# **NOTIFICATION**



# भारतीय वायु सेना Indian Air Force

# AIR FORCE COMMON ADMISSION ONLINE TEST (AFCAT-01/2018) FOR FLYING BRANCH AND GROUND DUTIES (TECHNICAL AND NON-TECHNICAL)/ NCC SPECIAL ENTRY/ METEOROLOGY ENTRY FOR COURSES COMMENCING IN JANUARY2019

Last Date for submission of Online Applications: 23 Jan 18 (Indian Air Force career website https://careerindianairforce.cdac.in or https://afcat.cdac.in)

- 1. Indian Air Force invites Indian citizens (men and women) to be part of this elite force as Class-I Gazetted officers in Flying, Ground Duty (Technical and Non-technical) branches. Registration for online applications will open on 16 December 2017. Online examination will be conducted on 25 February 2018 for AFCAT exam.
- 2. Candidates are to ensure their eligibility for the examination, as follows:-
  - (a) Candidates applying for the examination should ensure that they fulfill all the eligibility conditions for admission to the examination. Their admission at all the stages of examination viz. written examination and interview test will be purely provisional, subject to their satisfying the prescribed eligibility conditions. If on verification at any time before or after the written examination or AFSB Testing, it is found that they do not fulfill any of the eligibility conditions, their candidature for the examination will be cancelled by the IAF.
  - (b) Mere issue of Admit Card/Call up letter to the candidate will not imply that his/her candidature has been finally accepted by Indian Air Force.

# 3. Entry, Branch, Course Number.

| Entry       | Branch                         | PC/SSC         | Course Number     |  |
|-------------|--------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|--|
| AFCAT Entry | Flying                         | SSC for Men &  | 205/19F/SSC/M & W |  |
|             |                                | Women          |                   |  |
|             | <b>Ground Duty (Technical)</b> | PC for Men and | 204/19T/PC/M      |  |
|             | {Aeronautical Engineer         | SSC for Men &  | 204/19T/SSC/M & W |  |
|             | Electronics and                | Women          |                   |  |
|             | Aeronautical Engineer          |                |                   |  |
|             | Mechanical}                    |                |                   |  |
|             | Ground Duty (Non-              | PC for Men &   | 204/19G/PC/M      |  |
|             | technical){Administration,     | SSC for Men &  | 204/19G/SSC/M & W |  |
|             | Logistics, Accounts and        | Women          |                   |  |
|             | Education}                     |                |                   |  |
| NCC Special | Flying                         | PC for Men &   | 205/19F/PC/M      |  |
| Entry       |                                | SSC for Men &  | 205/19F/SSC/M & W |  |
|             |                                | Women          |                   |  |
| Meteorology | <b>Ground Duty (Non-</b>       | PC for Men and | 204/19G/PC/M      |  |
| Branch      | technical)                     | SSC for Men &  | 204/19G/SSC/M & W |  |
|             | {Meteorology}                  | Women          |                   |  |

## 4. Type of Commission.

(a) <u>Permanent Commission (PC) for Men</u>. Candidates joining as PC officers would continue to serve till the age of superannuation in their respective branches as per their rank.

#### (b) Short Service Commission (SSC) for Men & Women.

- (i) The engagement period for **Flying Branch** (Men and Women) SSC Officers is fourteen years from the date of Commissioning (**Not extendable**).
- (ii) The initial tenure for **Ground Duty (Technical** and **Ground Duty Non-Technical)** SSC Officers would be for a period of ten years. An extension of four years may be granted subject to **service requirements**, **availability of vacancies**, **suitability, merit and willingness**.

# 5. **Eligibility Conditions**.

(a) Nationality. Candidate must be a citizen of India.

## (b) **Age**.

- (i) Flying Branch through AFCAT and NCC Special Entry: **20 to 24 years** as on **01 January 2019** i.e. born between **02 January 1995 to 01 January 1999** (both dates inclusive). Upper age limit for candidates holding valid and current Commercial Pilot Licence issued by DGCA (India) is relaxable upto 26 years i.e. born between **02 January 1993 to 01 January 1999** (both dates inclusive).
- (ii) Ground Duty (Technical & Non-technical) Branch: **20 to 26** years as on **01 January 2019** i.e. born between **02 January 1993** to **01 January 1999** (both dates inclusive).
- (iii) Candidates below 25 years of age must be unmarried at the time of commencement of course. Widowers and divorcees (with or without encumbrances) below 25 years of age are also ineligible. Marriage is not permitted during training. Married candidates above 25 years of age are eligible to apply but during training period they will neither be provided married accommodation nor can they live out with family.
- (iv) The date of birth accepted by the IAF is that entered in the Matriculation or Secondary School Leaving Certificate or in a certificate recognised by an Indian University as equivalent to Matriculation or in an extract from a Register of Matriculates maintained by a University, which extract must be certified by the proper authority of the University or in the Higher Secondary or an equivalent examination certificate. No other document relating to age like horoscopes, affidavits, birth extracts from Municipal Corporation, service records and likewise will be accepted.
- (v) Sometimes the Matriculation/ Higher Secondary Examination Certificate does not show the date of birth, or only shows the age by completed years or completed years and months. In such cases a candidate must possess a self-attested/ certified copy of a certificate from the Headmaster/ Principal of the Institution from where he/ she passed the Matriculation/ Higher Secondary Examination showing the date of his/ her birth or exact age as recorded in the Admission Register of the Institution.

- (vi) Candidates should note that only the Date of Birth as recorded in the Matriculation/ Higher Secondary Examination Certificate or an equivalent certificate on the date of submission of applications will be accepted by the IAF and no subsequent request for its change will be considered or granted.
- (vii) The candidates should exercise due care while entering their date of birth. If on verification at any subsequent stage, variation is found in their date of birth from the one entered in their Matriculation or equivalent examination certificate, necessary action will be taken against them by the IAF under the Rules.

## (c) Educational Qualifications.

(i) Flying Branch. Candidates should have mandatorily passed with a minimum of 60% marks each in Maths and Physics at 10+2 level. Graduates with minimum three years degree course in any discipline from a recognised University with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent. OR BE/B Tech degree (Four years course) from a recognised University with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent OR Candidates who have cleared Section A & B examination of Associate Membership of Institution of Engineers (India) or Aeronautical Society of India from a recognised University with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent.

# (ii) Ground Duty (Technical) Branch.

- (aa) Aeronautical Engineer (Electronics) {AE(L)}. Candidates with a minimum of 60% marks each in Physics and Mathematics at 10+2 level and a minimum of four years degree graduation/ integrated post-graduation qualification in Engineering/ Technology from recognized University OR cleared Sections A and B examination of Associate Membership of Institution of Engineers (India) or Aeronautical Society of India or Graduate membership examination of the Institution of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineers by actual studies with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent in the following disciplines:-
  - (aaa) Communication Engineering
  - (aab) Computer Engineering/Technology
  - (aac) Computer Engineering & Application
  - (aad) Computer Science and Engineering/Technology
  - (aae) Electrical and Computer Engineering
  - (aaf) Electrical and Electronics Engineering
  - (aag) Electrical Engineering
  - (aah) Electronics Engineering/Technology
  - (aaj) Electronics Science and Engineering
  - (aak) Electronics
  - (aal) Electronics and Communication Engineering
  - (aam) Electronics and Computer Science
  - (aan) Electronics and/or Telecommunication Engineering
  - (aao) Electronics and/or Telecommunication Engineering (Microwave)
  - (aap) Electronics and Computer Engineering
  - (aaq) Electronics Communication and Instrumentation Engineering
  - (aar) Electronics Instrument & Control
  - (aas) Electronics Instrument & Control Engineering
  - (aat) Instrumentation & Control Engineering
  - (aau) Instrument & Control Engineering
  - (aav) Information Technology

