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(INDIAN COUNCIL OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH)
Krishi Anusandhan Bhavan-I, Pusa, New Delhi-110012



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NOTIFICATION

NATIONAL ELIGIBILITY TEST (NET-I) – 2016

1. The Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board (ASRB) will hold NET(I)-2016 Examination during **01.08.2016** to **06.08.2016** in Online mode at 23 Centres across India in a staggered slot-wise examination format as per the Rules and Scheme of Examination indicated in this notification. Online registration for the examination shall start from 1000 hrs on **05.06.2016** till 1700 hrs on **01.07.2016**. Candidates are advised to read the notification carefully before filling the Online Application Form.
2. National Eligibility Test (NET) is a qualifying examination for determining eligibility for the position of Lecturer/Assistant Professor in the State Agricultural Universities (SAUs) and other Agricultural Universities (AUs). Candidates clearing the National Eligibility Test will be eligible to apply for the post of Lecturers or Assistant Professors in the SAUs/AUs. NET certificates will be issued by the ASRB to the qualified candidates to enable them to apply against vacancies to be notified or advertised by the State Agricultural Universities/Agricultural Universities. SAUs/AUs will satisfy themselves with regard to fulfilment of prescribed eligibility condition/criterion for requisite posts of Lecturers/Assistant Professors including authenticity of the NET Certificate in the possession of the candidates.
3. **CENTRES:-**

The centres of NET (I) - 2016 Examination where the examination will be conducted in Online Computer Based Test (CBT) mode are mentioned in **APPENDIX – I**. The Centres and date(s) of holding the Examination as mentioned above could be changed at the discretion of ASRB. Candidates must select the centre of examination carefully. No request for change of centre would be entertained.
4. **PRESCRIBED EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

A candidate must possess a Master's degree or equivalent in the concerned Discipline and specialization completed on or before **01.08.2016** from any Indian University incorporated by an Act of Central or State Legislature in India or other educational institution established by an Act of Parliament or declared to be deemed University under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 or he/she must have qualification from a foreign University recognized as equivalent by the Government of India (GoI). The list of Disciplines and its prescribed educational qualifications are as given in **APPENDIX – II**.
5. **AGE LIMIT:-**

A candidate must have attained the age of 21 years as on **01.08.2016**. There is no upper age limit for the National Eligibility Test.

6. **APPLICATION FEE: -**

Details of Application fee to be paid:

Sl. No.	Category of candidate	₹
1	Unreserved (UR)	1000/-
2	Other Backward Class (OBC)	500/-
3	Scheduled Caste (SC)/ Scheduled Tribe (ST)/ Person with Disability (PwD)/ Women	250/-

OBC candidates whose caste is not listed in Central List (as available on National Commission for Backward Classes website www.ncbc.nic.in) and who are not covered under the provisions as applicable to OBC-Non Creamy Layer (NCL) candidates, shall be treated as General Category candidates for all purposes. Accordingly, OBC Candidates not belonging to OBC Non-Creamy Layer shall indicate their category as 'General'.

Transaction charges for Debit Card/Credit Card/NEFT/ payment, as the case may be, have to be borne by the candidate.

The fee must be paid online through the website: <http://www.asrb.org.in>

- i. For Online payment : Payment can be made through Debit Card/Credit Card from any Bank from 1000 hrs on **05.06.2016** to 1700 hrs on **01.07.2016**.
- ii. Payment using the online Challan generated (in case of payment to be made using Challan) can be made in any of the branches of the Syndicate Bank (list of the branches of Syndicate Bank can be obtained from the Branch locator link on : <http://www.syndicatebank.in>)

7. **PLAN OF EXAMINATION:-**

The Detailed Plan of Examination is given in **APPENDIX- III**.

8. **RULES OF EXAMINATION:-**

The Rules of Examination are given in **APPENDIX- IV**.

9. **HOW TO APPLY:-**

A candidate seeking admission to the Examination must apply online in the prescribed Application Form available on the website: <http://www.asrb.org.in>. A candidate must read the provisions, contained in this Notification for NET (I) - 2016 Examination carefully and abide by the same. A candidate must fulfil all the conditions of eligibility regarding age limits, educational qualifications, etc. prescribed for admission to the examination.

The online Application process will be open from **1000 Hrs on 05 June, 2016 to 1700 Hrs on 01 July, 2016** after which the link will automatically get disabled.

The candidates are not required to attach copy of any of the documents /certificates in support of their candidature at the time of submission of online application. However,

the candidates in their own interest must satisfy themselves about their eligibility for the test. In the event of any ineligibility being detected by the Board at any stage, including after declaration of result, their candidature shall be cancelled and they shall be liable for legal action.

No request for change in any field i.e., Centre of Examination, Discipline, Name, Father's Name, Date of Birth, Gender, E-mail Id, Mobile No., Phone No., Category, Medium of Examination etc. will be considered under any circumstances except bonafide spelling mistakes, etc. Candidates are therefore advised to be very careful while filling up their application form.

10. IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CANDIDATES FOR FILLING ONLINE APPLICATION:

- i. Candidates are required to apply online using the application form link available on the website: <http://www.asrb.org.in> only. No other mode of application is allowed. Candidates are hereby informed that the details they provide in the Online Application Form will be used for all future references and no modification thereto can be done subsequently. **Hence, they are advised to be very careful while filling the Application Form. They are, therefore, requested to thoroughly read this Notification before filling the online Application Form.**
- ii. In case multiple applications are received from a candidate, the latest application will be considered, ignoring all earlier one(s) received; without refunding / adjusting any Application Fee received for the other Applications.
- iii. Candidates are required to complete the Application Form by filling all the parts for which they will be guided in the course of filling the Application Form.
- iv. Candidates are required to keep ready the following relevant details /information / documents at the time of filling the online form:
 - a) Notification for NET (I) - 2016 Examination.
 - b) Name (as recorded in Secondary level Examination certificate)
 - c) Father's name (as recorded in the Secondary level Examination certificate)
 - d) Complete Address for Correspondence
 - e) Complete Permanent Address
 - f) Matriculation or equivalent Certificate
 - g) Master's Degree Certificate/Provisional Degree Certificate/Transcript/ Marksheets; if available.
 - h) Doctorate Degree Certificate/Provisional Degree Certificate/Transcript/ Marksheet; if available.
 - i) Center opted for NET (I) - 2016 Examination (Please check the Examination Center in this notification in Appendix – I).
 - j) Scanned copy of recent passport size photograph taken against white background only, of a maximum size of 150 kB in .jpg format only with the face covering at least 2/3rd of the total space and taken without spectacles.
 - k) Scanned copy of signatures taken in Black/Blue ink on a white paper only in .jpg format only.
 - l) Debit Card/Credit Card/Internet Banking details for online payment of fee.
 - m) Valid and active e-mail id.
- v. The candidates are required to enter their valid and active e-mail id only in the Application Form since all communication/information/update(s) for this Examination would be sent to this mail id only. In case, they do not have a mail id, they may obtain one from any of the e-mail service providers of the

candidate's choice. Please note that entry of the e-mail id in the prescribed field in the Application Form is mandatory/ compulsory.

In case, for whatever reason a candidate wish to fill another online Form , he/she will have to use another e-mail id , since an e-mail id once registered in our database cannot be used for another Form, even if the Name, Date of Birth, etc., fields are the same.

- vi. Please keep all relevant information regarding the payment towards Application Fee ready for successfully completing the Application process. For payment of Application Fee, please keep your Debit/Credit card ready for payment using them, (in case you are paying using these card(s)). Please keep UTR Number provided by the Bank/Branch where you have carried out NEFT/Challan transaction, in case you are adopting the NEFT / Challan payment option. In case, payment is being made through challan, the candidates will have to deposit the payment amount with any branch of Syndicate Bank.
- vii. Application Form will not be submitted unless the candidate has successfully uploaded the duly paid copy of the ASRB portion of the system generated challan (in case, paying the application fee through challan).
- viii. The candidate should keep the scanned copy of his/her recent passport size photograph {taken against a light background (preferably white) for prominence} of a maximum size of 150 KB in .jpg format only (with the face covering at least 2/3rd of the total space for easy identification) and Scanned copy of his/her Signature (taken in black ink only on a white paper for prominence) of a maximum size of 80 KB in .jpg format only for uploading during the process of Application Form Submission. The candidates are strongly advised to ensure that the same is duly and clearly uploaded in the application form. They should use only clear scanned copies (and not blurred or hazy) since the application form may not be considered if these are not clear. The photograph and signature would be used to be put on the Admission Certificate and entry to the examination centre is subject to verification of the photograph & signature.

The scanned photograph and signature must be uploaded in .jpg format only. These would be required to be uploaded using the links that will be guided to in the course of Applying. They may browse and select the location where the scanned photograph/ signature file has been saved, select it and click the upload button. Once uploaded, a message informing about the successful uploading of the Photograph/signature, as the case may be will be displayed. In case, they want to use another photograph/signature (i.e., use any other photograph / signature), then select the edit button on the link and repeat the same process as before.

The candidate should retain a printed copy of the same photograph for use in the subsequent stages of the examination.

- ix. Candidates are informed that there are provisions for editing at many stages. Once the complete process of filling up the information in the Application Form, the Photograph and Signature is completed, the candidate can view the entire Application Form together with the photograph and signature and can still edit at this point to make / incorporate any change/ editing in any field of the Application Form. However, once the payment process is completed, there is no possibility of making any modification/editing whatsoever.
- x. The examination will be conducted Online and the number of computers are limited at each centre. The candidates are advised to submit their application form

at the earliest since the slots/sessions for each centre for each Discipline are limited. In the event of the slot/session for any Discipline at any Centre becoming full, the candidate will have to select any other available slot/session for that Discipline at any other centre of their choice depending upon availability. The status of available slots/sessions will be dynamically changing since it would be concurrently accessed by other candidates also. No request for change of centre once selected and submitted will be considered.

- xi. The applicants are advised to regularly check the e-mail provided in the Application Form for update(s)/ information/ communication with regard to the Examination. They must check the spam/junk/inbox/trash folders also of the mailbox. They are also advised to save the e-mail net2016@asrb.org.in in contacts of their e-mail account so as the e-mails with attachments sent by this e-mail I.D. do not go to the spam folder.
- xii. Once the payment is successfully made, a message informing the successful submission of Application Form will be displayed. In case, this does not appear, the process needs to be repeated, since it signifies/implies that the Application Form has not been successfully uploaded/ submitted.
- xiii. Candidates are strongly advised to keep a print or soft copy of the completed Application Form for any future reference.
- xiv. Mere successful submission of the Application Form and/or issuance of Admission Certificate does not automatically ensure admission to the Examination. If on verification at any later stage, it is found that a candidate does not fulfil any of the eligibility condition(s) or has given wrong/incorrect/misleading /false information, either intentionally or otherwise, error of omission or commission, his/her candidature will be cancelled/rejected and fee paid will be forfeited, including any other action as deemed fit by the Board.
- xv. The online application form is spread over five parts. They will receive an e-mail/SMS on successful registration in Part-I, i.e., basic data regarding their Name, Father's Name, E-mail Id, Date of Birth etc. after which all the stages of the application form are to be completed and final submission done. Mere registration by completing Part-I of the application form does not signify successful submission of the submission process.
- xvi. For any clarification /assistance, Candidate may call ph. No. 011-25843907/25840251 /25848172 during 1000 hrs to 1700 hrs (Monday to Friday, except Gazetted Holiday(s)) or contact the Controller of Examinations, ASRB, KAB – I, Pusa, New Delhi – 110012 or e-mail to net2016@asrb.org.in

11. LAST DATE FOR FILLING OF ONLINE APPLICATION:-

The last date for filling up of online application form is 1700 hrs on **01.07.2016**.

