the concepts, problem solving abilities and pedagogical understanding and applications of the subjects.

○ The questions in the test for Paper I will be based on the topics prescribed in syllabus of the NCERT for classes I - V but their difficulty standard as well as linkages, could be up to the Secondary stage.

○ **Paper II (for Classes VI to VIII) Elementary Stage**

○ Duration of examination - Two-and-a-half hours

Syllabus of Paper II

○ Child Development & Pedagogy - 30 MCQs - 30 Marks

- Language I - 30 MCQs - 30 Marks
- Language II - 30 MCQs - 30 Marks
- Mathematics and Science - 60 MCQs - 60 Marks (for Mathematics and Science teacher)

OR

- Social Studies/Social Science - 60 MCQs - 60 Marks (for Social Studies/Social Science teacher)

Nature and standard of questions

- The test items on Child Development and Pedagogy will focus on educational psychology of teaching and learning, relevant to the age group of 11-14 years.
- The Test items in Mathematics and Science, and Social Studies/Social Science will focus on the concepts, problem solving abilities and pedagogical understanding and applications of the subjects.
- The questions in the test for Paper II will be based on the topics prescribed in syllabus of the NCERT for classes VI - VIII but their difficulty standard as well as linkages, could be up to the Senior Secondary stage

Important Points

- A person who scores 60% or more in the TET exam will be considered as TET pass.
- Qualifying the CTET would not confer a right on any person for recruitment/employment as it is only one of the eligibility criteria for appointment.
- The Validity Period of CTET qualifying certificate for appointment will be seven years from the date of declaration of its result for all categories.
- There is no restriction on the number of attempts a person can take for acquiring a CTET Certificate