- (ab) Aeronautical Engineer (Mechanical) {AE (M)}. Candidates with a minimum of 60% marks each in Physics and Mathematics at 10+2 level and a minimum of four years degree graduation/ integrated post-graduation qualification in Engineering/ Technology from recognized University OR cleared Sections A and B examination of Associate Membership of Institution of Engineers (India) or Aeronautical Society of India by actual studies with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent in the following disciplines:-
  - (aaa) Aerospace Engineering
  - (aab) Aeronautical Engineering
  - (aac) Aircraft Maintenance Engineering
  - (aad) Mechanical Engineering
  - (aae) Mechanical Engineering and Automation
  - (aaf) Mechanical Engineering (Production)
  - (aag) Mechanical Engineering (Repair and Maintenance)
  - (aah) Mechatronics
  - (aaj) Industrial Engineering

## (iii) Ground Duty (Non-Technical) Branches.

- (aa) <u>Administration&Logistics.</u> Graduate Degree (Minimum three years degree course) in any discipline from a recognised university with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent or cleared section A & B examination of Associate Membership of Institution of Engineers (India) or Aeronautical Society of India from a recognised university with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent.
- (ab) <u>Accounts</u>. B. Com. Degree (Minimum three years degree course) from a recognised university with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent.
- (ac) <u>Education</u>.MBA/ MCA or MA/ MSc degree in English/ Physics/ Mathematics/ Chemistry/ Statistics/ International relations/ International Studies/ Defence Studies/ Psychology/ Computer Science/ IT/ Management/ Mass Communication/ Journalism/ Public Relation with a minimum of 50% marks in aggregate of all papers put together in Post-Graduation (Minimum two years programme) and 60% marks in graduation, (both recognised by UGC/ Competent Accreditation Authority). For integrated courses (single degree without permission to exit and lateral entry), the minimum duration must be as per prevailing UGC guidelines with a minimum of 50% marks in aggregate of all papers put together.
- (iv) NCC Special Entry (Flying Branch). NCC Air Wing Senior Division £q certificate acquired on or after 15 Dec 15 is mandatory. Candidates should have mandatorily passed with a minimum of 60% marks each in Maths and Physics at 10+2. Graduates with minimum three years degree course in any discipline from a recognised University with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent. OR BE/ B Tech degree (Four years course) from a recognised University with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent OR Candidates who have cleared Section A & B examination of Associate Membership of Institution of Engineers (India) or Aeronautical Society of India from a recognised University with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent.

(v) <u>Meteorology</u>. Post Graduate Degree in any Science stream/ Mathematics/ Statistics/ Geography/ Computer Applications/ Environmental Science/ Applied Physics/ Oceanography/ Meteorology/ Agricultural Meteorology/ Ecology & Environment/ Geo-physics/ Environmental Biology with minimum of 50% marks in aggregate of all papers put together (Provided Maths and Physics were studied at Graduation Level with a minimum of 55% marks in each).

## (vi) Note.

- (aa) LLB qualified candidates (after commissioning) may get an opportunity to be employed on legal duties of the IAF.
- (ab) In case the candidates are awarded grades/ CGPA instead of marks, the conversion of grades/ CGPA to percentage of marks would be based on the procedure certified by the University from where they have obtained the degree. In case the University does not have any scheme for converting CGPA to percentage conversion certificate, CGPA will be converted into 10 points scale and multiplied by 10 to get equivalent percentage.
- (ac) Candidates who are studying in the final year/ semester Degree course and are yet to pass the final year degree examination can also apply provided candidate should not have any present backlog and should have secured a minimum of 60% marks upto the last semester/ year for which results have been declared upto the time of submission of application. They are required to submit proof of passing the Degree Examination by 15 November 2018 and no request for extending this date will be entertained on the grounds of late conduct of basic qualifying University Examination, delay in declaration of results or any other ground whatsoever.
- (ad) Candidates who have failed the Computerised Pilot Selection System (CPSS)/ Pilot Aptitude Battery Test (PABT) in an earlier attempt or a Flight Cadet suspended from flying training at Air Force Academy will not be eligible to apply in **Flying Branch**.
- (d) Candidates who were admitted to an earlier course at the National Defence Academy, Indian Military Academy, Air Force Academy, Indian Naval Academy, Officersq Training Academy, Chennai and Officersq Training Academy Ranchi but were removed on grounds of discipline are not eligible to apply.
- (e) Candidates who are debarred by the Ministry of Defence from holding any type of commission in the Defence Services shall not be eligible for admission to the AFCAT examination and if admitted, their candidature will be cancelled.
- (f) Candidates who have been convicted on criminal charges are not eligible to apply.
- 6. **Physical and Medical Standards**. Guidelines with regard to physical and medical standards for candidates are as follows:-
  - (a) Candidates must be physically fit according to the prescribed physical standards.
  - (b) Medical Examination will be conducted at AFCME, New Delhi or IAM Bengaluru based on candidates recommended by the AFSB. Non-reporting of candidates on allotted date for medicals could lead to cancellation of candidature. Male candidates will undergo a medical examination by a Board of Service Medical Officers. Women candidates will

undergo Medical Examination by a Medical Board comprising male/ female doctors/ specialists/ Gynaecologist. There will be a Lady Medical Officer as Member of Board. Only those candidates will be admitted to the Academy who are declared fit by the Medical Board. However, the candidates declared unfit will be intimated by the President of the Medical Board and procedure for request for an Appeal Medical Board (AMB) will also be intimated to the candidate.

(c) Candidates who are unfit may apply for AMB to be completed within 42 days of SMB and may request for Review Medical Board (RMB) within one day of completion of Appeal Medical Board. Candidates declared unfit by AMB will be intimated by the President AMB about procedure of challenging the findings of AMB. The candidates will also be intimated that holding RMB will be granted at the discretion of DGAFMS based on the merit of the case and that RMB is not a matter of right. The candidate should address the request for RMB if he/she so desires to DMS(MB)/ DGMS (Air), Air HQ, R.K. Puram and a copy of the same is to be handed over to the President of AMB. The office of the DGAFMS will inform the date and place (Delhi and Pune only) where the candidate will appear for an RMB.

# (d) **Height and Weight Parameters**.

- (i) You will be screened for your height and weight at AFSB. In case you do not meet the height criterion when you report to AFSB, you may not be tested. Overweight/ obese candidate would be issued with a letter of caution and advised to reduce weight within the specified limits before reporting for medicals. Maximum permissible weight deviation is 01 Standard Deviation (SD) as per the height and weight standards for men and women, failing which the above mentioned letters of caution would be issued.
- (ii) The minimum acceptable height for men and women candidates in Flying Branch is 162.5 cms, Leg Length: Min **99 cms**, Max -**120 cms**. Thigh Length: Max **64 cms**, Sitting Height: Min **81.5 cms**, Max **96 cms** (No concession for age/ sex/ region).
- (iii) The minimum acceptable height for male candidates in Ground Duty (Technical/Non-technical) Branch is 157.5 cms. For women candidates minimum acceptable height is 152 cms. (For Gorkhas and individual belonging to hills of North-Eastern region of India, Garhwal and Kumaon, the minimum acceptable height will be 5 cms less. In case of candidates from Lakshadweep, the minimum acceptable height will be 2 cms less than what is applicable to men and women respectively).
- (iv) Height and Weight standards for men and women are given below for Indian Air Force. Interpolation for weights against height not mentioned may be done.

