GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

For Admission to

M.Sc. Agriculture

M.Sc. Horticulture

M.Sc. Home Science

Organized by-



Swami Keshwanand Rajasthan Agricultural University Bikaner-334006 (Rajasthan)

1. ONLINE SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FORM

- Pre-PG TEST-2015 application form is to be submitted online by following the instructions provided on the web portal. The candidate must fill carefully all the details as required in the online application form
- Duration of submission of online application form will be from 23-04-2015 to 11-05-2015.
- Candidate is required to upload his/her recent passport size photograph and signature as per the facility provided on the web portal of the online application form. Ensure that the image size of photo as well as signature should be minimum 15 KB and maximum upto 50 KB in the jpg/jpeg/pjpeg/pjpeg/pjpeg/pmg/bmp/gif file format.
- The candidate can edit the details entered by him/her in the application format until he/she clicks the "Submit" button at 4th step for the submission of application form. Once the candidate clicks the "Submit" button, he/she will not be able to edit the entered data. Therefore, the candidates are advised to click "Submit" button only and only if he/she is sure that the data entered in the online application form is correct and no further editing is required.
- The organizers of Pre-PG TEST-2015 will not be responsible for any consequences arising out of non acceptance of any correction/addition /deletion of any data of the application form after clicking the final submit button.
- Deposition of application fees:- The fees for Pre-PG TEST-2015 is Rs. 2500/- (excluding bank

charges) for General/OBC/SBC candidates and Rs.1250/- (excluding bank charges) for SC/ST/PC>39% candidates. The candidate after downloading the challan, can deposit the required fees at any branch of ICICI bank. This amount is neither refundable nor transferable nor adjustable for future Pre PG test. The bank will generate a transaction ID and issue a receipt of challan in duplicate. Candidates are advised to keep this receipt safely with them for further use.

• The bank may collect processing fees which is included in the challan.

2. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR ADMISSION

A candidate must ensure that he/she is eligible for admission to various courses before filling up Pre-PG TEST-2015 application form online. If a non eligible candidate is admitted due to any reason then the admission of such a candidate will be cancelled as soon as the error is detected even at a later stage. Various eligibility criteria for admission to PG courses shall be as under :

• EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION:

Those candidates who fulfil the residential requirement will have to fulfil the following academic qualification to appear in the test.

For admission in M.Sc. (Agriculture): The candidates should have Bachelor's degree in Agriculture from the SKRAU, Bikaner, MPUAT, Udaipur, SKNAU, Jobner, AU, Jodhpur and AU, Kota or an equivalent, securing 55% or above marks in aggregate or equivalent O.G.P.A. The candidates having Bachelors' degree in Horticulture, and Forestry are eligible for M.Sc. in the following subjects:

| Academic Degree | Subjects in which eligible | | |
|--------------------|--|--|--|
| B.Sc. Horticulture | M.Sc. Horticulture and All subjects of M. Sc. (Ag.) except Agronomy and | | |
| | Livestock Production & Management | | |
| B.Sc. Forestry | M.Sc. (Ag.) in Horticulture, Biotechnology, Molecular Biology & Biotechnology (MBBT), Plant Physiology, Soil Science, Entomology and Plant Pathology, Biochemistry | | |

For Admission in M.Sc. (Home Science): The candidates should have four years Bachelor's Degree in Home Science from the SKRAU, Bikaner or MPUAT, Udaipur or an examination declared equivalent to it, securing 55% or above marks in aggregate or equivalent O.G.P.A. Only women candidates are eligible. Duration of M.Sc. programme is two years for the students with 4 years degree programme. The students from non-agriculture universities and those from three-year degree programme will have to undertake remedial courses which may be of one semester extra duration.

The candidate having Bachelors' degree in Home Science from the SKRAU, Bikaner or MPUAT, Udaipur or an examination declared equivalent to it, securing 55% or above marks in aggregate or equivalent O.G.P.A. are also eligible for M.Sc. Agriculture (Extension Education), and such candidates should take Pre PG TEST in Agriculture. Any candidate opting for Pre PG Test in both Home Science and Agriculture shall deposit additional fees of `1000/- for General/OBC/SBC candidates and ` 500/- for SC/ST/PC>39% candidates. Thus, for such candidates the total fees for Pre PG TEST will be ` 3500/- (excluding bank charges) for General/OBC/SBC candidates and ` 1750/- (excluding bank charges) for SC/ST/PC>39% candidates.

