

INFORMATION Bulletin

(JKSET/LASET-2026)

STATE ELIGIBILITY TEST

**FOR ASSISTANT PROFESSOR
FOR UT OF JAMMU &
KASHMIR (JKSET) &
UT OF LADAKH (LASET)**

**To be conducted on 25th October, 2026
by University of Kashmir (Nodal Agency)**



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VISION

To be a world class University committed to create and disseminate knowledge for human development and welfare

MISSION

To create an intellectually stimulating environment, promote excellence in teaching, research and extension activities and facilitate academic freedom, diversity and harmony





ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

The University of Jammu and Kashmir was founded in 1948 as the first University of the State of Jammu and Kashmir. It served as a single affiliating and teaching university for the entire region, catering to both the Jammu and Kashmir divisions. The institution laid the foundation for modern Higher Education in the state by introducing structured undergraduate and postgraduate programmes and promoting research and academic development. In 1969, the University was reorganized under the Kashmir and Jammu Universities Act, leading to the establishment of two separate institutions: the University of Kashmir at Srinagar and University of Jammu.

As the oldest and most reputed University of the region the University of Kashmir has a rich history of academic excellence and infrastructural advancement. Located in the picturesque setting of Hazratbal, Srinagar, the campus spans 247 acres, surrounded by the Zabarwan mountain range and the Dal Lake. This scenic environment complements the university's commitment to academic distinction.

Recognized among the top 50 universities in the country, the University of Kashmir holds a prestigious A++ grade from the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) and is ranked 8th in SPUs, 34th in the University category and 59th in overall category in the latest National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) of 2025.

The University has shifted to a School system instead of a Faculty system, with 14 Schools and 16 Research Centres in place to facilitate cross disciplinary learning. The university offers a wide range of programs, including 50 PhD, 89 postgraduate, 16 undergraduate courses and 49 Diploma and Certificate courses. Currently, there are 209 Colleges affiliated to the University of Kashmir. The University has been at the forefront of implementing the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 both at the Undergraduate as well as Postgraduate Levels.

The University of Kashmir has the distinction of being a multi-campus Higher Education institution. Over the years the University of Kashmir has expanded substantially and has established Satellite Campuses at Anantnag (South Campus), Baramulla (North Campus), Srinagar (Zakura Campus), Kupwara (Kupwara Campus) and a Sub-Office at Jammu with an objective to make Higher education more accessible

in remote areas of Kashmir.

By ensuring a regional presence, the university has spread its reach to remote areas of J&K. This has not only resulted in the advancement of Higher education in these regions but has also promoted social and economic productivity. As an apex institute of higher learning in the geographically and climatically distinctive Himalayan region, the university is of special interest to researchers in the areas of Geology, Ecology, Biodiversity, Anthropology, Glaciology, Art, culture, history and heritage. The University is committed to addressing global, local, and regional developmental needs through its curriculum, which is meticulously designed to align with global standards while fostering intellectual exchanges among teachers, students, and researchers.

The university has an independent and structured e-governance system for student admissions, evaluation and examination, teaching and research, staff recruitment and promotion, student welfare and progression, curriculum planning and development, financial and administrative management.

Research and innovation are integral to the university's mission. The Centre for Interdisciplinary Research and Innovations (CIRI) drives cutting-edge research, collaborating with international institutions like Purdue University, USA, and MD Anderson Cancer Centre. The university has also gained recognition for its climate change research and its faculty's inclusion in Stanford University's top 2% of scientists worldwide. The university prioritizes technology in education, offering Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) and a 24/7 SWAYAM Prabha channel, enhancing its teaching methods. Entrepreneurship is encouraged through the Centre for Innovation, Incubation, and Entrepreneurship (CIIE), which has already secured several patents. With more than 60% female representation in postgraduate programs, the University of Kashmir is a leader in gender equity. Its participation in the Gender Advancement for Transforming Institutions (GATI) project and receipt of the GATI Achievers award highlight its commitment to promoting women in STEM fields. Under the leadership of its first female Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Nilofer Khan, the university continues to advance in academics, research, and administration, ensuring that it remains a significant force in higher education both nationally and globally.



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION AT A GLANCE



IMPORTANT DATES:

Date of Issue of notification for JKSET/LASET-2026	17-07-2026 (Friday)
Start of Submission of Online Application Forms: (www.kashmiruniversity.net & www.set.uok.edu.in)	24-07-2026 (Friday)
Last date for Submission of Online Application Forms:	20-08-2026 (Thursday)
Last date for submission of Online Application Forms with late fee:	25-08-2026 (Tuesday)
Downloading of Admit Card through website: www.kashmiruniversity.net & www.set.uok.edu.in	08.10.2026 (Thursday)
Date of Examination:	25.10.2026 (Sunday)
Display of Answer Key(s):	To be announced later

Note: Applicants are advised to submit the Online Application Form without waiting for the last date to avoid any kind of inconvenience or last-minute rush or unforeseen difficulties. The SET agency will not be responsible for network problems or any other problem of this nature in submission of online application.

EXAMINATION FEE PAYABLE:

Pay fee using the Payment Gateway(s)* integrated to the Online Application through Credit Card/Debit Card/Net Banking/UPI.

