

NOTICE – EXAMINATION

Research Aptitude Test (RAT) 2021 for Ph.D. Aspirants

1. **MCQs based Online Research Aptitude Test shall be conducted on March 06, 2021, Saturday during 11:00 AM-12:30 PM (01 hour 30 minutes)** for all the Ph.D. aspirants (excluding NET, JRF & M. Phil qualified).
2. The question paper of **Research Aptitude Test 'RAT 2021'** will consist of total **100 Multiple Choice Questions** (2 marks each i.e. total 200 marks) which will be divided in two Sections i.e. **Section A** will consist of 50 MCQs (2 marks each) related to General awareness, English language, Reading Comprehension, Reasoning/Mathematical/logical, Data Interpretation, Research aptitude etc. and **Section B** will consist of 50 MCQs (2 marks each) related to subject specific questions.
3. Research Aptitude Test (RAT) will be conducted through SRMU-g suite Google Classroom platform. Important Points for appearing in Research Aptitude Test are as under:
 - a) Aspirants are required to ensure the availability of internet connectivity, and laptops/mobile (preferably laptop).
 - b) For login on Google Classroom, it is mandatory for the aspirants to have a Gmail account. Aspirants are required to download both Google Classroom (for examination) and G-Meet App (for proctoring) on their laptop/mobile phone. For joining Google Classroom, assigned faculty members will provide the class code which shall be entered by the aspirants for joining.
 - c) Assigned faculty members will share the G-Meet link 30 minutes prior to RAT (i.e 10:30 AM) with only registered aspirants. Aspirants should be available online 30 minutes prior to conduction of RAT through G-Meet for verification of their Registration Form. Simultaneously, faculty members will mark the status of present and absent.
 - d) Five (5) minutes prior to the scheduled examination (i.e 10:55 AM), link of Google form will be shared by the assigned faculty members with the registered aspirants in the Google Classroom for RAT. In exceptional circumstances, aspirants shall be permitted to join the classroom till 11:10 AM.
 - e) Entire session will be proctored through G-Meet by the faculty members and recorded by the assigned faculty members through video and screenshots. Hence, the aspirants are required to switch on their camera throughout using G-Meet Link. Using unfair means is strictly prohibited.

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- 4) All the Ph.D. aspirants, who desire to avail the benefit of reservation under UP Reservation Policy; shall be required to submit their caste certificate (*issued by the Tehsildar*) to the Admission Cell at admissions@srmu.ac.in to claim admission as per reservation policy. Caste Certificate of these aspirants should also be available on the website <http://bor.up.nic.in/> for verification; failing which they will be treated as 'General' Candidate.
- 5) The RAT is being conducted for screening/short-listing of aspirants for the purpose of interview regarding final selection by the respective **Faculty Research Degree Committee (FRDC)**. Qualifying the **Research Aptitude Test** does not imply that the candidate is entitled to get enrollment in the Ph.D. programme as per his/her application until the final verification of documents.
- 6) As per the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for award of Ph.D. Degree) (2nd amendment) Regulations – 2018, dated 16 Oct, 2018, the entrance test accounts for weightage of 70%. The remaining 30% weightage is on the performance in the Interview.

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