

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

Graduate Aptitude Test- Biotechnology (GAT-B) and Biotechnology Eligibility Test (BET)

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| 1. | What is Graduate Aptitude Test-Biotechnology (GAT-B)? | Graduate Aptitude Test-Biotechnology (GAT-B) is an All India Entrance Examination to test the eligibility of bonafide Indian nationals for admissions to DBT supported Post Graduate programmes in Biotechnology and allied areas, at participating institutions/universities in India. DBT supported Post Graduate programmes include: M.Sc. Biotechnology and allied areas; M.Tech. Biotechnology and allied areas; M.Sc. Agricultural Biotechnology and M.V. Sc. Animal Biotechnology. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2. | What is Biotechnology Eligibility Test (BET)? | Biotechnology Eligibility Test (BET) is the national qualifying examination for award of doctoral research fellowships under the DBT-Junior Research Fellowship (DBT-JRF) Programme. BET is an All-India computer-based examination which is held once every year. These fellowships are tenable at any recognized university/institution in India where the selected fellow registers for Ph.D. programme. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3. | What is the date for applying online for GAT-B & BET (Both) 2021? | The online link to apply online for GAT-B & BET (Both) 2021 is available between 07.07.2021 and 31.07.2021 at www.dbt.nta.ac.in | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4. | What is the last date of submission of application fee? | Candidates can pay the application fee only online upto 31.07.2021 (11.50 p.m.). | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5. | What is the date of the exam? | The examination will be conducted on 14.08.2021 (Saturday). | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 6. | What are the exam timings? | The exam will be held for GAT-B from 09:00 AM to 12:00 PM for BET from 03:00 PM to 06:00 PM | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7. | What is the mode of conducting the test? | The test will be conducted in Computer Based Test (CBT) mode. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8. | What is the scheme of the exam? | For Scheme of examination, please refer to the Information Bulletin hosted on the GAT-B/BET & BOTH- 2021 website: dbt.nta.ac.in | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9. | What is the syllabus? | For syllabus, please refer to the Information Bulletin of GAT-B/BET & BOTH-2021, hosted on NTA website: dbt.nta.ac.in | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10. | What will be the medium of the question paper? | The medium of Question Papers for both the examinations will be English only. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11. | What is the exam fees? | <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: center;">Examination</th> <th style="text-align: center;">General (UR)/ OBC-(NCL)/ EWS as per Central List</th> <th style="text-align: center;">SC/ST/ PwD</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">GAT-B</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1200</td> <td style="text-align: center;">600</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">BET</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1200</td> <td style="text-align: center;">600</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">GAT-B & BET (Both)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2400</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1200</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | Examination | General (UR)/ OBC-(NCL)/ EWS as per Central List | SC/ST/ PwD | GAT-B | 1200 | 600 | BET | 1200 | 600 | GAT-B & BET (Both) | 2400 | 1200 |
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| 12. | What are the cities where the exam will be held? | The list of Cities have been mentioned in the Information Bulletin of GAT-B/BET & BOTH 2021, which is available: www.dbt.nta.ac.in | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 13. | How do I make payment of exam fee? | You can pay the examination fee only online, through the payment gateway, using debit/credit card or internet | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| | | banking, Paytm or UPI. |
| 14. | What is the eligibility criteria for applying for the exam? | Please refer to the Information Bulletin hosted on the GAT-B/BET & BOTH 2021 website: dbt.nta.ac.in |
| 15. | Is there any age restriction for applying for the exam? | There is no age restriction for GAT-B. With regard to BET, please refer to the Information Bulletin. |
| 16. | Can I withdraw my application form and get refund of the fee paid? | Online Application Form can neither be withdrawn once it is submitted successfully nor application fee can be refunded. |
| 17. | I made an error in filling the details in the form? How do I correct it? | In order to avoid correction in the particulars at a later stage, the candidate should <i>exercise utmost caution while filling up the details in the Application Form.</i> However, the facility for correction in the particulars in the Online Application Form will be provided from 04.08.2021 to 06.08.2021. |
| 18. | What are the details that I can correct through the Correction Window? | You can change certain details that had earlier filled in the exam form through the Correction Window at dbt.nta.ac.in during the period from 04 August 2021 to 06 August 2021. You can also upload the correct document/s through the correction window, in case there was an error in the documents you had earlier uploaded. No correction can be carried out either through email or fax or letter. Please read the Information Bulletin and check the NTA website for updates. |
| 19. | I have made double/excess payment of fee. When do I get refund? | Extra payment, if any, made by you will be refunded to you, soon after the closure of the correction window, after fee reconciliation. In case you do not receive the refund as stated above, you may write to us at dbt@nta.ac.in stating your application number, name, transaction reference number, date of the transaction, name of the bank/payment gateway through which payment was made. |
| 20. | I have forgotten my application number. How do I get it? | On the log in screen of the portal, dbt.nta.ac.in , click the “forgot application number” button and follow the procedure given there. You will get your application number. |
| 21. | How do I get my admit card | The admit card will be uploaded on NTA website dbt.nta.ac.in as per the announcement on NTA website. Candidates need to check the admit card carefully for all particulars e.g Roll No. Name, Medium, Date of Birth, Gender, Examination City/Centre, Date and time of the exam, Category, etc |
| 22. | If I do not get my Admit Card, whom should I contact? | Send an email to dbt@nta.ac.in or call NTA Help Desk at 011- 4075 9000. |
| 23. | Whom can I contact in case my admit card has some issue, or I am not able to download my admit card? | Send an email to dbt@nta.ac.in or call NTA Help Desk at 01140759000. |
| 24. | Where can I get the details of the exam centre? | Please check your admit card for the same. |
| 25. | Can I change my exam city after receiving admit card? | No, you will not be allowed to change your exam city once admit card has been issued. |
| 26. | Am I required to affix my photograph on the Admit Card? | Admit Card contains a Declaration cum Undertaking regarding COVID 19. You are required to affix your photograph and left hand thumb impression at the foot of |

