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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

DATES* FOR EXAMINATION

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
February 6 & 7, 2027	February 13 & 14, 2027	February 20 & 21, 2027

DATES* FOR ONLINE REGISTRATION

Regular Period	
Application Portal opening	Friday, August 14, 2026 Thursday, August 27, 2026 To be Announced (TBA)
Application Portal closing	Monday, September 21, 2026 Sunday, September 27, 2026

Extended Period	
Application Portal closing with late fee	Wednesday, September 30, 2026 Monday, October 5, 2026

DATE* FOR RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT

Friday, March 19, 2027

APPLICATION FEE[#] (per paper)

Gender / Category	Regular period	Extended period
Female/SC/ST/PwD [@]	₹ 1000/-	₹ 1500/-
Other candidates	₹ 2000/-	₹ 2500/-

*Dates mentioned are liable to change.

[#]For two papers, the fee payable is twice that of a single paper. The application fee does not include service charges, processing charges, and any other charges that the banks may levy.

[@]PwD is Persons with Benchmark Disability.

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1. List of Abbreviations

B.A.	Bachelor of Arts	JAM	Joint Admission Test for Masters
B.Arch.	Bachelor of Architecture	M.B.B.S.	Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery
B.Com.	Bachelor of Commerce	MCQ	Multiple Choice Question
B.D.S.	Bachelor of Dental Surgery	M.E.	Master of Engineering
B.E.	Bachelor of Engineering	MoE	Ministry of Education
B.Sc.	Bachelor of Science	M.Sc.	Master of Science
B.Tech.	Bachelor of Technology	MSQ	Multiple Select Question
B.V.Sc.	Bachelor of Veterinary Science	M.Tech.	Master of Technology
CBT	Computer Based Test	NAT	Numerical Answer Type
CFTI	Centrally Funded Technical Institute	NCB	National Coordination Board
EWS	Economically Weaker Section	NIT	National Institute of Technology
GATE	Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering	OBC-NCL	Other Backward Class Non-Creamy Layer
GOAPS	GATE Online Application Processing System	OI	Organizing Institute
GoI	Government of India	Ph.D.	Doctor of Philosophy
IB	Information Brochure	PSU	Public Sector Undertaking
ID	Identity Document	PwD	Person with Disability
IISc	Indian Institute of Science	SC	Scheduled Caste
IIT	Indian Institute of Technology	ST	Scheduled Tribe

2. Highlights of GATE 2027

- Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IITM) is the Organizing Institute (OI) for GATE 2027. The official website of GATE 2027 is <https://gate2027.iitm.ac.in>.
- GATE 2027 will be conducted for 30 test papers as Computer Based Test (CBT).
- Syllabus of GATE 2027 test papers has been revised. Candidates are advised to check the syllabus.
- A new test paper on Robotics & Automation (RA) has been introduced in GATE 2027. Candidates must note that Textile Engineering & Fibre Science (TF) paper will be a part of XE sectional paper (i.e., XE9: Textile Engineering & Fibre Science) from GATE 2027.
- Please note the changes in paper codes for sectional papers XE, XH, XL from GATE 2027.
- GATE 2027 test papers will be in English.
- The types of questions include Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs), Multiple Select Questions (MSQs), and Numerical Answer Type (NAT) questions. In MCQs, only one out of four options is correct. In MSQs, one or more than one out of four options is/are correct; and for NAT questions, the numerical answer must be keyed in using a virtual keypad.
- The candidates must use only the on-screen virtual calculator provided for their calculations.
- Candidates are allowed to appear for one or two test papers only. The two test paper combinations must be chosen from the given list of combinations of test papers.
- Examination for some test papers may be held in multiple sessions. However, a candidate will be required to appear for the examination in only one of the sessions of the test paper on the date and time specified on the Admit Card.
- A candidate who is currently studying in the 3rd or higher years of any undergraduate degree program OR has already completed any UGC/AICTE approved degree program in Engineering/Technology/Architecture/Science/Commerce/Arts/Humanities is eligible to appear for GATE 2027 examination.
- A candidate who is currently studying in the 5th/6th/7th semester or higher semester OR has already completed M.B.B.S./B.D.S./B.V.Sc./B.Sc. (Agriculture, Horticulture, Forestry) degree is also eligible to appear for GATE 2027 examination.
- There is NO age limit to appear for GATE 2027.
- Applications will be accepted only through the GATE 2027 Online Application Processing System (GOAPS), which can be accessed from the GATE 2027 official website.
- Applicants are required to provide live facial details during registration process.
- It is recommended to register in DigiLocker (verified) to have a smooth process during application registration and at the exam centres.
- Dates* for ONLINE Registration:

