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RULES FOR CONDUCTING Ph.D. APTITUDE TEST (PAT) FOR ADMISSION TO DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY RULE, 2005

(under Ordinance No.39 of 2005)

WHEREAS, it is expedient to frame the rules in respect of conducting Ph.D. Aptitude Test (PAT) for admission to degree of Doctor of Philosophy in all faculties to be conducted centrally by the University, the Management Council is hereby pleased to make the following rules :-

1. These rules may be called “**Rules for conducting Ph.D.Aptitude Test (PAT) for admission to degree of Doctor of Philosophy Rule, 2005.**”
2. These rules shall be applicable to the candidates appearing for the PAT for admission to Ph.D.degree under the provisions of Ordinance No.39 of 2005.
3. These rules shall come into force with effect from the date of approval by the Management Council.
4. **Definitions –**
 - i) “University” means “Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University, Amravati.”
 - ii) “PAT” means “Ph.D. Aptitude Test” to be conducted centrally by the University for the purpose of admission to Ph.D. degree under Ordinance No.39 of 2005.
 - iii) “Candidate” means “students appearing for PAT.”
 - iv) “Committee” means the committee constituted by the Vice-Chancellor for the purpose of conducting Aptitude Test for admission to Ph.D. degree from time to time.
5. The PAT will be conducted by the university after every six months in the calendar year in the month of May & November.

Provided that the first Ph.D.Aptitude Test under these rules will be conducted on the date as the Vice-Chancellor may decide.
6. The University shall invite the applications in prescribed form from the candidates desirous of appearing for aptitude test for admission to Ph.D. Degree. Application forms for aptitude test for admission to Ph.D. degree alongwith information brochure can be obtained from the university office on payment of cost prescribed by the university from time to time. All such applications received within the prescribed time shall be placed before the Committee constituted by the Vice-Chancellor.
7. The Candidate will have to pay the fees as prescribed by the university from time to time at the university cash counter by cash or demand draft drawn in favour of “**The Registrar, Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University, Amravati.**”
8. The committee shall scrutinize all such applications received in the University and shall display the list of eligible candidates on the notice board of the University.
9. The applications for aptitude test will not be considered, unless -
 - i) it is properly and correctly filled in and signed by the candidates appearing for the test.
 - ii) it is accompanied by attested true copies of the certificates mentioned in the application form.

- iii) it is received in the office of the university on or before the prescribed last date.
10. The Committee shall recommend three groups of paper setters consisting of 3 to 5 persons in each group to the Vice-Chancellor atleast one month prior to the date of PAT. Out of this, the Vice-Chancellor shall appoint a group of paper setters for PAT. The group of paper setters so appointed shall submit 3 sets of question papers for PAT alongwith answers as per optical marking method, confidentially, in 3 separate sealed envelopes to the Vice-Chancellor. The Vice-Chancellor shall select one of the 3 sets of question papers for printing.
 11. The Controller of Examinations shall supply sufficient number of copies of question papers and answer sheets required at the test centre to the Chairman of the Committee.
 12. The Chairman of the committee shall be responsible for the smooth conduct of test, valuation, tabulation and the declaration of results. No person other than examinees, invigilators and such other persons as may be permitted by the Chairman of the committee shall be allowed to enter the premises of the centre.
 13. The Committee shall recommend list of invigilators, valuers and tabulators for the approval of the Vice Chancellor. The Vice-Chancellor shall appoint the required number of invigilators, valuers and tabulators.
 14. The Committee shall make arrangement for the valuation of answer sheets on the same day of the test. The answer sheets shall be initially masked. Thereafter, the valuation will be done as per optical marking method. Each answer sheet shall be valued separately by 2 valuers. During the valuation by second valuer, the marks given by the first valuer will be masked.
 15. The valuation of answer books will not be made by negative marking system.
 16. After the valuation by both the valuers, the answer sheet shall be demasked and in case of deviation between the marks given by two valuers, the Committee shall verify the answer sheets and shall detect the difference. The decision of the Committee in this regard shall be final.
 17. The tabulators appointed by the Vice-Chancellor shall enter the final marks on the foil and counter foil. The list of marks obtained by each candidate and certified by the Chairman of the Committee shall be submitted to the Ph.D. Cell for further processing. The candidate will be declared successful if he/she secures minimum 50% of marks in the aptitude test. The list shall be displayed on the notice board and shall be made available on the website of the university (i.e. www.amtuni.com). Successful candidates shall be issued certificates by the University.
 18. Passing of PAT is not exclusive criteria for admission to Ph.D. Degree since the admissions to the Ph.D. Degree are regulated as per provisions of Ordinance No.39 of 2005.
 19. The retotalling of marks or revaluation of answer sheet of the aptitude test shall not be allowed and the photocopy of answer sheet shall not be provided under any circumstances whatsoever.
 20. The aptitude test will have multiple choice (i.e. a,b,c,d objective type) questions.
 21. The medium of question paper shall be English & Marathi.
 22. The paper setters, Valuers, Invigilators and Other required ministerial staff will be paid remuneration as may be decided by the Management Council from time to time.
 23. The general instructions regarding conduct of aptitude test shall not be provided separately.
 24. In case of any grievance from the candidate in this regard, the decision of the Vice-Chancellor shall be final.