S.No.	Category	Examination Fee (Without Late Fee)	Examination Fee (With Late Fee)
1	Unreserved Category	1200/-	1800/-
2	RBA/ALC-IB/OBC/ EWS	900/-	1500/-
3	SC/ST (I & II)/Transgender /PwD with 40% disability	700/-	1300/-

- ❖ Applicable service/processing charges & GST over and above the Examination Fee, if any, are to be paid by the candidate to the concerned Bank/ Payment Gateway Integrator.
- ❖ All the candidates from other States except UT of J & K and UT of Ladakh, belonging to any of the Reserved Categories shall be treated as Open Merit/Unreserved Category.



GENERAL INFORMATION

- The State Eligibility Test for determining eligibility of a candidate for appointment as Assistant Professor in the Universities and Colleges of UT of J&K (JKSET) and UT of Ladakh (LASET) is being jointly conducted by the University of Kashmir as Nodal SET Agency. The Agency will conduct JKSET/LASET - 2026 in 41 subjects (listed under [Table 1](#) of this Information Bulletin) at three Centres – Kashmir, Jammu and Ladakh.
- The candidates qualifying under the 'appointment as Assistant Professor' category will be eligible for admission to Ph.D. also.
- Read the Notification/Information Bulletin for JKSET/LASET-2026 carefully before submission of Fee and filing the online Application Form. The candidates must read the 'ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA' carefully and must satisfy themselves regarding their eligibility for JKSET/LASET.
- The Eligibility for Assistant Professor will only depend on the performance of the candidate in both the papers of JKSET/LASET in aggregate. The candidates who qualify the State Eligibility Test (JKSET/LASET) for Assistant Professor will be governed by the rules and regulations for recruitment of Assistant Professor of the concerned Universities / Colleges / Government of J&K or Ladakh, as the case may be.
- All the notifications regarding the test including the result of the JKSET/LASET will be made available on the University of Kashmir website only. Candidates in their own interest should regularly check the official website for all information/updates.
- Candidate can apply for JKSET/LASET-2026 in "Online mode" only. Application Form in any other mode will not be accepted.
- Only one application is to be submitted by a candidate. More than one application i.e. multiple Application Forms submitted by a candidate will not be accepted.
- While filling the Online Application Form, candidates are advised to enter all the information, including Name (as in their Class 10th Certificate), DOB, Category, Domicile UT for which applying, Subject for SET, Exam Centre, PG degree, [Bonafide Certificate](#) and subjects etc., carefully and correctly.
- The Reservation policy for SET examination is as per the UT of J & K for the candidates who are domicile of Jammu & Kashmir and as per the UT of Ladakh for the candidates who are domicile of Ladakh. The candidates of other States except UT of J & K and UT of Ladakh, belonging to Reserved Categories shall be treated as Open Merit/Unreserved Category.
- The Photo Id card (PAN/Aadhaar/Passport/DL/Voter Card) detail provided in the application will be used during verification of the candidate on the examination day.
- The particulars entered in application form must be thoroughly checked by the candidate before submitting the online application forms. Any correction/s after closing of application forms shall not be entertained.
- Candidates are required to complete the process within the prescribed schedule as the facility of submission of Online Application Forms will be deactivated after date of closing of submission of online application forms.
- The JKSET Agency shall verify the candidature of such candidates which belong to reserved category quota only. The information provided by the candidates during online submission of application forms must be filled by the candidate on his own risk and responsibility and hence their candidature will be purely provisional subject to the fulfillment of eligibility criteria irrespective of their categories. The candidates, in their own interest, must ensure themselves about their eligibility for the test. In the event of any ineligibility being detected by the JKSET Agency at any stage, their candidature will be canceled and they shall be liable for legal action.
- Candidates should not send the print out of online application form, fee receipt or any other documents to the JKSET office, Kashmir/Jammu/Ladakh. But a copy of the required documents must be retained by the candidate for future reference.
- The qualified candidate for the JKSET/LASET-2026 are required to submit the following documents at the time of document verification physically.
 - ✓ Original Copies of Online Application Form
 - ✓ Photo Copies of following Eligibility and Category related documents issued by competent authority.

- # INTRODUCTION

It may further be specifically understood that such a candidate who qualifies the JKSET/LASET would only be held eligible for being appointed as Assistant Professor in the Universities/ affiliated colleges, provided he/she fulfills other academic qualifications prescribed for the post of Assistant Professor by the UGC and is selected by the respective

As per UGC guidelines, after June 2002, JKSET/LASET qualified candidates shall be eligible to apply for the post of Assistant Professor / Lecturer only in the Universities/ Colleges belonging to the UT of J&K and UT of Ladakh respectively. Such JKSET/LASET qualified candidates will be governed by the Rules and Regulations prescribed by the Universities/ Colleges of the respective governments of the UT of J & K and UT of Ladakh for recruitment of Assistant Professors.





DEFINITIONS

MASTERS/ PG DEGREE EXAMINATION:

"Master's Degree Examination" means the Master's Degree Examination conducted by the University of Kashmir, University of Jammu or an examination of any other University, recognized as equivalent there to by the UGC.

INTEGRATED MASTERS/FYIMP DEGREE EXAMINATION:

"Integrated Masters/FYIMP Degree Examination" means the Master's Degree Examination conducted by the University of Kashmir, University of Jammu or an examination of any other University, recognized as equivalent there to by the UGC appearing in 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th Semester.

