

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 lecturer, 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 lecturership on 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 Union Territories 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 lecturers. 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
Gauhati University Campus
Gopinath Bordoloi Nagar, Guwahati – 781 014
Assam

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 lecturer of the Universities and Colleges as the case may be.

4. Eligibility to sit for SET

Any Indian National who obtained Master Degree or equivalent Degree with atleast 55% marks (without rounding up) is eligible to sit in the SET. However the Schedules Cast (SC) /Scheduled Tribe (ST)/ Person with Disability (PWD) category candidates who have secured atleast 50% marks (without rounding up) in Master Degree or equivalent Examination are eligible for the test.

Candidates who have appeared or will be appearing at the final (or 4th Semester) of their Master Degree Examination and whose result is still awaited or candidates whose qualifying examination has been delayed, may also apply and appear at 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's Degree examination or equivalent examination with at least

55% marks (50% marks in case of OBC [Non-creamy layer]/SC/ ST/ PWD category candidate). Such candidates must obtain the Master Degree within two years from the date of the concerned SET result with required percentage of marks failing which they shall be treated as disqualified. **Candidates are advised to appear in the subject of their Post Graduation only.** The candidates whose Post Graduation subject is not covered in the list of subjects in item 5 (i) may appear in a related subject.

Candidates belonging to OBC (Non-creamy layer)/SC/ST/PWD category are required to attach copy of category certificate along with On-line print-out of their Application Forms (obtained while applying on-line). The Non-creamy layer certificate should not be more than one year old. Other Candidates are not required to submit any certificate/ documents in support of their eligibility along with printout of their Application Form. 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.

Candidates who qualify in the Test are eligible to apply for the post of Asst Professor within the jurisdiction of the Member-States of this SLET Commission. They will be given 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
Commerce	21
Chemical Science	31
Life Science	32
Mathematical Science	33
Physical Science	34

(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.

<u>Name of Centres</u>	<u>Centre Code</u>
Gauhati University	01
Dibrugarh University	02
Tezpur University	03
Assam University	04
Manipur University	05
Rajiv Gandhi Central University, Itanagar	06
Tripura University	07
Sikkim Govt. 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)

(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 syllabi 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 consists of three papers. All the three 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	60 out of which 50 question (to be attempted)	1¼ Hours (09.00 A.M. to 10.15 A.M.)
	II	100	50 questions (all are compulsory)	1¼ Hours (10.30 A.M. to 11.45 A.M.)
Second	III	150	75 questions (all are compulsory)	2½ Hours (01.00 P.M. to 3. 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. Sixty (60) objective type questions of two marks each will be given, out of which the candidate would be required to answer any fifty (50). In the event of the candidate attempting more than fifty questions, the first fifty questions attempted by the candidate would be evaluated.

Paper – II shall consist of 50 objective type compulsory questions based on the subject. Each question will carry 2 marks.

Paper – III shall consist of 75 objective type compulsory questions from the subject. Each question will carry 2 marks. All questions of Paper – II and Paper – III are compulsory, covering entire syllabus (including all electives, without options).

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

This will Comprise of following steps:

Step I :

Minimum marks to be obtained in SET for considering a candidate eligible for lectureship:

The candidates are required to obtain following minimum marks separately in Paper – I, Paper – II and Paper – III for consideration of result:

Minimum Marks (%) to be obtained			
Category	Paper – I	Paper – II	Paper – III
General	40 (40%)	40 (40%)	75 (50%)
OBC (Non- creamy layer)/ PWD/SC/ST	35 (35%)	35 (35%)	60 (40%)

Step II :

Amongst those candidates who have cleared step-I, a general merit list will be prepared subject-wise, Category-wise using the aggregate marks of all the three papers secured by such candidates. Another Merit List subject-wise and Category-wise will also be prepared in the same manner.

Step III:

Top 15% candidates (for each subject and category), from the merit list mentioned under step – II, will be declared SET qualified for eligibility for Assistant Professor.

It may be noted that the above qualifying criteria decided by SLET Commission (Moderation/Steering Committees) is final and binding.

