

**Dayalbagh Educational Institute, (Deemed to be University)**  
**Dayalbagh, Agra**

**NOTIFICATION FOR RESEARCH ENTRANCE TEST (RET) FOR Ph.D. ADMISSIONS**  
**IN MARCH- 2025**

(LAST DATE FOR RECEIVING ONLINE APPLICATION FORMS: March 1, 2025)

Online Submission Website : [www.dei.ac.in](http://www.dei.ac.in)

Date of Research Entrance Test: 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2025 [Saturday]

Candidates possessing the minimum qualifications with the requisite percentage of marks and academic record as mentioned below shall be eligible to appear in the Ph.D. RET.

**Details of Qualifying Examinations:**

- Master's degree in the concerned subject with at least 55% in the aggregate or equivalent CGPA 5.5/10 in the qualifying examination (first post-graduate degree).
- For candidates with Engineering discipline: B.Tech or an equivalent Engineering degree with at least 75% marks, or equivalent CGPA of 7.5/10, or 90 percentile or more in G.A.T.E. (Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering), with at least one year relevant professional experience or one published paper in a standard journal.
- There shall be a relaxation of 5% marks (or equivalent grade point average) for Scheduled Castes (SC)/Scheduled Tribes (ST)/ Physically Challenged (PC) candidates in the minimum marks (or CGPA) required in the qualifying examination.

(i) Ph.D. R.E.T. *March* 2025 for admission to Ph.D. Programme will be conducted in following disciplines only:

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Music – (Vocal & Sitar & Tabla), Sanskrit, Hindi, Home Science, Drawing & Painting , English, Dept. of Foundation & Pedagogical Science[Education], Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Footwear, Accountancy and Law, Applied Business Economics, Zoology, Botany, Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics, Computer Science, Psychology, Economics, Sociology and Political Science ,Management and Theology.

**Important Note-1:- Admissions will be based on the availability of seats. Please check the Institute website for number of vacant seats or Contact concerned Head of Department for availability of seats.**

**2- Incomplete application forms will be rejected.**

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Such candidates, who have obtained P.G. degree in some other, or a more specialized, area/discipline, are required to indicate one of the above disciplines that is closest to their area of research interest, and with their P.G. degree/specialization. They are advised to indicate the discipline in their application form itself. Such candidates will be required to qualify Ph.D. R.E.T. in the said discipline only, failing which their candidature will be cancelled.

(ii) There may be separate Ph.D. Research Entrance Test (RET) for each faculty or Groups of Departments.

(iii) In case, a large number of applications are received by a department, only a limited number of candidates will be called for Ph.D. Research Entrance Test (RET) from the list prepared on the basis of marks (or CGPA) obtained in various pre-qualifying and/or qualifying examinations.

(iv) The candidates may check the number of vacant PhD seats available in their respective departments before applying for admission.

(v) **Ph.D. RET – March, 2025 Exam will be held as per the following schedule:**

- **Date: 22-03-2025 (Saturday)**
- **Venue –DEI Main Campus, Agra**
- **Timing – Written Test – 1:00 PM – 01:50 PM, Interviews – 2:00 PM onwards**  
**[Reporting Time for students at examination center at 12: 00 PM]**

(vi) The written test will be of 50 minutes duration and will have the following 2 sections:

- **Section A– It will cover the following -**  
Questions of research methodology (25 questions of 1 mark each).
- **Section B – Subject related questions of specialized nature related to particular discipline of Faculty. (25 questions of 1 mark each).**

All the questions will be of multiple-choice in nature and there will be no negative marking.

(vii) No re-evaluation of the answer books of the written test will be allowed.

(viii) The Institute reserves the right to modify the pattern of conduct of Ph.D. RET as well as minimum qualifying marks.

(ix) Reservation for SC/ST/OBC/Differently-abled category/EWS categories will be applicable as per norms for the Ph.D. seats of every department.

(x) The Ph.D. RET written exam will be of 50 marks and the interview will be of 18 marks. Final merit list will be made out of a total of 100 marks **[Entrance Test, 50 Marks + Interview, 18 Marks + Innovative Test, 20 Marks + CCA, 12 Marks]. The Candidates after qualifying the entrance test will be called for Innovative test in 2<sup>nd</sup> round. The date of Innovative test will be declared later.**

(xi) At the time of interview, candidates are required to produce all relevant original documents/certificates, such as, NSS, Games & Sports, other co-curricular activities, Community service, Additional Academic Qualifications, Participation in Workshops/Seminars/Conferences, Publications in journals/proceedings, etc.

(xii) If a candidate has any specific queries/issues regarding the screening or selection process of Ph.D. Admissions, the same may be addressed to the Chairman, Arbitration Committee of the Institute by submitting an application on plain paper at Window No. 1 of the Central Administrative Office of the Institute.

(xiii) If a candidate who has been admitted after selection and payment of all dues, remains absent continuously for more than seven days without permission, during the first two weeks, his/her admission will be cancelled.

(xiv) Admission granted to a student in the Institute shall be cancelled if it is discovered at a later date even after the completion of the course of study, that the student had obtained admission by fraudulent means or by misrepresentation of facts. In such a case, he/she shall forfeit all the accruing benefits and if the degree/diploma has been awarded, it shall be cancelled.

(xv) All such candidates for whom the result of final year of the qualifying degree (M.A./M.Com., etc.) in the concerned subject is still awaited or those who have not attached final year mark sheet, may be given provisional permission to appear in the Ph.D. R.E.T. based on the details submitted in the application form. They are required to show the final year's/semester's mark sheet (original) up to one hour before the commencement of the Written Test /Interview, failing which their candidature will be cancelled.

(xvi) **The results of Ph.D. RET March, 2025 will be declared by 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2025, and registration and fees submission will take place on 8<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> April, 2025.** The regular schedule for research work will commence immediately after registration in the respective departments.

#### **Exemption from Ph.D. Research Entrance Test (RET)**

A candidate who fulfills one of the following requirements may be considered for admission to Ph.D. without appearing in the Ph.D. RET. However, they will have to appear for the interview and obtain minimum marks (to be specified) in the interview.

- A candidate who has qualified National Eligibility Test as NET-JRF (Junior Research Fellowship). However, candidates qualifying NET-LS (National Eligibility Test for Lectureship), or SLET (State Level Eligibility Test), only, shall not be eligible for Ph.D. RET Exemption.
- Graduate Aptitude Test for Engineering (GATE) will be considered for admission to discipline under Faculty of Engineering only.
- A candidate who is a recipient of fellowships of government/semi-government organizations such as Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), University Grants Commission (UGC), All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), Department of Science and Technology (DST), Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO), Department of Atomic Energy (DAE), Department of Biotechnology (DBT), and similar national-level organizations, which are awarded through an All India selection procedure conducted by the agency/organization concerned. However, candidates selected in the research projects funded by such organizations shall not be exempted from Ph.D. RET.

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**Note- Before applying for Ph.D. programme , please see website for availability of seats for Ph.D. programme or contact concerned Head of department.**

**NOTE: The upcoming schedule of RET will be on July and January in every academic session.**