CONCERNED SUBJECT:

"Concerned subject" means the subject in which the candidate holds the Master's Degree.

QUALIFYING EXAMINATION:

"Qualifying examination" means the Master's Degree examination or an examination of any other University, recognized as equivalent there to in the concerned subject/area, with at least 55% (50% in case of Reserved Categories) of the aggregate marks (excluding statutory grace marks, if any) or its equivalent grade, on the basis of which a candidate becomes eligible to appear in the SET.

SET:

State Eligibility Test for UT of J&K (JKSET) and UT of Ladakh (LASET).

COMPETENT AUTHORITY:

"Competent Authority" to issue the Reserve category certificate shall mean the authority empowered under Law for the purpose.

"Competent Authority" to issue a PWD certificate (visually/permanent orthopedically handicapped or with permanent hearing disability) shall be the Head, Department of Ophthalmology, Orthopedics or Otolaryngology, as the case may be of a Medical Institute recognized by the Medical Council of India/ State Government.

PHOTOGRAPH:

"Photograph" means a pass-port size photograph taken recently, but not earlier than six months from the last date prescribed for submission of Application Form.

INCOMPLETE FORM:

"Incomplete Form" means the Application Form giving incomplete/wrong information, and/or is not accompanied by photograph/ signature or is deficient in respect of one or more requisite information and/or not signed at the proper places by the candidate himself/ herself.

THE UNIVERSITY:

"The University" means the University of Kashmir.

NODAL/SET AGENCY:

"Nodal/SET Agency" means the University of Kashmir.

EXPULSION OR CANCELLATION OF THE TEST BOOKLET:

"Expulsion or Cancellation of the relevant Test Booklet" means cancellation of Test Booklets of all the two papers of the concerned SET.

SET CELL:

"SET Cell" means the office dealing with the work related to JKSET/LASET.

ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS

- a) Candidates who have secured at least 55% marks (without rounding off), or an equivalent grade on a point scale wherever the grading system is followed, in a Master's Degree or equivalent examination from a University/Institution recognized by the UGC shall be eligible to appear in JKSET/LASET.

Candidates belonging to the Other Backward Classes (OBC) belonging to Non-Creamy Layer/Scheduled Caste (SC)/Scheduled Tribe (ST)/Persons with Disabilities (PwD)/Third Gender categories who have secured at least 50% marks (without rounding off), or an equivalent grade on a point scale wherever the grading system is followed, in a Master's Degree or equivalent examination from a University/Institution recognized by the UGC in Sciences, Humanities (including Languages), or Social Sciences shall also be eligible to appear in JKSET/LASET.

Candidates belonging to the Transgender category shall be entitled to the same relaxation in application fee and age (where applicable) as is admissible to candidates belonging to the SC/ST categories.

- b) Candidates who have appeared, or are appearing, in the qualifying Master's Degree or equivalent examination and whose results are awaited, or whose qualifying examinations have been delayed, may also apply for JKSET/LASET only after uploading [Bonafide Certificate](#) duly signed by the concerned Head of Department/College/Institute (Candidates appearing in Integrated Master's Degree or equivalent examination must be in 7th, 8th, 9th or 10th Semester).

Such candidates shall be admitted provisionally and shall be considered eligible for the award of eligibility for Assistant Professor

only upon securing the requisite qualification with at least 55% marks (or 50% marks in the case of reserved category candidates) in the Master's Degree or equivalent examination.

Such candidates shall be required to complete their Post-Graduate Degree examination with the prescribed percentage of marks within two years from the date of declaration of the JKSET/LASET result, failing which their candidature shall stand disqualified.

- c) Candidates possessing a Ph.D. degree whose Master's level examination was completed on or before 19 September 1991 (irrespective of the date of declaration of result) shall be entitled to a relaxation of 5% marks in aggregate, i.e., from 55% to 50%, for appearing in JKSET/LASET.
- d) Candidates shall ordinarily be required to appear in the subject of their Post-Graduation only. Candidates whose Post-Graduate subject is not included in the list of subjects prescribed for JKSET/LASET ([Table-1](#)) may appear in the corresponding UGC-NET/UGC-CSIR NET/ASRB NET examination conducted from time to time.
- e) Candidates possessing a Post-Graduate Diploma/Certificate awarded by an institution outside the Indian university system, or a Degree/Diploma awarded by a foreign University/Institution, are advised to obtain confirmation regarding the equivalence of their qualification(s) to a Master's Degree awarded by a recognized Indian University from the Association of Indian Universities (AIU), New Delhi.

Candidates qualifying JKSET/LASET on the basis of such qualifications shall be required to submit an Equivalence Certificate issued by AIU immediately after the declaration of the result.

RESERVATION POLICY

The Reservation Policy adopted for the JKSET/LASET-2026 shall be same as per the existing policies of UT of J&K (SO 176 dated 15.03.2024) for the candidates applying for JKSET and of UT of Ladakh (SO 77, 27.06.2025) for the candidates applying for LASET. The candidates of other States except UT of J & K and Ladakh, belonging to Reserved categories, however, shall be treated as Open/Unreserved Category.

