

BOARD OF SECONDARY EDUCATION, ODISHA, KATAKA



GUIDELINES FOR CONDUCT OF ODISHA SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHER ELIGIBILITY TEST OSSTET, 2026

The Govt. of Odisha vide Resolution No.-18618/ SME, Bhubaneswar Dtd.- 17/09/2016, Addendum No- 19064/ SME, Bhubaneswar Dtd.- 31/08/2018, letter No- 5636/ SME, Bhubaneswar Dtd.- 10/02/2021, No-12407/ SME, Dtd- 10/07/2021, No-15406/ SME, Dtd- 17/08/2021, No.- 24746/ Dtd. 21/12/2021, No.- 23436 Dtd.- 03/12/2021, No.- 775 Dtd.-12/01/2022 & No.- 24630 Dtd.- 18/11/2022; have prescribed guidelines for conducting Odisha Secondary School Teacher Eligibility Test (OSSTET). After careful consideration, the Govt. have decided that, to be eligible for appointment as a teacher in any of the secondary schools of the state, one should pass teacher eligibility test and accordingly, the following guidelines have been framed for conduct of the Teacher Eligibility Test called OSSTET in the State.

1. The Teacher Eligibility Test shall be called “**ODISHA SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHER ELIGIBILITY TEST**” (OSSTET).
2. OSSTET shall be conducted once in a year or as decided by the Government as per need.
3. The Board of Secondary Education, Odisha has been designated as the professional body for conducting OSSTET. Detailed procedure for conducting OSSTET and instruction for carrying out the examination shall be issued by the Board of Secondary Education (BSE), Odisha. The application form for OSSTET shall also be prescribed by the Board of Secondary Education, Odisha and submission of application form shall be in online mode.

4. **Applicability**

OSSTET shall be applicable to all candidates who possess requisite academic and training qualifications with requisite percentage of marks as prescribed in the Resolution No.- 18618/ SME, Bhubaneswar Dtd. -17/09/2016 of the Govt. of Odisha in Department of School & Mass Education, or are in the process of acquiring the requisite training qualification (in the final year of Training Course or appearing / have appeared in the training examination but result not

published) as on the date of publication of the advertisement for the OSSTET and desire to become teachers in Secondary Schools i.e Govt./ Govt Aided/ Recognised Unaided Secondary Schools in the State of Odisha.

5. Eligibility

A. General Eligibility

He or she must be a citizen of India.

B. Ability to Read and Write Odia.

The candidate must be able to read and write in Odia. Any one of the following qualifications will be taken into consideration to ascertain this ability of the candidate.

(a) He/ she must have passed HSC Examination conducted by Board of Secondary Education, Odisha or an equivalent examination conducted by any other State Board or Central Board (like CBSE, ICSE) with Odia as a language subject i.e. First/ Second or Third Language.

(b) He/ She must have passed +2/ Higher Secondary Examination conducted by Council of Higher Secondary Education, Odisha with Odia as an examinable subject.

(c) He must have passed Odia Examination of HSC/ 10th Standard Single Subject Examination conducted by the B.S.E., Odisha.

In case the candidate desire to be language teacher like Hindi/ Classical Teachers (Sanskrit/ Telgu/ Urdu), passing Odia Examination of 07th / 08th Standard conducted by B.S.E., Odisha shall be allowed.

C. Requisite Academic and Professional Qualification

The examination will be conducted in two different parts for the prospective teachers in two different categories such as :-

Category I :- Education Teachers (Trained Graduate Teachers in Science/ Arts, Hindi/ Classical Teacher (Sanskrit/ Urdu/ Telgu).

Category II :- Physical Education Teacher.

The requisite academic and professional qualification for admission to the OSSTET for these two categories are mentioned in the schedule/ table below:-

