

CTET Full Form: Central Teacher Eligibility Test



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CTET full form is the Central Teacher Eligibility Test. The CBSE CTET is an eligibility exam conducted by the CBSE every year. Check below the full form of the CTET exam and its meaning, importance of CTET exam, eligibility criteria, and CTET vs TET.



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One of the most frequently asked questions that comes up to the mind of aspirants who begin with the CTET exam preparation is '**What is CTET full form?**'. Candidates often speculate the implication of the CTET's full form in the context of the importance and nature of the exam. For the ease of candidates, we have shared here the full form of the CTET exam, the nature of the exam and its importance, CTET eligibility criteria, and



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how it is different from other TET exams.

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CTET stands for the Central Teacher Eligibility Test. The CTET exam is conducted by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) by the Guidelines framed by the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE). The exam is conducted to determine the eligibility of candidates for appointment as Classes 1 to 8 teachers in Central Government Schools such as KVS, NVS and others.

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The [CTET exam](#) is conducted offline in **pen and paper mode**. The exam is held in two shifts for Paper 1 and Paper 2.

CTET Full Form: Meaning

Let's have a look at the detailed meaning of each word of the CTET full form, that is, the Central Teacher Eligibility Test below:

- **Central:** The CTET exam is conducted by the central government. The Union Ministry of Education has entrusted the responsibility of conducting the CTET exam to the CBSE, Delhi.
- **Teacher Eligibility:** The CBSE conducts the CTET exam to enable candidates to become eligible for an appointment as a teacher for Classes 1 to 8. It is an eligibility exam for aspirants looking forward to becoming primary or elementary teachers.
- **Test:** As stated above, CTET is an exam. Candidates get a chance to obtain eligibility by appearing for the test or exam. The CTET is conducted online in the computer-based test (CBT) mode for Paper 1 and Paper 2.



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Importance of CTET Exam

As per the NCTE guidelines dated August 23, 2010, and July 29, 2011, one of the essential qualifications for a candidate to be eligible for an appointment as a teacher is that he or she should pass the Teacher Eligibility Test (TET) or CTET. Qualifying the CTET exam is of utmost importance in the following manner:

- It introduces the national standards and benchmarks of teacher quality in the entire recruitment process.
- It enables the candidates and teacher education institutions to further improve their performance standards.
- It sends a positive signal across all the stakeholders that the Government is keen on laying a special emphasis on teacher quality.

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CTET 2024 Exam Overview

Have a look at the overview of the CTET exam 2024 below including the exam conducting body, exam mode, application mode, fee payment and other details.

Particulars	Details
Exam Name	CTET
CTET full form	Central Teacher Eligibility Test
Conducting Body	Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)
Exam Level	National



Exam Frequency	Twice a year
Exam Mode	Offline- Pen and Paper mode
CTET application mode	Online
Exam Fees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • INR 1,000 for the General/ OBC • INR 500 for SC/ ST/ PwD
Exam Duration	150 minutes
No. of Papers and Total Marks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paper-1: 150 marks • Paper-2: 150 marks
Total Questions	150 MCQs in each paper
Language of Exam	English and Hindi
Official Website	https://ctet.nic.in

CTET Exam Process 2024

The CTET 2024 exam involves various stages. Have a look at the entire [CTET exam process 2024](#) below in detail:

- **CTET Application Process:** The CTET exam process begins with online applications. Candidates need to fill out the [CTET application form 2024](#) in online mode.
- **Issue of CTET Admit Card:** Candidates need to download the [CTET admit card 2024](#) from the official website- ctet.nic.in.



- **Conduct of CTET Exam:** Candidates need to appear for the CTET 2024 exam at the centres mentioned on their admit cards.
- **CTET Result:** The CBSE releases the [CTET result 2024](#) on the official website after the completion of the assessment process.
- **CTET Certificate:** CTET-qualified candidates are awarded the eligibility certificates. [CTET certificate](#) validity is for a lifetime.

CTET Eligibility Criteria 2024

Have a look at the detailed [CTET eligibility 2024](#) below for Paper 1 and Paper 2:

CTET Eligibility for Paper 1

- Senior Secondary with a minimum of 50 per cent marks and cleared or appearing in final year exam of Diploma in Elementary Education (2 years duration). OR
- Senior Secondary securing a minimum of 45 per cent marks and cleared or appearing in final year exam of Diploma in Elementary Education (2 years duration). OR
- Senior Secondary with a minimum of 50 per cent marks and cleared or appearing in the final year exam of Bachelor of Elementary Education (4 years duration). OR
- Senior Secondary with a minimum of 50 per cent marks and cleared or appearing in the final year exam of Diploma in Education (2 years duration). OR
- Bachelor's degree with a BEd degree.

CTET Eligibility for Paper 2

- Graduation degree and has passed or is appearing in the final year examination of Diploma in Elementary Education (2 years duration). OR



- Graduation degree with 50 per cent marks and has cleared or appearing in the final year exam of BEd. OR
- Graduation degree with 40 per cent marks and has cleared or appearing in the final year exam of BEd, according to NCTE regulations. OR
- Senior Secondary with a minimum of 50 per cent marks and has cleared or appeared in final year exam of 4 years duration Bachelor of Elementary Education. OR
- Senior Secondary with 50 per cent marks and cleared or appearing in final year exam of B.A.Ed/B.Sc.Ed or B.A/B.Sc.Ed. OR
- Graduation degree with 50 per cent marks and has cleared or appearing in BEd program of 1-year duration.

Also Read:

- [CTET exam pattern 2024](#)
- [CTET syllabus 2024](#)

What's Next after CTET?

Once the candidates clear the CTET exam, they become eligible to apply for recruitment in various private and government schools. Candidates can apply for appointments in the following schools:

- Central Government schools such as KVS, NVS, Central Tibetan Schools, etc.
- Schools under the administrative control of UTs such as Delhi, Chandigarh, Daman & Diu, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep.
- Private schools that consider the CTET qualification.



- Schools owned by State Governments and local bodies.

Difference Between CTET and TET

CTET and TET are both eligibility tests conducted to determine the eligibility of candidates as teachers. The major difference between CTET and TET is that the Central Teacher Eligibility Test (CTET) is conducted at the national level and the TET exam is conducted at the state level by respective state governments such as TS TET, TNTET, HP TET, MP TET, UPTET, MAHA TET and various others.

TET Exams

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REET 2024	HP TET 2024	TNTET 2024
OTET 2024	AP TET 2024	CG TET 2024

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