

**HIMACHAL PRADESH  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**STATE ELIGIBILITY TEST-2013.**

**(ACCREDITED BY UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION)**

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**LAST DATE FOR RECEIPT OF ONLINE APPLICATIONS : 18/06/2013**

- i) The Himachal Pradesh Public Service Commission (Authorised Agency) announces holding of **State Eligibility Test (SET)** in the month of September/October **2013** for determining the **Eligibility for Lectureship** in universities and colleges located within the State of Himachal Pradesh. The test will be conducted in 19 subjects listed below at various examination centres located at **Shimla, Solan, Mandi and Dharamshala.**
- ii) The **result of the SET** will be made available on the website of the Commission as and when it is declared. The candidates will not be individually intimated about their result.
- iii) Scheduled Caste (SC)/Scheduled Tribe (ST)/ Persons with Disability(PWD), Other Backward Classes (OBC)(Non creamy layer), as per the Central/State list of Other Backward Classes available on National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC), Government of India website : [www.ncbc.nic.in](http://www.ncbc.nic.in), candidates will be given such special concessions as may be decided by the Commission.

**1.SUBJECTS FOR SET:**

**1. Chemical Sciences 2. English 3. Life Sciences 4. Commerce 5. Economics 6. Geography 7. Hindi 8. History 9. Mathematical Sciences 10. Music 11. Physical Sciences 12. Physical Education 13. Sociology 14. Sanskrit 15. Political Science 16. Public Administration 17. Computer Application 18. Tourism Administration & Management 19. Journalism & Mass Communication.**

**2.AGE LIMIT & RELAXATION:**

There is no upper age limit to apply for lectureship eligibility.

### **3.CONDITION OF ELIGIBILITY:**

- i) Candidates who have secured at least 55% marks (without rounding off) in Master's Degree OR equivalent examination from universities/institutions recognised by UGC in Humanities (including languages) and Social Sciences, Computer Science & Applications, Electronic Science etc. are eligible for this Test. The Scheduled Caste (SC)/Scheduled Tribe (ST)/Persons with Disability (PWD) category candidates who have secured at least 50% marks (without rounding off) in Master's degree or equivalent examination are eligible for this Test.
- ii) Candidates who have appeared OR will be appearing at the qualifying Master's degree (final year) examination and whose result is still awaited OR candidates whose qualifying examinations have been delayed may also apply for this Test. However, such candidates will be admitted provisionally and shall be considered eligible for Lectureship only after they have passed their Master's degree examination or equivalent with at least 55% marks (50% marks in case of SC/ST/PWD (Persons with disability) category candidates). Such candidates must complete their P.G. degree examination within two years from the date of SET result with required percentage of marks, failing which they shall be treated as disqualified.
- iii) The Ph.D. degree holders whose Master's level examination had been completed by 19th September, 1991 (irrespective of date of declaration of result) shall be eligible for a relaxation of 5% in aggregate marks (i.e. from 55% to 50%) for appearing in SET
- iv) Candidates are advised to appear in the subject of their post-graduation only. In case the subject of a candidate is not included in the list of SET subjects, the candidate may appear in UGC NET/UGC-CSIR NET which is held twice a year.
- v) Candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC(Non-creamy layer) PWD category are required to submit attested copy of the category certificate along with online printout of their Application Forms (obtained while applying on-line). Other candidates are not required to submit any certificates/documents in support of their eligibility alongwith printout of their Application Form. Therefore, 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 Commission at any stage, their candidature will be cancelled and they shall be liable for legal action.
- vi) Candidates having post-graduate diploma/certificate awarded by Indian University / Institute or foreign degree/ diploma/certificate awarded by the Foreign University/ Institute should in their own interest, ascertain the equivalence of their degree/ diploma/certificate with Master's degree of recognized Indian universities from Association of Indian Universities (AIU), New Delhi. ([www.aiuweb.org](http://www.aiuweb.org))

#### 4. EXEMPTION (ELIGIBILITY FOR LECTURESHIP):

- i) **NET/SLET/SET** shall remain the minimum eligibility condition for recruitment and appointment of Assistant Professors in Universities/Colleges/Institutions. Provided however, that candidates, who are or have been awarded a Ph. D. Degree in accordance with the University Grants Commission ( Minimum standards and Procedure for Award for Ph.D Degree) Regulations, 2009, shall be exempted from the requirement of the minimum eligibility condition of NET/SELT/SET for recruitment and appointment of Assistant Professor or equivalent positions in Universities/ Colleges/ Institutions.
- ii) **For SET candidates:** The candidates who have cleared the State Eligibility Test (SET) accredited by UGC for eligibility for Lectureship held prior to 1st June , 2002 , are exempted from appearing in NET, being eligible to appear for Lectureship anywhere in India. For SET held from 1st, June,2002 onwards, the qualified candidates are eligible to apply for the post of lecturer only in the Universities/Colleges situated in the state from where they have cleared their SET.