Sl No.	Category	Subject/ Stream	Academic and Professional qualification
1	I	Trained Graduate Arts	1. Bachelor's Degree in Arts/ Commerce/Shastri (Sanskrit) Degree with two school subjects as Honours/ Elective / Pass/ Optional/ Compulsory (list of school subjects at annexure-I) from a recognised university having 50% marks in aggregate (45% for SC/ ST/ PH/ SEBC candidates) AND Bachelor in Education (B.Ed)/ 3 year integrated B.Ed.- M.Ed course from a NCTE Recognised Institution. OR 2. Four year integrated B.A.B.Ed from NCTE recognised Institution with two school subjects as Honours/ Elective / Pass/ Optional/ Compulsory (list of school subjects at annexure-I) having 50% marks in aggregate (45% for SC/ ST /PH / SEBC candidates).
2	I	Trained Graduate Science (PCM/ CBZ)	1. Bachelor's Degree in science / B.Tech / B.E. Degree with two schools subject as Honours/ Elective / Pass/ Optional (list of school subjects at annexure-I) from a recognised university having 50% marks in aggregate (45% for SC/ ST /PH / SEBC candidates). AND Bachelor in Education (B.Ed)/ 3 year integrated B.Ed.- M.Ed course from a NCTE Recognised Institution. OR 2. Four year integrated B.Sc.B.Ed from a NCTE Recognised Institution with two school subjects as Honours/ Elective / Pass/ Optional (list of school subjects at annexure-I) having 50% marks in aggregate (45% for SC/ ST/ PH/ SEBC candidates).
3	I	Hindi Teacher	1. Bachelor's degree from a recognised University with Hindi as one of the Honours/ Elective/ Optional/ Pass subject with minimum 50% marks in aggregate (45% for SC/ ST/ PH/ SEBC candidates.) AND Any one of the following training qualifications. a) Hindi Sikshyan Parangat from Kendriya Hindi Sansthan, Agra. b) B.H.Ed. a course prescribed by NCTE, from a recognized University/ Institution. c) B.Ed in Hindi, a course prescribed by NCTE , from Dakhin Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha, Madras. d) B.Ed from NCTE Recognised University/ Institution OR 2. Bachelor's Degree from a recognised University with minimum 50% marks in aggregate (45% for SC/ ST/ PH/ SEBC candidates) WITH One of the following qualifications : a) Rastrabhasa Ratna from Rastrabhasa Prachar Samiti, Wardha, b) Shastri (Hindi) from Orissa Rastrabhasa Parisad, Puri. c) Snataka (Acquired by June -2005, the date up to which the

			temporary recognition has been granted) from Hindi Sikshya Samiti, Odisha, Kataka. AND One of the following Training qualifications; a) Hindi Sikshyan Parangat from Kendriya Hindi Sansthan, Agra. b) B.H.Ed. a course prescribed by NCTE, from a recognized University/ Institution. c) B.Ed in Hindi, a course prescribed by NCTE, from Dakhin Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha, Madras d) B.Ed from NCTE Recognised University/ Institution
4	I	Classical Teacher (Sanskrit)	1. Bachelor's Degree with Sanskrit as one of the Honours/ Elective / Optional/ Pass subject from a recognised university with minimum 50% marks in aggregate (45% for SC/ ST/ PH/ SEBC Candidates) AND Sikshya Shastri (Sanskrit), a course prescribed by NCTE, from a Recognised University/ Institution/ B.Ed from NCTE Recognised University/ Institution OR 2. Shastri (Sanskrit) with minimum 50% marks in aggregate (45% for SC/ ST/ PH/ SEBC candidates) from a recognized university AND Sikshya Shastri (Sanskrit), a course prescribed by NCTE, from a Recognised University/ Institution/ B.Ed from NCTE Recognised University/ Institution
5	I	Classical Teacher (Urdu)	1. Alim with 50% marks in aggregate (45% for PH candidates). AND B.Ed./ Urdu B.Ed. from a NCTE Recognised University/ Institution. OR 2. B.A. (Persian) With 50% marks in aggregate (45% PH Candidates) AND B.Ed./ Urdu B.Ed. from a NCTE Recognised University/ Institution.
6.	I	Classical Teacher (Telgu)	1. Bachelor's Degree in Arts having Telgu as subject with minimum 50% marks in aggregate (45% for SC/ ST/ PH/ SEBC) candidates) AND Telgu B. Ed. from a University / Institution recognized by NCTE.
7	II	Physical Education Teacher	1. +2 or its equivalent examination from a recognized institution. AND 2. C.P.Ed./ D.P.Ed./ B.P.Ed./ M.P.Ed. From a recognized Board/ University.

"Provided that candidates who are in the process of acquiring the requisite training qualification i.e. are in the final year of Training Course or are appearing/ have appeared in the Training Examination but results not published, as mentioned in the above Table as on the date of

publication of the Advertisement for the OSSTET are also eligible to appear the Test provided they satisfy all other eligibility conditions laid down in this resolution."

6. **The Examination**

- I. There shall be two papers of the OSSTET viz **Paper-I** and **Paper-II**.
 - a) Persons having requisite academic and training qualifications as per **Category-I** have to appear in **Paper -I** of the Examination.
 - b) Persons having requisite academic and training qualification as per **Category-II** have to appear in **Paper-II** of the examination.
- II. The Duration of the Test in each paper shall be 2 hours and 30 minutes.
- III. All questions will be Multiple Choice Question (MCQ) each carrying one mark with four alternatives out of which one is correct.
- IV. There shall be **Four Sections** in each paper.
- V. In section-I, Language I, Odia shall be compulsory for all categories of posts.
- VI. In section-II, Language II, English shall be compulsory for all categories of posts.
- VII. In section-III, under stream TGT (Arts) and TGT (Science for both PCM & CBZ), the questions shall be in English. The questions in other streams like Classical Teacher (Sanskrit/ Telugu/ Urdu) and Hindi Teacher shall be in respective languages/ scripts.
- VIII. The questions in Section III for Paper-II (Category-II- Physical Education Teacher) shall be in English.
- IX. In Section-IV the questions in Child Development, Pedagogy, School Management and Evaluation shall be in English and Compulsory for both the categories.
- X. There shall be no negative marking.