12. IMPORTANT NOTES:-

- i. **Candidates must ensure that they fulfil all the eligibility conditions for admission to the examination such as the qualification, discipline, age, category, etc. Their admission to the examination will be purely provisional. If on verification at any later stage, it is found that they do not fulfil all eligibility conditions; their candidature will be cancelled/ rejected and fee paid for examination will be forfeited.**

- ii. The candidates are not required to attach any certificates/marksheets with the application.
- iii. **OBC candidates whose caste is not listed in Central List (as available on National Commission for Backward Classes website www.ncbc.nic.in) and who are not covered under the provisions as applicable to OBC-Non Creamy Layer (NCL) candidates, shall be treated as General Category candidates for all purposes. Accordingly, OBC Candidates not belonging to OBC Non-Creamy Layer shall indicate their category as ‘General’.**
- iv. In case the claim of candidates regarding Age, Educational Qualifications, Scheduled Caste(SC)/ Scheduled Tribe (ST)/ Other Backward Class(OBC)/ Person with Disability (PwD) / being ICAR /SAU employee is found to be incorrect, it may render them liable to be disqualified by the Board / ICAR and their candidature will stand cancelled.
- v. In terms of the judgement of Hon’ble Supreme Court of India dated 17.03.2015 in WP (C) No. 274/2014 titled Ram Singh and others Vs Union of India, no benefit of OBC reservation will be given to the Jat OBC candidates of the States of Bihar, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Uttrakhand, NCT of Delhi and Bharatpur & Dholpur Districts of Rajasthan. Accordingly, such candidates should not apply under OBC category
- vi. Due care should be taken by the candidates to fill up their application form. No request for change in any field i.e., Centre of Examination, Discipline, Name, Father’s Name, Date of Birth, Gender, E-mail Id, Mobile No., Phone No., Category, Medium of Examination etc. will be considered under any circumstances except bonafide spelling mistakes etc. Candidates are therefore advised to be very careful while filling up their application forms.
- vii. No candidate will be allowed to take the examination unless he holds a certificate of admission for the examination. After downloading the Admission Certificate, check it carefully and bring discrepancies/errors, if any, to the notice of Controller of Examinations, ASRB, KAB – I, Pusa, New Delhi – 110012 or e-mail to net2016@asrb.org.in.
- viii. Candidates should note that the name in the Admission Certificate in some cases, may be abbreviated due to technical reasons.
- ix. In the event of a candidate being issued more than one admission certificate from the Board, he/she should use only one of these Admission Certificates for appearing in the examination and inform about the same immediately to the Controller of Examinations, ASRB, KAB – I, Pusa, New Delhi – 110012 or e-mail to net2016@asrb.org.in.
- x. No request for withdrawal of candidature/application received from a candidate after he/she has submitted his/her application will be entertained.
- xi. The Admission Certificates would be made downloadable from the website: <http://www.asrb.org.in> only. Candidates are requested to visit the website: www.asrb.org.in regularly for updates. No other form of communication will be used for issue of admission certificates.
- xii. In case of any discrepancy (spelling or surname etc.) in name or father’s name of the candidate, he/she will be required to submit an original affidavit indicating the

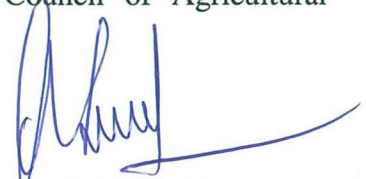
discrepancy and certifying the correct name along with other documents at the time of their submission.

- xiii. The candidates are advised to regularly visit the ASRB's website: <http://www.asrb.org.in>. All the information related to the examination will be uploaded/updated on this website only.
- xiv. Syllabus for NET (I) - 2016 Examination is available on ASRB's website: <http://www.asrb.org.in> on "Syllabus" Link under the head NET/ARS Notification.
- xv. All communications in respect of an application made for this Examination should be addressed to the Controller of Examinations, ASRB, KAB – I, Pusa, New Delhi – 110012 or e-mail to net2016@asrb.org.in and should invariably contain the following particulars:-
 1. Name and year of Examination- NET (I) - 2016
 2. Name of candidate (In full and in Capital letters)
 3. Registration No.
 4. Centre of Examination
 5. Roll No. (If communicated)
 6. E mail id (as indicated in the Application Form)
 7. Telephone/Mobile number

Note: - Communication not containing the above particulars will not be attended to.

- xvi. Please note that carrying of Mobile Phones/ pagers or any other communication device is absolutely prohibited in the Examination Centre premises. Any infringement of this instruction can lead to disqualification. Candidates are advised in their own interest not to bring any of these item(s) to the Examination venue since the provision for their safe keeping cannot be assured. The candidates are also advised not to bring any valuable/costly items to the Examination Venue. The Board will not be responsible for any loss incurred due to non-adherence of these instructions.
- xvii. The NET (I) - 2016 Examination will be conducted in Online format at the designated Centres. The answers are to be indicated on the Computer itself during the Examination.
- xviii. In case of any discrepancy between English and Hindi versions of the advertisement / information, the English version as on the Website of the Board will be treated as final.
- xix. This notification including Online Application is available on ASRB's Website: <http://www.asrb.org.in>
- xx. The candidates are required to bring along the original of any of the Valid Photo Identity Card like Voter Card/ Aadhar Card/ Passport/ Driver's License/ PAN card apart from the Admission Certificate to be issued by ASRB when coming for the Examination. Please note, that in case the candidate does not present the original of the Identity Card at the registration desk at the centre, he/she will not be allowed to take the examination under any circumstances.
- xxi. The decision of the Board as to the eligibility or otherwise of a candidate for admission to the examination shall be final.