# (aa) Height and Weight Standards for Men.

| Height in | Age Range (Years) |       |          |          |       |
|-----------|-------------------|-------|----------|----------|-------|
| cm        | 15-17             | 18-22 | 23-27    | 28-32    | 33-37 |
| 152       | 46                | 47    | 50       | 54       | 54    |
| 153       | 47                | 47    | 51       | 55       | 55    |
| 154       | 47                | 48    | 51       | 56       | 56    |
| 155       | 48                | 49    | 52       | 56       | 56    |
| 156       | 48                | 49    | 53       | 57       | 57    |
| 157       | 49                | 50    | 54       | 58       | 58    |
| 158       | 49                | 50    | 54       | 58       | 58    |
| 159       | 50                | 51    | 55       | 59       | 59    |
| 160       | 51                | 52    | 56       | 59       | 60    |
| 161       | 51                | 52    | 56       | 60       | 60    |
| 162       | 52                | 53    | 57       | 61       | 61    |
| 163       | 52                | 54    | 58       | 61       | 62    |
| 164       | 53                | 54    | 59       | 62       | 63    |
| 165       | 53                | 55    | 59       | 63       | 63    |
| 166       | 54                | 56    | 60       | 63       | 64    |
| 167       | 54                | 56    | 61       | 64       | 65    |
| 168       | 55                | 57    | 61       | 65       | 65    |
| 169       | 55                | 57    | 62       | 65       | 66    |
| 170       | 56                | 58    | 63       | 66       | 67    |
| 171       | 56                | 59    | 64       | 66       | 68    |
| 172       | 57                | 59    | 64       | 67       | 68    |
| 173       | 58                | 60    | 65       | 68       | 69    |
| 174       | 58                | 61    | 66       | 68       | 70    |
| 175       | 59                | 61    | 66       | 69       | 71    |
| 176       | 59                | 62    | 67       | 70       | 71    |
| 177       | 60                | 62    | 68       | 70       | 72    |
| 178       | 60                | 63    |          | 71       | 73    |
| 179       | 61                | 64    | 69<br>69 | 72       | 73    |
|           | 1                 |       |          |          |       |
| 180       | 61                | 64    | 70       | 72       | 74    |
| 181       | 62                | 65    | 71       | 73       | 75    |
| 182       | 62                | 66    | 72       | 74       | 76    |
| 183       | 63                | 66    | 72       | 74       | 76    |
| 184       | 64                | 67    | 73       | 75<br>75 | 77    |
| 185       | 64                | 68    | 74       | 75       | 78    |
| 186       | 65                | 68    | 74       | 76       | 78    |
| 187       | 65                | 69    | 75       | 77       | 79    |
| 188       | 66                | 69    | 76       | 77       | 80    |
| 189       | 66                | 70    | 77       | 78       | 81    |
| 190       | 67                | 71    | 77       | 79       | 81    |
| 191       | 67                | 71    | 78       | 79       | 82    |
| 192       | 68                | 72    | 79       | 80       | 82    |
| 193       | 68                | 73    | 79       | 81       | 83    |
| SD        | 6.0               | 6.3   | 7.1      | 6.6      | 6.9   |

# (ab) Height and Weight standards for Women.

| Height in cm | Weight in Kg |             |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|
|              | 20-25 years  | 26-30 years |
| 148          | 43           | 46          |
| 149          | 44           | 47          |
| 150          | 45           | 48          |
| 151          | 45           | 48          |
| 152          | 46           | 49          |
| 153          | 47           | 50          |
| 154          | 47           | 50          |
| 155          | 48           | 51          |
| 156          | 49           | 52          |
| 157          | 49           | 53          |
| 158          | 50           | 53          |
| 159          | 51           | 54          |
| 160          | 51           | 55          |
| 161          | 52           | 55          |
| 162          | 52           | 56          |
| 163          | 53           | 57          |
| 164          | 54           | 57          |
| 165          | 54           | 58          |
| 166          | 55           | 59          |
| 167          | 56           | 60          |
| 168          | 56           | 60          |
| 169          | 57           | 61          |
| 170          | 58           | 62          |
| 171          | 58           | 62          |
| 172          | 59           | 63          |
| 173          | 59           | 64          |
| 174          | 60           | 64          |
| 175          | 61           | 65          |
| 176          | 61           | 66          |
| 177          | 62           | 67          |
| 178          | 63           | 67          |
| SD           | 5            | 5           |

# (e) Visual Standards.

# (i) <u>Visual Standards for Flying Branch</u>.

- (aa) Candidates who habitually wear spectacles are not eligible for flying branch. In case they report for testing they will be tested for other branches (if applied for).
- (ab) Minimum distant vision 6/6 in one eye and 6/9 in other correctable to 6/6 only for Hypermetropia

Colour vision CP-1

Hypermetropia: +2.0 d Sph

Manifest Myopia : Nil

RetinoscopicMyopia: -0.5 in any meridian permitted

Astigmatism: +0.75 D Cyl (with + 2.0 DMax)

- (ac) Maddox Rod Test
  - (i) At 6 meters Exo-6 prism D
    Eso-6 prism D
    Hyper-1 prism D
    Hypo-1prism D
  - (ii) At 33 cms Exo-16 prism D Eso-6 prism D Hyper-1 prism D 1Hypo-1 prism D
- (ad) Hand held Stereoscope-All of BSV Grades
- (ae) Convergence-up to 10 cm
- (af) Cover test for distant and near Lateral divergence/convergence recovery rapid and complete. Binocular Vision Must possess good binocular vision (fusion and stereopsis with good amplitude and depth).

# (ii) <u>Visual Standards for Ground Duty (Technical) Branch.</u>

| Maximum Limits of Refractive Error |  | Colour<br>Vision |
|------------------------------------|--|------------------|
| Myopia: -3.50 D Sph                | Corrected visual acuity should be 6/9 in each eye. Wearing of glasses will be compulsory when advised. |                  |

# (iii) Visual Standards for Ground Duty (Non-technical) Branch.

| Sub Branch              | Maximum Limits of Refractive Error  | Visual Acuity Errors  | Colour<br>Vision |
|-------------------------|---|---|------------------|
| Administration          | Hypermetropia: + 3.5 D Sph<br>Myopia: - 3.5 Sph<br>Astigmatism: ± 2.50 D Cyl in<br>any meridian | Corrected visual acuity should be 6/6 in each eye   | CP-II            |
| Logistics               | Hypermetropia: +3.5 D Sph<br>Myopia: -3.50 D Sph<br>Astigmatism: ± 2.50 D Cyl                   | Corrected visual acuity should be 6/6 in the better eye and 6/18 in the worse eye. Wearing of glasses will be compulsory. |                  |
| Accounts &<br>Education | Hypermetropia: +3.5 D Sph<br>Myopia: -3.50 D Sph<br>Astigmatism: ± 2.50 D Cyl                   | Corrected visual acuity should be 6/6 in the better eye and 6/18 in the worse eye. Wearing of glasses will be compulsory. |                  |
| Meteorology             | Hypermetropia: +3.5 D Sph<br>Myopia: -3.5 D Sph<br>Astigmatism: ± 2.50 D<br>Cyl in any meridian | Corrected visual acuity should be 6/6 in the better eye and 6/18 in the worse eye. Wearing of Glasses will be compulsory. |                  |

# (iv) <u>Criteria for post LASIK surgery for all branches (Flying/ Ground Duty (Tech)/ Ground Duty (Non-tech)</u>.

- (aa) Candidates who have undergone PRK (Photo Refractive Keratotomy)/ LASIK (Laser in Situ Keratotomileusis) may be considered fit for commissioning in Air Force for all branches.
- (ab) Post PRK/LASIK candidates must meet the visual requirements required for the branch as laid down in Para 3.12.5.2 IAP 4303(4<sup>th</sup> edition).
- (ac) The following criteria must be satisfied prior to selecting post-PRK/LASIK at the time of Air Force Medical Examination.
  - (aaa) PRK/ LASIK surgery should not have been carried out before the age of 20 years.
  - (aab) The axial length of the eye should not be more than 25.5 mm as measured by IOL master.
  - (aac) At least 12 months should have elapsed post uncomplicated stable PRK/ LASIK with no history or evidence of any complication. At the time of initial medical examination.
  - (aad) The post LASIK corneal thickness as measured by a corneal pachymeter should not less than 450 microns.
  - (aae) Individuals with high refractive errors (>6D) prior to LASIK are to be excluded.
- (ad) Radial Keratotomy (RK) surgery for correction of refractive errors are not permitted for any Air Force duties. Candidates having undergone cataract surgery with or without IOL implants will also be declared unfit.
- (f) The candidate must be physically fit according to the prescribed physical standards which are summarized below:-
  - (i) The candidate must be in good physical and mental health and free from any disease/ disability which is likely to interfere with the efficient performance of duties.
  - (ii) There should be no evidence of weak constitution, bodily defects or overweight.
  - (iii) In your own interest you are advised to undergo a preliminary medical check up for wax in ears, refractory error of eyes, fungal infection of skin etc. before reporting for the AFSB interview.
  - (iv) Chest should be well developed. The minimum range of expansion after full inspiration should be 5 cms. The measurement will be taken with a tape so adjusted that its lower edge should touch the nipple in front and the upper part of the tape should touch the lower angle of the shoulder blades behind. X-Ray of the chest is compulsory and will be taken to rule out any disease of the chest.
  - (v) There should be no disease of bones and joints of the body.