#### 5. SCHEME AND DATE OF TEST :

The test will consist of three papers. All the three papers will consist of only objective type questions and will be held in the month of September/October, 2013 one day in two separate sessions as under:

Session	Paper	Marks	Number of question	Duration
First	I	100	60 out of which 50 questions to be attempted	75 Minutes (10 AM to 11-15 AM).
First	II	100	50 questions all are compulsory	75 Minutes (11-30 AM to 12-45 PM).
Second	III	150	75 questions all are compulsory	150 Minutes (2-30PM to 5-00PM)

**Paper-I** shall be of general nature, 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) multiple choice 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 selected by the candidate. Each question will carry 2 marks.

**Paper-III** will consist of 75 objective compulsory questions from the subject selected by the candidate. Each question will carry 2 marks. All

questions of Paper-II and Paper-III will be compulsory, covering entire syllabus (including all electives, without options.)

The candidate will have to mark the responses for questions of Paper-I, Paper-II and Paper-III on the Optical Mark Reader (OMR) sheet provided by the Commission.

### **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 for eligibility for lectureship:

The candidates are required to obtain following minimum marks separately in Paper-I, Paper-II and Paper-III as given below:

<b>CATEGORY</b>	<b>MINIMUM MARKS ( % ) TO BE OBTAINED</b>		
	<b>PAPER - I</b>	<b>PAPER- II</b>	<b>PAPER-III</b>
GENERAL	40(40%)	40(40%)	75 (50%)
OBC(Non- creamy layer)	35(35%)	35(35%)	67.5 (45%)round off to 68
PWD/SC/ ST	35(35%)	35(35%)	60(40%)

**Step II:** Amongst those candidates who have cleared step I, a merit list will be prepared subject-wise and category-wise using the aggregate marks of all the three papers secured by such candidates.

**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 lectureship only.

It may be noted that the above qualifying criteria decided by UGC is final and binding.

**II 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 scribe who would be a 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 hand-writing can also avail these services by making prior request (at least one week before the date of SET) in writing to the MEMBER SECRETARY (SET). Extra time and facility of scribe would not be provided to other **Persons with Disability (Physically Challenged)** candidates.

**III)Syllabus of Test:** All questions of Paper-II and Paper-III will be compulsory, covering entire syllabus (including all electives, without options). The syllabi for all the subjects are that of UGC / CSIR examinations and the same can be

downloaded from H.P. Public Service Commission website [www.hp.gov.in/hppsc](http://www.hp.gov.in/hppsc). The syllabi can also be downloaded from UGC website [www.ugc.ac.in](http://www.ugc.ac.in). This agency will not supply the copies of syllabus to the individual candidates.

**IV)** In case of any discrepancy found in the English and Hindi versions, the questions in English version shall be taken as final.

## **6.FEE**

### **Online Mode**

Candidates applying for the test are required to pay fee of Rs. 500/- for General category and Rs. 125/- for S.C. / S.T. / OBC/PWD categories by cash at any branch of **Punjab National Bank**, through a **challan** generated through the above website.

## **7.HOW TO APPLY:**

Candidates are required to visit at [www.hp.gov.in/hppsc](http://www.hp.gov.in/hppsc) and click the link to **APPLY ONLINE FOR STATE ELIGIBILITY TEST**. Detailed instructions for filling up Online Applications are available on the above mentioned website. The candidates already registered with HPPSC for other examinations / test need not to register again and they may use said User ID and Password for applying online.

## **NOTE:**

The provisionally admitted candidates may download the admit cards along with instructions for appearing in the State Eligibility Test-2013 from the official website [www.hp.gov.in/hppsc](http://www.hp.gov.in/hppsc).

If any candidate appears at a centre other than those allotted by the Commission in his / her admit card, the answer sheet of such candidate will not be evaluated and his / her candidature will be cancelled.

- SET qualified candidates shall be eligible to apply for the post of Lecturer (College Cadre) only in the University/Colleges belonging to Himachal Pradesh State.

- **DISPUTES, IF ANY, SHALL BE SUBJECT TO COURT JURISDICTION AT SHIMLA.**

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