SLET COMMISSION, ASSAM

(N. E. Region)
North Jalukbari
Guwahati – 781 014
2022-2023
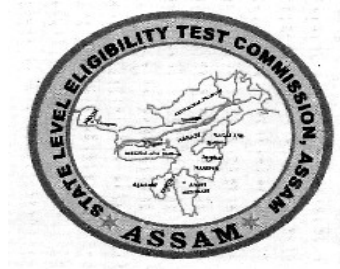
INFORMATION BROCHURE
OF
STATE ELIGIBILITY TEST
(SET)

1. **Concept of STATE ELIGIBILITY TEST (SET)**

In order to maintain a uniform standard of graduate and post graduate teaching through-out the country, the Government of India through its notification in 1988 stated that only those candidates would be considered eligible for a post of Asst. Professor, who besides fulfilling the minimum academic qualifications for it, also qualify in comprehensive test, National Eligibility Test (NET), to be conducted for the purpose. Accordingly, the University Grants Commission (UGC) has been conducting the eligibility Test for Asst. Professor in Humanities and Social Science subjects. The council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) has been conducting the eligibility test for lecturership in the Science subjects. UGC simultaneously asked the Govt. of the States and UnionTerritories about their option to conduct their own test or alternatively adopt the UGC-CSIR test. In case they opt to conduct a test equivalent to UGC-CSIR then these should be accredited by the UGC. In response to this, many States opted to conduct their own test,i.e., State Level Eligibility Test (SLET) for Asst. Professor. Similarly, a proposal was put forward for constituting the North East State Level Eligibility Test (NESLET) on 26-6-2000 to conduct such a test for the aspirant candidates of the North Eastern Region. It was subsequently constituted as SLET Commission Assam (N.E. Region). The name of the Test has again been modified as SET (STATE ELIGIBILITY TEST).

Its member States at present are Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Manipur, Meghalaya, Sikkim and Tripura.

2. **Location**
   SLET Commission Office is located at
   North Jalukbari
   Guwahati – 781 014
   (Phone No. 0361-3513692)

3. **Recruitment Rules**

It is also decided that the qualified candidates in the SET will be governed by the rules and regulations of recruitment of Asst. Professors of the Universities and Colleges as the case may be.

4. **Eligibility to sit for SET**

   (i) General/Unreserved/General-EWS candidates who have secured atleast 55% marks (without rounding off) in Master Degree or equivalent examination from universities/institutions recognized by UGC are eligible for this test. However, the scheduled Caste (SC), Scheduled Tribe (ST), Person with Disability (PWD) Category, the Other Backward Classes (OBC) belonging to non-creamy layer who have secured atleast 50% marks (without rounding off) in Master degree or equivalent examination are eligible to appear in the Test.

   (ii) Candidates who have appeared or will be appearing at the final qualifying Master degree (final year) examination and result is still awaited or candidates whose qualifying examination have been delayed may also apply for this Test. However, such candidates will be admitted provisionally and shall be considered eligible for award of pass certificate only after they have passed the Master degree examination or equivalent examination with atleast 55% marks in case of General/Unreserved/General-EWS category and atleast 50% marks in case of OBC (Non-creamy layer), SC/ST/PWD/Third Gender category candidates. Such candidates must obtain Master Degree within 2 (two) years from the date of concerned SLET result with required

percentage of marks failing which they shall be treated as disqualified. Candidates are eligible to appear in the subject of their Post-graduation only. The candidates whose Post-graduation subject is not covered in the list of subjects as appeared in item 5 (i) may appear in related subject.

(iii)   Candidates belonging to the Third Gender category, in other words transgender, would be eligible to draw the same relaxation in fees, age and qualifying criteria as are available to SC/ST/PWD Category. The subject wise Cut-offs for this category should be the lowest among those for SC/ST/PWD/OBC (NCL)/General- EWS categories in the corresponding subject.

(iv)   The Ph.D. degree holders whose Masters level examination had been completed by 19th September 1991 (irrespective of date of declaration of result) shall be eligible for relaxation of 5% in aggregate marks. (i.e., from 55% to 50%) for appearing in SET.

