

**Government of Punjab**  
**Department of Home Affairs & Justice**

To

1. All the Deputy Commissioners in the State
2. All the Commissioners of Police & SSPs in the State

No.SS/SCSH/2020/635


Dated: Chandigarh, the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September, 2020.

Sub: **Allowing and facilitating smooth and successful conduct of various examinations by various Ministries/Agencies of Government of India.**

1. Kindly find enclosed herewith a copy each of –
  - (i) DO letter dated 1st September 2020 from the Cabinet Secretary, Government of India regarding **Civil Services (Preliminary) Exam 2019** being held by the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) on **Sunday - 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2020.**,
  - (ii) DO letter dated 15th September 2020 from the Chairman, Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) regarding **Class X & XII Compartment Exam** being held from **September 22 to 30, 2020.**,
  - (iii) DO letter dated 21st September 2020 of the Director General, National Testing Agency (NTA) of the Ministry of Human Resource Development (HRD), Government of India regarding conduct of **ICAR, UGC-NET, AIAPGET and JNUEE Exams** on different dates **between September to November 2020** as per schedule mentioned therein.,
  - (iv) DO letter dated 22nd September 2020 from the Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW), Government of India regarding conduct of **BET-2020 and GAT-B** on **Saturday - 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2020.**

2. In this context, your attention is drawn to para 1(1) of this office letter No. SS/SCSH/2020/604 dated 31st August 2020 (*copy attached for ready reference*) issuing guidelines on Unlock-4 to be implemented from 01.09.2020 to 30.09.2020 vide which *movement of all persons and students related to various examinations, admissions/entrance tests etc. has been exempted from all kinds of restrictions.*

3. You are accordingly advised to extend all the cooperation and assistance to the organisers to facilitate smooth and successful conduct of aforementioned examinations.

  
**Special Chief Secretary (Home)**  
23.09.2020

CC:

1. The Chief Secretary, Punjab.
2. The Director General of Police, Punjab.

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28.	West 1	Maharashtra	Mumbai
29.	West 1	Maharashtra	Aurangabad
30.	West 1	Maharashtra	Pune
31.	East 2	Assam	Tezpur
32.	East 2	West Bengal	Nadia
33.	East 2	Meghalaya	Shillong
34.	East 1	Odisha	Bhubaneswar
35.	North 4	Punjab	Mohali
36.	North 4	Punjab	Ludhiana
37.	North 4	Punjab	Patiala
38.	North 4	Punjab	Amritsar
39.	North 3	Rajasthan	Jaipur
40.	South 2	Tamil Nadu	Chennai
41.	South 2	Tamil Nadu	Madurai
42.	South 2	Tamil Nadu	Tiruchirappalli
43.	South 2	Tamil Nadu	Coimbatore
44.	South 1	Telangana	Hyderabad
45.	North 1	Uttar Pradesh	Ghazlabad
46.	North 1	Uttar Pradesh	Meerut
47.	North 2	Uttarakhand	Roorkee
48.	North 2	Uttar Pradesh	Lucknow
49.	North 1	Uttar Pradesh	Noida
50.	North 2	Uttar Pradesh	Allahabad (Prayagraj)
51.	North 2	Uttar Pradesh	Varanasi
52.	North 2	Uttar Pradesh	Bareilly
53.	North 2	Uttar Pradesh	Aligarh
54.	North 2	Uttar Pradesh	Kanpur
55.	North 2	Uttarakhand	Dehradun
56.	East 2	West Bengal	Kolkata
57.	East 2	Andaman Nicobar islands	Port Blair
58.	East 2	Assam	Jorhat
59.	North 3	Rajasthan	Udaipur

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To

1. All the Divisional Commissioners and the Deputy Commissioners in the State
2. All the Zonal IGPs, Commissioners of Police, DIGs and SSPs in the State

No.SS/ACSH/2020/604

Dated: Chandigarh, the 31<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2020.