A candidate seeking his/her consideration under a Reserved Category must ensure that he/she possesses a valid requisite Category certificate and domicile (of the UT for which

he/she is applying) on the cut-off date i.e. last date of submission of Online application. Under process/expired certificate shall not be considered. The candidature of the candidates will be provisional till the genuineness of the reserved category certificate is verified by the Appointing Authority. Candidates may note that in case a claim for reservation is made on the basis of false/fake/ fraudulent certificate, he/ she shall be debarred from the JKSET/LASET, in addition to any other penal action as may be deemed appropriate. Certificates issued after the last date prescribed for submission of online application form shall not be entertained.



CHANGE OF CATEGORY

If the category indicated by a candidate in the application form of JKSET/LASET – 2026 is Unreserved category but the candidate wants to change the category to a reserved one, such request shall not be entertained by the Agency. Further, once a candidate has chosen a reserved category, no request shall be entertained for change to other reserved category.

PROVISIONS RELATING TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITY (PWD)

For Visually Challenged (VH) Candidates- The compensatory time provided to the visually impaired candidates in Paper-I is 20 minutes. Accordingly, there is provision of 40 minutes compensatory time in Paper-II. They will also be provided the services of a scribe who would be a graduate in a subject other than that of the candidate as there is no provision of Test Booklets in Braille for Visually Handicapped (VH) candidates.

Physically Challenged (PH) Candidates, who are not in a position to write in their own hand-writing, can also avail these services by making prior request, in writing, to SET Agency Office, University of Jammu/ Coordinator JKSET/LASET Kashmir University/Coordinator JKSET/LASET University of Leh, at least one week before the date of Exam. Compensatory time and facility of scribe would not be provided to other Physically Challenged candidates.

VALIDITY

The candidates who had already cleared the States Eligibility Test (SET/SLET) accredited by UGC for Lectureship/ Assistant Professorship held prior to 1st June 2002 are eligible to

apply for Assistant Professor anywhere in India. For SET held from 1st June 2002 onwards, the qualified candidates are eligible to apply for the post of Assistant Professor only in the universities/colleges/institutes situated in the State from where they have cleared their SET.

The SET agency will issue certificates to qualifying candidates with the name of the concerned UT. Validity of the certificate shall be forever.

EXEMPTION FROM APEARING IN SET:

NET/SLET/SET shall remain the minimum eligibility condition for recruitment and appointment of Assistant Professors in Universities/ Colleges/ Institutions. In this regard, exemption from NET/SLET/SET will be governed by UGC regulations and amendments notified in the Gazette of India and adopted by the UTs from time to time.

However, the following candidates are exempted from appearing in SET in order to apply for the post of Assistant Professor, provided they have fulfilled all the eligibility conditions applicable for that particular test:

- a) The candidates who have passed the UGC/CSIR examination for Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) prior to December 1989.
- b) The candidates who have qualified the National Eligibility Test for Lectureship / Assistant Professor (UGC-NET) conducted under the aegis of UGC or qualified the Joint CSIR-UGC Test.

EXAMINATION CENTRES

The JKSET/LASET exam shall be held at 3 main Examination Centers at Kashmir, Jammu and Ladakh with a provision to allot sub-centers in the following district headquarters if the number of candidates from that sub-centers are more than 250. Following sub centers[#] have been proposed.

KASHMIR CENTRE: Centre Code 01

Sub-Center Cities: Srinagar; Anantnag; Baramulla

JAMMU CENTRE: - Centre Code 02

Sub-Center Cities – Jammu; Kathua; Udampur; Rajouri; Baderwah

LADAKH CENTRE: - Centre Code 03

Sub-Center Cities– Leh and Kargil

[#]In case of less than 250 candidates in any sub-center, it will be merged with the nearest sub-center.

SUBJECTS FOR THE JKSET/LASET-2026

The SET Agency is conducting the examination in following 41 subjects/Areas as mentioned in Table-1.

TABLE 1: LIST AND CODE OF SUBJECTS FOR JKSET/ LASET-2026

Subject Code	Subject	Subject Code	Subject
00	General Paper (Paper I)	21.	Kashmiri
01.	Chemical Sciences	22.	Law
02.	Earth, Atmospheric, Ocean and Planetary Sciences	23.	Library & Information Science
03.	Life Sciences	24.	Linguistics
04.	Mathematical Sciences	25.	Management
05.	Physical Sciences	26.	Mass Communication and Journalism
06.	Arab Culture and Islamic Studies	27.	Music
07.	Arabic	28.	Persian
08.	Buddhist, Jaina, Gandhian & Peace Studies	29.	Philosophy
09.	Commerce	30.	Physical Education
10.	Computer Science & Applications	31.	Political Science
11.	Dogri	32.	Psychology
12.	Economics	33.	Public Administration
13.	Education	34.	Punjabi
14.	Electronic Science	35.	Sanskrit
15.	English	36.	Social Work
16.	Environmental Sciences	37.	Sociology
17.	Geography	38.	Urdu
18.	Hindi	39.	Tourism Administration & Management
19.	History	40.	Anthropology
20.	Home Science	41.	Women Studies

Note: General Paper on Teaching and Research Aptitude (Paper-I) is compulsory for all.



SYLLABI FOR JKSET/LASET

The Syllabi for JKSET/LASET -2026 will be the same as that of UGC/CSIR NET. Updated Syllabi for all SET subjects can be downloaded from the JKSET/LASET Link of University of Kashmir website (www.set.uok.edu.in) and is also available at UGC website: www.ugcnetonline.in

For science subjects i.e. Mathematical Sciences, Physical Sciences, Chemical Sciences, Life Sciences & Earth Sciences, the syllabi are same as of the CSIR-NET and can also be seen at CSIR HRDG website: www.csirhrdg.res.in However, the examination pattern will be same as per UGC, described above.

