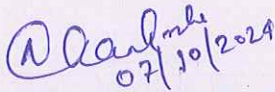# NOTICE – EXAMINATION

Research Aptitude Test for the Ph.D. Aspirants
Session 2024-25 (Summer Term)

1. The Online Research Aptitude Test (RAT) shall be conducted **on Oct 21, 2024, Monday during 10:30 AM–12:00 Noon (1 Hour 30 Minutes)** for the admission in the Ph.D. programme.

2. **MCQs based Online Research Aptitude Test for Session 2024-25 (Summer Term) shall be conducted for all the Ph.D. aspirants (excluding NET, GATE, JRF & M. Phil qualified). NET, GATE, JRF and M.Phil qualified candidates are required to email their respective NET/GATE/JRF/M.Phil certificate at** coe@srmu.ac.in **latest by Oct 14, 2024 or immediately after declaration of UGC NET result.**

3. The question paper of Research Aptitude Test will be divided in two Sections (A and B) and will consist of total 100 Multiple Choice Questions (2 marks each i.e. total 200 marks). 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 whereas Section B will consist of 50 MCQs (2 marks each) related to subject specific questions. There will be no negative marking.

4. Research Aptitude Test (RAT) will be conducted through SRMU-g suite Google Classroom Platform. Please adhere to the points mentioned below for appearing in Research Aptitude Test:

   a) **Aspirants are required to ensure the availability of internet connectivity in the laptops and mobiles both.**

   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 and mobile phone both. 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 10:00 AM) with only registered aspirants.

   d) 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.

   e) **The angle/position of the mobile phone should be in such a way that the entire screen of the laptop should be visible whereas the angle/position of the laptop camera should be in such a way that the aspirant should be visible to the Invigilator during online proctoring. Hence, dual login with the laptop and mobile is mandatory for simultaneous proctoring and online examination.**

   f) **The candidature of the aspirant may be cancelled in case any aspirant fails to follow the dual login procedure (i.e. simultaneous login from laptop and mobile phone).**

   g) Entire session will be proctored through G-Meet by the faculty members and recorded by the assigned faculty members. Hence, the aspirants are required to switch on their camera throughout using G-Meet Link. **Using unfair means is strictly prohibited which may lead to the cancellation of candidature.**

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h) Five (5) minutes prior to the scheduled examination (i.e 10:25 AM), a 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 10:40 AM.

5. 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.

6. 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 aspirant is entitled to get enrollment in the Ph.D. programme as per his/her application until the final verification of documents.

7. 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 a weightage of 70%. The remaining 30% weightage is on the performance in the Interview.

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