**Sub: Guidelines on Unlock 4 to be implemented from 01.09.2020 to 30.09.2020.**

1. Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) Vide its order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A) Dated 29.08.2020 has issued detailed guidelines on Unlock 4 to be implemented from 01.09.2020 to 30.09.2020. In the light of rising cases and fatalities due to COVID especially in urban areas of the state, the district authorities are directed to comply with these guidelines with the following additional restrictions in urban areas.

**(1) Curfew (All cities) :**

- **Weekend curfew:** Total Curfew on Saturdays and Sundays in all the 167 municipal towns of the State upto 30.09.2020.
- **Night curfew:** Movement of individuals for all the non-essential activities shall remain prohibited between 7:00 pm to 5:00 am within municipal limits of all the cities of Punjab throughout the week.

However, essential activities and services, movement of persons and goods on National and State Highways, inter-state & intra state movement of persons and unloading of cargo and travel of persons to their destinations after disembarking from buses, trains and aeroplanes will be permitted. Essential services include services related to health, agricultural and related activities, dairying and fishery activities, banks, ATMs, stock markets, insurance companies, on-line teaching, public utilities, public transport, industry in multiple-shifts, construction industry, offices both private and government etc.

*Darshan Chandra*

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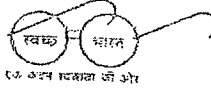
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मंत्रिमंडल सचिव  
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CABINET SECRETARY  
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

D.O. No. 501/19/1/2013- CA-V



Dated, the 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2020

Dear Chief Secretary / Administrator,

The Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) would be conducting the Civil Service (Preliminary) Examination, 2019 on Sunday, the 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2020, at 2569 Venues/Sub-Centres in 72 cities throughout the country (list enclosed). Nearly ten lakh sixty thousand candidates are expected to appear in the examination.

2. As in the past, this year's examination would require close cooperation of various law & order and intelligence agencies of the State Governments. Requisite arrangements for the conduct of the examination at various centres are being made by UPSC's authorized representatives who, in many cases, are officers working with the respective State Governments. The State Governments are requested to assist the representatives of the Commission to ensure security of sensitive examination materials during their transportation and storage, as well as during the actual conduct of the examination. Adequate arrangements for policing, patrolling, security of venue and of supervisory staff and effective measures to prevent misuse of mobile phones and other communication equipment etc. would also be required.

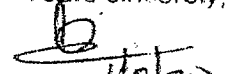
3. In view of the prevalent situation due to the COVID-19 pandemic, special provisions are also required to be made this year so that there is no inconvenience to the candidates and exam functionaries. E-Admit Cards of the candidates and identity cards of the examination functionaries could be used as passes for their unhindered movement. You are also requested to ensure that public transport systems run at an optimum level at least from a day before the Examination till the date of conduct of the Examination i.e. on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2020 so that the candidates can reach their allotted Venues without any difficulty. A copy of guidelines issued by the Commission for conduct of the examinations in the wake of COVID-19 pandemic is enclosed.

4. Needless to say, successful conduct of this prestigious examination requires close cooperation between the State Governments and the UPSC. I am sure you would provide all necessary assistance for smooth and successful conduct of the Examination.

With regards,

Chief Secretary,  
Govt. of Punjab,  
Secretariat,  
Chandigarh-160 001

Yours sincerely,

  
(Rajiv Gauba)

No. 14/20/2020-E.II  
Union Public Service Commission  
{Examination Branch}

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Dated: 20.07.2020

To,

All coordinating supervisor,

**Subject:** Circulation of Guidelines for conduct of the UPSC  
Examinations in the wake of COVID -19 pandemic.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith the Guidelines to be followed with respect to conduct of the UPSC Examinations in the wake of the COVID -19 pandemic, as approved by the Commission, for compliance by all concerned. You are requested to forward the same to all the Venue Supervisor for their information and compliance.

Encl: As above.

  
(Deep Farid)  
Under Secretary



DO No. CBSE/COORD./2020/

Dated: 15.09.2020

Dear Sir,

You may be aware that CBSE declared results of Class X & XII exams on 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2020 and 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2020 respectively. Now, the Board has decided to conduct compartment examination for those candidates who are placed under compartment category. The schedule / dates for compartment exams are from 22nd September, 2020 to 30th September, 2020 (Copy of Date Sheet is attached).

