

CHAPTER – 2 EXAMINATION SCHEME

2.1. Mode of Examination:

The NCET 2026 will completely be conducted in **Computer Based Test (CBT)** mode.

2.2. Medium of Examination:

Medium of the Question Papers: Drawing from the National Education Policy (NEP), the NCET 2026 will be conducted in English, Hindi, Assamese, Bengali, Gujarati, Kannada, Malayalam, Marathi, Odia, Punjabi, Tamil, Telugu, and Urdu.

S. No.	Language	Examination Centres
1.	English	All Examination Centres
2.	English and Hindi	All Examination Centres in India
3.	English and Assamese	Examination Centres in Assam
4.	English and Bengali	Examination Centres in West Bengal, Tripura, and Andaman & Nicobar Islands
5.	English and Gujarati	Examination Centres in Gujarat, Daman & Diu, Dadra & Nagar Haveli
6.	English and Kannada	Examination Centres in Karnataka
7.	English and Malayalam	Examination Centres in Kerala and Lakshadweep
8.	English and Marathi	Examination Centres in Maharashtra
9.	English and Odia	Examination Centres in Odisha
10.	English and Punjabi	Examination Centres in Punjab, Chandigarh, and Delhi/New Delhi (including Faridabad, Ghaziabad, Gurugram, Meerut, Noida/Greater Noida)
11.	English and Tamil	Examination Centres in Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, and Andaman & Nicobar Islands
12.	English and Telugu	Examination Centres in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana
13.	English and Urdu	All Examination Centres in India

The option of language for Question Paper should be exercised while filling up the Application Form online and it cannot be changed at a later stage.

Please note that for the correctness of the questions in all the question papers, the English version will be taken as the final.

2.3. Scheme of Examination

Subject combinations for each paper, type of questions in each paper, and mode of examination are given in the table below:

Section	Subjects/ Tests	Questions to be Attempted
Section 1	There are 38 different languages. Any two languages need to be chosen. Language 1 and Language 2.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ 02 different Language papers are to be chosen.➤ Each Language paper will have 23 questions out of which 20 questions need to be attempted.
Section 2 – Domain-Specific Subjects	26 Domain-specific subjects are being offered under this section. A candidate may choose any three subjects as desired by the applicable University/ Universities/ Institution.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ 03 Domain-Specific subjects are to be chosen.➤ Each domain-specific subject will have 28 questions out of which 25 questions need to be attempted.
Section 3 - General Test	This is a mandatory section. The General Test will have 28 questions out of which 25 questions need to be attempted.	
Section 4 – Teaching Aptitude	This is a mandatory section. Teaching Aptitude will have 23 questions out of which 20 questions need to be attempted.	
Note: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><i>In total, there will be 160 questions to be attempted out of 181 questions. There will be a choice of 03 questions in each subject (Language/Domain-Specific Subject/Teaching Aptitude/General Test).</i><i>The examination may be conducted on multiple days in two shifts, depending on the number of Candidates and Subject choices.</i>		

2.4. The pattern of Question Paper:

All questions will be Objective type Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs).

Test paper	Total Questions	Total questions to be attempted	To be chosen from
Language 1	23	20	To be chosen from Section 1 (38 languages).
Language 2	23	20	Other than Language 1 in Section 1.
Teaching Aptitude	23	20	Compulsory
General Test	28	25	Compulsory
Domain-Specific Subject 1	28	25	To be chosen from Section 2 (26 Domain-Specific Subjects)
Domain-Specific Subject 2	28	25	Other than Domain-

			Specific Subject 1 from Section 2.
Domain-Specific Subject 3	28	25	Other than Domain-Specific Subjects 1 and 2 from Section 2.
Total Questions	181	160	

2.5. Tests / Subject covered under NCET 2026

Please refer **Annexure-II** for the list of Languages, Domain-Specific Subjects, and General Test covered in NCET 2026.

2.6. Duration of Test:

The examination may be conducted on multiple days/shifts depending on the number of Candidates and Subject choices. Duration of Examination will be of **180 minutes**.

Note: Compensatory time for PwD/PwBD Candidates of 20 minutes for each hour examination will be given.

2.7. Syllabus of Test:

Syllabus	Language - Language to be tested through Reading Comprehension, Literary Aptitude, and Vocabulary.
	Domain Subject and Teaching Aptitude -As given on the NTA website https://exams.nta.nic.in/ncet/
	General Test - General Knowledge, Current Affairs, General Mental Ability, Numerical Ability, Quantitative Reasoning (Simple application of basic mathematical concepts arithmetic/algebra geometry/mensuration/Statistics), Logical and Analytical Reasoning.
	Teaching Aptitude: Topics related to the teaching of science, Arts, Mathematics, Performing Arts, Languages, etc.

The syllabus for the subjects is available on the NTA website <https://exams.nta.nic.in/ncet/>