(v)   Candidates belonging to OBC (Non-creamy layer)/SC/ST/PWD/General-EWS category are required to submit copy of category certificate along with their Application Forms, while applying on-line. The Non-creamy layer certificate should have validity on the date of submitting the on-line application. Other candidates are not required to submit any certificate/ documents in support of their eligibility while applying on-line. Therefore, the candidates in their own interest, must satisfy themselves about their eligibility for Test. In the event of any ineligibility being detected by the Commission at any stage, their candidature will be cancelled and they shall be liable for legal action. The certificates and mark-sheets will be verified at the time of issue of SET Certificates. Candidates without possessing reserved category certificates may appear as general category candidates.

(vi)   There is no upper age limit for eligibility for applying for Assistant Professors. Candidates who qualify in the Test are eligible to apply for the post of Assistant Professor within the jurisdiction of the Member-States of this SLET Commission. They will be issued a Pass certificate and the validity period of the certificate is forever.

5.   (i) Subject of Test

At present the test will be held in the subjects mentioned below:
(The code number to be used for the subjects is also shown against each)

Name of Subjects	Subject Code
Assamese	01
English	02
Economics	03
Education	04
History	05
Philosophy	06
Political Science	07
Geography	08

Manipuri	09
Bodo	10
Bengali	11
Hindi	12
Anthropology	13
Sanskrit	14
Sociology	15
Arabic	16
Persian	17
Law	18
Commerce	21
Chemical Science	31
Life Science	32
Mathematical Science	33
Physical Science	34
Computer Science	35
Environmental Science	36

(ii)   Test Centres

It is endeavoured to make atleast one centre in each constituent University of the SLET Commission with a minimum 25 candidates. If the number falls short of this in a centre, then the candidates of that centre will be attached to the nearest centre.

Name of Centres	**Centre Code**
Gauhati University	01
Dibrugarh University	02
Tezpur University	03
Assam University	04
Manipur University	05
Rajiv Gandhi Central University, Arunachal	06
Tripura University	07
Sikkim (Nar Bahadur Bhandari Degree College)	08
Mizoram University	09

(The particulars of the Co-ordinators cum Officer-in-charge of the SET Centres with their address will be notified in due course. Depending upon the number of candidates, venues within the Centre will be arranged.)

(iii)   Change of Test Centres

Application for change of Test centre on plain paper will be received by the SLET Commission office within 07 (working) days of last date of submission of forms. The centre change fees is Rs. 300/- per candidate.

The application for change of centre must be forwarded by the Co-ordinator of the original centre, along with the Centre Change Fee. No request for change of centre will be accepted by the SLET Commission after the specified date.

(**iv**)   **Design and syllabi of test**

Presently, the Commission has accepted the syllabus of the NET conducted by the UGC and the CSIR. Syllabus will be available in our website www.sletne.org.

6. **Scheme of test:**

(i)   The Test will consist of two papers. All the two papers will have only objective type questions of the following forms:

(a)   Multiple Choice
(b)   Matching
(c)   Assertion and Reasoning
(d)   True and False

The test will be held on a day in two separate sessions.

Session	Paper	Marks	Number of Questions	Duration
First	I	100	50	1 Hours (10.00 A.M. to 11.00 A.M.)
Second	II	200	100	2 Hours (11.30 A.M. to 1. 30 P.M.)

Paper – I shall be of general subject, intended to assess the teaching/research aptitude of the candidate. It will primarily be designed to test reasoning ability, comprehension, divergent thinking and general awareness of the candidate.

Paper – II shall consist of 100 objective type questions based on the subject.
Each question will carry 2 marks.

There will be no negative marking.

The compensatory time provided to the visually impaired candidates and PWD candidates with writing disability in Paper-I is 20 minutes. Accordingly, there is provision of 40 minutes of compensatory time in case of Paper – II.

(ii) **Procedure & Criteria for declaration of result for Assistant Professor:**

A. The criteria of UGC-NET communicated vide letter No. F.4-2/90 (NET) dated 13th June, 2017 will be followed.

It has been decided by the UGC that 6% of the appearing candidates should be declared qualified for Eligibility for Assistant Professor.

(i) In order to be considered for eligibility for Assistant Professor, the candidates must have appeared in all the two papers and secured at least 40% aggregate marks in all the two papers taken together for General Category and General EWS Category Candidates; and atleast 35% aggregate marks in all the two papers taken together for all candidates belonging to reserved category viz., SC, ST, OBC (belonging to NonCreamy Layer), PWD and also, Third Gender category.

(ii) To cite a hypothetical example, if 1,20,000 candidates register and actually 1,00,000 candidates appear in the SET, 6% of those i. e., 6,000 qualifying Slots for eligibility for Assistant Professor are to be earmarked for different categories as per Govt. policy.