*For Mathematical Sciences, the question paper shall consist of three sections: Section A (25 questions), Section B (75 questions), and Section C (75 questions). Candidates are required to attempt questions

from Section A along with either Section B or Section C. Mixing of questions from Sections B and C will not be permitted for evaluation. Section A will comprise questions from Unit I of the syllabus. Section B will include questions from Units II and III, while Section C will consist of questions from Unit IV of the syllabus.

* In case of Music, the paper would contain 160 multiple choice questions of 2 marks each, in THREE (3) SECTION. Attempt all the questions either from Section-A and Section-B only Or from Section-A and Section-C only. Number of questions Section wise: Section-A: Q. No. 1 to 40; Section-B: Q. No. 41 to 100; Section-C: Q. No. 101 to 160. The section A would be from Unit I-IV while section B and C would be from Unit-V-X from Hindustani Music section and Percussion section respectively as described in the syllabus.

SUBMISSION OF ON-LINE APPLICATION FORMS

Candidates are advised to carefully read the Information Bulletin and follow the instructions given below for successful submission of their online application forms.

Step-I: Accessing the Online Application Portal:

Visit the official website of the University of Kashmir or JKSET/LASET:

- <https://set.uok.edu.in> (Click on the JKSET/LASET link)
- <https://www.kashmiruniversity.net>

Candidates must carefully read all instructions and eligibility conditions before proceeding with the online application process.

Step-II: Registration, Filling and Submission of Application Form Selection of Category:

Candidates shall register themselves by providing Username, Mobile Number (preferably WhatsApp Number), Email Address and Password for future access. After successful registration the candidates shall receive email of login

credentials for future reference.

After Logging in candidates shall carefully fill in all required particulars in the online application form, including but not limited to:

- Personal Details;
- Mobile Number (preferably WhatsApp Number);
- Address including UT (Jammu & Kashmir/Ladakh) or any other state;
- Academic Qualifications;
- Examination Centre Preference(s); and
- Subject for JKSET/LASET.

Candidates shall ensure that all information furnished is true, correct, and complete in all respects.

After completing the application form, candidates shall preview the particulars entered. If any discrepancy is noticed, necessary corrections should be made before final submission.

Candidates must correctly indicate their category, namely:



- Unreserved (UR);
- Scheduled Caste (SC);
- Scheduled Tribe-I [ST-I];
- Scheduled Tribe-II [ST-II];
- Economically Weaker Section (EWS);
- Resident of Backward Area (RBA);
- Other Backward Class (OBC);
- Actual Line of Control/International Border (ALC/IB) and
- Persons with Disabilities (PwD);

Step-III: Uploading of Documents:

Thereafter, candidates shall upload the following documents:

1. Recent passport-size photograph in JPG/JPEG format, with face clearly visible, against a plain white background and without any mask or face covering.
2. Scanned signature in JPG/JPEG format.
3. Valid Reserved Category Certificate, wherever applicable.
4. Domicile Certificate.
5. **Bonafide Certificate** (in case of candidates pursuing Masters) issued by Head of Department/College/Institute, (wherever applicable).

Reserved Category candidates must upload valid and competent authority-issued category certificates. The certificates uploaded by such candidates shall be subject to verification by the University.

In the event any category certificate is found invalid, forged, expired, or

otherwise not in conformity with the applicable rules, the candidature under the claimed reserved category shall be rejected/canceled forthwith. The examination fee paid shall not be refunded under any circumstances.

However, during any correction/editing window if notified by the University, such candidates may opt to be considered under the Unreserved/General Category, subject to fulfillment of all eligibility conditions applicable to that category and submission of fee part thereof.

Step-IV: Payment of Examination Fee:

The prescribed Examination Fee shall be paid exclusively through the online payment gateway integrated with the Online Application Portal. After successful payment, candidates must download and retain the fee receipt, application form and carefully note the Transaction Reference Number, which shall be required for registration and future correspondence.

Step-V: Printing of Application Form:

Upon successful submission, a system-generated Application Number shall be generated. Candidates are advised to preserve the same for all future references. Candidates shall download and retain a printed copy of the submitted application form and fee receipt for future reference.



SUBMISSION OF DOWNLOADED APPLICATION FORMS & DOCUMENTS (HARD COPIES)

- a. There is no need to submit hard copy of the downloaded Application Form, Fee Receipt and Category Certificates in the SET office before the examination. However, all the candidates must keep it along with proof of fee with them for future reference. Only the qualified candidates shall have to submit the copy of the downloaded forms along with related documents.

Note: Candidates belonging to any reserved category must upload their valid category certificate at the time of submitting the application form.

