

Examination Scheme

MODE OF EXAMINATION

NFAT 2024 will be conducted in Computer Based Test mode only.

MEDIUM OF QUESTION PAPERS

The medium of Question Paper for NFAT 2024 will be English.

STRUCTURE OF QUESTION PAPERS

Programme wise Question Paper Structure is given in Eligibility Criteria, Syllabus and Format of Test

MARKING SCHEME

- I.** Each question carries 01 (One) marks
- II.** For each correct response, candidate will get 01 (One) marks.
- III.** For each incorrect response, 0.25 (one fourth) mark will be deducted from the total score.
- IV.** Un-answered/un-attempted response will be given no marks.
- V.** To answer a question, the candidate needs to choose one option as correct option.
- VI.** However, after the process of Challenges of the Answer Key, in case there are multiple correct options or change in key, only those candidates who have attempted it correctly as per the revised Final Answer Key will be awarded marks.

Choice of Cities

The Cities where the NFAT – 2024 will be conducted are given below. While applying, candidates have to select One City of their choice.

Agartala	Ahmedabad	Bangalore
Bhopal	Bhubaneswar	Chandigarh
Chennai	Delhi	Gandhinagar
Goa	Guwahati	Hyderabad
Jaipur	Jammu	Kolkata
Lucknow	Mumbai	Nagpur
Patna	Pune	Raipur
Ranchi	Trivandrum	Dharwad

Note: Exam Centers are tentative and University reserves a right to change / modify / update the date at any point of time.

Efforts will be made to allot the city of examination to the candidates in order of choice opted by them in their online Application Form. However, due to administrative/logistic reasons, a different city can be allotted.

In case, there are very few candidates from a City, the NFSU reserves the right to merge cities.

The decision of the NFSU regarding the allotment of the City/Centre shall be final. No further correspondence or request shall be entertained in such a case.

While filling up the Online Application Form, candidates should select One City as their Choice of City for the Test Centre as of their choice.

NFSU will not be responsible for any inconvenience due to the incorrect selection of cities by the candidates.

Allotment of Centers will be done mostly in one of the preferred cities of the candidates and there will be no human intervention.

Admit Card

e-Admit Card

The e-Admit Card would be issued provisionally to the candidates through the NFSU website: <https://nfsu.ac.in/admission>, subject to the fulfillment of the eligibility conditions and receipt of the prescribed application fee by NFSU.

The candidate has to download the Admit Card from the NFSU website. The candidate will appear in the examination at the given Centre on the date and shift/timing as indicated in his/her e-Admit Card. No intimation regarding the release of Admit card will be sent through mail etc.

No candidate will be allowed to appear at the examination Centre, on the date and shift/time other than that allotted to him/her in his/her Admit Card.

No re-exam would be conducted.

In case a candidate is unable to download his/her Admit Card from the website, he/she should approach the NFSU through Email or Admission Portal Ticket Generation.

The candidates are advised to read the instructions on the Admit Card carefully and strictly follow them during the examination.

In case of any discrepancy in the particulars of the candidate or his/her photograph and signature shown in the e-Admit Card and Confirmation Page, the candidate may immediately approach the NFSU Help Line between 10.00 am to 5.00 pm. In such a case, the candidate would appear in the examination with the already downloaded Admit Card. However, NFSU will take necessary action to make corrections in the record later.

The timing for downloading the Admit Card for the exam will be announced on the NFSU website (<https://nfsu.ac.in/admission>).

Note:

a. The Candidates may please note that Admit Cards will not be sent by post or email.

- b.** In no case, the duplicate Admit Card for NFAT - 2024 would be issued at the Examination Centers.
- c.** The candidates must not mutilate the Admit Card or change any entry made therein.
- d.** Candidates are advised to preserve their Admit Cards in good condition for future reference.
- e.** No Admit Card shall be issued to the candidates whose applications are found to be incomplete for any reasons (including indistinct/ doubtful photographs/unsigned Applications) or who do not fulfill the eligibility criteria for the examination.
- f.** Issue of Admit Cards, however, shall not necessarily mean acceptance of eligibility which shall be further scrutinized at subsequent stages of the admission process.
- g.** If the name has been changed due to events such as marriage, candidate must show the relevant document at the time of exam Marriage Certificate / Divorce / Degree / Legal Name Change Document.