These 6000 candidates would be distributed among various categories as per the reservation policy.

The category wise slots available for each category are as follows:

No. of Slots available for Eligibility for Assistant Professor

OBC (Non-Creamy Layer)	--- 27%	---	1620
SC	--- 15%	---	900
ST	--- 7.5%	---	450
PWD	--- 5%	---	300
GEN (Unreserved)	--- 35.5%	---	2130
General -EWS	--- 10%	---	600

(iii) The calculation is based on the ratio of number of candidates who secure minimum aggregate percentage of marks as prescribed above A (i) in each subject category-wise to the total number of candidates of that category over all subjects fulfilling A (ii) above multiplied by the total number of slots to be awarded to that category. The nearest whole number obtained as per this formula provides the number of slots available in any particular subject category-wise.

(iv) By this method if the number of slots obtained is less than one, it is taken as one i.e, a minimum one slot is awarded wherever a fraction less than one is obtained as per the calculation. However, for fraction greater than one, the figure is rounded off to the nearest whole number.

(v)   The aggregate percentage of all the two papers corresponding to the number of slots derived as per the previous paragraph is taken as the cutoff qualifying percentage of marks for a particular subject category-wise.

       "Top 6% of the appearing candidates who appear in all two papers and secure atleast 40% aggregate marks for candidates belonging to general category and at least 35% aggregate marks for candidates belonging to reserved categories will be declared qualified for eligibility for Assistant Professor by following the reservation policy of the State Govt."

       The above qualifying criteria is final and binding.

(vi)   For Persons with Disability (Visually Challenged candidates and candidates with writing disability**),** 20 minutes extra time shall be provided for Paper-I and 40 minutes extra time shall be provided for Paper – II. They will also be provided the services of a amanuensis who would be graduate in a subject other than that of the candidate. Those **Persons with Disability (Physically Challenged)** candidates who are not in a position to write in their own handwriting can also avail the services by making prior request (at least one week before the date of SET) in writing to the Co-ordinator of the SET conducting University.

(vii)   The candidates will be allowed to carry the carbon printout of OMR (Response Sheets) and Test Booklets with them on conclusion of the Test.

(viii) There will be no negative marking.

(ix)   The Answer Key of Paper I and II will be available in the SLET Commission's website after 7 (seven) working days of the Test.

       Feedback, if any, from the candidate for Answer-Key will be received upto 15 (fifteen) days from the date of uploading in the website.

(x)   The candidates who get the qualifying marks can get their marks in the SLET Commission's website after 7 working days from the date of declaration of result.

(xi)   The Candidates, having any grievances with regard to the result may send a written request to the Member Secretary, SLET Commission (N. E. Region) for rechecking the result with a Demand Draft of Rs. 5000.00 in favour of Member Secretary, SLET Commission, drawn on SBI, Gauhati University Branch (2060) within 15 days from the date of declaration of result. The request so received will be examined by the Commission. It will be limited to the checking of the results as per Answer- Keys revised/corrected on the basis of feed-back. In no case, the revision/correction of the Answer- key will be considered again. In case the result declared is found incorrect, the same will be revised accordingly, and the fee paid will be refunded otherwise the fee will be forfeited.

(xii) Publication of Advertisement
       All notifications will be published in a national newspaper, local newspapers and in SLET Commission's website: www.sletne.org.

(xiii) Unfair means/misconduct
Any candidate resorting to unfairmeans or misconduct is liable to forfeit the right to continue in the Test.

7. Legal dispute
The jurisdiction of court for all legal disputes relating to SET will be subject to Guwahati only. The decision of the Steering Committee will be final in regard to any dispute regarding SET.

8. Rates of Fees for SET and Cost of Application Form are furnished in the last page

Candidate claiming fee concession without attested valid SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/PWD/EWS certificate will summarily be rejected.
Persons authorized to issue the above certificate – Deputy Commissioner, Addl. D. C., Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tahsildar, any organization authorized by the Govt.

9. Guideline for filling up the Test application form

Step 1

(i) Candidate seeking admission to the test must apply online through website www.sletneonline.co.in

(ii) Before applying online, applicants should keep the scanned copies of his/her certificates, passport sized coloured photograph duly attested and signed by the candidate ready and also, the scanned copy of signature ready.