The candidates having Bachelors' degree in Bachelor of Veterinary Sciences and Animal Husbandry (B.V.Sc. & A. H.) from the SKRAU, Bikaner or MPUAT, Udaipur or RAJUVAS, Bikaner or an examination declared equivalent to it, securing 55% or above marks in aggregate or equivalent O.G.P.A. are also eligible for M.Sc. Agriculture (Extension Education) and M.Sc. Ag. (Livestock Production and Management) and such candidates should take Pre PG Test in Agriculture only.

• DOMICILE CRITERIA/ RESIDENTIAL REQUIREMENT:

The Pre-PG TEST-2015 is open to the candidates of Rajasthan domicile only or a candidate must fulfil the following conditions for admission to the various faculties:

The candidate must have studied for the last three years of qualifying examination continuously as a regular candidate in a recognised institution in Rajasthan.

OR

Natural Father/Mother of the candidate has been continuously residing in Rajasthan for a period of last 10 years and the candidate has studied for atleast 5 years during this period in a recognised educational institution in Rajasthan.

OR

The candidate must be a bonafide resident of Rajasthan. He/She may be presently studying in any of the states other than Rajasthan.

OR

The candidate is a Son/Daughter of a serving or retired employee of (a) Government of Rajasthan including Officer of All India Services borne on the State Cadre of Rajasthan or (b) Undertaking/Corporation/Improvement Trust/Municipal Bodies duly constituted by the Government of Rajasthan by an act of Law or (c) any of the Universities in Rajasthan or Board of Secondary Education, Rajasthan provided that the employee has worked in Rajasthan for three years preceding the last date of submission of the application.

OR

Candidate is a Son/Daughter of a permanent or retired employee of Indian Defence Service and the employee is either of Rajasthan Origin irrespective of his/her place of posting or is posted in Rajasthan at the time of last date of the application for admission provided that in case the defence personnel is of Rajasthan origin, a Certificate has to be submitted by him/her from the employer to the effect that his/her State of origin is Rajasthan at the time of entry in to service.

OR

Candidate is a son/daughter of permanent (serving/retired) employee of Para-Military Forces of India and the employee is either of Rajasthan origin irrespective of his/her place of posting or is posted in Rajasthan at the time of last date of application for admission provided that in case of Para-Military Personnel from the Rajasthan origin, a certificate has to be submitted by him/her from the employer to the effect that his/her State of origin is Rajasthan at the time of entry into service.

OR

Candidate is a son/daughter of a Judge of Rajasthan High Court subject to that he/she submit an undertaking/affidavit stating that such benefit is not claimed or availed by them in any other State.

Note:

• The relevant certificates which are the basis of eligibility of the candidate will have to be furnished by the candidate at the time of registration in the college in original.

- The certificate of bonafide resident of Rajasthan will have to be duly signed by the District Magistrate of the concerned District or officer authorised by him and must bear the authenticated photograph of the candidate.
- In case of serving personnel, where in service conditions have resulted into eligibility, a certificate of the employer will have to be submitted by the candidate with appropriate authentication, identification and verification.

3. **RESERVATION OF SEATS**

- The reservation of seats for various categories will be as per the rules of Government of Rajasthan.
- The caste certificate must bear the photograph of candidate and must be issued by the competent authority.
- In case of OBC/SBC the certificate should not be more than six months old i.e. not earlier than 12.11. 2014 and must clearly indicate non creamy layer
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5. INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING Pre PG TEST – 2015 ONLINE APPLICATION FORM

The application for Pre PG TEST -2015 will be accepted **online** only. The process of online submission of application form for Pre PG TEST -2015 shall be carried out through SKRAU Bikaner, website <u>www.raubikaner.org</u>

| Date of commencement for filling of the online application | : | 23.04.2015 |
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| Date of closure for filling of online application | : | 11.05.2015 |

Fees can be deposited upto 5.00 PM on 11.05.2015 through challan in the any branch of ICICI Bank.