Schedule of Examination

Dates of Examination	15 th & 16 th June 2024 (Exact date, shift, Subject and city of examination will be made available to the Candidates on their Admit Cards)		
Mode of Examination	"Computer Based Test (CBT)" mode only		
Shift	Shift-1	Shift-2	Shift-3
Timing of Examination	10.00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. (IST)	01:00 P.M.to 02:30 P.M. (IST)	04:00 P.M. to 05:30 P.M. (IST)
Duration of Examination	1 Hour and 30 minutes (90 Minutes)	1 Hour and 30 minutes (90 Minutes)	1 Hour and 30 minutes (90 Minutes)
*Note: Compensatory time for PwBD Candidates of 30 minutes			
Entry in the Examination Centre/Hall/Room, frisking, biometric registration/ record of manual attendance by Invigilator, document verification/cross-checking of Admit Card, signature, and photo match to be completed by Invigilator, etc. Instructions by the Invigilator(s)	09.00 A.M. to 10.30 A.M.	10.00 A.M. to 12.30 noon	02.00 P.M.to 03.30 P.M.
Candidates login to read instructions	09.50 A.M.	12.50 P.M.	03.50 P.M.
Test Concludes	11.30 A.M.	02:30 P.M.	05.30 P.M.

Important Instructions for the Candidates

- 1.** Candidates are advised to report at the Examination Centre well in time i.e., about 90 Minutes before commencement of the examination. Candidates shall not be permitted to enter in the Examination Centre after the reporting time.
- 2.** Candidates should take their seats immediately after the opening of the Examination Hall. If the candidates do not report in time due to any reason i.e., traffic jam, train/bus delay, etc. they are likely to miss some of the important instructions to be announced in the Examination Rooms/Halls. NFSU shall not be responsible for any delay.
- 3.** The candidate must show, on-demand, the Admit Card downloaded/printed from the NFSU website for admission in the examination room/hall. The Test Centre Staff on duty is authorized to verify the identity of candidates and may take steps to verify and confirm the identity credentials. Candidates are requested to extend their full cooperation. A candidate who does not possess a valid Admit Card and authorized Photo ID shall not be permitted to take the examination under any circumstances by the Centre Superintendent.
- 4.** A seat indicating Roll Number will be allotted to each candidate. Candidates should find and sit in their allocated seats only. In case a candidate ventures to change his/her seat and does not sit on the seat allotted to him/her could face cancellation of candidature. No plea would be entertained in this regard.
- 5.** The candidate should ensure that the Question Paper available on the computer is as per his/her opted Programme indicated in the Admit Card. In case, the name of the Question Paper is other than his/her opted Programme, the same may be brought to the notice of the Invigilator concerned.
- 6.** For those who are unable to appear on the scheduled date of test for any reason, re-test shall not be held by the NFSU under any circumstances.
- 7.** Candidates should not be in possession of any material listed in the list of prohibited material.
- 8.** Candidates are not allowed to carry any baggage inside the Examination Centre. NFSU will not be responsible for any belongings stolen or lost at the premises.

- 9.** Candidates may note that late entry to the Examination premises is not permitted under any circumstances. NFSU shall not be responsible for any delay in arrival of the candidate at the centre due to any reason. Candidates are advised to familiarize themselves with the location of test centre and plan travel time accordingly.
- 10.** Identity checks will be made upon arrival at the test centre to ensure that there are no unauthorized candidates appearing for the test. Candidates are required to cooperate with the security personnel for security check.
- 11.** The candidate must sign and paste their photograph on the Attendance Sheet at the appropriate place.
- 12.** No candidate, without the special permission of the Centre Superintendent or the Invigilator concerned, will leave his/her seat or Examination Room/Hall until the full duration of the paper is over. Candidates must follow the instructions strictly as instructed by the Centre Superintendent/Invigilators.
- 13.** Please note that only registered candidates will be allowed at the Examination Centre. Friends or relatives accompanying the candidates shall not be allowed entry in the test centre under any circumstances and will not be allowed to contact the candidate while the Examination processes going on.
- 14.** At the test Centre, each candidate will be seated at a desk with a computer terminal and they will be provided with sheets of paper for doing rough work. Candidates are to write their Roll Number and name on the Rough Sheets. After the test, candidate must drop the Rough Papers in the drop box kept for the purpose. Rough work cannot be done on any other paper/sheet, as nothing will be allowed inside the Examination Room/Hall.
- 15.** The candidates are to be governed by the Rules and Regulations/Instruction of the NFSU with regard to their conduct in the Examination Hall. All cases of unfair means will be dealt with as per rules.
- 16.** Applications of candidates submitting false and fabricated information will be rejected and such candidates will be further debarred from appearing in examinations conducted by NFSU.
- 17.** NFSU reserves the right to withdraw permission, granted inadvertently if any, to any candidate who is not eligible to appear in