Regular Period	Portal opening	August 27, 2026 To be Announced (TBA)
	Portal closing	September 21, 2026 September 27, 2026
Extended Period	Portal closing with late fee	September 30, 2026 October 5, 2026

- GATE 2027 will be held at several centres spread across 300+ cities in India.
- GATE 2027 Examination dates* are **February 6, 7, 13, 14, 20 & 21, 2027**. The exam will be held in two sessions on these dates – forenoon and afternoon.
- GATE 2027 score will remain valid for THREE years from the date of announcement of results.
- Code of conduct for GATE 2027 should be adhered to (Appendix C).

*Dates are liable to change.

3. Important Dates*

GATE Online Application Processing System (GOAPS) opens	August 14, 2026 August 27, 2026 To be Announced (TBA)
GATE Online Application Processing System (regular) closes	September 21, 2026 September 27, 2026
End of extended period for GOAPS (with late fee)	September 30, 2026 October 5, 2026
Last date for change of Category, Paper and Examination City choices. Adding a new test paper, and change of personal details (additional fee may be applicable per change)	October 21, 2026
Notification of Exam cities to the Candidates	January 04, 2027
Admit Cards download	To be Announced (TBA)
GATE 2027 Examination Dates Sessions Forenoon: 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM Afternoon: 2:30 PM to 5:30 PM	February 06, 2027 (Saturday) February 07, 2027 (Sunday) February 13, 2027 (Saturday) February 14, 2027 (Sunday) February 20, 2027 (Saturday) February 21, 2027 (Sunday)
Announcement of results in the GATE Online Application Processing System (GOAPS)	March 19, 2027
Score Cards available for free download	TBA
Score Cards available for download by paying a fee of ₹500 per test paper	TBA to December 31, 2027

*Dates mentioned above in the Table are liable to change.

4. Pattern of Examination

Particulars	Details
Mode of examination	Computer Based Test (CBT)
Language of examination	English
Duration	3 hours*
Number of papers (subjects)	30 test papers
Sections	General Aptitude (GA) + Candidate's Selected Subject(s)
Types of questions	Multiple Choice Question (MCQ) Multiple Select Question (MSQ) Numerical Answer Type (NAT)
Test of abilities	Recall Comprehension Application Analysis and Synthesis
Number of questions	10 (General Aptitude) + 55 (Subject) = 65 Questions
Distribution of marks in all papers except AR, CY, DA, EY, GE, GG, MA, PH, RA, ST, XH, and XL	General Aptitude: 15 marks Engineering Mathematics ^{\$} : 13 marks Subject Questions: 72 marks Total: 100 marks
Distribution of marks in papers AR, CY, DA, EY, GE, GG, MA, PH, RA, ST, XH, and XL	General Aptitude: 15 marks; Subject Questions: 85 marks; Total: 100 marks
Marking scheme	Questions carry either 1 mark or 2 marks each
Negative marking	For a wrong answer to an MCQ, there will be negative marking. For a 1-mark MCQ, 1/3 will be deducted for a wrong answer. Likewise, for a 2-mark MCQ, 2/3 will be deducted for a wrong answer. There is no negative marking for wrong answers to MSQ and NAT questions. There is no partial marking for any question.

*PwD candidates are eligible for compensatory time of 20 minutes per hour as per the guidelines [F. No. P-13013/75/2023-Policy-DD-III dated August 01, 2025](#) of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment. Following the same guidelines, the candidates will have to submit additional documents. Please refer to Appendix B for more details.

^{\$}XE includes an Engineering Mathematics section XE0 of 15 marks.

5. About GATE

Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering (GATE) is a national examination conducted jointly by the Indian Institute of Science (IISc) and Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs).

GATE is conducted as a Computer Based Test (CBT) and evaluates the comprehensive understanding of the candidates in various undergraduate subjects in Engineering, Technology, and Architecture; and both undergraduate and post-graduate level subjects in Science, Humanities, Commerce, and Arts. The GATE score reflects the relative performance level of the candidate in a particular test paper. GATE 2027 score will be valid for THREE YEARS from the date of announcement of results. No information on GATE 2027 score will be available after this period.