Candidates must perform the following activities while submitting the online application form:

Step-1 : Documents to be kept ready in hand before filling Online Application Form:

• Scanned image of his/her photograph in jpg/jpeg/pjpeg/png/bmp/gif format (image size minimum 15 KB and maximum upto 50 KB)

- Scanned image of his/her signature in jpg/jpeg/pjpeg/png/bmp/gif format (image size minimum 15 KB and maximum upto 50 KB)
- Copy of mark sheets of X, XII and Graduation (if passed already) examination.
- Mobile No. of the candidate or nearest relative.

Step-2: Filling of Online Application Form

- Candidate must read the instructions of filling the application form carefully.
- The entries of online application form must be filled as required.
- Candidate should ensure that the photo and signature are the same as uploaded by the candidate.
- The changes (if required) will be allowed in online application form, before submission at 4th step.
- Web page will not accept any changes after final submission of online application form.

Step-3: Taking Printout in Hardcopy only after submission of online application form

- The option for taking the print out of challan form for depositing the required fees will be available just after completion of registration as well as at the 5th step of filling of online application form. The Candidate is required to take out the print of the challan form and deposit the required fees in any branch of ICICI bank.
- Print out of filled application form will be generated by the web portal after final submission only.
- The candidates need not to send hard copy of application form to the university.

Step-4: Depositing the fees

- Fees of Pre-PG TEST 2015 Application Form is Rs. 2500/- for General/OBC/SBC candidates and Rs. 1250/- for SC/ST/PC>39% candidates.
- Deposit Rs.2550 or Rs.1300 including Rs. 50 as processing fees of bank through challan in ICICI Bank.
- Incase of candidates of B.Sc. (Honours) Home Science who opt for undertaking Pre PG Test in agriculture additionally the additional fees of Rs. 1000/- for General/OBC/SBC candidates and Rs. 500/- for SC/ST/PC>39% candidates has to be deposited.
- Fees can be deposited upto 5.00 PM on 11.05.2015 through challan in the any branch of ICICI Bank.

- The bank will generate a transaction ID and issue a receipt of challan in duplicate. Candidates are advised to keep this receipt safely with them for further use.
- Collect copies of challan from bank after deposition of fees in cash and produce the same at the time of registration.
- This amount is neither refundable nor transferable nor adjustable for future Pre-PG test.

6. ADMISSION CARD FOR Pre-PG TEST -2015

Admission card for Pre-PG TEST -2015 will be available on web portal of SKRAU, Bikaner from 21.5 2015 till commencement of examination. No admission card will be sent to the candidate. The Coordinator Pre PG TEST -2015 reserves the right to withdraw the permission granted by error to a candidate who is not eligible to appear at the Pre PG TEST -2015, even though the Admission card has been issued and produced by the candidate before the centre superintendent of Pre-PG TEST-2015.

7. SCHEME OF PRE-PG TEST - 2015

In the very nature of competitive examination no syllabus can be prescribed. It is an exercise to pick up the best. However, for guidance to the candidates the syllabus and standard of the Entrance Test will be that of B.Sc. (Ag.) and B.Sc. (Home Science) examination of SKRAU, Bikaner, and MPUAT, Udaipur, respectively.

| | Units | No. of Questions in Unit |
|----|---|--------------------------|
| A. | Faculty of Agriculture : | |
| | 1.Agronomy | 10 |
| | 2. Soil Science and Agricultural chemistry | 10 |
| | 3.Plant Pathology + Nematology | 10 |
| | 4.Entomology | 10 |
| | 5.Plant Breeding & Genetics | 10 |
| | 6.Horticulture | 10 |
| | 7.Animal Production | 10 |
| | 8. Ag. Economics & Ag. Statistics | 10 |
| | 9.Extension Education | 10 |
| | 10.Biochemistry/Biotechnology + Plant Physiology | 10 |
| | Total | 100 |
| B. | Faculty of Home Science | |
| | 1.Family Resource Management | 20 |
| | 2.Human Development and Family Studies | 20 |
| | 3.Foods & Nutrition | 20 |
| | 4.Home Science Extension and communication management | 20 |
| | 5Textiles and apparel designing | 20 |
| | Total | 100 |

The Question paper will be in English only.