- xxii. Any attempt on the part of a candidate to obtain support for his candidature by any means may disqualify him for admission to the examination.
- xxiii. A candidate who is or has been declared by the Board guilty of impersonation or of online submitting wrong/incorrect/misleading/false information or of submitting fabricated documents or documents which have been tempered with or of making statements which are incorrect or false or of suppressing material information or otherwise resorting to any other irregular or improper means for obtaining admission to the examination, or of using or attempting to use unfair means or of misbehaviour or misconduct in the examination hall, may, in addition to rendering himself liable to criminal prosecution:
- a) Be debarred permanently or for a specific period.
- By the Board, from admission to any examination or appearance at an interview held by the Board for selection of candidates and
 - By the Indian Council of Agricultural Research from Employment under them
- b) Will be liable to disciplinary action under the appropriate rules, if he/she is already in service under Government / Indian Council of Agricultural Research/State Agricultural Universities.



(S.P. SANWAL)

CONTROLLER OF EXAMINATIONS

CENTRES FOR NET (I) - 2016 EXAMINATION

Centre Code	Centre Name	Centre	State
01	Directorate of Medicinal & Aromatic Plants Research	Anand	Gujarat
02	National Institute of Animal Nutrition & Physiology	Bengaluru	Karnataka
03	ICAR Research Complex for NEH Region	Barapani (Shillong)	Meghalaya
04	Indian Veterinary Research Institute	Bareilly	Uttar Pradesh
05	Central Inland Fisheries Research Institute	Barrackpore	West Bengal
06	Central Institute of Agricultural Engineering	Bhopal	Madhya Pradesh
07	Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture	Bhubaneswar	Odisha
08	Tamil Nadu Veterinary & Animal Sciences University	Chennai	Tamil Nadu
09	Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute	Cochin	Kerala
10	Central Soil & Water Conservation Research & Training Institute	Dehradun	Uttarakhand
11	Indian Agricultural Research Institute	Delhi	Delhi
12	National Academy of Agricultural Research Management	Hyderabad	Telangana
13	Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology of Jammu	Jammu	Jammu & Kashmir
14	Central Arid Zone Research Institute	Jodhpur	Rajasthan
15	National Dairy Research Institute	Karnal	Haryana
16	Indian Institute of Sugarcane Research	Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh
17	Central Institute of Post Harvest Engineering & Technology	Ludhiana	Punjab
18	Central Institute of Fisheries Education	Mumbai	Maharashtra
19	Central Institute for Cotton Research	Nagpur	Maharashtra
20	ICAR Research Complex for Eastern Region	Patna	Bihar
21	Central Agricultural Research Institute	Port Blair	Andaman & Nicobar Islands
22	Central Potato Research Institute	Shimla	Himachal Pradesh
23	Central Institute of Temperate Horticulture	Srinagar	Jammu & Kashmir

Disciplines and their Approved Eligibility Qualifications for NET (I) – 2016 Examination

Code No.	Discipline	Eligibility Qualifications
01	Agricultural Biotechnology	Master's degree in Agriculture/ Biotechnology/ Molecular Biology & Bio-Technology/ Genetic Engineering/ Botany/ Plant Sciences/ Life Sciences/Plant Physiology with specialization in Plant Biotechnology.
02	Agricultural Entomology	Master's degree in Agriculture/ Entomology/ Zoology/ Sericulture/ Apiculture/ Plant Protection with specialization in Agricultural Entomology.
03	Agricultural Microbiology	Master's degree in Agricultural Microbiology /Microbiology/Plant Physiology.
04	Economic Botany & Plant Genetic Resources	Master's degree in Agriculture/ Botany/ Horticulture/Plant Physiology with specialization in Agricultural Botany/ Economic Botany/ Plant Genetic Resources.
05	Genetics & Plant Breeding	Master's degree in Agriculture/ Agricultural Botany/ Plant Breeding or Genetics or Genetics and Plant Breeding/Plant Physiology/Plant Genetic Resources
06	Nematology	Master's degree in Agriculture /Nematology/ Entomology/ Plant Pathology/ Zoology/ Plant Protection with specialization in Nematology.
07	Plant Biochemistry	Master's degree in Plant Biochemistry/ Agricultural Biochemistry/ Biochemistry with specialization in plants.
08	Plant Pathology	Master's degree in Agriculture/ Botany/ Life Sciences/ Plant Protection with specialization in Plant Pathology/ Mycology.
09	Plant Physiology	Master's degree in Agriculture/ Plant Physiology/ Botany with specialization in Plant Physiology.
10	Seed Science & Technology	Master's degree in Agriculture/ Seed Science/ Seed Technology or Seed Science and Technology/Plant Physiology.
11	Floriculture & Landscaping	Master's degree in Floriculture/ Agriculture or Horticulture /Plant Genetic Resources with specialization in Floriculture and Landscaping/ Post Harvest Technology (Horticulture).
12	Fruit Science	Master's degree in Pomology/ Agriculture or Horticulture/Plant Genetic Resources with specialization in Fruit Sciences/ Post harvest Technology (Horticulture).
13	Spices, Plantation & Medicinal & Aromatic Plants	Master's degree in Agriculture/ Horticulture/ Botany /Plant Genetic Resources with specialization in Spices/ Plantation Crops and/ or in Medicinal and Aromatic Plants/ Post Harvest Technology (Horticulture).
14	Vegetable Science	Master's degree in Olericulture/ Vegetable Sciences/ Agriculture or Horticulture/Plant Genetic Resources with specialization in Vegetable Sciences/ Post Harvest Technology (Horticulture).
15	Animal Biochemistry	Master's degree in Veterinary/ Animal Sciences/ Dairy/ Fishery Science with specialization in Biochemistry.