Candidates who qualify GATE can seek admission with possible financial assistance to

- (i) Master's programs, and Direct Doctoral programs in Engineering/Technology/Architecture; and
- (ii) Doctoral programs in relevant branches of Engineering/Technology/Architecture/Science/Humanities, in institutions supported by Ministry of Education (MoE) and other Government agencies.

GATE score is also used by some colleges and Institutions for admission to postgraduate programs without MoE scholarship. Several Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) have also been using GATE score for recruitment.

Disclaimer: *Qualifying GATE does NOT guarantee admission, scholarship, or a job. Admission to any institute or recruitment by an employer are fully dependent on the admission criteria of the admitting institute or the recruitment procedure of the employer, respectively. GATE committee is NOT liable for any legal obligations related to admission, scholarship, or a job.*

5.1 Administration

GATE is administered jointly by the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), and Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) on behalf of the National Coordination Board (NCB), Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education (MoE), Government of India. The GATE Committee, which comprises representatives from these coordinating institutes, is the sole authority for regulating the examination and for declaring the results. For administrative purposes, the examination cities in India are segregated into eight zones. The operations related to GATE are managed by the GATE offices of coordinating institutes (See Table 1) in their respective zones.

One of the coordinating institutes is designated as the Organizing Institute (OI) and it is responsible for the end-to-end process, as well as the overall coordination amongst the other coordinating institutes for conducting the GATE examination. The Organizing Institute for GATE 2027 is Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IITM).

Table 1 gives the details of the coordinating institutes and examination cities in that particular zone.

5.2 About GATE 2027

- IIT Madras is the organizing institute for GATE 2027.
- Official website for GATE 2027 is <https://gate2027.iitm.ac.in>.
- GATE 2027 will be conducted for 30 test papers as Computer Based Test (CBT). Syllabus of GATE 2027 test papers has been revised. Candidates are advised to check the syllabus.
- GATE 2027 will have a new test paper on Robotics and Automation (RA). Textile Engineering and Fibre Science (TF) paper will be a part of XE sectional paper (XE9: Textile Engineering and Fibre Science).
- The paper codes for Multi-section papers, XE, XH & XL are changed for GATE 2027. Please see Table 3 for details.
- GATE 2027 examination will be held during the forenoon and afternoon sessions on February 6, 7, 13, 14, 20 & 21, 2027.
- Exact details of the complete examination schedule will be notified later on the GATE 2027 website.

- Candidates have to register and fill the online application form at GATE 2027 website.
- The entire process of filling up of the application form and uploading of certificates/ documents etc. is available in ONLINE mode only. The candidates should NOT send any hard copy of their application forms/documents etc. to IIT Madras or any of the GATE offices.
- In all matters concerning GATE 2027, the decision of the GATE 2027 Committee will be final and binding on all the applicants.
- Although GATE 2027 will be held at different test centres across the country, the Indian Institute of Technology Madras, being the Organizing Institute, bears the overall responsibility of conducting GATE 2027. In case of any claims or disputes arising with respect to GATE 2027, it is hereby made absolutely clear that the Madras High Court, Chennai, Tamil Nadu alone shall have the exclusive jurisdiction to entertain and settle them.

Table 1: Zonal Institutes for GATE 2027 and tentative list of examination cities.

Zonal Institutes	Tentative List of Examination Cities
IISc Bengaluru Bengaluru - 560 012 Email: helpdesk.gate@iisc.ac.in Phone numbers: 080-22932644 080-22932392 080-22933333	Andaman and Nicobar: Port Blair Andhra Pradesh: Anantapur, Kurnool Karnataka: Bagalkot, Ballari, Belagavi, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru South, Bidar, Chikkamagaluru, Chikballapur, Davanagere, Hassan, Hubballi/Dharwad, Kalaburagi, Kolar, Mandya, Mangaluru, Manipal - Udupi, Mysuru, Shivamogga, Tumakuru Kerala: Angamaly, Kannur, Kasaragod, Kozhikode, Palakkad, Pathanamthitta, Thrissur, Wayanad Telangana: Hyderabad, Nalgonda
IIT Bombay Powai, Mumbai - 400 076 Email: gateoffice@iitb.ac.in Phone numbers: 022-25767068 022-25767022	Goa: Goa Gujarat: Ahmedabad, Anand, Bhavnagar, Gandhinagar, Rajkot, Surat - Bardoli, Vadodara Maharashtra: Ahilyanagar (Ahmednagar), Akola, Amravati, Baramati, Chhatrapati Sambhaji Nagar (Aurangabad), Chandrapur, Dhule, Jalgaon, Kolhapur, Latur, Mumbai - Thane, Nagpur, Nanded, Nashik, Navi Mumbai - Rasayani, Pune, Ratnagiri, Sangli, Satara, Solapur - Pandharpur, Vasai - Palghar, Wardha
IIT Delhi Hauz Khas, New Delhi - 110016 Email: gateoffice@admin.iitd.ac.in Phone number: 011-26591749	Haryana: Faridabad, Gurugram Jammu and Kashmir: Jammu - Samba, Srinagar Ladakh: Leh Madhya Pradesh: Indore, Ujjain New Delhi: New Delhi Rajasthan: Ajmer, Bikaner, Hanumangarh, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Kota, Sikar, Udaipur Uttar Pradesh: Greater NOIDA, Mathura