- (vi) A candidate should have no past history of mental breakdown or fits.
- (vii) There should be no sign of functional or organic disease of the heart and blood vessel. Blood pressure should be normal and candidates should be free from AIDS.
- (viii) The muscles of abdomen should be well developed and there should be no enlargement of liver or spleen. Any evidence of disease of internal organs of the abdomen will be a cause for rejection.
- (ix) <u>Inguinal Hernia</u>. Inguinal Hernia (Un-operated) will be a cause for rejection. Those who have been operated for hernia may be declared medically fit, provided:-
  - (aa) One year has elapsed since operation, documentary proof to this aspect is to be produced by the candidate.
  - (ab) General tone of the abdominal musculature is good.
  - (ac) Surgical scar is well healed healthily without any gaping.
  - (ad) There has been no recurrence to hernia or complication connected with the operation.
- (x) There should be no hydrocele, varicocele or piles.
- (xi) Urine examination will be done and any abnormality, if detected will be a cause for rejection.
- (xii) Any disease of the skin which is likely to cause disability or disfigurement will also be a cause for rejection.
- (xiii) For women candidates if pregnancy is detected at any stage after selection at AFSB or during training, will debar the candidates from grant of commission and cost recovered from the date of joining AFA till the date of debarring on confirmation of pregnancy from Military Hospital Authorities.
- (xiv) The candidates should have sufficient number of natural and sound teeth. A minimum of 14 dental points will be acceptable. When 32 teeth are present, the total dental points are 22. A candidate should not be suffering from severepyorrhoea.
- (xv) X-Ray examination of the chest will include the lower part of cervical spine for presence of cervical ribs. X-Ray examination of other parts of spine will be taken if the SMB considers it necessary.
- (xvi) Carrying angle of elbow should not be more than 15° and 18° among males and females respectively.
- (xvii) X-ray of Chest is compulsory.
- (xviii) The hearing should be normal. A candidate should be able to hear a forced whisper with each ear at a distance of 610 cms in a quiet room. There should be no evidence of present or past disease of the ear, nose and throat. Hearing Standards are as follows:-

- (aaa) Speech test: Whispered hearing 610 cms each ear.
- (aab) Audiometric Test: Audiometric loss should not exceed +20 db in frequencies between 250 Hz and 8000 Hz.
- (aac) Routine ECG should be within normal limits.
- (xix) <u>Spinal Conditions for Flying Branch</u>. Past medical history of diseases or injury of the spine or sacriliac joints, either withor without objective signs which have prevented the candidate from successfully following a physically active life, is a case for rejection for commissioning in Flying Branch. History of spinal fracture/prolapsed intervertebral disc and surgical treatment for these conditions will entail rejection. The following conditions detected during medical exam will disqualify a candidate in Flying Branch:-
  - (aa) Granulomatous disease of spine.
  - (ab) Arthritis/ Spondylosis.
  - (ac) Rheumatoid arthritis and allied disorders.
  - (ad) Ankylosing spondylitis.
  - (ae) Osteoarthrosis, spondylosis and degenerative joint diseases.
  - (af) Non articular rheumatism (e.g. lesions of the rotator cuff, tennis elbow,recurrent lumbago etc.).
  - (ag) Miscellaneous disorders including SLE, dermatomyositis, polymyositis, vasculitis.
  - (ah) Spondylolisthesis/spondylolysis/spondylosis.
  - (aj) Compression fracture of vertebrae.
  - (ak) Scheurman's disease (Adolescent kyphosis).
  - (al) Loss of cervical lordosis when associated with clinically restricted movements of cervical spine.
  - (am) Unilateral/bilateral cervical ribs with demonstrable neurological or circulatory deficit.
  - (an) Scoliosis more than 15 degree as measured by Cobb's method.
  - (ap) Degenerative Disc Disease.
  - (aq) Presence of schmorl's nodes at more than one level.
  - (ar) Atlanto-occipital and atlanto-axial anomalies.
  - (as) Hemi vertebrae and/or incomplete block (fused) vertebrae at any level incervical, dorsal or lumbar spine and complete block (fused) vertebrae at more than one level in cervical or dorsal spine.
  - (at) Unilateral Sacralisation or lumbarisation (Complete or incomplete) at all levels and bilateral incomplete sacralisation or lumbarisation.
  - (au) Any other abnormality if so considered by the specialist.
- 7. <u>How to Apply</u>. Candidates are required to apply online by using the link <a href="https://careerindianairforce.cdac.in">https://careerindianairforce.cdac.in</a>, or <a href="https://afcat.cdac.in">https://afcat.cdac.in</a>. Aadhaar Card is mandatory for online registration. Detailed instructions for filling in the online application form are appended below:-
  - (a) Candidates need to exercise utmost care while filling in the online application. In case any information is found to be incorrect, the candidature is likely to be cancelled at any stage of the selection process. Submission of more than one application, for the same AFCAT exam, will result in cancellation of candidature.

- (b) Candidates will be required to complete the process of Online Application form which will have the following sequence. Details in tabular form are given in Para 7 (h) below:-
  - (i) Click "CANDIDATE LOGIN" on the Home page- leads to AFCAT Sign-in.
  - (ii) In the next page, candidates to click "NOT YET REGISTERED? REGISTER HERE"
  - (iii) Sign Up: Creation of Log-in ID and candidate will receive a password in his/her registered email id
  - (iv) After successful registration, sign-in with registered email id and system generated password
  - (v) Reset Password- Log-Out
  - (vi) Fresh Log-in
  - (vii) Selection of Entry: "AFCAT"; "METEOROLOGY BRANCH"; "NCC SPECIAL ENTRY FOR FLYING BRANCH"
  - (viii) Click "INSTRUCTIONS". Read Instructions carefully
  - (ix) Acknowledgement of having read and understood instructions- Check box to proceed to next stage
  - (x) Click "APPLICATION FORM FILLING"
    - (aa) <u>Personal Information</u>. Fill in details.Click "SAVE AND CONTINUE" to proceed to next stage
    - (ab) Qualification Details. Fill in details.Click "SAVE AND CONTINUE" to proceed to next stage
    - (ac) <u>Course Preference</u>. Fill in details.Click "SAVE AND CONTINUE" to proceed to next stage
    - (ad) <u>Communication Details</u>. Fill in details.Click "SAVE AND CONTINUE" to proceed to next stage
    - (ae) <u>Upload</u>. Upload Photo, Signature & Thumb Impression (size of each jpg/ jpeg file to be between 10 and 50 kb)
    - (af) <u>City Selection</u>. Select from drop-down menu
    - (ag) **Declaration**.
    - Click "SAVE AND CONTINUE" to proceed to next stage
  - (xi) Click "MAKE PAYMENT"- Online or Challan (applicable only for AFCAT)
  - (xii) Click "FORM STATUS" to view Application Status- "Submitted" or "Pending"