The Question paper will consist of multiple choice objective type questions. The question paper of either faculty will be in the form of a test booklet containing 100 questions bearing number 1, 2, 3....to.... 100. There would be four suggested options (1,2,3,4) for each question. The candidates are required to choose the most appropriate option and blacken the corresponding circle,Details for filling answer sheet is given on back side of duplicate OMR sheet.

The test booklet may be used by the students for rough work and the squares printed in it may be used for deciding the correct answer from the various alternatives. Only OMR sheet will be collected from them at the end of the examination and assessment will be made only on the basis of the OMR sheet.

Four marks will be awarded for every correct answer and one mark will be deducted for every wrong answer. **Thus, there will be negative marking.** If more than one option is chosen, it will be treated as wrong answer. No marks will be allotted or deducted for questions unmarked/unattempted.

There is no provision of revaluation of answer sheets and answer sheet will not be shown to anybody in any case.

Merit of Pre-P.G. examination will be notified on university website. The candidates securing a minimum percentage (with 5% relaxation for SC/ST/OBC (Non creamy layer)/SBC (Non creamy layer) candidates) as decided by the Co-ordinator would be eligible for submitting the Option Form.

NOTE : Information regarding college wise number of seats, filling of option form etc. for seeking admission will be displayed after declaration of result.

8. SCHEDULE OF PRE-PG TEST - 2015

Pre-PG TEST-2015 will be conducted on 31st May, 2015 (Sunday) from 11.00 AM to 1.00 PM (in Agriculture) and 03.00 to 05.00 PM* (in Home Science) at Bikaner, Jaipur and Udaipur. The schedule of the test will be:

*May be shifted to morning shift on the same day

Pre PG TEST for Agriculture stream:

| Candidate should report to the examination centre | 10.30 AM |
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| Commencement of the examination | 11.00 AM |
| No candidate will be permitted after | 11.30 AM |
| Candidate will not be allowed to leave the examination hall before | 1.00 PM |

Pre PG TEST for Home Science stream:

| Candidate should report to the examination centre | 02.30 PM |
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| Commencement of the examination | 03.00 PM |
| No candidate will be permitted after | 03.30 PM |
| Candidate will not be allowed to leave the examination hall before | 05.00 PM |

7. INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE Pre-PG TEST CANDIDATES

- 1. All the original certificates and mark sheets must be brought at the time of the registration in the college where the seat is allotted.
- 2. Candidates who have appeared at the qualifying examination but their result has not been declared, shall be provisionally allowed to appear at the Pre-P.G. Test. The candidates awarded supplementary in the qualifying examination shall not be considered for admission.
- 3. The examination will be held as per schedule given below:

| Date | Day | Time | Paper |
|------------|--------|---------------------|--------------|
| 31-05-2015 | Sunday | 11:00 AM-1:00 PM | Agriculture |
| 31-05-2015 | Sunday | 03:00 PM - 05:00 PM | Home Science |

- 4. Pre PG Test-2015 will be conducted at the following centres:
 - (i) Bikaner
 - (ii) Jaipur
 - (iii) Udaipur
- 5. Candidate can download the admit card online by using application form, number and the password given.
- 6. Candidates are advised to retain a print out of the application form for their personal record. It may be used any time in support of having submitted the application.
- 7. The examination will be held as per the schedule given. The doors will be opened 30 minutes before the commencement of the examination and will be closed immediately at the start of examination. No candidates shall be admitted to examination hall after 30 minutes of commencement of examination.

