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Subject: Conduct of JEE (Main) April/September 2020 and NEET (UG) May/September 2020

On the request of the students, the JEE (Main) and NEET (UG), which were earlier scheduled to be held in the month of July, were postponed to be held in the month of September 2020.

In view of the academic interest of the students, these exams are now scheduled to be held as follows:

- 1. JEE (Main) - 1-09-2020 to 6-9-2020**
- 2. NEET (UG)- 13-9-2020**

The Hon'ble Supreme Court has also, inter alia, ordered that "We find that there is absolutely no justification in the prayer made for postponement of the examination in question relating to NEET UG-2020 as well as JEE (Main) April, 2020."

NTA has, since then, released Admit Cards of JEE (Main) Examination. The Admit Cards of NEET (UG) 2020 will also be released shortly and the NTA has ensured that more than **99% candidates** get their first choice of Centre Cities in both of these examinations.

The number of Examination Centers have also been increased from **570 to 660** (in case of JEE Main) and **2546 to 3843** (in case of NEET (UG) 2020). JEE (Main) is Computer Based Test (CBT) and NEET (UG) is pen paper-based test. Additionally, in case of JEE (Main), the number of shifts has been increased from the earlier 8 to 12, and the number of candidates per shift has been reduced from earlier 1.32 lakh to 85000 now.

8.58 lakh and 15.97 lakh candidates have been registered for JEE (Main) and NEET (UG) 2020 respectively. State wise distribution of candidates and centers, applicable to the ensuing examinations in September 2020, vis-a-vis the examinations held last (January 2020 for JEE (Main) and May 2019 for NEET (UG)) is attached at Annexure 1 and Annexure 2. In order to meet the social distancing requirements, there has been a substantial increase in the number of centres.

In order to ensure proper social distancing inside the examination halls, the candidates will be seated in alternate seats in case of JEE (Main). In case of NEET (UG), the number of candidates per room has been reduced from earlier 24 to 12, now.

For ensuring social distancing outside the examination hall, the entry and exit of candidates has been staggered. Adequate arrangements have also been made outside the examination centers to enable candidates stand with adequate social distancing, while waiting. Candidates have also been issued advisory guiding them about "Do's and Don'ts" for proper social distancing.

NTA has also written to the States Governments to extend support in local movement of the candidates so that they are able to reach their examination centres on time.

The NTA assures all candidates a safe environment for tests and solicits cooperation from the candidates and their parents in following the standard operating procedures.

Annexure-1

State wise Distribution of Candidate and Centres during Apr/Sep 2020 and Jan 2020: JEE (Main)

| STATE CODE | STATE | Apr/Sep 2020 | | Jan 2020 | |
|------------|----------------------|------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|
| | | Candidates P1+P2 | Centres P1+P2 | Candidates P1+P2 | Centres P1+P2 |
| AL | Arunachal Pradesh | 1234 | 4 | 1216 | 1 |
| AM | Assam | 12803 | 6 | 11864 | 5 |
| AN | Andaman and Nicobar | 564 | 4 | 650 | 4 |
| AP | Andhra Pradesh | 82748 | 52 | 129100 | 69 |
| BR | Bihar | 61583 | 43 | 53060 | 27 |
| CG | Chhattisgarh | 13425 | 5 | 11051 | 3 |
| CH | Chandigarh/Mohali | 7263 | 5 | 8254 | 4 |
| DD | GUJARAT | 219 | 2 | 261 | 2 |
| DL | Delhi | 37790 | 18 | 39084 | 13 |
| DN | DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI | 175 | 1 | 238 | 1 |
| GJ | GUJARAT | 38507 | 32 | 44115 | 26 |
| GO | GOA | 1744 | 2 | 1856 | 2 |
| HP | Himachal Pradesh | 8397 | 11 | 6810 | 8 |
| HR | Haryana | 24763 | 16 | 22350 | 15 |
| JH | Jharkhand | 22843 | 10 | 19923 | 5 |
| JK | Jammu and Kashmir | 9868 | 16 | 6116 | 8 |
| KK | Karnataka | 43894 | 33 | 82857 | 45 |
| KL | Kerala | 45047 | 64 | 55815 | 43 |
| LD | LAKSHADWEEP | 96 | 1 | 45 | 1 |
| LL | Leh and Ladhak | 199 | 1 | 42 | 1 |
| MG | Meghalaya | 988 | 1 | 928 | 1 |
| MN | Manipur | 1241 | 1 | 936 | 1 |
| MP | Madhya Pradesh | 47493 | 26 | 42791 | 18 |
| MR | Maharashtra | 110313 | 74 | 139746 | 79 |
| MZ | Mizoram | 642 | 3 | 604 | 1 |
| NL | Nagaland | 1315 | 5 | 1364 | 3 |
| OR | Odisha | 38236 | 26 | 21557 | 9 |
| PB | Punjab | 13995 | 9 | 12700 | 8 |
| PO | Puducherry | 3560 | 4 | 3736 | 3 |
| RJ | Rajasthan | 45227 | 19 | 65887 | 25 |
| SM | Sikkim | 302 | 1 | 215 | 1 |
| TA | Tripura | 2711 | 2 | 2815 | 1 |
| TL | Telangana | 67319 | 27 | 100129 | 37 |
| TN | Tamil Nadu | 53765 | 34 | 45440 | 23 |
| UK | Uttarakhand | 13260 | 13 | 10412 | 8 |
| UP | Uttar Pradesh | 100706 | 66 | 85898 | 47 |
| WB | West Bengal | 37973 | 15 | 35443 | 13 |
| ZZ | OUT-SIDE INDIA | 1265 | 8 | 1142 | 9 |
| | TOTAL | 953473 | 660 | 1066450 | 570 |