- (xiii) For AFCAT Candidates Only: After 31 Jan 2018 click "DOWNLOAD ADMIT CARD" to download your Admit Card from the website <a href="https://afcat.cdac.in">https://afcat.cdac.in</a> and you will also receive Admit Card on your registered email ID. If the candidate does not receive his/her Admit Card in their registered email id or is not able to download the same from the mentioned website, he/she is required to enquire from AFCAT Query Cell. (Phone Nos 020-25503105 or 020-25503106). E-Mail queries may be addressed to <a href="mailto:afcatcell@cdac.in">afcatcell@cdac.in</a>.
- (c) While filling in the application form, candidates are required to click "SAVE AND CONTINUE" to complete the process of each part. If the mandatory fields are not filled and the final "SUBMIT+button not clicked, the candidates will not be able to proceed to the next part and the application form will be reflected as "Rending+. Before the final submission of Online form candidates are requested to look at a preview of their online form, because no change is permitted afterwards. However the candidature of AFCAT will be confirmed only after payment of a registration fee (Rs. 250/-).
- (d) While filling in the online application, applicants are advised to keep the relevant documents ready, as details are to be filled in as per Matriculation and other educational certificates.
- (e) Before a candidate fills in the online application, he or she should have the following scanned images saved as jpg/ jpeg files (size of each file to be between 10 and 50 kb)
  - (i) Recent passport size colour photograph
  - (ii) Signature
  - (iii) Thumb impression (left thumb for male candidates and right thumb for female candidates) created by pressing on ink stamp pad and then on plain blank paper
- (f) After successful payment action, the applicants are advised to note down their **Registration Number** for future correspondence.
- (g) Candidates are strongly advised to apply online well in time.
- (h) Detailed instructions on filling in the online application form is given in the table below:-

| S. No    | Description          |  |  |  |
|----------|----------------------|--|--|--|
| 1. Signu | 1. Signup Format     |  |  |  |
|          |                      | As per 10th Matriculation Passing      |  |  |
| (a)      | Full Name            | Certificate- all in alphabet of max 46 |  |  |
|          |                      | characters                             |  |  |
| (b)      | Father's Name        | In alphabet of maximum 46 characters   |  |  |
| (c)      | Mother's Name        | In alphabet of maximum 46 characters   |  |  |
| (d)      | Email id             | email id (to be used for Sign-in)      |  |  |
| (e)      | Nationality          | Indian                                 |  |  |
| (f)      | Mobile Number        | 10 digits                              |  |  |
| (g)      | Secret Question      | Select one from options                |  |  |
| (h)      | Secret Answer        | In alphabet of maximum 50 characters   |  |  |
| (j)      | Enter the text shown | Alphanumeric                           |  |  |

| 2. | Appli                           | cation Form  |   |
|----|---------------------------------|--|---|
|    | (a)                             | Type of Entry  | Candidate has to choose entry to IAF through one of the options (i) AFCAT (ii) METEOROLOGY BRANCH (iii) NCC SPECIAL ENTRY FOR FLYING BRANCH   |
|    | (b)<br>(c)<br>(d)<br>(e)<br>(f) | Name Father's Name Mother's Name Email Id Mobile Number                                  | These fields will be auto filled from the signup data entered by the candidate.   |
|    | (g)                             | Alternative Email Id   | Email id other than which the candidate has signed-up with  |
|    | (h)                             | AADHAAR Number   | 12 digit numeric number of the candidate as appearing in AADHAAR card issued by UIDAI.  |
|    | (j)                             | Visible Identification Mark  | In alphabet of 50 characters  |
|    | (k)                             | Status of Pilot Aptitude Battery Test (PABT)/ Computerised Pilot Selection System (CPSS) | Candidate has to choose Passed/<br>Failed/ Not appeared;<br>If passed fill the details from (i) to (iii)  |
|    | (i)                             | PABT/ CPSS Batch<br>Number   | Numeric Value   |
|    | (ii)                            | PABT/ CPSS Date of Passing   | MM/DD/YYYY  |
|    | (iii)                           | PABT/ CPSS Chest<br>No.  | Numeric Value   |
|    | (l)                             | AFSB Board   | Choose one from the list Dehradun, Gandhinagar, Mysore, Varanasi  |
| (  | (m)                             | Commercial Pilot<br>License (CPL)  | Select 'Yes' or 'No'  |
|    | (n)                             | Serving Airman of IAF  | Select 'Yes' or 'No'  |
|    | (p)                             | Gender   | Male or Female  |
|    | (q)                             | Date of Birth  | MM/DD/YYYY  |
|    | (r)                             | Marital Status   | Married or Unmarried  |
| 3. | Quali                           | fication Details   |   |
|    | (a)                             | Education Level  | Choose one from the list  10 + 2 + Graduation  Diploma + Graduation  10 + 2 + Graduation + PostGraduation  Diploma + Graduation + PostGraduation  10 + 2 + Integrated Post Graduation  Diploma + Integrated Post Graduation |

|          |                      | Choose one from the list                 |  |  |  |
|----------|----------------------|--|--|--|--|
|          | Education Level      | Graduate Options A                       |  |  |  |
| (b)      |                      | ·  |  |  |  |
| (b)      |                      | Graduate Options B                       |  |  |  |
|          |                      | Graduate Options C                       |  |  |  |
|          |                      | Graduate Options D                       |  |  |  |
|          |                      | For Group 'A', 'B', 'D' Choose from      |  |  |  |
|          |                      | - AMIE / ASI / IETE                      |  |  |  |
| (c)      | Qualifying Degree    | - Bachelor of Engineering                |  |  |  |
|          |                      | - Bachelor of Technology                 |  |  |  |
|          |                      | For Option 'C' enter B.Com etc.          |  |  |  |
| (d)      | Duration             | Numeric (4) four years for 'A', 'B', 'D' |  |  |  |
| (-)      |                      | Numeric (3) three years for 'C'          |  |  |  |
| (e)      | Name of College/     | In alphabet of max 50 characters         |  |  |  |
|          | Institute            | ·  |  |  |  |
| (f)      | Name of University   | In alphabet of max 50 characters         |  |  |  |
|          | Date/ Expected date  |  |  |  |  |
| (g)      | of obtaining         | MM/DD/YYYY                               |  |  |  |
|          | Graduation           |  |  |  |  |
| (h)      | Aggregate/ Gross     | Numeric 2 digit                          |  |  |  |
| (11)     | Percentage           | Tramono 2 digit                          |  |  |  |
| (j)      | Do you have          | Select 'Yes' or 'No'                     |  |  |  |
| ())      | Current backlog?     | 001001 100 01 140                        |  |  |  |
| (k)      | 10+2 / Higher Second | lary School Details                      |  |  |  |
| (i)      | Enter Aggregate/     | Numeric 2 digit                          |  |  |  |
| (1)      | Gross Percentage     | Numeric 2 digit                          |  |  |  |
| (ii)     | Enter Physics        | Numeric 2 digit                          |  |  |  |
| (")      | Percentage           | Transition 2 digit                       |  |  |  |
| (iii)    | Enter Mathematics    | Numeric 2 digit                          |  |  |  |
| ` ′      | Percentage           | Numeric 2 digit                          |  |  |  |
| 4. Cours | se Preference        |  |  |  |  |
|          |                      | Candidate to select from the list of     |  |  |  |
|          |                      | courses                                  |  |  |  |
| (a)      | Courses              | - Flying                                 |  |  |  |
|          |                      | - Ground Duty (Technical)                |  |  |  |
|          |                      | - Ground Duty (Non Technical)            |  |  |  |
| 5. NCC   |                      |  |  |  |  |
| (0)      | NCC Air Wing "C"     | If condidate is isining through NCC      |  |  |  |
| (a)      | Certificate          | If candidate is joining through NCC      |  |  |  |
| (i)      | Serial No.           | Number                                   |  |  |  |
| (ii)     | Name of NCC Unit     | In alphabet of max 50 characters         |  |  |  |
| (iii)    | Year                 | Numeric 4 digit (YYYY)                   |  |  |  |
| 6. GATE  | 6. GATE              |  |  |  |  |
| (a)      | Year of appearing    | Numeric 4 digit                          |  |  |  |
| (b)      | GATE Score           | Numeric 2 digit                          |  |  |  |
| . ,      | )/ CCD amazara d     | Candidate has to choose Passed/          |  |  |  |
|          | 3/ SSB appeared      | Failed/ Not appeared;                    |  |  |  |
| Candi    | dates                | If Passed fill details from (a) to (e)   |  |  |  |
| (a)      | Serial No.           | Number                                   |  |  |  |
| (b)      | Batch No.            | Number                                   |  |  |  |
| (-/      | 1                    | <u> </u>                                 |  |  |  |

