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**University Grants Commission**  
(शिक्षा मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार)  
(Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)

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**Sub: National Eligibility Test (NET) as an Entrance Test for Admission to Ph.D.**

Dear Madam/Sir,

As you are aware, the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2022 provides for the admission of students to Ph.D., who qualify for fellowship/scholarship in UGC-NET/UGC- CSIR NET/GATE/CEED and similar National level tests, based on interview.

In addition, Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) conduct their entrance tests for admission to Ph.D. programmes, requiring the students to write multiple entrance tests.

To help the students with one national entrance test for admission to Ph.D. as a part of the implementation of National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, the Commission in its 578<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2024, decided that from the academic session 2024-25 onwards, the NET score can be used for admission to Ph.D. programmes in place of entrance tests conducted by the different universities/HEIs.

A Public Notice issued by the UGC on 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 in this regard is enclosed.

In view of the above, the HEIs are requested to utilize the NET score for admission to Ph.D. programmes instead of conducting their entrance tests from the forthcoming academic session 2024-2025.

In case any clarification is required, the HEIs may write to [net-bureau@ugc.gov.in](mailto:net-bureau@ugc.gov.in)

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Manish Joshi)

**Encl.: As stated above**

To

**The Vice Chancellors**  
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