This year about 2.37 lakh students from India and 16 other countries will be appearing in the compartment exam. Students of Class-X will be appearing in a maximum of two subjects and Class-XII students in maximum one subject.

Due to the unprecedented situation created due to COVID-19 pandemic, CBSE has taken measures to ensure a safe and conducive environment for conduct of examinations. It has taken the following steps:

- Issued safety guidelines / protocols to be followed for safe conduct of examinations at examination centres. These have been prepared based on the instructions issued by Government of India.
- Increased the examinations centres from 500 to 1268 to maintain social distancing and also to facilitate the students by providing examination centres nearby to their home.
- Students and their parents have been informed individually about the precautions to be taken by them to avoid spread of COVID-19.

In view of the situation created due to the pandemic, smooth conduct of examinations in a safe environment for the students will require support from the State/UT Government. Support will be required in the form of maintenance of law and order, permitting smooth traffic/movement of students on exam days, smooth movement of teachers, police support for preventing crowding outside exam centers, continued water and electricity supply during exams, health support (in case required), etc.

There are about 1366 schools in your State affiliated to CBSE and the examination of the students of these schools will be conducted in about 61 schools fixed as examination centres. I am attaching the list of examination centers in your State for passing on to concerned authorities with appropriate instructions from your end.

The Regional Officers of CBSE in-charge of the State/UT have been directed to keep in touch with the Secretary, School Education and Directorate of School Education. Hence, it is earnestly requested that the State/UT Government may extend their full support and cooperation to CBSE for conducting Class X and Class XII Compartment examinations.

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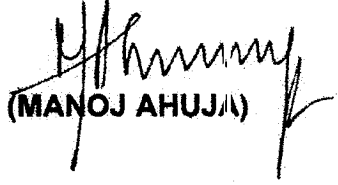
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I take this opportunity to express gratefulness, in advance for your kind cooperation and support for holding the forthcoming compartment examinations.

*With regards,*

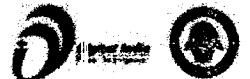
Yours sincerely,

  
(MANOJ AHUJA)

**Enclosed:**

1. Date Sheet
2. List of Examination centers in the State

**Ms. Vini Mahajan, IAS  
Chief Secretary  
Government of Punjab  
Chandigarh - 160001  
Punjab**



डॉ. विनीत जोशी, आ.प्र.से.  
सहायक निदेशक

Dr. Vineet Joshi, IAS  
Director General



राष्ट्रीय परीक्षा एजेंसी  
National Testing Agency

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D. O. No./NTA/Exams/2020  
21 September 2020

Dear Sir/Madam,

1. I thank you immensely for extending support for conduct of two major examinations of JEE (Main) and NEET (UG) 2020 by the NTA during September 2020.
2. I take the opportunity to again write to you to seek your support for conduct of the remaining examinations in the months of September to November, 2020.
3. These examinations were cancelled in the month of April, 2020 in view of COVID-19, and are now being held from the month of September to November 2020 as a follow up of the MHRD's (now Ministry of Education's).
4. The scheduled dates of these examinations are as follows:

Name of Examinations	Date of Examinations	Timings	Shifts
Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)	22 September 2020 (Tuesday)	09:30 a.m. to 12:00 Noon	Shift -1
		03:00 p.m. to 05:30 p.m.	Shift-2
Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)	23 September 2020 (Wednesday)	09:30 a.m. to 12:00 Noon	Shift -1
		03:00 p.m. to 05:30 p.m.	Shift-2
University Grants Commission-National Eligibility Test (UGC-NET)	24.09.2020, 25.09.2020, 29.09.2020, 30.09.2020, 01.10.2020, 07.10.2020, 09.10.2020, 17.10.2020, 21.10.2020, 22.10.2020, 23.10.2020, 05.11.2020	09:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon	Shift -1
		03:00 p.m. to 06:00 p.m.	Shift-2
AIAPGET	28 September 2020 (Monday)	10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon	Shift -1
		03:00 p.m. to 05:00 p.m.	Shift -2
JNU EE	05.10.2020 – 08-10-2020	09:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon	Shift -1
		03:00 p.m. to 06:00 p.m.	Shift-2