| (c)                        | Date   | DD/MM/YYYY  |  |  |
|----------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| (d)                        | AFSB Name  | In alphabet of max 50 characters  |  |  |
| (u)<br>(e)                 |  | Numeric 3 digits  |  |  |
|                            | No of Days at AFSB   Numeric 3 digits  ource of AFCAT information  |   |  |  |
| List of information Newspa |  |   |  |  |
| (a)                        | Source   | Employment News   |  |  |
| 9. Comn                    | nunication Details   |   |  |  |
| (a) (                      | Correspondence Addres  | SS  |  |  |
| (i)                        | Full Address   | In alphabet and numbers of maximum 100 characters   |  |  |
| (ii)                       | Select State   | From drop-down menu   |  |  |
| (iii)                      | Select City  | From drop-down menu   |  |  |
| (iv)                       | Pin Code   | Numeric 6 digits  |  |  |
| (v)                        | Nearest Railway<br>Station   | In alphabet of maximum 50 characters  |  |  |
| (vi)                       | Landline Number  | STD code and Landline<br>Numeric 11 digit   |  |  |
| (vii)                      | Check if the correspondence address is same as Permanent address.  | Tick so than the correspondence address details are populated in the  |  |  |
| (b) Pe                     | rmanent Address  |   |  |  |
| (i)                        | Full Address   | Alphabets and Numbers of maximum 100 characters   |  |  |
| (ii)                       | State  | List of states displayed  |  |  |
| (iii)                      | City   | List of cities displayed  |  |  |
| (iv)                       | Pin Code   | Numeric 6 digits  |  |  |
| (v)                        | Nearest Railway<br>Station   | Alphabet of maximum 50 characters   |  |  |
| (vi)                       | Landline Number  | STD code and Landline<br>Numeric 11 digit   |  |  |
| 10. Uplo                   | pading Images  | Size of each file is to be between 10 KB and 50KB   |  |  |
| (a)                        | Photograph   | Upload un-attested recent passport size colour photograph (front portrait without headgear, expect for Sikhs) |  |  |
| (b)                        | Signature  | Upload scanned image of own signature in JPEG format  |  |  |
| (c)                        | Thumb Impression   | Upload scanned impression of the thumb in JPEG format   |  |  |
| 11. Exa                    | 11. Examination City  5 choices based on preference from the list of exam cities as mentioned in Point 9 (f) |   |  |  |

- (j) Examination fee for AFCAT Entry. After filling in the online application form, the examination fee of Rs. 250/- (non-refundable) for AFCAT entry (not applicable for meteorology and NCC special entry) may be paid online or by challan through the 'Make Payment' step on the main menu of the online application. No cash or cheque or demand draft (DD) will be accepted towards payment of examination fee. The examination fee can be paid using credit/debit cards/ net banking through the payment gateway. Candidates are advised to follow the instructions/ steps given on the payment gateway, and also print/keep the transaction details for their records. The examination fee can also be remitted through challan payment at any HDFC or Axis Bank branch. Once the exam fee is received by the IAF, the status of the online application will be displayed as "Submitted" and the candidate will be able to receive Admit Card on his/her registered email ID.
- (k) <u>Serving Airmen</u>. Serving airmen are also required to apply like other candidates. In addition, they are also required to apply as per the service format given in AFO 11/2015 through service channel.
- (I) <u>NOC for Government Employees</u>. The candidates who are already in Government Service including serving in the armed forces, Government-owned industrial undertakings or other similar organizations or in private employment also need to apply online after obtaining necessary permission from their departments concerned and they are required to produce NOC at the time of AFSB testing, failing which they will be routed back without being tested.
- (m) <u>Permission of Employer</u>. Candidates should note that in case communication is received from their employer to withhold permission to the candidates who have applied for/appearing in the examination, their candidature is liable to be cancelled.
- (n) Candidates are not required to submit any certificate, along with their applications, in support of their claims regarding age, educational qualifications, etc.
- (p) <u>Contact/ Reference Details during Registration & Communication</u>. While filling in the application form, the applicants must ensure that they provide their valid and active E-mail IDs as the IAF would use electronic mode of communication while contacting them at different stages of the examination process. On successful submission of Online application form, the candidate will receive a confirmatory e-mail on their registered e-mail ID. As such, candidates must ensure that the registered e-mail ID remains valid and active throughout the selection process. In addition, all communication to the IAF should invariably contain the following particulars. Any communication without the below information, will not be entertained, before or after the examination.
  - (i) Branch, Course number and year of the examination
  - (ii) Registration Number
  - (iii) Hall Ticket Number given in the Admit Card
  - (iv) Name of Candidate (in full and in block letters)

# 8. **AFCAT**.

- (a) <u>Scheme of Online Examination</u>. All applicants whose applications are submitted by due date will be called at one of the examination centres for AFCAT scheduled on **25 February 2018 (Sunday)**. It is mandatory for the candidates opting for Ground Duty (Technical) branch to appear in both AFCAT as well as EKT. Engineering Knowledge Test will also be conducted along with the AFCAT.
  - (i) **Exam Schedule**. The AFCAT (and EKT) will be conducted in two shifts as per the following schedule:-

| Activity                               | First Shift      | Second Shift     |
|--|------------------|------------------|
| Candidate Reporting Time               | 0700 hrs         | 1230 hrs         |
| Verification of Admit Card & ID Proof, |                  |                  |
| Biometrics, Photo/ Thumb               |                  |                  |
| Impression/ Sign on Attendance         | 0700- 0845 hrs   | 1230-1415 hrs    |
| Sheet & Candidate Seating in Exam      |                  |                  |
| Hall                                   |                  |                  |
| Reading of Instructions by             | 0845-0900 hrs    | 1330-1430 hrs    |
| Candidates                             | 0045-0900 1113   | 1330-1430 1113   |
| AFCAT                                  | 0900 to 1100 hrs | 1430- 1630 hrs   |
| Exit time for Non EKT candidates       | 1100 to 1130 hrs | 1630-1700 hrs    |
| EKT                                    | 1130 to 1215 hrs | 1700 to 1745 hrs |

<u>Note</u>: No candidate will be permitted to enter the exam hall after the exam has commenced at 0900 hrs (for First Shift) and 1345 hrs (for Second Shift) under any circumstance.

(ii) <u>Syllabus</u>. The subjects, the time allowed and the maximum marks allotted to each subject will be as follows:-

| Exam  | Subject   | Duration      | No. of<br>Questions | Max<br>Marks |
|---|---|---------------|---------------------|--------------|
| AFCAT   | General Awareness, Verbal<br>Ability in English, Numerical<br>Ability and Reasoning and<br>Military Aptitude Test | 02 Hours      | 100                 | 300          |
| EKT(For<br>Ground Duty<br>Technical<br>Branch only) | Mechanical, Computer<br>Science and Electrical and<br>Electronics   | 45<br>Minutes | 50                  | 150          |

(iii) The Online examination will consist of objective type questions and will be in English only for both AFCAT and EKT

# (iv) Marking Scheme is as follows:-

- (aa) Three marks will be awarded for every correct attempt
- (ab) One mark will be deducted for every incorrect attempt
- (ac) No marks for unattempted questions
- (v) Questions will be based on the metric system of Weights & Measures wherever applicable.
- (vi) Candidates must appear for the Online AFCAT in person. Under no circumstance will any scribe or another candidate be allowed to appear/ assist in the exam.
- (vii) Air Force has the discretion to fix qualifying marks in any or all the subjects of the examination.