IIT Guwahati Guwahati - 781 039 Email: gate@iitg.ac.in; helpdesk.gate@iitg.ac.in Phone numbers: 0361-2586500	Arunachal Pradesh: Naharlagun, Papum pare Assam: Dibrugarh, Guwahati, Jorhat, Silchar, Tezpur Bihar: Bhagalpur, Muzaffarpur, Patna, Purnea Jharkhand: Bokaro Steel City, Dhanbad Manipur: Imphal, Thoubal Meghalaya: Shillong Mizoram: Aizawl Nagaland: Dimapur - Kohima Sikkim: Gangtok Tripura: Agartala West Bengal: Asansol, Burdwan, Durgapur, Kalyani, Siliguri
IIT Kanpur Kanpur - 208 016 Email: gate@iitk.ac.in Phone numbers: 0512-2596962 0512-2596963	Madhya Pradesh: Bhopal, Gwalior, Jabalpur, Sagar, Satna Uttar Pradesh: Agra, Aligarh, Ayodhya, Bareilly, Gorakhpur, Jhansi, Kanpur, Lucknow, Prayagraj, Varanasi
IIT Kharagpur Kharagpur - 721 302 Email: gateonline@adm.iitkgp.ac.in Phone numbers: 03222-282091 03222-282095	Andhra Pradesh: Bhimavaram, Eluru, Kakinada-Surampalem, Rajamahendravaram (Rajahmundry), Srikakulam, Tadepalligudem, Vijayawada, Visakhapatnam, Vizianagaram Chhattisgarh: Bhilai-Durg, Bilaspur, Raipur Jharkhand: Hazaribagh, Jamshedpur, Ranchi Odisha: Balasore-Bhadrak, Baripada, Bhubaneswar, Brahmapur, Cuttack, Dhenkanal, Rourkela, Sambalpur West Bengal: Bankura, Berhampore, Hooghly, Howrah, Kharagpur-Midnapur, Kolaghat, Kolkata, Suri
IIT Madras Chennai - 600 036 Email: helpdesk@gate.iitm.ac.in Phone number: 044-22578200 OI for GATE 2027	Andhra Pradesh: Amaravati, Chirala-Bapatla, Chittoor, Guntur, Kadapa, Nandyala, Nellore, Ongole, Tirupati Kerala: Alappuzha, Aluva - Ernakulam, Attingal, Chengannur, Idukki, Kanjirapally, Kollam, Kothamangalam, Kottayam, Muvattupuzha, Thiruvananthapuram Pondicherry: Puducherry Tamilnadu: Chennai South, Chennai North, Coimbatore, Cuddalore, Dindigul, Erode, Kanchipuram, Kanyakumari - Nagercoil, Karaikudi, Krishnagiri, Madurai, Namakkal, Ooty, Pollachi, Ramanathapuram, Salem, Thanjavur, Theni, Thoothukudi, Tiruchirappalli, Tirunelveli, Tiruvannamalai, Vellore, Virudhunagar Telangana: Adilabad, Karimnagar, Khammam, Kodad, Kothagudem, Nizamabad, Warangal Lakshadweep: Lakshadweep
IIT Roorkee Roorkee – 247 667 Email: gate@iitr.ac.in Phone number: 01332-284531	Haryana: Ambala Himachal Pradesh: Bilaspur, Hamirpur, Kangra, Kullu, Mandi, Palampur, Shimla-Solan, Una Punjab: Amritsar, Bathinda, Jalandhar-Phagwara, Ludhiana, Mohali-Chandigarh, Patiala, Pathankot Uttarakhand: Almora, Dehradun, Haldwani, Pauri-Garhwal, Roorkee Uttar Pradesh: Ghaziabad, Meerut, Moradabad, Muzaffarnagar, NOIDA