(iii) Duly attested M.A/ M.Sc./M.Com. certificate and Mark-sheet should be uploaded only along with the photograph and signature.

(iv) Attested copy of SC/ST/OBC along with non-creamy layer certificate / PWD/EWS category certificate, if applicable, from authorized person should be uploaded.

(v) The size of each of the scanned photo & signature should be within the range of 5 to 50kb and properly cropped.

(vi) Before submitting the form, applicants will get a chance to modify his/her application detail. But after the final submission of application, applicants will not be able to edit the application.

(vii) Once submitted, portal will generate a unique Application ID. The applicants are required to note down carefully the unique Application ID for all future references including Admit Card Download.

(viii) Once an applicant completes the application submission process, the applicant can print the Acknowledgement Slip for future reference.

(ix) Once submitted, application will generate the bank Challan for fee payment. Candidate should download the challans and print it. (Candidate should visit the SBI bank branch carrying the challans for fee payment one day after application submission).

Candidate may also pay fee using payment Gateway (s) integrated to the online application through Net Banking/ Debit Card/ Credit Card/ UPI/ Wallet (Applicable service/ processing charges over and above examination fee, are to be paid by the candidate to the concerned bank/ Payment Gateway integrator).

(x) Candidate claiming fee concession without attested valid SC/ST/OBC (Non-creamy) PWD/EWS certificate will summarily be rejected.

(xi) Persons authorized to issue the above OBC (Non-creamy)/SC/ST/PWD/EWS certificates – Deputy Commissioner, Addl. D.C., Revenue officer not below the rank of Tahsildar, any organization authorized by the Govt.

(xii) Candidates who have appeared or will be appearing in their Final or 4th Semester Master Degree examination should download the Attestation format from the link given in the homepage of the site. Candidate should fill-up the form and the same should be forwarded by the Head of the concerned department and upload the scan copy of it in the site.

Step 2

Note Down your Registration No for future Reference

Steep 3

Download the Challan copy (if applicable, otherwise go to Step-4)

Step 4

Pay fee using the payment Gateway integrated to the Online application and keep proof of fee paid. In case of payment through Bank Challan keep proof of fee paid and after two days of completing online Application form, you may deposit your Examination fee in any State Bank of India Branch.

Step 5

Take printout of your submitted Application Form (after two days of depositing the fee in case of the candidates paying through Bank Challan)

Application process is complete after Step No 5.

10. Age limit and number of chances

    (i)   There is no age limit.

    (ii)   A candidate can avail any number of chances.

11. General Information:

(a) A candidate should note that his/her candidature is provisional. The mere fact that an admission card has been issued to the candidate will not imply that the Commission has finally accepted his/her candidature. Candidates may note that their candidature will be deemed final upon verification of eligibility condition.

(b) Commission may change the centres or date of the test without assigning any reason.

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(c) Candidates should submit their Test (application) forms in On-line process only. **The concerned website for the purpose is www.sletneonline.co.in**

(d) Canvassing in any form will disqualify the candidate.

(e) In all matters the decision of the Commission shall be final.

(f) The use of Calculators & Log Tables is not permitted. Cellular Phone, Pager, etc. are not allowed in Test Hall.

(g) Candidates who do not appear in Paper-I will not be permitted to appear in subsequent paper.

(h) Candidates will not be allowed to write any question from test booklet on admission card, etc.

(i) Candidates are to download their Admit Cards from the website www.sletneonline.co.in. **The Admit Cards will not be sent through post to the individual candidates.**

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    (i)   The Pass Certificate will be issued after 45 working days from the date of announcement of SET result.

    (ii)   The candidate may collect the Pass Certificate personally or through messenger (duly authorized by the candidate) along with the following:

        (a) Mark-sheet of P.G Final/3rd and 4th Semester. (in original)

        (b) Caste Certificate/Special Category Certificate (in original)

        (c) Admit Card of SET (in original)

(d) If the Pass Certificate is to be issued through authorized person, the signature of the authorized person should be attested by the candidate in the authority letter with his/her signature which was used in the Admit Card and the Test Form.

(e) The cost of certificate is Rs. 250/-. The fee may be paid by using Payment Gateway(s) integrated through NET Banking Debit Card/ Credit Card/ UPI/ Wallet. This fee may, also, be paid through a Bank Draft in favour of Member Secretary SLET Commission, N. E. Region drawn on SBI Gauhati University Branch (2060) only.