- b. Immediately after the result declaration, the candidates who qualify the JKSET/LASET-2026 Examination shall have to submit following documents for physical verification (as per scheduled to be notified separately):

1. Online Application Form (Print out in original)
2. Attested copy of class 10th Certificate/Mark sheet (to be verified with the Originals)
3. Attested copy of PG Mark sheet (to be verified with the Originals)
4. Attested copy of Domicile Certificate issued by the competent authority, if applicable (to be verified with the Originals)
5. Attested copy of Reserve Category Certificate issued by the competent authority, if applicable (to be verified with the Originals)

6. Medical Certificate of PWD issued by competent authority (if Applicable).

7. Bonafide Certificate (Pursuing Master's Degree) issued by Head of Department/ College/Institute

The qualified candidates shall be issued SET Certificates only after the physical verification of their Eligibility and Category related documents/ Certificates. In case of detection of the false declaration of Reserve Category at the time of Application, the candidature of such candidates will be canceled and they can be debarred from appearing in next three JKSET/LASET.

MODE OF EXAMINATION:

The JKSET/LASET -2026 examination will be conducted in "OFF-LINE MODE".

MEDIUM OF EXAMINATION:

Question paper for the Paper-I will be in English and Hindi. In case of any ambiguity between Hindi and English version due to translation, English version would be treated as final. The question Papers in all subjects, except in Oriental Classical and Modern Indian Languages, shall be set in English. The question papers in Modern Indian Languages shall be set in the language concerned, whereas the question papers in the Oriental Classical Languages shall be set either in the concerned language/s itself or in cognate Modern Indian Language or in English, and the candidates shall answer the questions in the concerned language.

SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

The scheme of examination for JKSET/ LASET-2026 shall be same as prescribed for UGC-NET conducted by the NTA. There shall be two papers in each subject. Both the papers will have only Objective Type Questions of (a) Multiple Choice, (b) Matching & (c) Assertion and Reasoning.

Paper- I shall consist of 50 objective type compulsory questions each carrying 2 marks. The questions which will be of general nature, intended to assess the teaching/research aptitude of the candidate. It will primarily be designed to test reasoning ability, comprehension, divergent think-

ing and general awareness of the candidate.

Paper-II shall consist of 100 objective type compulsory questions each carrying 2 marks which will be based on the subject selected by the candidate.

It is compulsory for candidate to appear in both the papers. A candidate who does not appear in Paper-I, will not be permitted to appear in Paper-II. The candidate will have to mark the responses for questions of Paper-I and Paper-II on the Optical Mark Reader (OMR) sheets provided along with the Test Booklets.

The test will be held on a single day as per the details given as under:

PARTICULAR	PAPER –I	PAPER – II
Exam mode	Offline mode	Offline mode
Total Exam Duration (20 minutes pause between Paper 1 & Paper 2 for the collection and the distribution)	1 Hour (60 minutes) 11:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.	2 Hours (120 minutes) 12.50 P.M. to 2.50 P.M.
Type of Paper	Common for all the candidates. The questions in Paper-I intends to assess the teaching / research aptitude of the candidate. It will primarily be designed to test reasoning ability, reading comprehension, divergent thinking & general awareness of the Candidate.	Subject specific questions. This is based on the subject selected by the candidate and will assess domain knowledge.
Total no. of questions	50	100
Total marks	100	200
Marking Scheme	2 marks for each correct response and no marks for un- answered/un-attempted question. There shall be no negative marking for wrong answers. The candidate will have to mark the responses for questions of Paper –I and Paper –II on the Optical Mark Reader (OMR) Sheet provided.	

DISPLAY OF PROVISIONAL ANSWER KEY FOR CHALLENGES

The JKSET Agency will display Provisional Answer Key of the questions on the JKSET website www.set.uok.edu.in to provide an opportunity to the candidates to challenge the Provisional Answer Key. The Answer Keys are likely to be displayed for two to three days and shall be notified separately.

The Candidates will be given an opportunity to make a challenge online against the Provisional Answer Key on payment of Non-Refundable Processing Fee @ Rs. 200/- per answer key challenged.

Key Challenge procedure -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.

The JKSET Agency decision on the challenges shall be final and the result will be declared on the basis of final answer keys. No Grievances with regards to answer key(s) after declaration of result of JKSET/LASET will be entertained.



PROCEDURE & CRITERIA FOR PREPARATION AND DECLARATION OF RESULT

This will comprise of the following steps:

- Step I:** The number of candidates to be qualified (total slots) for Eligibility for Assistant Professor shall be equal to 6% of the candidates appeared in both the papers of JKSET/LASET.
- Step II:** The total slots shall be allocated to different categories as per the reservation policy of respective UT of J & K and as per UT of Ladakh.
- Step III:** Minimum marks to be obtained in SET for considering a candidate eligible for Assistant Professor:

In order to be considered eligible for Assistant Professor, the candidate must have appeared in both the papers and secured at least 40% aggregate marks in both the papers taken together for Unreserved/EWS-General category candidates and at least 35% aggregate marks in both the papers taken together for all candidates belonging to the other reserved categories.

- Step IV:** The number of candidates to be declared qualified in any subject for a particular category is derived as per the methodology illustrated below:

Example:			
Number of candidates to be declared qualified for Eligibility for Assistant Professor in the subject 'English' for the Scheduled Caste (SC) category.	Number of candidates belonging to Category who secure at least 35% aggregate marks in both the papers taken together for SC Category for English.	X	Total slots derived for SC category as per Step II
	Total number of candidates belonging to Category over all subjects who secure at least 35% aggregate marks in both the papers taken together.		

Here the aggregate percentage of the two papers corresponding to the number of slots arrived at, shall determine the qualifying cut-off for Eligibility for Assistant Professor 'in English' for the SC category. Similarly, for all other subjects and categories the same allocation procedure shall be used.