# (b) Standard and Syllabus of the Examination:

# (i) **Syllabus**.

- (aa) <u>English</u>. Comprehension, Error Detection, Sentence Completion/Filling in of correct word, Synonyms, Antonyms and Testing of Vocabulary, Idioms and Phrases
- **(ab)** General Awareness. History, Geography, Civics, Politics, Current Affairs, Environment, Basic Science, Defence, Art, Culture, Sports, etc
- **(ac)** <u>Numerical Ability</u>. Decimal Fraction, Time and Work, Average, Profit & Loss, Percentage, Ratio & Proportion and Simple Interest, Time & Distance (Trains/Boats & Streams)
- (ad) Reasoning and Military Aptitude Test. Verbal Skills and Spatial Ability
- (ii) <u>Standard</u>. The standard of Numerical Ability Questions will be of Matriculation level. The standard of questions in other subjects will be of graduation level (Indian University).
- (c) <u>Mock Test.</u> An online Mock Test (for AFCAT & EKT) will be made available to only candidates who have registered successfully, for practice on the IAF website https://careerindianairforce.cdac.in or https://afcat.cdac.in after the last date of Registration, i.e. 23 Jan 2018.

# (d) <u>Instructions for e-Admit Card and AFCAT Written Examination</u>.

- (i) The eligible candidates shall be issued with an e-Admit Card three weeks before the date of the examination. The e-Admit Card will be sent to the registered email IDs and will be also available at the website <a href="www.careerindianairforce.cdac.in">www.careerindianairforce.cdac.in</a> of all candidates who successfully submitted their online application. No Admit Card will be sent by post. To download the e-Admit Card, a candidate should have his/her username and password. The candidate will be solely responsible for downloading his/her e-Admit Card.
- (ii) No candidate will be allowed to appear in the examination unless he/ she holds a downloaded e-Admit Card for the examination. If there is any error/ discrepancy in the e-Admit Card, please bring it to the notice of AFCAT-C-DAC Query Cell immediately (Telephone No. 020-25503105/ 06. E-Mail queries may be addressed to afcatcell@cdac.in).
- (iii) The courses to which the candidates are admitted will be according to their eligibility as per age and educational qualifications and the course preferences given by them. The candidates should note that their admission to the examination will be purely provisional, based on the information given by them in the Application Form. On verification, in case the IAF finds that the information disclosed by the candidate is not correct or genuine, the candidature will be treated as cancelled.
- (iv) Candidates are to ensure that the personal information in the front side of the e-Admit card are as per the details provided by them during the registration process. They are also advised to read the instructions given at the rear of the e-Admit card beforehand.
- (v) The decision of the IAF, based on the given information, shall be final with regard to the acceptance of a candidates application.

#### (e) Special Instructions to Candidates for Online Examination.

- (i) <u>Items to be Brought Inside Examination Hall</u>. The following items are to be carried to the exam centre:-
  - (aa) Admit Card for AFCAT 01/2018
  - (ab) Candidates Aadhaar Card
  - (ac) Another valid photo identity card such as PAN card/ passport/ driving licence/ voter identity card/ college identity card or any other valid photo identity proof, with details of name, fathers name, date of birth and a clear photograph.
  - (ad) Two passport size colour photographs- same as the photo uploaded during online application (to be pasted, not stapled on Admit Card next to the printed photo and on attendance sheet at the exam centre)

- (ae) Ballpoint Pen (Blue or Black) for signing on the attendance sheet and rough work.
- (ii) <u>Items not permitted inside Examination Hall</u>. Candidates are not allowed to carry any textual material, calculators, docupen, slide rulers, log tables, electronic watches with facilities of calculator, mobile phones, blue tooth, pager or any other digital device except the Admit Card, identity proof inside the AFCAT- C-DAC exam centre premises. If the candidate is in possession of any of the above mentioned items, it will be construed as an attempt to using unfair means and his/her examination will be cancelled. The item will be confiscated and he/ she will also be debarred from future AFCAT examinations. Candidates are advised not to bring any valuable/costly items to the Examination Centres, as safe keeping of the same cannot be assured. IAF will not be responsible for any loss in this regard.
- (iii) <u>Using Unfair Means</u>. If any candidate resorts to the use of unfair means during the exam, he/ she will be withdrawn from the examination and his/ her candidature will be cancelled.
- (iv) <u>Conduct in Examination Hall</u>. The candidates are expected to conduct themselves in a dignified manner during the examination or while interacting with the staff on duty.
- (f) <u>Centres of Online Examination</u>: Agartala, Agra, Ahmedabad, Aligarh, Allahabad, Aizawl, Ambala, Amritsar, Andaman, Bareilly, Behrampur, Belgaum, Bengaluru, Bahadurgarh, Bhagalpur, Bhawanipatna, Bhilai, Bhopal, Bhuj, Bhubaneshwar, Bikaner, Chandigarh, Chennai, Coimbatore, Darbhanga, Darjeeling, Dehradun, Delhi, Dhanbad, Diu, Durgapur, Faridabad, Ganganagar, GautamBudh Nagar, Ghaziabad, Gorakhpur, Greater Noida, Guntur, Gurugram, Guwahati, Gwalior, Haldwani, Hisar, Hyderabad, Imphal, Indore, Itanagar, Jabalpur, Jaipur, Jaisalmer, Jalandhar, Jalpaigudi, Jammu, Jamshedpur, Jhansi, Jodhpur, Jorhat, Kakinada, Kannur, Kanpur, Kharagpur, Kochi, Kohima, Kolhapur, Kolkata, Kota, Kurukshetra, Leh, Lucknow, Madurai, Mangalore, Meerut, Midnapore, Mumbai, Mysore, Nagpur, Nasik, Nizamabad, Pathankot, Patna, Puducherry, Pune, Rajkot, Ranchi, Rohtak, Rourkee, Rourkela, Sambalpur, Shillong, Shimla, Silchar, Solapur, Sonipat, Srinagar, Thane, Thiruvananthapuram, Thrissur, Tinsukia, Tirunelveli, Tirupathi, Udaipur, Ujjain, Vadodara, Varanasi, Vellore, Vijayawada, Vishakapatnam, Warangal
- (g) <u>Allotment of Centres</u>. Allotment of centres will be on first-come-first-served basis. Applicants are thus advised to apply early so that they are able to get a centre of their choice. **Candidates should note that no request for change of centre will be entertained**. Therefore candidates should exercise due care before deciding his/her choice for the centre for the examination before filling in the form.

- (h) <u>Facilitation Counter for Guidance of Candidates for Online Registration and</u> **Submission of Forms**.
  - (i) For any query on AFCAT Entry:- Candidates may contact AFCAT Cell on **Toll** free number 1800-11-2448 or Phone Nos 020-25503105 or 020-25503106. E-Mail queries may be addressed to <a href="mailto:afcatcell@cdac.in">afcatcell@cdac.in</a>.
  - (ii) For any query on NCC Special Entry and Meteorology Branch:- Candidates may contact JDPO-3 (A/B) on 011-23010231 extn 7645, 7646, 7610 to resolve any query. E-mail queries may be addressed to career\_iaf@bol.net.in.
  - (iii) Telephonic query timings are from **0930 hrs to 1700 hrs (**Monday to Friday, except closed holidays).

