Department of Agricultural Chemistry and Soil Science, Institute of Agricultural Science, Calcutta University

Advertisement for Ph.D. Entrance Test (RET) for the Ph.D. registration in the department of Agricultural Chemistry & Soil Science

1. Reservation will be followed as per National / State reservation policy.

2. The Research Eligibility Test (RET) for Ph.D. programme in Agricultural Chemistry and Soil Science will be held on offline mode and the date announced in the University website (due to present pandemic situation).

3. The last date for submission of application form –15th March, 2022.

4. The entrance test will be of 75 marks. The question pattern will be of objective and short answer type. The Duration of the entrance test will be one and half hour. (The qualifying marks for Entrance test will be 50%)

5. An interview date will be announced after the publication of the result in the departmental notice board. RET qualified candidates and candidates having NET/SLET or have obtained DST INSPIRE Fellowship will be eligible for register for their Ph.D. in Department of Agricultural Chemistry and Soil Science after successful qualification of viva voce examination. (Viva voce marks -25)

6. Syllabus: M.Sc(Ag.) syllabus in the department of Agricultural Chemistry and Soil Science, University of Calcutta.

7. **Eligibility**: Candidates for admission to the Ph.D. programme shall have a Master's degree in Agricultural Chemistry and Soil Science or a degree declared equivalent to this Master's degree by corresponding statutory regulating body of this University, with at least 55% marks in aggregates or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC 7 point scale or on equivalent degree from a foreign educational institution accredited by an assessment and Accreditation Agency. A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50% or an equivalent relaxation of grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC/ Differently-abled candidates. Those who have qualified in NET/SLET or have obtained DST INSPIRE Fellowship would be exempted from the Ph.D. entrance test. They may directly submit a statement of purpose or research in brief and appear in the interview.

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Applications in plain paper are invited from eligible candidates for RET in Agricultural Chemistry and Soil Science, CU as per the format given below:

•Name of the Candidate :
(A recent signed passport-size photograph of the candidate to be affixed at the top right hand corner of the application)
•Address for communication :
•Father's Name/ Husband's Name :
•Contact telephone number (s):
•Landline :
•Mobile:
•E-mail :
•Date of birth :
•Whether belong to SC/ST or other reserved category (specify):
•Name of the last examination passed with the year of passing : [Educational qualification supported by attested photocopies of
Testimonials, mentioning name of the examination, subjects taken, name of the College/University from where passed, percentage of marks, class/grade point average(where available),
year of passing]:
• Whether already qualified at national level tests like NET, SLET, or have obtained M.Phil, etc. :
[Provide the name of above examination passed, year of passing, and photocopy of validity period of the score if applicable. Attach attested NET /SLET/M.Phil certificate/diploma.
•Are you currently employed? Yes/No :
[If employed, then provide name & address of the organization, and the present designation held]:

•Department and Institution/University where the candidate desires to carry out his/her research:
•Preferred discipline of proposed Ph.D. research:

Signature of the candidate
Date:
Place:

[Application fee: Each candidate should apply in the prescribed format by payin a fee of Rs. 100/- at the cash counter of University of Calcutta. A photocopy of the challan of RET examination- fee deposited by the candidate must be attached to the application of the candidate for the RET].