the NFAT – 2024 even though the Admit Card had been issued by the NFSU.

Note: Candidates shall appear at their own cost at the Centre on the Date, Subject and timing of Examination as indicated in their Admit Card issued by the NFSU. Under no circumstances the choice of cities for the Centre and timing of examination provided in the Admit Card shall be changed.

Candidates MUST bring the following documents on the day of examination at the test centre. Candidates who will not bring these will not be allowed to sit in the examination.

- a.** Print copy of Admit Card downloaded from the NFSU Website (a clear printout on A4 size paper) duly filled in.
- b.** One passport size photograph (same as uploaded on the Online Application Form) for pasting on the specific space in the Attendance Sheet at Centre during the examination.
- c.** Any one of the authorized photo IDs (must be original, valid, and non-expired) –University/College Identity Card/ PAN card/ Driving License/ Voter ID/ Passport/ Aadhaar Card (With photograph)/E-Aadhaar with photograph/ Ration Card with photograph/ Bank Passbook with Photograph.
- d.** PwBD certificate issued by the authorized medical officer, if claiming the relaxation under PwBD category

OR

PwBD Certificate regarding physical limitation in an examination to write as per Annexures given in Information Bulletin, if claiming the relaxation under PwBD category.

- e.** A simple transparent Ball Point Pen.

ROUGH WORK

All calculations/writing work is to be done only in the Rough Sheet provided at the Test Centre in the Examination Room/Hall and on completion of the test, candidates must hand over the Rough Sheets to the Invigilator on duty in the Room/Hall.

Unfair Means Practices and Breach of Examination Rules

DEFINITION

Unfair Means practice is an activity that allows a candidate to gain an unfair advantage over other candidates. It includes, but is not limited to:

- a) Being in possession of any item or article which has been prohibited or can be used for unfair practices including any stationery item, communication device, accessories, eatable items, ornaments, or any other material or information relevant or not relevant to the examination in the paper concerned;
- b) Using someone to write examination (impersonation) or preparing material for copying;
- c) Breaching examination rules or any direction issued by NFSU in connection with NFAT-2024 examination from time to time;
- d) Assisting other candidates to engage in malpractices, giving or receiving assistance of any kind directly or indirectly or attempting to do so;
- e) Contacting or communicating or trying to do so with any person, other than the Examination Staff, during the examination time in the Examination Centre;
- f) Threatening any of the officials connected with the conduct of the examination or threatening any of the candidates;
- g) Using or attempting to use any other undesirable method or means in connection with the examination;
- h) Manipulation and fabrication of online documents viz. Admit Card, Rank Letter, Self-Declaration, etc.;
- i) Forceful entry in /exit from Examination Centre/Hall;
- j) Use or attempted use of any electronic device after entering the Examination Centre;
- k) Affixing/uploading of wrong/morphed photographs/signatures on the Application Form/Admit Card/Proforma;
- l) Creating obstacles in smooth and fair conduct of the examination.
- m) Any other malpractices declared as Unfair Means by the NFSU.
- n) False/ fake declaration of category to avail the benefit of reservation and/ or compensatory time and/ or relaxation in registration fee.

PUNISHMENT FOR USING UNFAIR MEANS PRACTICES

During the course of, before, or after the examination if a candidate indulges in any of the above or similar practices, he/she shall be deemed to have used unfair practices and booked under UNFAIR MEANS (U.F.M.) case. The candidate could be debarred for 3 years in the future and shall also be liable for criminal action and /or any other action as deemed fit.

