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NATIONAL TESTING AGENCY COMMON UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE TEST- POST GRADUATE

On the matter of candidates of Meghalaya having to travel to centres located outside the State to appear in the NTA CUET-PG, the Department of Education as on previous NTA examinations has mustered a large number of compatible computer nodes so that candidates of Meghalaya need not have to travel outside the State to appear in such examinations and tests. Yet year after year, the candidate count gets larger and larger thus creating a gap in the number of registered and eligible candidates with respect to the number of available and compatible computer nodes. With the existing number of computer nodes available, NTA examinations are being conducted on a regular basis without any inconvenience caused to candidates. However, there are certain situations, such as in the instance of the conduct of examination of a common paper where a huge count of candidates is registered, the only available option is to allow for a second or a third option which a candidate willingly exercises are per rules and regulations of NTA.

As a consequence of additional computer nodes being made available recently, for the examination dates of 6th and 7th March 2026, candidates will be appearing the examinations in centres within the State. For 8th to 10th March 2026, there has been a significant movement of candidates from centres outside the State to those located within the State. Furthermore, for the remaining dates, work by the officials of NTA and teams from TCS is in progress and in spite of the challenges faced in bridging the gaps, no candidate will have to travel outside the North-East region to appear in the examination.

It may also be mentioned that the Government is in the process for setting up of additional 450 compatible computer nodes along with related infrastructure as required by NTA for commissioning of Computer-Based Test Centres at Government Educational Institutions. The additional 450 systems to be made available along with the existing computer nodes already available will ensure that candidates of Meghalaya will not have to travel outside the State for the CUET-UG examinations scheduled to be held in June 2026.

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