16	Animal Biotechnology	Master's degree in Veterinary/ Animal/ Fishery Science with specialization in Biotechnology.
17	Animal Genetics & Breeding	Master's degree in Veterinary/Animal Sciences with specialization in Animal Genetics and Breeding.
18	Animal Nutrition	Master's degree in Veterinary/ Animal Sciences with specialization in Animal Nutrition.
19	Animal Physiology	Master's degree in Veterinary/ Animal Sciences with specialization in Animal Physiology.
20	Animal Reproduction & Gynaecology	Master's degree in Veterinary/ Animal Sciences with specialization in Animal Reproduction and Gynaecology.
21	Dairy Chemistry	Master's degree in Dairy Chemistry/ Veterinary/ Animal Sciences with specialization in Dairy Chemistry.
22	Dairy Microbiology	Master's degree in Dairy Microbiology/ Veterinary/ Animal Sciences with specialization in Dairy Microbiology.
23	Dairy Technology	Master's degree in Dairy Technology or Dairy Science/ Animal Products Technology/Food Technology with specialization in Dairy Technology.
24	Livestock Product Technology	Master's degree in Veterinary/Animal Sciences with specialization in Livestock Products Technology.
25	Livestock Production Management	Master's degree in Veterinary/ Animal Sciences with specialization in Livestock Production Management/ Animal Husbandry.
26	Poultry Science	Master's degree in Poultry Sciences/ Veterinary/ Animal Sciences with specialization in Poultry Sciences.
27	Veterinary Medicine	Master's degree in Veterinary Medicine/ Veterinary Preventive Medicine/ Veterinary Clinical Medicine.
28	Veterinary Microbiology	Master's degree in Veterinary Sciences with specialization in Microbiology/ Bacteriology/ Virology/ Mycology/ Immunology.
29	Veterinary Parasitology	Master's degree in Veterinary Parasitology.
30	Veterinary Pathology	Master's degree in Veterinary Pathology
31	Veterinary Pharmacology	Master's degree in Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology/Veterinary Pharmacology.
32	Veterinary Public Health	Master's degree in Veterinary Public Health/ Epidemiology
33	Veterinary Surgery	Master's degree in Veterinary Surgery/Veterinary Anatomy
34	Aquaculture	Master's degree in Aquaculture/ Fishery Sciences/ Marine Biology/ Aquatic Biology with specialization in Mariculture/ Aquatic Environmental Management/ Aquatic Ecology/ Inland Aquaculture.
35	Fisheries Resource Management	Master's degree in Fishery Sciences/Fisheries Resource Management/ Marine Biology/Aquatic Environmental Management/ Aquatic Biology/Industrial Fisheries with specialization in Fisheries Resource Management/ Fish Population Dynamics/ Fishery Hydrography/ Ecosystem Management/ Aquatic Ecology.
36	Fish Processing Technology	Master's degree in Fishery Sciences/ Fish Processing Technology/Post Harvest Technology/ Industrial Fisheries with specialization in Fish Harvest and Processing.

37	Fish Nutrition	Master's degree in Fishery Sciences with specialization in Fish Nutrition and Fish Physiology/ Feed Technology/ Fish Nutrition and Biochemistry.
38	Fish Health	Master's degree in Fishery Sciences/ Marine Biology with specialization in Fish Health/ Fish Pathology /Microbiology
39	Fish Genetics & Breeding	Master's degree in Fishery Sciences/ Marine Biology with specialization in Fish Genetics and Breeding/ Fish Biotechnology
40	Agricultural Chemicals	Master's degree in Agriculture/ Agricultural Chemicals/ Organic Chemistry with specialization in Agricultural Chemicals.
41	Agricultural Meteorology	Master's degree in Agricultural Meteorology/ Agricultural Physics with specialization in Agricultural Meteorology
42	Agroforestry	Master's degree in Forestry/ Agroforestry/ Botany/ Agronomy/Horticulture with specialization in Agroforestry.
43	Agronomy	Master's degree in Agriculture with specialization in Agronomy/Soil Water Management/ Conservation Agriculture/ Farming Systems Management/ Forage Production/ Water Science and Technology.
44	Environmental Science	Master's degree in Environmental Science/Agroforestry/ Agricultural Physics/ Agriculture with specialization in Environmental Science.
45	Soil Sciences	Master's degree in Agriculture/ Soil Sciences/ Agricultural Chemistry/ Agricultural Physics with specialization in Soil Physics and Soil and Water Conservation/ Soil Fertility/Soil Microbiology/ Soil Chemistry/ Water Science and Technology.
46	Agricultural Business Management	Master's degree in Agricultural Business Management/ Agricultural Marketing/ Business Management with specialization in Agricultural Business/ Fisheries Business Management
47	Agricultural Economics	Master's degree in Agricultural Economics/ Dairy Economics/ Veterinary Economics/ Fisheries Economics with specialization in Agriculture
48	Agricultural Extension	Master's degree in Agricultural Extension/ Veterinary Extension/ Dairy Extension/ Fisheries Extension/ Home Science Extension/ Agriculture Communication in Agricultural Sciences/ Rural Development/ Rural Management
49	Agricultural Statistics & Informatics	Master's degree in Agricultural Statistics / Computer Application in Agriculture / Bio-Informatics / Statistics with specialization in Agriculture.
50	Home Science	Master's degree in Home Science with specialization in Family Resource Management/ Textile and Clothing/Child Development/ Foods and Nutrition.
51	Farm, Machinery & Power	Master's degree in Agricultural Engineering/ Mechanical Engineering with specialization in Farm Machinery and Power.
52	Agricultural Structures & Environmental Management	Master's degree in Agricultural Engineering with specialization in Agricultural Structures/ Aquaculture Engineering/Agricultural Process Engineering/Post Harvest Technology