5.3 Opportunities with GATE Qualification

5.3.1 Scholarship/Assistantship for Postgraduate Programs

To avail financial assistance (scholarship/assistantship) for a postgraduate program, the candidate must first secure admission to a program in one of the centrally funded institutes, through the admission process that may be specific to the institute. Depending on the norms adopted by the institute or a department of the institute, candidates may be admitted directly into a program, based on their performance in GATE only; or based on their performance in GATE and an admission test and/or interview conducted by the department to which they have applied and/or the candidate's academic record. The MoE guidelines prescribe a minimum of 70% weightage to the performance in GATE and the remaining for the candidate's performance in the test/interview and/or academic record. However, the admitting institutes could also prescribe a minimum passing mark in the test/interview.

Candidates are advised to seek complete details of the admission procedures and the availability of MoE scholarship/assistantship from the corresponding admitting institutes. The criteria for postgraduate admission with scholarship/assistantship varies from one institute to the other. The management of the postgraduate scholarship/assistantship is also the responsibility of the admitting institute. Reservation of seats for different categories will be as per the policies and norms of the admitting institute and Government of India rules.

The admitting institute may also specify the number of candidates who will be provided financial assistance (scholarship), if admission is secured. Qualification in GATE is also a minimum requirement to apply for various fellowships awarded by many government organizations.

Different types of scholarships and sponsorship opportunities also exist for foreign nationals. Details may be obtained from nearby Indian Mission or from the website of Indian Council for Cultural Relations (<https://iccr.gov.in>).

5.3.2 Use of GATE Score for Employment

In the past, several Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) have used candidate's GATE score in their recruitment process. During the past few years, the PSUs that have used GATE scores in their recruitment process are: Airports Authority of India (AAI), Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL), Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL), Coal India Limited (CIL), Centre for Railway Information Systems (CRIS), Chenab Valley Power Projects Limited (CVPPL), Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC), Electronics Corporation of India Limited (ECIL), Engineers India Limited (EIL), GAIL (India) Limited, GRID India, Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL), Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDSL), National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO), National Capital Region Transport Corporation (NCRTC), National Highways Authority of India (NHAI), National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC), Neyveli Lignite Corporation India Limited (NLCIL), Haryana Vidyut Prasaran Nigam Limited (HVPNL), North Eastern Electric Power Corporation Limited (NEEPCO), Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited (NPCIL), National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC), Odisha Power Transmission Corporation Limited (OPTCL), Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC), Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (POWERGRID), Power System Operation Corporation Limited (POSOCO), Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (PSPCL), Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL), Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL), etc.

Direct recruitment to Group-A level posts in the central government such as Senior Field Officer (Tele), Senior Research Officer (Crypto) and Senior Research Officer (S&T) in Cabinet Secretariat, Government of India, is now being conducted based on GATE score. The details of the scheme of recruitment are usually published in national newspapers/Employment News/Rozgar Samachar by the concerned authority. Some other organizations may also utilize GATE 2027 score in their recruitment process.

6. Pre-Examination Related Information

- Candidates must register and fill the application via ONLINE mode only at the application portal on the official website of GATE 2027. Uploading certificates/documents must also be done in the ONLINE mode only. Candidates should NOT send printed copies of their application forms or documents to IIT Madras or any of the coordinating GATE offices.
- Applicants will need to provide live facial details during registration process.
- It is recommended to register in DigiLocker (verified) to have a smooth process during application registration and at the exam centres.
- The application fee must be paid electronically (UPI, debit card, credit card, wallet, internet banking, etc.). If a candidate wishes to appear for TWO test papers, the fees to be paid by the candidate will be TWICE that of a single paper.
- Notification of the candidates' exam cities will be made during January 2027.
- Admit Cards for GATE 2027 would be available for download on the GOAPS Portal. Printed copies of the Admit Cards will not be posted to the candidates.
- The candidate must appear at the GATE 2027 Examination Centre on the date and reporting time specified in the Admit Card.
- Requests for change in the Centre or Location or Date/Time specified in the Admit Card will not be entertained.
- In all matters concerning GATE 2027, the decision of the GATE Committee will be final and binding on all the applicants.
- For candidates appearing for the Geology and Geophysics (GG), and Humanities and Social Sciences (XH) papers, separate score and ranking will be provided based on their selection of sections.
- Section-wise score and ranking will NOT be provided for other test papers including Architecture and Planning (AR), Robotics & Automation (RA) and Geomatics Engineering (GE) papers.