NOTE: The candidate who have appeared in both the papers & have secured at least 40% marks in both the papers taken together for UR/Gen-EWS and 35% marks for all candidates belonging to other reserved categories shall only be eligible to be considered for the preparation of UT wise-subject wise-category wise merit list as per the above mentioned methodology of slot formation. Based on the number of slots formed UT wise-subject wise-category wise, cut off & result shall be declared.

It may be noted that the above qualifying criteria as decided by the UGC is final and binding.

RE-EVALUATION/RE-CHECKING OF RESULT

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



CONDUCT OF SET (JKSET/LASET)

- a. The JKSET/LASET will be conducted at 3 main Centres constituted at Kashmir, Jammu and Ladakh only. There is, however, a provision to allot sub- Centres in some of the cities, if the numbers of candidates from those sub-Centres are more than 250.
- b. No candidate will be allowed to appear in JKSET/LASET without Admit Card which must be shown at the Examination Hall Gate.
- c. Candidate must bring following documents to the Examination Centre
 - i. Printed copy of Admit Card downloaded from JKSET/LASET website
 - ii. Any one of the authorized photo IDs (must be original, valid and non- expired) – PAN card/ Driving License/ Voter ID/ Passport/ Aadhaar Card (With photograph). The name on the photo identification must match with the name as shown on the Admit Card.
 - iii. PwD certificate issued by the Competent Authority, if claiming the relaxation under PwD category.
- d. The candidates are advised to read the instructions on the Admit Card carefully and follow them during the conduct of the examination.
- e. The JKSET/LASET Centres will open 30 minutes before the commencement of examination for entry of the candidates.
- f. Candidates are expected to be in the seats allotted to them, at least 15 minutes before the commencement of examination.
- g. A Candidate must sit in the seat allotted to him. In case of a candidate who changes room/ hall or the seat on his/her own other than the one allotted, candidature shall be cancelled and no plea would be accepted for it.
- h. Change of subject is not permitted. No candidate shall be allowed to appear in a subject other than the one in which his Roll No. figures.
- i. Candidates are not allowed to carry any baggage/ handbags, mobile etc. inside the Examination Centre. The SET Agency will not be responsible for any belongings stolen or lost at the premises.
- j. No candidate shall be permitted in the examination hall 10 minutes after the commencement of examination. However, responsibility for loss of time and missing the instruction(s) from the invigilation staff will be entirely of the late comers.
- k. Use of Calculator, Pager or Cellular/ Mobile phone/Earphone/ Document Pen, Slide Rules, Camera, electronic watches with facility of calculator, electronic gadgets/devices will not be allowed in the examination hall.
- l. If any candidate is found to be in possession of any of the above item(s), his/her candidature will be treated as unfair means and lead to cancellation of the current Examination & also debar the candidate for future examination(s) & the question papers and OMR Answer sheet will be seized.
- m. A candidate claiming the services of an amanuensis must bring the original certificate of being blind or differentially abled (PH) and permanently disabled from writing with his own hand along with the admit card on the day of examination for verification of the said certificate by the superintendent of the examination centre.
- n. It is compulsory for candidate to appear in both the papers. A candidate who does not appear in Paper-I, will not be permitted to appear in Paper-II.
- o. There shall be a gap of 20 minutes between Paper –I and Paper II. No Candidates, however, shall be allowed to leave the examination hall after completion of the Paper-I. He/she may however leave the examination hall, if wishes so, after the expiry of half time of the start of Paper-II after submitting OMR sheet & Question Booklet.
- p. The candidate will have to mark the responses for questions of Paper-I and Paper-II on the Optical Mark Reader (OMR) sheets provided along with the Test Booklets.
- q. No candidate shall be allowed to take any material concerning the Test to the toilet and/or outside the examination hall.
- r. No person(s) other than those authorized by the Member-Secretary SET shall be allowed to enter the hall during the conduct of examination
- s. No candidate shall be allowed to leave his/her seat during the last 15 minutes of the examination. The doors of the Examination Hall will be closed 10 minutes before termination of the examination to ensure smooth and orderly collection of Response sheets from the examinees by the concerned invigilation staff.
- t. No candidate shall leave the examination hall without handing over the OMR sheets even if no question has been attempted.
- u. Tea, coffee, snacks, cold drinks, etc. shall not be allowed in the examination hall.
- v. Smoking in the examination hall is prohibited.
- w. Candidates shall maintain perfect silence and shall not indulge in any conversation, argument or gesticulation during the course of examination,
- x. No TA/DA will be paid to candidates appearing in the SET.
- y. No Grievances with regards to answer key(s) after declaration of result of SET will be entertained.