53	Land & Water Management Engineering	Master's degree in Agricultural Engineering/ Civil Engineering with specialization in Soil and Water Conservation/ Irrigation and Drainage/ Water Resources/ Hydrology/ Aquatic Engineering/Water Science and Technology.
54	Agricultural Process Engineering	Master's degree in Agricultural Engineering with specialization in Agricultural Process Engineering/ Food Process Engineering/ Dairy Engineering/ Post Harvest Technology/Agriculture Structures.
55	Food Technology	Master's degree in Food Science/ Food Technology/ Food Science and Technology/ Post Harvest Technology.
56	Veterinary Anatomy	Master's degree in Veterinary Anatomy

DETAILED PLAN OF EXAMINATION FOR NET (I) - 2016

There will be one paper of 150 marks consisting of 150 objective type multiple choice questions to be solved in 2 (Two) hours. Each question carries one mark. These 150 questions shall be derived from the respective discipline in which the candidate has opted to appear.

Minimum marks required for qualifying NET (I) - 2016

Category of candidate	Minimum qualifying marks
Un-reserved(UR) (General)	50%
OBC(Non-Creamy layer)	45%
SC / ST/ Person with Disability(PwD)	40%

However, the Board reserves the right to fix/alter the qualifying marks in any or all disciplines at its discretion.

1/3 mark will be deducted for each wrong answer in the NET (I) - 2016. The total marks obtained will be rounded off to the next higher integer in case of 0.5 and above and to the immediate lower integer in case of 0.4 and below.

The Examination will be conducted in Online format at the designated Centres. The answers are to be indicated on the Computer itself during the Examination.

- i. Candidates must mark the answers/papers in their own hand. Under no circumstances, they will be allowed the help of a scribe to mark the answers for them. Only the Visually Challenged (VC) and Orthopedically Challenged (OC) candidates with both arms affected may be allowed the help of a Scribe only with the prior permission of the Board. Provision of a scribe will be made by ASRB on prior request made by such candidates ten (10) days before the Examination on net2016@asrb.org.in. An additional time of 20 (twenty) minutes per hour will be allowed to such candidates.
- ii. The standard of paper will be that of a Master's degree of an Indian University in the relevant Discipline.

RULES OF EXAMINATION FOR NET (I) -2016

The rules for the National Eligibility Test (I) - 2016 Examination to be held by the Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board are published for general information.

1. NATIONALITY:

A candidate must be either:-

- (i) a citizen of India, or
- (ii) a citizen of Nepal, or
- (iii) a citizen of Bhutan, or
- (iv) a Tibetan refugee who came over to India before the 1st January, 1962, with the intention of permanently settling in India, or
- (v) a person of Indian origin who has migrated from Pakistan, Burma, Sri Lanka and East African countries of Kenya, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania, (formerly Tanganyika and Zanzibar) Zambia, Malawi, Zaire, Ethiopia and Vietnam with the intention of permanently settling in India.

Provided that a candidate belonging to categories (ii), (iii), (iv) above shall be a person in whose favour a certificate of eligibility has been issued by the Government of India.

2. AGE LIMITS:-

A candidate must have attained the age of 21 years as on **01.08.2016**. There is no upper age limit for the National Eligibility Test.

3. EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:-

A candidate must possess a Master's degree or equivalent in the concerned Discipline and specialization completed on or before **01.08.2016** from any Indian University incorporated by an Act of Central or State Legislature in India or other educational institution established by an Act of Parliament or declared to be deemed University under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 or he/she must have qualification from a foreign University recognized as equivalent by the Government of India (GoI).

4. FEE:-

The candidates seeking admission to examination must pay to the Board a fee as follows:

Details of fee charges to be paid:

Sl. No.	Category of candidate	₹
1	Unreserved (UR)	1000/-
2	Other Backward Class (OBC)	500/-
3	Scheduled Caste (SC)/ Scheduled Tribe (ST)/ Person with Disability (PwD)/ Women	250/-

OBC candidates whose caste is not listed in Central List (as available on National Commission for Backward Classes website www.ncbc.nic.in) and who are not covered under the provisions as applicable to OBC-Non Creamy Layer (NCL) candidates, shall be treated as General Category candidates for all purposes. Accordingly, OBC Candidates not belonging to OBC Non-Creamy Layer shall indicate their category as 'General'.

Transaction charges for Debit Card/Credit Card/NEFT/Challan payment, as the case may be, have to be borne by the candidate.

5. **RESERVED/RELAXED CATEGORY CANDIDATES**

- i. Candidates who claim to belong to the Scheduled Castes (SC) or Scheduled Tribes (ST) must possess the requisite certificate in the prescribed format as per Appendix – V. Otherwise their claim for SC/ST category will not be considered.
- ii. Candidates who claim to belong to Other Backward Classes (OBC)-Non Creamy Layer must possess the requisite certificate in the prescribed format as per Appendix - VI from the competent authority as mentioned therein. Otherwise, their claim for OBC status will not be considered. The OBC Certificate in a format other than the prescribed one will not be accepted/considered. The OBC Certificate should have been issued for posts under Govt. of India and not for posts under the respective state of the candidate only.