7. **Qualifying Marks**

The minimum pass mark in each paper is **45%** (68 marks out of 150). A person securing 45% or more in each paper shall be considered to have qualified OSSTET. In case of SC/ ST/ PH/ SEBC candidates the minimum pass mark shall be **35%** (53 marks out of 150).

8. **Issue of Certificate and Mark Sheet**

Successful candidates shall be awarded OSSTET Pass Certificate by the BSE,(O).

9. **Validity of OSSTET Certificate**

The OSSTET Pass Certificate shall remain valid till the candidate reaches the upper age limit prescribed for recruitment of teachers as per rules or executive instructions prescribed by the Govt. from time to time.

10. **Number of Chances**

There shall be no restriction on the number of attempts a person can take for acquiring OSSTET Pass certificate.

11. **Weightage**

The weightage of OSSTET scores in the recruitment process may be decided by the Government from time to time while prescribing the eligibility conditions for recruitment.

12. **Qualifying OSSTET - Only an eligibility**

Qualifying the OSSTET would not confer a right on any person for recruitment/ employment in any of the Govt. or Govt. Aided schools and it may be treated as one of the essential eligibility criteria for appointment. The eligibility for recruitment shall be determined by the concerned recruiting agency/ appointing authority on the basis of all eligibility conditions prescribed by Govt. from time to time.

13. **Conduct of OSSTET Examination**

The examination shall be conducted by the Board of Secondary Education, Odisha. Detailed guidelines for conduct of examination including nature and standard of question, selection of examination centres, format of application form, fee structure, valuation of answer sheets, declaration of results, issue of pass certificates etc. shall be framed by the BSE, Odisha.

14. **Syllabus**

The detail syllabus for subject of both the papers of OSSTET have been prepared by the Director, TE and SCERT, Odisha in consultation with BSE, Odisha and is available in the websites www.bseodisha.ac.in.

15. **Scheme**

The scheme of examination for OSSTET has been annexed to this guideline at Annexure-II.

16. **Examination Centre**

Candidates enrolled for appearing at the OSSTET, 2026 will be allotted to any centre of the state. The centre may not be allotted as per their permanent or correspondence district as done for previous examinations.

17. **Disputes**

All disputes pertaining to the conduct of OSSTET examination shall be subject to jurisdiction of BSE, Odisha.


Secretary,
B.S.E, Odisha, Kataka


School Subjects for TGT Arts & TGT Science

"The science Graduate candidates should have passed with two school subjects as the following:-

- a) Trained Science Graduate (PCM) – Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics
- b) Trained Science Graduate (CBZ)- Chemistry, Botany, Zoology, Biology, Life Science (Subject to result of W.A. No.- 1444 of 2022).

The Arts Graduate candidates should have passed with two school subjects as the following:-

English, Odia, Hindi, Sanskrit, History, Geography, Economics, Political Science, Indian Economy, Landmarks in Indian History, Indian Geography, Indian Polity, Communicative English & Business Economics (Subject to result of W.A. No.- 1296 of 2022).

Scheme of Examination For OSSTET

Annexure- II

Category- I (Education Teachers)

Paper- I

A. Section I & II

(Compulsory for all streams such as TGT (Arts), TGT (Science) PCM, TGT(Science) CBZ, Classical

Section	Subject	No. of Questions	Full Marks	
I	Odia	20	20	20
II	English	20	20	20

B. Section III

Stream	Subjects	No. of Questions	Full Marks	
TGT (Arts)	Odia	15	15	60
	English	15	15	
	History & Pol. Sc	15	15	
	Geography & Economics	15	15	
TGT(Science) PCM	Mathematics	20	20	60
	Physics	20	20	
	Chemistry	20	20	
TGT(Science) CBZ	Chemistry	20	20	60
	Botany	20	20	
	Zoology	20	20	
Classical Teacher (Sanskrit)	Sanskrit	60	60	
Hindi Teacher	Hindi	60	60	
Classical Teacher (Telugu)	Telugu	60	60	
Classical Teacher (Urdu)	Urdu	60	60	

C. Section IV

Section	Stream	Subject	No. of Question	Full Marks
IV	TGT (Arts),	Child Development, Pedagogy, School Management & Evaluation	50	50
	TGT (Science) PCM,			
	TGT (Science)CBZ,			
	Classical Teacher (Sanskrit)			
	Classical Teacher (Telugu)			
	Classical Teacher (Urdu)			
	Hindi Teacher			

Category- II (Physical Education Teacher)

Paper- II

A. Section I & II : Same as Paper I

B. Section III

Stream	Subject	No. of Questions	Full Marks
Physical Education Teacher	Physical Education	60	60

C. Section IV : Same as Paper I