UNFAIR MEANS/ MISCONDUCT:

- a. Any candidate who creates disturbance of any kind during the course of examination or otherwise misbehaves in or around the examination centre or refuses to obey the instructions of the Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, any other official on examination duty or changes his/her seat with any candidate will be deemed to have committed misconduct. Such a candidate shall forfeit the right to continue taking the Test
- b. If any candidate, appearing in JKSET/LASET, is found to have in his possession or accessible to him/her paper/books or notes which may possibly be of help to him/her, or is found giving or receiving assistance, or copying from any paper/book or note, or helping other candidate to copy from his/her answer-sheet/Test Booklet, or writing on any other paper questions set in the question paper, or using or attempting to use any other unfair means, a report about the same in a sealed cover shall be forwarded to the Member-Secretary SET, by name, in the Form prescribed for the purpose along with the incriminating material recovered for further necessary disciplinary action.
- c. In case the candidate leaves the examination hall without handing over the OMR Sheet to the Invigilator on duty even if no question has been attempted, the report of the centre Superintendent supported/ endorsed by the Observer/ Inspector shall be treated as adequate proof to establish a charge of unfair means against the candidate. In such a case, the candidate shall earn disqualification from appearing in the Eligibility Tests conducted by various states and accredited by the UGC as well as NET of UGC/UGC-CSIR for a period of 2 years.
- d. In case it is established from the response sheet of a candidate that he/she has received or has attempted to receive help from any source, or has given help or attempted to give help to another candidate in any manner, the relevant Test Booklet shall be cancelled. The cancellation of Test Booklet shall mean cancellation of all the Test Booklets of the concerned SET. In this connection the decision of the Chairman of the Steering Committee shall be the final.
- e. If a candidate puts any identification mark or discloses his/her identity by any method whatsoever on the cover of the Test Booklet/OMR sheet or anywhere else, the same shall be treated as cancelled. The cancellation of Test Booklet shall mean cancellation of all the Test Booklets of the concerned SET. The decision of the Chairman of the Steering Committee in this connection shall be the final.
- f. Any person who impersonates a candidate who is impersonated shall be disqualified from appearing in the Eligibility Tests conducted by various states and accredited by the UGC as well as NET of UGC/UGC-CSIR for a period of 2 years and his/her case shall also be reported to the police and to the employer, if he/she is in service. All the Test Booklets of the concerned SET of both the persons (one who impersonates and the other who is impersonated) shall be treated as cancelled.
- g. Canvassing in any form to seek favour in the Test and/or evaluation or at any level for a candidate shall lead to the cancellation of all his/her Test Booklets of the SET.

WEEDING OUT RULES:

The records of JKSET/LASET – 2026 would be preserved up to 90 days from the date of declaration of result.

LEGAL JURISDICTION:

All legal disputes relating to the JKSET/LASET will be subject to courts having jurisdiction in Kashmir only.

DISPUTES:

If a dispute/controversy of any kind relating to the SET arises before, during or after the conduct of the Test, the decision of the Chairman of the Steering Committee, in the matter, shall be the final and binding on all concerned.

BONAFIDE CERTIFICATE

No. _____

Dated: _____

Paste a recent
passport size
Photograph to
be duly attested
by Head of
Department/
College/
Institute

This is to certify that Mr./Ms. _____

S/O-D/O Mr. _____

is a Bonafide student of _____ Department/

College/Institute during session _____ pursuing Master's Degree/

Integrated Master's Degree in _____ subject. He / She is now

in _____ semester, in Academic year _____ bearing

Enrolment No. _____

This certificate is issued at the request of the student for submission to JKSET Agen-
cy, certifying that he/she is currently pursuing or appearing in his/her Master's Degree or
Integrated Master's Degree.

Head of Department/College/Institute
Seal and Signature



TABLE 2: SET SUBJECTS & RELATED SUBJECTS IN QUALIFYING EXAMINATION

SET Subject Code	SET Subject Name	PG Subject(s)
01	Chemical Sciences	Chemistry/ Chemical Science
02	Earth, Atmosphere, Ocean and Planetary Sciences	Geology/ Geophysics/ Geo Informatics/ Remote Sensing and GIS
03	Life Sciences	Life Science/ Botany/ Zoology/ Microbiology/ Biotechnology/ Biochemistry/ Human Genetics/ Sericulture/ Fisheries
04	Mathematical Sciences	Mathematics/ Mathematical Science/ Applied Mathematics/ Statistics
/05	Physical Sciences	Physics/ Physical Sciences
06	Arab Culture and Islamic Studies	Arab Culture and Islamic Studies
07	Arabic	Arabic
08	Buddhist, Jaina, Gandhian & Peace Studies	Buddhist Studies/ Jainism/ Gandhian & Peace Studies
09	Commerce	Commerce
10	Computer Science & Applications	Computer Science & Application/ Computer Science / Information Technology/
11	Dogri	Dogri
12	Economics	Economics
13	Education	Education
14	Electronic Sciences	Electronic Sciences/ Electronics
15	English	English
16	Environmental Sciences	Environmental Science
17	Geography	Geography
18	Hindi	Hindi
19	History	History
20	Home Science	Home Science
21	Kashmiri	Kashmiri
22	Law	Law
23	Library & Information Science	Library & Information Science
24	Linguistics	Linguistics
25	Management	Management
26	Mass Communication & Journalism	Mass Communication & Journalism
27	Music	Music
28	Persian	Persian
29	Philosophy	Philosophy
30	Physical Education	Physical Education
31	Political Science	Political Science/ Politics
32	Psychology	Psychology
33	Public Administration	Public Administration
34	Punjabi	Punjabi
35	Sanskrit	Sanskrit
36	Social Work	Social Work
37	Sociology	Sociology
38	Urdu	Urdu
39	Tourism Administration & Management	Tourism Administration & Management/ Tourism Management/ Hospitality & Tourism Management
40	Anthropology	Anthropology
41	Women Studies	Women Studies



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