- 8. A seat marked with Roll Number will be allotted to each candidate. The candidate should ensure that he/she occupies the allotted seat only. Any candidate discovered to have occupied the seat of another candidate shall be turned out from the examination and also have to accept any other penalty imposed on him/her by the Centre Superintendent.
- 9. Candidates should bring the following at the time of examination.
 - i. The admit card downloaded from the university website.
 - ii A passport size photograph pasted on a paper and duly attested by a Gazetted officer/Principal of school/college. The photograph should be the same as uploaded by the candidates while filling application form online.
 - iii Blue/Black ball point pen for marking the answers.
- 10. Candidates must not bring any text-book or notes, log tables, slide rules, calculators, mobile phone, purse/bag and any other objectionable material with them to the examination hall.
- 11. Candidates should carefully read the instructions and the questions given in the question paper booklet before they begin to write their answers.
- 12. The question paper will be set in English only.
- 13. Question booklet/ OMR sheet shall be replaced to candidate only when there is any printing defect/torn condition.
- 14. Soon after the question paper booklet is given to the candidate, he/she should ensure within five minutes of the issue of question paper booklet that it contains all the pages, OMR sheet and no question is missing. If there is any discrepancy, he/she should point out at once to the invigilator.
- 15. Before attempting the answers, the candidate shall write his/her Roll number and other details at the place provided for the purpose on the test-booklet and OMR sheet. The candidate should indicate the answer by blackening the circle provided for the purpose in the OMR sheet itself, otherwise his/her answer will not be evaluated.
- 16. The candidate should not write his/her name or mark any sign/mark on any place in the test-booklet or OMR sheet which may disclose his/her identity. Non-compliance of this rule shall be punishable as per rules for unfair means.
- 17. No candidates shall leave his/her seat during examination without the permission of the Invigilator.

- 18. During the course of examination, the candidate shall be under the discipline and control of the Centre Superintendent and shall abide by the instructions issued during the examination by the invigilators or the Centre Superintendent from time to time.
- 19. The candidate shall not leave the examination room until the examination is completed
- 20. Candidate found acting in a manner, which in the opinion of the invigilator, is liable to give unfair advantage to another candidate, shall be forthwith suspended from the examination by the Centre Superintendent.
- 21. The invigilators, the Flying squad and the Centre Superintendent shall be competent to take search of any candidate. Refusal by the candidate to be searched would raise the presumption that he/she is in possession of objectionable material. A candidate possessing objectionable material or resisting search shall be punishable as per rules concerning unfair means.
- 22. Candidate resorting to use of unfair means shall be turned out of the examination hall/room and his examination shall be treated as cancelled. The Centre Superintendent shall judge to determine whether unfair means have been resorted to. He/she will submit the report stating full facts of the case of unfair means to the Coordinator for further necessary action.
- 23. Urinals for use of examinees shall be provided at the Centre and every examinee shall be required to use one of those urinals only. For this the candidate shall not leave the examination room without the permission of the invigilator and escort.
- 24. Smoking and consumption of other intoxicants are strictly prohibited in the examination hall/room/centre.
- 25. Candidate should note carefully that there will be no re-evaluation of the OMR sheet.
- 26. All original documents are to be submitted only at the time of registration at the allotted colleges.

Co-ordinator JET/Pre PG TEST - 2015

IMPORTANT DATES AT A GLANCE \ast

| Sl. No. | Activity | Date |
|------------|---|------------|
| 1. | Notification, publication of advertisement and filling of application on website | 23-04-2015 |
| 2. | Last date for on-line filling of application | 11-05-2015 |
| 3. | Availability of admit cards on website | 21-05-2015 |
| 4. | Date of Pre-PG Test | 31-05-2015 |
| 5. | Publication of answer key | 02-06-2015 |
| 6. | Last date of raising objections on answer key | 05-06-2015 |
| 7. | Declaration of result | 20-06-2015 |
| 8. | Last date for filling option form | 24-06-2015 |
| 9. | Display of first list of admission | 28-06-2015 |
| 10. | Last date for first list candidates to report for admission | 06-07-2015 |
| 11. | Last date for request for upward movement/change | 07-07-2015 |
| 12. | Display of final list | 15-07-2015 |
| 13. | Closure of admission process | 15-07-2015 |

* Swami Keshwanand Rajasthan Agricultural University, Bikaner reserves the right to alter the dates.