

NATIONAL TALENT SEARCH EXAMINATION(NTSE)

w.e.f 2012 ONWARDS:

A one day meet of the Liaison/Nodal Officers of NTSS and NMMS was held on 13th July, 2012 in room no. 202, Chacha Nehru Bhawan, CIET, NIE Campus, New Delhi- 110 016. The meeting was attended by Liaison/Nodal Officers besides officials from MHRD and State Bank of India. The information received from NCERT, regarding changes in ntse w.e.f 2012 onwards is as follows:

1. The NTS Examination for the academic year 2012-13 will be held for Class X for selecting 1000 candidates out of 4000 candidates recommended by the States/UTs as per quota. The amount of scholarship will be Rs. 500/- per month (as per MHRD guidelines). It was agreed that NMMS and NTS Examination will be delinked. There will be two separate test papers for NTSE and NMMS. The state level NTS examination for the year 2012-13 will be conducted on Sunday, 18th November, 2012 in all states/UTs except in A & N Islands, Nagaland, Mizoram and Meghalaya, where it will be held on Saturday 17th November 2012. The national level NTS examination for the academic session 2012-13 will be held on 12th May, 2013. The States are at liberty to conduct the NMMS exam as per their convenience.
2. There will be 90 items in Mental Ability Test (MAT) and Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) at the state level carrying one mark each. The qualifying marks will be 40% for general and 32% for SC/ST/Physically Disabled candidates. Time allowed is 90 minutes for MAT and SAT separately. Visually Challenged candidates are allowed 30 minutes extra time both in MAT and SAT.
3. There has to be uniformity in the format of the questions for the state level NTSE, as decided the number of questions allocated for each subject will be:

Physics	- 12
Chemistry	- 11
Biology	- 12
Mathematics	- 20
History	- 10
Geography	- 10
Pol. Science	- 10
Economics	- 05

The questions framed for the SAT will be based on the syllabus for Classes IX and X as prescribed by the different examination boards in the respective States/UTs.

4. NCERT will upload on its website the Advertisement and application form for the benefit of prospective candidates who wish to apply for NTS examination. However, on any pretext, the application form downloaded from the NCERT website and used by the student, should not be rejected by the State/UT. States/UTs were also encouraged to develop an online application form.
5. The NTS Awardees of Class VIII are not required to appear in Class X examination again. However, the unsuccessful candidates of Class VIII can now again appear for Class X examination. This fact should also be mentioned in the advertisement for state level examination. The NMMS awardees are allowed to appear for NTSE.

Information regarding state level NTS Examination :

1. Application forms and prospectus will be available from 1st Sept'2012.
2. Completed (and verified by school principal) Forms can be submitted upto 31st Oct'2012, to district centers only. No forms will be accepted directly by SCERT.
3. Inquiries regarding NTSE/NMMS/Haryana Sc.Talent Search Exam will be entertained at following e_mail, phone nos only:

- **scert_edusat@rediffmail.com**
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