6.1 Eligibility for GATE 2027

Before filling the application, candidates must ensure that they meet the educational eligibility criteria of GATE 2027. A candidate who is currently studying in the third or higher years of any undergraduate degree program or who has already completed any government approved degree program in Engineering/Technology/Architecture/Science/Commerce/Arts/Humanities is eligible to appear for GATE 2027.

The following Professional Societies or Institutions conduct examinations in various fields of engineering:

- The Institution of Engineers (India) (IE)
- The Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE)
- The Institution of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineers (IETE)
- The Aeronautical Society of India (AeSI)
- The Indian Institute of Chemical Engineers, including Polymer and Environmental Group (IICChE)
- The Indian Institute of Metals (IIM)
- The Indian Institute of Industrial Engineers (IIIE)

Candidates who possess certification from any of the professional societies must ensure that those examinations are approved by MoE/AICTE/UGC/UPSC as equivalent to B.E./B.Tech./B.Arch./B.Planning.

Candidates who are pursuing their qualifying degree or obtained the degree from countries other than India must be currently in the third or higher years or must have completed their Bachelor's degree (of duration at least three years) in Engineering/Technology/Science/Commerce/Arts/Architecture/Humanities. Details of eligibility criteria are given in Table 2.

If a candidate is pursuing any higher degree or has already obtained a degree higher than that mentioned

in the Table 2, the candidate will be eligible for GATE 2027.

Table 2: Eligibility Criteria for GATE 2027

Degree/Program	Qualifying Degree/Examination	Description of Eligible Candidates
B.E./B.Tech./B.Pharm.	Bachelor's degree in Engineering/ Technology (4 years after 10+2 or 3 years after of B.Sc./ Diploma in Engineering/Technology)	Currently in the third year or higher or already completed
B.Arch.	Bachelor's degree of Architecture (5- year course)/Naval Architecture (4- year course)/ Planning (4- year course)	Currently in the third year or higher or already completed
B.Sc. (Research)/B.S.	Bachelor's degree in Science (Post-Diploma/ 4 years after 10+2)	Currently in the third year or higher or already completed
Pharm.D. (after 10+2)	A Professional Pharmacy doctoral program of 6 years duration after 10+2 which includes 1 year of internship or residency	Currently in the third/fourth/fifth/sixth year or already completed
M.B.B.S./B.D.S./B.V.Sc.	Professional Medical degree programs - M.B.B.S./B.D.S./B.V.Sc.	Currently in fifth/sixth/ seventh or higher semester or already completed
M.Sc./M.A./M.C.A. or equivalent	Master's degree in any branch of Arts/ Science/Mathematics/Statistics/Computer Applications or equivalent	Currently in the first year or higher or already completed
Int. M.E./M.Tech. (Post-B.Sc.)	Post-B.Sc. Integrated Master's degree programs in Engineering/Technology (4-year program)	Currently in the first/ second/third/fourth year or already completed
Int. M.E./M.Tech./ M.Pharm. or Dual Degree (after Diploma or 10+2)	Integrated Master's degree program or Dual Degree program in Engineering/ Technology (5-year program)	Currently in the third /fourth/fifth year or already completed
B.Sc./B.A./B.Com./BCA or equivalent	Bachelor's degree in any branch of Science/ Arts/Commerce (3-year program)	Currently in the third year or already completed
Int. M.Sc./Int. B.S./M.S.	Integrated M.Sc. or 5-year integrated B.S.-M.S. program	Currently in the third year or higher or already completed
Professional Society* Examinations (equivalent to B.E./B.Tech./B.Arch.)	B.E./B.Tech./B.Arch. equivalent examinations of Professional Societies, recognized by MoE/UPSC/AICTE (e.g. AMIE by Institution of Engineers-India, AMICE by the Institute of Civil Engineers-India and so on)	Completed Section A or equivalent of such professional courses
B.Sc. (Agriculture, Horticulture, Forestry)	4-year program	Currently in the third/fourth year or already completed

*Enrolments with professional bodies and institutions as per MHRD OM (No. 11-15/2011-AR (TS.II)) with permanent recognition up to May 31, 2013, stand recognized. Kindly see circular [F. No. 13-56/PC/ODL-Mode/AICTE/2020, Dated 23rd November 2020](#) and [Public Notice issued by AICTE](#) for clarification.

Candidates with B.Sc./B.A./B.Com. degrees desirous of seeking admission to Master's programs in IISc, IITs, NITs, and other CFTIs, may refer to JAM 2027 organized by Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur.