- (iii) **For Persons with Disability (Visually Challenged candidates)** Thirty minutes extra time shall be provided separately for Paper – I and Paper – II, For Paper – III, forty five minutes extra time shall be provided. 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. Extra time and facility of amanuensis would not be provided to other **Persons with Disability (Physically Challenged)** candidates.
- (iv) The candidates will be allowed to carry the carbon printout of OMR (Response Sheets) and Test Booklets with them on conclusion of the Test.
- (v) There will be no negative marking.
- (vi) The Answer Key of Paper I, II and III 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.
- (vii) 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.
- (viii) 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 one month from the date of declaration of result. The request so received will be examined by the Committee. 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.

- (ix) **Publication of Advertisement**
All notifications will be published in the Employment News, in a local News paper and in SLET Commission's website: www.sletne.org.
- (x) **Unfairmeans/misconduct**
Any candidate resorting to unfairmeans or misconduct is liable to forfeit the right to continue in the Test. (Details are stated in SLET regulation No. 1)

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 certificate will summarily be rejected.

Persons authorised to issue the above 8 (II) certificate – Deputy Commissioner, Addl. D. C., Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tahsildar, any organisation 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.in
- (ii) Before applying online, applicants should keep the scan copy of his/her certificates, passport sized coloured photograph and signature ready with duly attested and signed by the candidate.
- (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 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 Downloaded.
- (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)
- (x) Candidate claiming fee concession without attested valid SC/ST/OBC (Non-creamy) PWD certificate will summarily be rejected.
- (xi) Persons authorized to issue the above OBC (Non-creamy)/Sc/ST/PWD 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 Mater 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

Step 3

Download the Challan copy

Step 4

After two days of completing online Application form, Please deposit your Examination fee in any State Bank of India Branch

Step 5

Take printout of your submitted Application Form, after two days from the day of Deposit the fee. 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
- (c) Candidates should submit their Test (application) forms in On-line process only. **The concerned website for the purpose is www.sletneonline.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) Candidate who do not appear in Paper-I will not be permitted to appear in subsequent papers.
- (h) Candidates will not be allowed to write any question from test booklet on admission card etc.
- (i) Candidates are to down-load their Admit Cards from the website www.sletneonline.in. The Admit Cards will not be sent through post to the individual candidates.
- (j)
 - (i) The Pass Certificate will be issued after 30 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 authorised person, the signature of the authorised 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 is to 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 “CONDITION OF ELIGIBILITY”
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 in Columns 5 (I) and 5 (II) as shown in this booklet.
4. Whether you have filled the community status correctly in column (8) in the Test Form.
5. Don't forget to sign in the Test Form, Admission Card and Attendance Sheet in specified places.
6. Whether you have submitted all the documents necessary for the Test with the Test Form.

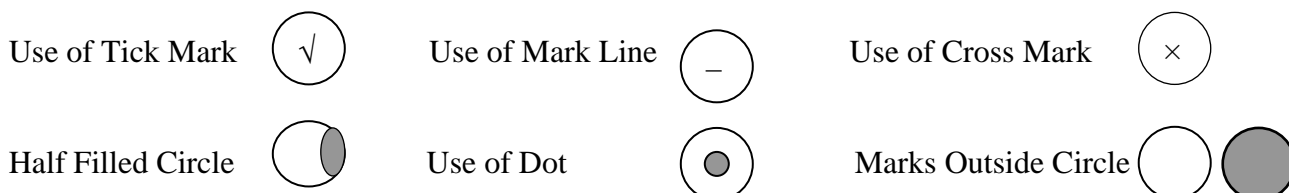
“How to Write Your Answer :

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 :



Wrong Methods of Marking Answers :

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



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

Question Number

Answer Choices

1.	<input type="radio"/> A	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> D
2.	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> D
3.	<input type="radio"/> A	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
4.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/> B	<input type="radio"/> C	<input type="radio"/> 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:

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| (i) | Fee for the Application Form : | Rs. 400/- inclusive of the cost of Information Brochure and Sllabus. |
| (ii) | Test Fee: | |
| | <u>Category of Candidates</u> | <u>Fees</u> |
| | 1. General | Rs. 800/- |
| | 2. OBC (Non-creamy layer) | Rs. 650/- |
| | 3. SC/ST | Rs. 600/- |
| | 4. PWD | Rs. 400/- |