5. The conduct of these examinations is necessary to avoid loss of learning causing irreparable harm to thousands of bright professionals of our country.
6. The Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for the conduct of examination as finalised by the Government of India from time to time are to be implemented by all stakeholders, and the NTA on its part, has taken all measures to ensure implementation of the same on social distancing and other preventive/ protective measures at all the examination centres.
7. May I, therefore, request you to kindly provide the following support for the implementation of SOPs for conduct of the above examinations, subject to the provisions of SOPs :-
  - a) The examination centres in your state be allowed to open and operate for all activities related to preparation and conduct of above Examination.
  - b) In case there is a restriction on movements in certain areas, admit/identity cards issued to the students should be treated as a pass for the movement of students. The support staff/observers of NTA and Industry Partners (Tata Consultancy Services-TCS, NSEIT, Aptech, Electronic Corporation of India Limited –ECIL & Bharat Electronics Limited-BEL) should be permitted to travel for the purpose of preparation and conduct of examinations to be held in the months of September - November 2020. The latter group of persons may be issued movement passes by the local authorities following the SOPs in operation.

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8. In view of sensitivity of these examinations and the necessity to maintain social distancing measures, I request you to kindly issue necessary instructions to the District/Field Officer(s) of your Department to also extend necessary help to the respective City Coordinator (as and when approached). These City Coordinators have been appointed by the NTA to coordinate at the local level for smooth conduct of these examinations.
9. I would also request you to kindly issue necessary instructions to the concerned Departments to ensure proper law & order condition, internet facility (before and after the exam to the TCS, NSEIT, Aptech personnel who are Service Provider for this exam on behalf of the NTA) and continuous power supply at the location of the centre.

I look forward to your support in the successful conduct of these examinations.

With regards,

Yours Sincerely,

(Dr. Vineet Joshi)

To,  
The Chief Secretary of all States/UTs

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Department of Health and Family Welfare  
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

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RAJESH BHUSHAN, IAS  
SECRETARY

D.O.No. 1/Secy.(HFW)/2020  
22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2020

*Dear Colleague,*

Department of Biotechnology, Government of India through Regional Centre for Biotechnology (RCB), Faridabad, is conducting two (02) All-India national level exams (Computer Based Tests) on **03<sup>rd</sup> Oct, 2020**.

- Biotechnology Eligibility Test (BET 2020)**
- Graduate Aptitude Test – Biotechnology (GAT-B)**

These are mandatory requirements for admission of students to various Master's and PhD programmes across the country.

The said examinations will be held in 59 cities (list attached) all over the country on **03<sup>rd</sup> Oct, 2020** through Tata Consultancy Services (TCS).

The SOP on "Preventive measures to be followed while conducting examinations to contain spread of COVID-19" issued by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India, will be followed for both the examinations.

In order to facilitate the smooth functioning of the same, may I request you to kindly provide the following support:

1. Reporting of candidates to the allotted centres, in cities as per list attached, to be considered an essential activity on **03<sup>rd</sup> Oct, 2020**.
2. The participating centres (only those situated outside the Containment Zones), across the country should be allowed to open and operate for all activities related to the preparation and conduct of examination process to be held on **03<sup>rd</sup> Oct, 2020**.
3. Hall Ticket/Admit Card issued to the candidate be considered as equivalent to Lockdown pass/curfew pass/E-pass for movement for the purpose of reporting to the allotted centre on **03<sup>rd</sup> Oct, 2020**.
4. The support staff/observers of the participating centres and TCS should be permitted to travel for preparation/conduct of the examination process on **03<sup>rd</sup> Oct, 2020**.

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5. Local authorities to provide necessary administrative facilitation for the conduct of the examination at the allotted centre on 03<sup>rd</sup> Oct, 2020.

I request you to kindly instruct state/district/local authorities under your jurisdiction for the same.