6.2 GATE 2027 Test Papers

GATE 2027 will be conducted for 30 test papers. Tables 3a and 3b show the list of test papers and codes. A candidate is allowed to appear in ONE or TWO test papers. However, the combination of two test papers must be chosen only from the tentative list given in Table 4. For a paper conducted in multiple sessions, a candidate will be mapped to appear for the examination in one of the sessions ONLY.

Each test paper is of total 100 marks. General Aptitude (GA) section of 15 marks is common for all test papers. Hence, remaining 85 marks are for the respective subject(s) of the test paper.

For some test papers, the examination may be conducted in multiple sessions. However, a candidate is allowed to appear in only ONE specified/assigned session.

The syllabus for each of the test papers is given on GATE 2027 website as well as in the **Appendix D** of this Information Brochure. Making a choice of the appropriate test paper in the GATE application is the responsibility of the candidate.

Candidates are expected to appear in test paper(s) appropriate to the discipline of their qualifying degree. However, candidates are free to choose any one or the allowed set of tentative two test papers of the GATE 2027 examination as per their admission or employment plan, while keeping in mind the eligibility criteria of the institutions in which they wish to seek admission/employment. For more details regarding the admission criteria in any particular institute, the candidate is advised to refer to the website of that institute.

Candidates must familiarize themselves with the test paper code as it is required both during application and examination. As the candidates are permitted to appear in ONE or TWO test papers of the allowed combination of tentative TWO test papers (refer Table 4) of the GATE 2027, they should make their choice with due care.

Candidates opting to appear in TWO test papers must have a primary choice of paper and a secondary choice of paper, which can be chosen from the allowed tentative combinations given in Table 4. Certain combinations listed in the Table 4 may be removed at a later date if there are scheduling constraints, in which case, the fee paid towards the second paper will be refunded to the candidates. If at a later date, new two-paper combinations are announced, candidates will be given an opportunity to add a test paper subject to payment of the requisite fee. In view of infrastructure and scheduling constraints, the examination centre for candidate to appear for the second paper may be different (but in the same city) from that for the first test paper. No responsibility is assumed for any legal obligations arising out of this issue.

If a candidate fills up multiple applications for a test paper, only one of them will be considered, and the others will be rejected without any refund of application fee.

6.3 GATE 2027 Examination Cities

Table 1 gives a tentative list of the examination cities (zone-wise) in which GATE 2027 examination is scheduled to be held. A candidate can choose three cities from the list given in Table 1, with the three choices chosen from the same GATE 2027 zone. If a candidate chooses a particular city (in a particular zone) as the first choice, then the second and third choices of the city will also be restricted to the same zone as the first. Because of operational constraints, the GATE Committee reserves the right to add a new city or remove an existing one and allot a city that may not be from any of the choices selected by the candidate.

Table 3a: List of GATE 2027 test papers and their corresponding paper codes

Test Paper	Code
Aerospace Engineering	AE
Agricultural Engineering	AG
Architecture and Planning	AR*
Biomedical Engineering	BM
Biotechnology	BT
Civil Engineering	CE
Chemical Engineering	CH
Computer Science and Information Technology	CS
Chemistry	CY
Data Science and Artificial Intelligence	DA
Electronics and Communication Engineering	EC
Electrical Engineering	EE
Environmental Science & Engineering	ES
Ecology and Evolution	EY
Geomatics Engineering	GE*

Test Paper	Code
Geology and Geophysics	GG*
Instrumentation Engineering	IN
Mathematics	MA
Mechanical Engineering	ME
Mining Engineering	MN
Metallurgical Engineering	MT
Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering	NM
Petroleum Engineering	PE
Physics	PH
Production and Industrial Engineering	PI
Robotics and Automation	RA*
Statistics	ST
Engineering Sciences	XE*
Humanities & Social Sciences	XH*
Life Sciences	XL*