CANCELLATION OF RESULT

The result of NFAT- 2024 of the candidate(s) who indulge in Unfair means Practices will be cancelled and will not be declared. Similarly, the result of those candidates who appear from the Centre other than the one allotted to them or allow another candidate/person to write the exam on his behalf will be cancelled. No plea will be entertained in this regard.

Display of Answer Key for Challenge

DISPLAY OF ANSWER KEY FOR CHALLENGES

- 1.** The NFSU will display Provisional Answer Key of the questions on the NFSU website: <https://nfsu.ac.in/admission> with a Public Notice, issued to this effect on the said website, to provide an opportunity to the candidates to challenge the Provisional Answer Keys with a non-refundable online payment of ₹ 200/- per question challenged as processing charges. The provisional Answer Keys are likely to be displayed for two to three days.
- 2.** Only paid challenges made during stipulated time through key challenge link will be considered. Challenges without justification/evidence and those filed on any other medium other than the prescribed link will not be considered.
- 3.** The decision of NFSU on the challenges shall be final and no further communication will be entertained. NFSU will not inform the Candidates individually about the outcome of the challenges made.
- 4.** The subject experts will examine all the challenges received and then a final answer key will be displayed and declared.
- 5.** The result will be compiled based on the final answer key declared. No grievance with regard to answer key(s) after the declaration of result Score of NFAT- 2024 will be entertained.

DISPLAY OF RECORDED RESPONSES

The NFSU will display the recorded responses and Question Paper attempted by the candidates on the NFSU website <https://nfsu.ac.in/admission> with prior to the declaration of the result/NFAT Score. The recorded responses are likely to be displayed for two to three days.

MARKING SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

For Multiple Choice Questions: To answer a question, the candidates need to choose one option corresponding to the correct answer or the most appropriate answer. However, if any anomaly or discrepancy is found after

the process of challenges of the key verification, it shall be addressed in the following manner:

- (i)** Correct answer or the most appropriate answer: One marks (+1)
- (ii)** Any incorrect option marked will be given minus one fourth mark (-0.25)
- (iii)** Unanswered/Marked for Review will be given no mark (0)
- (iv)** If more than one option is found to be correct then One mark (+1) will be awarded to only those who have marked any of the correct options.
- (v)** If all options are found to be correct then One mark (+1) will be awarded to all those who have attempted the question.

NFAT 2024 Score for Admissions

NFAT 2024 SCORE

The NFAT - 2024 would be valid for admission to the academic year 2024-25 only.

Evaluation of multiple-choice questions of all the Test Papers will be carried out using final answer keys and the actual marks obtained by a candidate will be considered further for computation of the result of NFAT- 2024.

RE-EVALUATION / RE-CHECKING OF RESULT

The result for NFAT - 2024 will be processed based on Final Answer Keys verified by the experts after the challenges. No grievance with regard to Final Answer Key(s) after Declaration of Result of NFAT - 2024 will be entertained.

There shall be **no re-evaluation/re-checking** of the result. No correspondence in this regard shall be entertained.

No Score Card will be dispatched to the candidates and the candidates are advised to download their Score Cards for NFAT - 2024 from the website: <https://nfsu.ac.in/admission>

ADMISSIONS

Merely appearing in NFAT - 2024 does not confer any right to the candidate for admission to the NFSU.

The selection and admission would be subject to fulfilling the admission criteria, eligibility, rank in merit list, medical fitness, verification of original documents and such other criteria as may be prescribed by the NFSU, the candidate is applying for it.

Admissions are handled at the level of the Schools for their respective programs. After the declaration of the NFAT - 2024 result, the respective Schools will declare the counselling/ admission schedule and merit list based on the NFAT - 2024 score and the other criteria of the NFSU.

CORRESPONDENCE WITH NFSU

All the correspondence should preferably be addressed by e-mail. The email query shall be addressed only if it is not anonymous and contains the name, postal address, and contact number of the sender. An email containing vague or general queries and other queries as contained in the Information Bulletin shall not be entertained. Queries shall not be entertained from a person claiming to be representatives, associates, or officiates of the applicant candidate.

LEGAL JURISDICTION

All disputes pertaining to the conduct of NFAT - 2024 Examination including Results shall fall within the jurisdiction of Gandhinagar, Gujarat only.