Dr. MeenakshiMunshi, Scientist 'G', Department of Biotechnology, (email: [meenakshi29.dbt@nic.in](mailto:meenakshi29.dbt@nic.in), Mob. 9818637199) is the Nodal Officer dealing with the subject and can be contacted for any further details.

*Regards .*

Yours sincerely,



(Rajesh Bhushan)

Chief Secretaries of all States and UTs

## LIST OF CENTRES FOR BET/GAT-B 2020 EXAMINATIONS

03 October 2020

S.No	Zone	State	Test City
1.	South 1	Andhra Pradesh	Guntur
2.	South 1	Andhra Pradesh	Nellore
3.	South 1	Andhra Pradesh	Vishakapatnam
4.	South 1	Karnataka	Bellari
5.	South 1	Karnataka	Hubli
6.	North 2	Uttar Pradesh	Agra
7.	East 2	Assam	Guwahati
8.	East 1	Bihar	Bhagalpur
9.	East 1	Bihar	Patna
10.	West 2	Chhattisgarh	Raipur
11.	North 1	Delhi	New Delhi
12.	West 1	Goa	Panaji
13.	West 1	Gujarat	Ahmedabad
14.	West 1	Gujarat	Vadodara
15.	North 1	Haryana	Gurgaon
16.	North 1	Haryana	Hissar
17.	North 4	Chandigarh	Chandigarh
18.	North 1	Himachal Pradesh	Shimla
19.	North 1	Jammu and Kashmir	Jammu
20.	North 1	Jammu and Kashmir	Srinagar
21.	East 1	Jharkhand	Ranchi
22.	South 1	Karnataka	Bengaluru
23.	South 2	Kerala	Thrissur
24.	South 2	Kerala	Thiruvananthapuram
25.	West 2	Madhya Pradesh	Gwalior
26.	West 2	Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal

Movement of persons and students in the connection with all kinds of examinations, admission/entrance tests conducted by Universities, Boards, Public Service Commissions and other institutions shall be permitted.

(2) **Shops, Restaurants, Hotels, Liquor Vends etc. (all cities) :**

SN	Establishments	Mon to Fri	Saturday	Sunday
1.	Shops/Malls	Till 6:30 pm	Closed in all cities	Closed in all cities
2.	Shops/Malls (dealing in essential commodities)	Till 6:30 pm	Till 6:30 pm	Till 6:30 pm
3.	Religious places	Till 6:30 pm	Till 6:30 pm	Till 6:30 pm
4.	Sports complexes, stadia and public complex	Till 6:30 pm	Till 6:30 pm	Till 6:30 pm
5.	Restaurants (including Restaurants in malls)	Till 6:30 pm	Till 6:30 pm	Till 6:30 pm
6.	Hotels	Open	Open	Open
7.	Liquor Vends	Till 6:30 pm	Till 6:30 pm	Till 6:30 pm

(3) **Vehicles (throughout the State):**

- Only 3 persons including driver to be allowed in a 4-wheeler vehicle.
- All buses and public transport vehicles to allow sitting for only half (50%) capacity with no person standing.

(4) **Ban on gatherings: (throughout the State)**

Section 144 of the Cr.PC be invoked and orders be issued to prohibit all social, political, religious gatherings, protests and demonstrations throughout the State. However, gatherings relating to marriage and funerals shall be allowed only for 30 persons and 20 persons respectively.

*Strict action be taken against the organisers and main participants for violation of orders u/s 144 of Cr.PC.*

(5) **Government and private office in urban areas:**

Government and private offices shall operate with 50% staff strength till the end of the month i.e. not more than 50% of employees would be permitted on a particular day. The Heads of Offices would restrict

public visitors in Government offices and encourage use of on-line Punjab grievance redressal system (PGRS) and other on-line tools so as to minimise person to person contact in offices.

2. It is again reiterated that the above restrictions will be applicable only in urban areas.

*Darshan Arora*  
**Special Chief Secretary (Home)**  
31.08.2020

CC:

1. CPS/CM
2. CS
3. PSCM
4. All administrative Secretaries/  
Registrar, Punjab & Haryana High Court
5. DGP Punjab
6. ADGP-Law & Order