(iii) Loss of SET Admit Card: The application for issue of duplicate Admit Card be submitted personally by the candidate with paper-cut of Newspaper-Advertisement and Police-report on the loss of SET original Admit Card with a fee of Rs. 100/-

12. Check and verify the following before mailing the Test Form:

1. Whether you fulfill the eligibility conditions for the test as prescribed under the Heading "Eligibility to sit for SET."

2. Whether you have filled up all the columns of the Test Form correctly and no column has been left blank.

3. Whether you have filled the name of the subject and Centre as well as the respective codes correctly as in Columns 5 (i) and 5 (ii) as shown in this booklet.

4. Whether you have filled the community status correctly in the Test Form.

5. Whether you have submitted all the documents necessary for the Test with the Test Form.

"How to Write Your Answer :

Response Sheet (Optical Mark Reader – OMR) has been provided with the question paper for indicating your answer. This response Sheet (OMR) has serial numbers of questions printed on it. Each question number is followed by 4 CIRCLES marked as (A) (B) C) and (D). You will have to indicate your answer by completely darkening the appropriate Circle. For example, for a particular question, if you find that out of four given answers the one marked (C) is correct, then on the Response Sheet (OMR) against that particular question number, you will have to indicate your answer by completely darkening the correct Circle by BALL POINT PEN ONLY as follows :

A   B   ●   D

Wrong Methods of Marking Answers :

Please DO NOT mark your answers by using methods of marking as illustrated below :

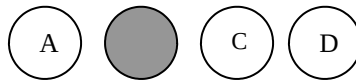Use of Tick Mark ( )   Use of Mark Line (−)   Use of Cross Mark (×)

Half Filled Circle ( )   Use of Dot (⊙)   Marks Outside Circle ( ) ⬤

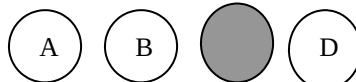**Sample Answer**:   You should record your Response Sheet (OMR) as given below:

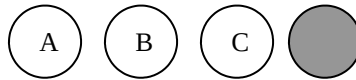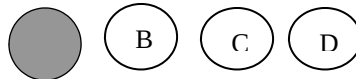| Question Number	Answer Choices
1.	(A) ⬤ (C) (D)
2.	(A) (B) ⬤ (D)
3.	(A) (B) (C) ⬤
4	⬤ (B) (C) (D)

Evaluation of Answer: The Response Sheets (OMR) for all the papers will be evaluated through computer.

N. B :-   **If any candidate fails to pay the prescribed fee his/her form will be rejected without any intimation to the candidate**

Fees for the SET:

Test Fee:

Category of Candidates	Fees
1. General	Rs. 1200/-
2. OBC (Non-creamy layer)	Rs. 1050/-
3. General (EWS)	Rs. 1050/-
4. SC/ST	Rs. 1000/-
5. PWD	Rs. 800/-

Name and address of Co-ordinators cum Officers-in-charge of SET Centres

Code No.	Centre	Officer-in-charge	Address
01	Gauhati University	Prof. Dwipen Bezbaruah	Dept. of Anthropology Gauhati University Guwhati -14 Mobile No – 94765 71875
02	Dibrugarh University	Prof. Dipak Chetia	Dept. of Pharmaceutical Science Dibrugarh University Dibrugarh – 786 004 Mobile No – 94353 94032
03	Tezpur University	Prof. Satyajib Bhattacharyya	Dept. of Electronic and Communication Engineering, Tezpur University Napaam, Tezpur – 784 028 Mobile No – 84534 00344
04	Assam University	Dr. Pradip C. Paul	Dept. of Chemistry Assam University Silchar – 788 011 Mobile No – 94015 49377
05	Manipur University	Prof. Kh. Tomba Singh	Dept. of Commerce Manipur University

Canhipur, Imphal – 795 003
Mobile No – 9436894427

06	Rajiv Gandhi University	Prof. Tasi Kaye	Dept of Commerce Rajiv Gandhi University Rono Hills, Doimukh Itanagar – 791 112 Mobile No. – 87875 97221
07	Tripura University	Prof. Samir Kr. Sil	HOD, Human Physiology Tripura University Surjyamani Nagar Pin – 799 022 Mobile No – 98625 90290
08	Sikkim	Dr. Debabrata Purohit	Principal Nar Bahadur Bhndari Govt. College, Sikkim Po- Tadong Gangtok – 737 102 Mobile No – 94342 11599
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