Annexure -2

State wise Distribution of Candidate and Centres during 2020 and 2019: NEET (UG)

| STATE CODE | STATE | 2020 | | 2019 | |
|------------|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| | | Candidates | Centres | Candidates | Centres |
| 11 | ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS(UT) | 843 | 2 | 972 | 2 |
| 12 | ANDHRA PRADESH | 61892 | 151 | 57755 | 98 |
| 13 | ARUNACHAL PRADESH | 3755 | 11 | 3120 | 8 |
| 14 | ASSAM | 30311 | 81 | 28767 | 48 |
| 15 | BIHAR | 78960 | 192 | 56907 | 84 |
| 16 | CHANDIGARH(UT) | 15931 | 32 | 16938 | 19 |
| 17 | CHHATTISGARH | 31940 | 82 | 27685 | 51 |
| 18 | DADAR & NAGAR HAVELI(UT) | 1761 | 5 | 1510 | 3 |
| 19 | DAMAN & DIU(UT) | 735 | 2 | 678 | 2 |
| 20 | DELHI/NEW DELHI | 53993 | 111 | 59137 | 98 |
| 21 | GOA | 4595 | 15 | 4560 | 12 |
| 22 | GUJARAT | 80219 | 214 | 79872 | 142 |
| 23 | HARYANA | 16298 | 40 | 14686 | 30 |
| 24 | HIMACHAL PRADESH | 11264 | 35 | 9297 | 21 |
| 25 | JAMMU & KASHMIR | 34760 | 99 | 26256 | 47 |
| 26 | JHARKHAND | 21112 | 36 | 18157 | 24 |
| 27 | KARNATAKA | 119587 | 298 | 115882 | 194 |
| 28 | KERALA | 115959 | 322 | 117714 | 218 |
| 29 | LAKSHADWEEP(UT) | 235 | 1 | 166 | 1 |
| 30 | MADHYA PRADESH | 58860 | 144 | 54454 | 84 |
| 31 | MAHARASHTRA | 228914 | 615 | 217468 | 443 |
| 32 | MANIPUR | 6776 | 22 | 5280 | 11 |
| 33 | MEGHALAYA | 3059 | 9 | 3695 | 7 |
| 34 | MIZORAM | 1741 | 5 | 1560 | 4 |
| 35 | NAGALAND | 2542 | 7 | 2681 | 5 |
| 36 | ODISHA | 37459 | 83 | 33797 | 54 |
| 37 | PUDUCHERRY(UT) | 7137 | 15 | 7245 | 10 |
| 38 | PUNJAB | 16300 | 28 | 14502 | 22 |
| 39 | RAJASTHAN | 108537 | 269 | 120730 | 202 |
| 40 | SIKKIM | 894 | 2 | 930 | 1 |
| 41 | TAMIL NADU | 117990 | 238 | 134714 | 188 |
| 42 | TELANGANA | 55800 | 112 | 54073 | 79 |
| 43 | TRIPURA | 4157 | 11 | 3925 | 7 |
| 44 | UTTAR PRADESH | 166582 | 320 | 139497 | 188 |
| 45 | UTTARAKHAND | 18958 | 43 | 16989 | 27 |
| 46 | WEST BENGAL | 77061 | 189 | 67776 | 112 |
| 47 | LADAKH | 516 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| ZZ | Total | 1597433 | 3842 | 1519375 | 2546 |