# 9. Air Force Selection Board (AFSB).

- For AFCAT entry, IAF shall prepare a list of candidates who obtain the minimum (a) qualifying marks in the Online AFCAT as fixed by the IAF in their discretion. Candidates who are declared successful in the Online AFCAT will be called at one of the Air Force Selection Boards. Candidates who have applied for NCC Special Entry and Meteorology Branch will be directly called for AFSB testing at one of the AFSB centres. The AFSB centres are at Dehradun (1 AFSB), Mysore (2 AFSB), Gandhinagar (3 AFSB)and Varanasi (4 AFSB). Candidates who opt for flying branch can only opt for Dehradun, Mysore and Varanasi. Candidates who have qualified in the written exam are required to choose **AFSB** date and venue by themselves on the website https://careerindianairforce.cdac.inor https://afcat.cdac.in in order to generate callup letter for AFSB interview.
- (b) <u>Physical Fitness</u>. Candidates are advised to be physically fit when you report for SSB in order to be able to undergo various tests at AFSB. You should aim to achieve an ability to run 01 mile (1.6 kms) in 10 minutes, 10 push ups and 3 chin ups.
- (c) The testing at AFSB would consist of three stages as given below:-
  - (i) <u>Stage-I</u>. Officer Intelligence Rating Test along with Picture Perception and discussion test will be conducted on the first day. Stage-I test is a screening test and only those who qualify would undergo subsequent testing. All Stage-I qualified candidates would be subjected to document check to ascertain their eligibility for the branches applied for. Candidates who either do not qualify in Stage-I or do not meet the required eligibility criteria would be sent back on the first day itself.
  - (ii) <u>Stage-II</u>. Psychological test will be conducted on Day 1(Afternoon) and the Group Tests and Interview would commence after document check for the next five days.
  - (iii) <u>For Flying Branch</u>. Computerised Pilot Selection System (CPSS) would be administered to recommended candidates only. This is once in a lifetime test. Candidates who have failed the CPSS/PABT in an earlier attempt or a Flight Cadet suspended from flying training at Air Force Academy will not be eligible.

- (d) <u>Change of Interview Dates</u>. Request for change of AFSB interview date should be avoided. Requests for postponing interview will only be considered under very genuine circumstances and that too if it is administratively convenient for which Air Headquarter will be the sole deciding authority. Such requests should be sent to AFSB Centre from where the call for AFSB interview has been received.
- (e) Candidates will appear before the AFSB and undergo the test at their own risk and will not be entitled to claim any compensation or other relief from Government in the event of any injury which they may sustain in the course of or as a result of any of the tests given to them at the Selection Board whether due to the negligence of any person or otherwise. Candidates will be required to sign a certificate to this effect on the form appended to the application.
- (f) <u>Travel Allowance (TA)</u>. To and fro travelling fare by the shortest route of AC-III Tier/AC Chair Car or actual normal bus fare will be reimbursed to the candidates appearing in AFSB for the first time. Change of address, if any, must be intimated to the Board well before arrival. You shall furnish the railway ticket/ bus ticket (hard copy) to the Board, failing which no TA will be paid. For all other modes of travel, TA will be admissible as per the government authorized rules. No TA is admissible, if you have already appeared for the same type of entry at any of the Selection Boards. Candidates are to carry cancelled Cheque for Online Payment.
- (g) <u>Documents for AFSB</u>. Candidates are required to bring the following relevant documents, which will be checked and returned after verification during AFSB testing:-
  - (i) Original Matriculation/ Secondary School Certificate and Mark sheets issued by CBSE/ ICSE/ State Board. No other certificate will be accepted for verification of Date of Birth.
  - (ii) Original Marks Sheet & Certificate of 10+2 (issued by the relevant Board).
  - (iii) Original/ Provisional Graduation Degree/ Post Graduation Degree Certificates and Mark Sheet of each year/ semester issued by University only for verification of educational qualifications to check eligibility for the course. Provisional Certificate issued by college Principal is **not** acceptable. However, Provisional Degree Certificate issued by the University is acceptable.
  - (iv) In case of final year/ semester students, a Certificate from the College Principal, clearly mentioning the following aspects annotated with proper stamp and seal of the Institution is required:-
    - (aa) Name of the College.
    - (ab) Name of the University.
    - (ac) Discipline in which Graduation/ Post Graduation obtained.
    - (ad) Aggregate Percentage.
    - (ae) Likely Date of Declaration of Final Result (in DD/MM/YYYY Format).
  - (v) Two attested photocopies of each of the above mentioned certificates.
  - (vi) Original NCC Certificate (if applicable).
  - (vii) NOC from employers for candidates working in Central/ State Govt. or Public Sector Undertakings.

- (viii) Original valid Commercial Pilots' License, issued by DGCA, if applicable.
- (ix) Inbound Railway Ticket/ Bus Tickets. (For refund of Travelling Allowance)
- (x) Candidates are also advised to bring twenty copies of recent passport size colour photographs taken in light coloured clothes against white background for documentation.
- (h) Candidates not in possession of the above documents or those who do not meet the eligibility conditions, should not report to the AFSB, as they will not be accepted for the tests and will be routed back without travelling allowances.
- (j) Candidates recommended by the IAF for interview by the Air Force Selection Board (AFSB) who have changed their addresses subsequent to the submission of their application for the examination should immediately after announcement of the result of the written part of the examination notify the changed address, along with an unstamped self addressed envelope, also to JDPO-3 (A) Air HQS. 'J' Block, Room No. 17, Opp. Vayu Bhawan, Motilal Nehru Marg, New Delhi-110 106. Failure to comply with this instruction will deprive the candidate of any claim to consideration in the event of his/her not receiving the letter for interview by the AFSB.
- (k) For all queries regarding allotment of AFSB centres, date of AFSB interview, merit list, Joining Instructions, and any other relevant information regarding selection process, please visit website <a href="https://careerindianairforce.cdac.in">https://careerindianairforce.cdac.in</a> or <a href="https://careerind
- 10. <u>Final Merit List</u>. To be acceptable, candidates should secure the minimum qualifying marks separately in written examination and AFSB test as fixed by the IAF. Candidates will be placed in the order of merit on the basis of the total marks secured by them in the written examination and in the AFSB tests. The form and manner of communication of the result of the examination to individual candidates shall be decided by the IAF in their discretion.10% of the vacancies are reserved for NCC Air Wing Senior Division 'C' certificate holders in Ground Duty (Technical and Non-technical) Branches. Grant of PC/ SSC in Ground Duty (Technical and Non-technical) Branches would be based on number of vacancies, performance in the selection process and the choice given by the candidates.
- 11. <u>Training</u>. Candidates recommended by the AFSBs and found medically fit by appropriate medical establishment are detailed for training strictly on the basis of merit and availability of vacancies in various branches/ sub branches.
  - (a) <u>Date and Duration of Training</u>. Training is scheduled to commence in the first week of **January 2019** for all courses. The approximate duration of training for Flying and Ground Duty (Technical) Branches is 74 weeks and that of Ground Duty (Non-technical) Branches is 52 weeks at Air Force Training Establishments.

- (b) <u>Physical Conditioning</u>. Prospective candidates are advised to keep themselves in good physical condition to adapt to physical training at AFA which encompasses running, swimming, rope climbing and other forms of physical training/conditioning in which they would undergo mandatory tests during training. Candidates are advised to keep themselves in good physical condition by following the under mentioned routine:-
  - (i) Running: up to 4 Km. in 15 minutes
  - (ii) Skipping
  - (iii) Pushups & Sit-ups: Minimum 20 each
  - (iv) Chin ups: 08
  - (v) Rope Climbing: 3 to 4 metres.
  - (vi) Swimming (25 m)
- (c) After admission to Air Force Academy, candidates will not be considered for any other commission. They will not be permitted to appear for any interview or examination after they have been finally selected for training in AFA. No request for withdrawal of candidature received from a candidate after he/she has submitted his/her application will be entertained under any circumstance.PAN Card, Aadhaar card and account in SBI/ Nationalised Bank is mandatory at the time of joining Air Force Academy (AFA).
- 12. <u>Disclaimer</u>. Information given in the notification and on the website are guidelines only. In case of any ambiguity, the existing policies, rules and regulations of IAF/ Govt. of India will be final. Terms and conditions for selection given in the notification are guidelines only and are subject to change without notice.
- 13. <u>Statutory Warning</u>. Selection in the Indian Air Force is free, fair and merit based. Any attempt to influence the selection process detected at any stage is liable to lead to termination of candidature or initiation of service and legal action against the concerned individual.