OBC candidates whose caste is not listed in Central List (as available on National Commission for Backward Classes website www.ncbc.nic.in) and who are not covered under the provisions as applicable to OBC-Non Creamy Layer (NCL) candidates, shall be treated as General Category candidates for all purposes.

- iii. Candidates who claim to be Person with Disability must possess medical certificate as per disability in the prescribed applicable format i.e. Form II/III/IV as per Appendix - VI issued by the Competent Medical Authorities for the purpose of employment.

6. **NUMBER OF ATTEMPTS:-**

The number of attempts for appearing in the National Eligibility Test will be limited to **FIVE** for all candidates (whether M.Sc. /Ph.D.) including the in-service candidates of ICAR. However, this restriction will not apply to SC and ST candidates, who are otherwise eligible. An attempt will be one when the candidate actually appearing at the Examination. Mere applying for and not appearing for the Examination will not amount to an Attempt.

Note:- The number of attempts made by the candidates prior to National Eligibility Test Examination –2012 will not be taken into account for counting the number of attempts made.

7. The date of declaration of result of NET Examination will be the date of qualifying NET Examination.
8. The decision of the Board as to the eligibility or otherwise of a candidate for admission to the examination shall be final.
9. No candidate will be admitted to the examination unless he/ she hold a certificate of admission from the Board.
10. Any attempt on the part of a candidate to obtain support for his candidature by any means may disqualify him for admission to the examination.

**FORM OF CERTIFICATE PRESCRIBED FOR SCHEDULED CASTE AND
SCHEDULED TRIBE**

Form of Certificate as prescribed in M.H.A., O.M. No. 42/21/49-N.G.S., dated 28-1-1952, as revised in Dept. of Per. & A.R., Letter No. 36012/6/76-Estt. (SCT) dated 29-10-1977, to be produced by a candidate belonging to a Scheduled Caste or Scheduled Tribe in support of his claim.

FORM OF CASTE/TRIBE CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that Shri/Shrimati*/Kumari* _____
Son/ daughter* of _____ of village/town* _____
in District/ Division* _____ of the State/Union Territory*
_____ belongs to the _____

Scheduled Caste
Caste/Tribe* which is recognized as a ----- under:-
Scheduled Tribe*

- * The Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order, 1950.
- * The Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order, 1950.
- * The Constitution (Scheduled Castes) (Union Territories) Order, 1951.
- * The Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) (Union Territories) Order, 1951.

[(As amended by the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Lists (Modification Order) 1956, the Bombay Reorganisation Act, 1960, the Punjab Reorganisation Act, 1966, the State of Himachal Pradesh Act, 1970, the North-Eastern Areas (Reorganisation) Act, 1971 and the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Orders (Amendment) Act, 1976].

- * The Constitution (Jammu and Kashmir) Scheduled Castes Order, 1956.
- * The Constitution (Andaman and Nicobar Islands) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1959, as amended by the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Orders (Amendment) Act, 1976.
- * The Constitution (Dadra and Nagar Haveli) Scheduled Castes Order, 1962.
- * The Constitution (Dadra and Nagar haveli) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1962.
- * The constitution (Pondicherry) Scheduled Castes Order, 1964.
- * The constitution Scheduled Tribes (Uttar Pradesh) Order, 1967.
- * The Constitution (Goa, Daman and Diu) Scheduled Caste Order, 1968.
- * The Constitution (Goa, Daman and Diu) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1968.
- * The Constitution (Nagaland) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1970.
- * The Constitution (Sikkim) Scheduled Castes Order, 1978.
- * The Constitution (Sikkim) Scheduled Tribes order, 1978.
- * The Constitution (Jammu and Kashmir) Scheduled Tribes Order, 1989.

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- * The Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order (Amendment) Act, 1990.
- * The Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order Amendment Act, 1991.
- * The Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order Second Amendment Act, 1991.

2. This certificate is issued on the basis of the Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes Certificate issued to Shri/Shrimati* _____ father/mother* of Shri/Shrimati/Kumari* _____ of village/town* _____ in District/Division* _____ of the State/Union Territory* _____ who belong to the Caste/Tribe* which is recognized as a Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe* in the State/Union Territory* _____ issued by the _____ Dated _____

3. Shri/Shrimati*/Kumari* _____ and/*or his/her* family ordinarily reside(s) in village/town* _____ of _____ District/Division* of the State/Union Territory* of _____

Signature _____
Designation _____
(With Seal of Office)

Place _____ State _____
Date _____ Union Territory _____

NOTE:- The term "Ordinarily resides" used here will have the same meaning as in Section 20 of the Representation of the Peoples Act, 1950.

* Please delete the words which are not applicable.

**FORM OF CERTIFICATE TO BE PRODUCED BY OTHER BACKWARD
CLASSES APPLYING FOR APPOINTMENT TO POSTS UNDER THE
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.**

This is to certify that Shri/Smt./Kumari _____ son/daughter
of _____ of village/town _____
in District/Division _____ in the State/Union
Territory _____ belongs to the _____ community
which is recognized as a backward class under the Government of India, Ministry of Social
Justice and Empowerment's Resolution No. _____ dated
_____. Shri/Smt./Kumari _____ and/or his/her family
ordinarily reside(s) in the _____ District/Division of the
_____ State/Union Territory. This is also to certify that he/she does
not belong to the persons/sections (Creamy layer) mentioned in Column 3 of the Schedule to
the Government of India, Department of Personnel and Training O.M. No. 36012/22/93-Estt.
(SCT) dated 8.9.1993**.

**District Magistrate,
Deputy Commissioner etc.**

Dated

SEAL

*- The authority issuing the certificate may have to mention the details of Resolution of
Government of India, in which the caste of the candidate is mentioned as OBC.

** - As amended from time to time.

Note:- The term "Ordinarily" used here will have the same meaning as in Section 20 of the
Representation of the People Act, 1950.