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| | | the Declaration/Undertaking and also get the signature of your parent affixed at the space provided, before reaching the centre. You will be required to sign on the admit card in the presence of the Invigilator at the exam centre. |
| 27. | What is the reporting time at the exam centre? | Please check your admit card which will be issued through dbt.nta.ac.in , for your reporting time. |
| 28. | What is the latest time for entry into the exam centre | Candidate is required to reach Centre as per the Reporting/Entry time at Centre given in the Admit Card to avoid any crowding at the Centre at the time of entry and to maintain social distancing. |
| 29. | Can I leave the test hall, if I complete the test before time? | No. You cannot leave the test hall until the test concludes and the invigilator allows you to go. |
| 30. | What are the items which are permitted inside the test hall? | You are permitted to carry, only the following items to the test centre: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pen(Black/Blue) • Personal transparent water bottle (500 ml) • Personal hand sanitizer (50 ml) • Admit Card along with Self Declaration (Undertaking) downloaded from the NTA website (a clear printout on A4 size paper) duly filled in and photo affixed. • Valid ID cards • Photo for affixing on the attendance sheet |
| 31. | Will I be given fresh mask at the test centre? | Yes. You are required to wear the mask given at the test centre during the test. |
| 32. | Should I carry some blank sheets to the exam centre for doing rough work? | No. You will be provided paper at the exam centre for doing rough work. |
| 33. | Should I carry a calculator? | No |
| 34. | Will the question paper be bi-lingual? | No, the question Paper will be in English only. |
| 35. | Do I have to surrender the admit card to the invigilator at the exam centre? | Yes. You are required to hand over your admit card to the invigilator after the conclusion of the exam. |
| 36. | Am I required to carry a photograph to affix on the attendance register? | Yes. |
| 37. | Will there be negative marking for wrong answers? | Yes. There would be negative marking for wrong answers. Please refer to Information Bulletin hosted on the website dbt.nta.ac.in |
| 38. | Will I get an opportunity to view my responses, the questions and the answers? Will I get an opportunity to challenge the answers, in case I feel that the answer to any question is incorrect, in my opinion? | After the conduct of test, the question paper, recorded responses and provisional answer keys will be made available on the GAT-B/BET & BOTH website. dbt.nta.ac.in Exact date of display would be communicated after the examination, on NTA website. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Candidates, who are not satisfied with the answer key, may challenge by filling online application form and paying a non-refundable fee of Rs 1000/- per answer challenged, through the given window. Applications received by hand or by fax or email will not be considered. - Experts test the challenges received, and if needed key is revised. - The result will be compiled on the basis of final answer keys. |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No grievance with regard to answer key(s) after declaration of result will be entertained. The NTA's decision on the challenges shall be final and no further communication will be entertained. - Candidates are advised to remain in touch with the NTA websites: www.nta.ac.in or dbt.nta.ac.in for the exact dates and other updates. |
| 39. | What is the evaluation methodology? | <p>Responses will be processed based on the answer keys verified and finalised.</p> <p>NTA shall address discrepancies if any in the following manner</p> <p>If more than one option are found to be correct, post challenge or during key verification - Marks will be awarded to only those students who have marked any of the correct options.</p> |
| 40. | When will results be declared? | Results will be processed and hosted on NTA website. Be in touch with the NTA website for updates. |
| 41. | Can I apply for re-checking my answers, after results? | No. |
| 42. | Whom should I contact in case of any need? | <p>You can write to us at dbt@nta.ac.in or call NTA Help Desk at: 011-4075 9000.</p> <p>Candidates are advised to be in touch with the NTA website: dbt.nta.ac.in for latest updates.</p> |