Form-II

Disability Certificate

**(In cases of amputation or complete permanent paralysis of limbs and
in cases of blindness)**

[See rule 5 (iii)]

**(NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE MEDICAL AUTHORITY ISSUING THE
CERTIFICATE)**

Recent PP size Attested Photograph (Showing face only) of the person with disability

Certificate No. _____

Date: _____

This is to certify that I have carefully examined Shri/Smt./Kum. _____
_____ son/wife/daughter
of Shri _____ Date of Birth (DD / MM
/ YY) ____ ____ ____ Age _____ years, male/female Registration No. _____
permanent resident of House No. _____ Ward/Village/
Street _____ Post Office _____
District _____ State _____, whose photograph is affixed above, and am
satisfied that :

(A) he/she is a case of:

- locomotor disability
- blindness

(Please tick as applicable)

(B) the diagnosis in his/her case is _____

(A) He/ She has _____ %(in figure) _____ percent (in
words) permanent physical impairment/blindness in relation to his/her _____ (part of
body) as per guidelines (to be specified).

2. The applicant has submitted the following document as proof of residence:-

Nature of Document	Date of Issue	Details of authority issuing certificate

(Signature and Seal of Authorised Signatory of notified Medical Authority)

Signature/Thumb impression of the person in whose favour disability certificate is issued.
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Form-III

**Disability Certificate
(In case of multiple disabilities)**

**(NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE MEDICAL AUTHORITY ISSUING THE
CERTIFICATE)
[See rule 5(iii)]**

Recent PP size Attested Photograph (Showing face only) of the person with disability

Certificate No. _____

Date: _____

This is to certify that we have carefully examined Shri/Smt./Kum.
_____ son/wife/daughter of Shri
_____ Date of Birth (DD / MM / YY) ____ ____ ____
Age _____ years, male/female _____ Registration No. _____
permanent resident of House No. _____ Ward/Village/Street
_____ Post Office _____
District _____ State _____,
whose photograph is affixed above, and are satisfied that:

(A) He/she is a Case of **Multiple Disability**. His/her extent of permanent physical impairment/disability has been evaluated as per guidelines (to be specified) for the disabilities ticked below, and shown against the relevant disability in the table below:

S. No.	Disability	Affected Part of Body	Diagnosis	Permanent physical impairment/mental disability (in %)
1	Locomotor disability	@		
2	Low vision	#		
3	Blindness	Both Eyes		
4	Hearing impairment	£		
5	Mental retardation	X		
6	Mental-illness	X		

(B) In the light of the above, his /her over all permanent physical impairment as per guidelines (to be specified), is as follows:-

In figures:- _____percent

In words:-_____ percent

2. This condition is progressive/ non-progressive/ likely to improve/ not likely to improve.

3. Reassessment of disability is:

(i) not necessary,

Or

(ii) is recommended/ after _____years_____months, and therefore this certificate shall be valid till (DD / MM / YY) _____

@ - e.g. Left/Right/both arms/legs

- e.g. Single eye/both eyes

£ - e.g. Left/Right/both ears

4. The applicant has submitted the following document as proof of residence:-

Nature of Document	Date of Issue	Details of authority issuing certificate

5. Signature and seal of the Medical Authority.

Name and seal of Member	Name and seal of Member	Name and seal of the Chairperson

Signature/Thumb impression of the person in whose favour disability certificate is issued.
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Form-IV

Disability Certificate
(In cases other than those mentioned in Forms II and III)

**(NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE MEDICAL AUTHORITY ISSUING THE
CERTIFICATE)**

[See rule 5 (iii)]

Recent PP size Attested Photograph (Showing face only) of the person with disability

Certificate No. _____

Date: _____

This is to certify that I have carefully examined Shri/Smt./Kum.
_____ son/wife/daughter of Shri
_____ Date of Birth (DD / MM / YY) ____ ____
Age _____ years, male/female _____ Registration No. _____
permanent resident of House No. _____ Ward/Village/Street
_____ Post Office _____ District
_____ State _____ ,
whose photograph is affixed above, and am satisfied that he/she is a case of
_____ disability. His/her extent of percentage physical impairment/
disability has been evaluated as per guidelines (to be specified) and is shown against the
relevant disability in the table below:-

S. No.	Disability	Affected Part of Body	Diagnosis	Permanent physical impairment/mental disability (in %)
1	Locomotor disability	@		
2	Low vision	#		
3	Blindness	Both Eyes		
4	Hearing impairment	£		
5	Mental retardation	X		
6	Mental-illness	X		

(Please strike out the disabilities which are not applicable.)

2. The above condition is progressive/ non-progressive/ likely to improve/ not likely to improve.

3. Reassessment of disability is :

(i) not necessary,

Or

(ii) is recommended/ after _____years_____ months, and therefore this certificate shall be valid till (DD / MM / YY) _____

@ - e.g. Left/Right/both arms/legs

- e.g. Single eye/both eyes

£ - e.g. Left/Right/both ears

4. The applicant has submitted the following document as proof of residence:-

Nature of Document	Date of Issue	Details of authority issuing certificate

(Authorised Signatory of notified Medical Authority)
(Name and Seal)

Countersigned

{ Countersignature and seal of the
CMO/Medical Superintendent/Head of
Government Hospital, in case the
certificate is issued by a medical
authority who is not a government
servant (with seal) }

Signature/Thumb impression of the person in whose favour disability certificate is issued.

Note: In case this certificate is issued by a medical authority who is not a government servant, it shall be valid only if countersigned by the Chief Medical Officer of the District."

Note: The principal rules were published in the Gazette of India vide notification number S.O. 908(E), dated the 31st December, 1996.