Table 3b: *Details of the two sectional and sectional papers

XE Paper Sections	GATE 2026 Code	GATE 2027 Code	XH Paper Sections	GATE 2026 Code	GATE 2027 Code	XL Paper Sections	GATE 2026 Code	GATE 2027 Code
Engineering Mathematics (Common) (15 marks)	XE-A	XE0	Reasoning and Comprehension (Common) (25 marks)	XH-B1	XH0	Chemistry (Common) (25 marks)	XL-P	XL0
Any TWO optional sections (2 × 35 = 70 marks)			Any ONE optional section (60 marks)			Any TWO optional sections (2 × 30 = 60 marks)		
Fluid Mechanics	XE-B	XE1	Economics	XH-C1	XH1	Biochemistry	XL-Q	XL1
Materials Science	XE-C	XE2	English	XH-C2	XH2	Botany	XL-R	XL2
Solid Mechanics	XE-D	XE3	Linguistics	XH-C3	XH3	Microbiology	XL-S	XL3
Thermodynamics	XE-E	XE4	Philosophy	XH-C4	XH4	Zoology	XL-T	XL4
Polymer Science and Engineering	XE-F	XE5	Psychology	XH-C5	XH5	Food Technology	XL-U	XL5
Food Technology	XE-G	XE6	Sociology	XH-C6	XH6			
Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences	XE-H	XE7						
Energy Science	XE-I	XE8						
Textile Engineering and Fibre Science	TF	XE9						

AR Paper Sections	GE Paper Sections	GG Paper Sections	RA Paper Sections
Part-A (Common)	Part-A (Common)	Part-A (Common)	Part-A (Common)
Part-B1 (Architecture)	Part-B1 (Surveying and Mapping)	Part-B1 (Geology)	Part-B1 (Electrical)
Part-B2 (Planning)	Part-B2 (Image Processing and Analysis)	Part-B2 (Geophysics)	Part-B2 (Mechanical)

Table 4: Allowed two test paper combinations in GATE 2027 (Tentative, Subject to change)

Code of the Primary Paper	Codes of Papers Allowed as the Secondary Paper	Code of the Primary Paper	Codes of Papers Allowed as the Secondary Paper
AE	CE, ME, XE	GG	GE
AG	CE	IN	BM, EC, EE, ME, RA
AR	CE, GE	MA	CS, DA, PH, ST
BM	BT, IN	ME	AE, DA, IN, NM, PI, XE, RA, CS
BT	BM, ES, EY, XL	MN	-
CE	AE, AG, AR, ES, GE, NM, XE	MT	XE
CH	ES, PE, XE	NM	CE, ME, XE
CS	DA, EC, GE, MA, PH, RA, ST, ME	PE	CH
CY	XE, XL	PH	CS, DA, EC, EE, MA, XE
DA	CS, EC, EE, MA, ME, PH, RA, ST, XE	PI	ME, XE
EC	CS, DA, EE, IN, PH, RA	RA	EE, ME, DA, CS, EC, IN
EE	DA, EC, IN, PH, RA	ST	CS, DA, MA, XH
ES	BT, CE, CH, GE	XE	AE, CE, CH, CY, DA, ME, MT, NM, PH, PI
EY	BT, XL	XH	ST
GE	AR, CE, CS, ES, GG	XL	BT, CY, EY

6.4 Application Process

Application for GATE 2027 must be submitted online through GATE Online Application Processing System (GOAPS), accessible from the GATE 2027 website, by paying the prescribed application fee. The photograph, signature, photo identification cards (Photo IDs) and certificates such as SC/ST/PwD/Dyslexia, wherever applicable, must be uploaded during the online application. The accepted photo IDs are: Aadhaar-UID, Aadhaar Virtual ID, Passport, PAN card, Voter ID card, Driving License, and any valid photo ID issued by Central or State Government. Candidates must produce the same original valid photo ID during the examination for verification purposes, failing which the candidate may not be allowed to appear for the examination. Candidates **must upload the photo ID that has been issued most recently (to facilitate easier verification of the candidate)**.

6.4.1 GATE 2027 Application Fee

Details of the application fee per candidate per paper are given in Table 5. Payments must be made online by using internet banking/debit card/credit card/wallet/UPI. Candidates are advised to ensure that e-com transaction facility is enabled for their credit/debit cards before proceeding with fee payment. The application fee is not transferable. It is not refundable except when a certain two-paper combination is removed. There are no international centres for GATE 2027.

Foreign nationals or Indian nationals desirous of appearing for the exam will have to travel to India to appear for the test. The application fee does not include service charges, processing fees, and any other charges that the banks may levy. For two papers, the fee payable will be twice that of a single paper.

Table 5: Application fee per test paper.

Category	Regular Period** (Aug 14—Sep 21, 2026) (Aug 27—Sep 27, 2026)	Extended Period** (Sep 22—Sep 30, 2026) (Sep 28 – Oct 5, 2026)
Female/SC/ST/PwD* candidates	₹ 1000	₹ 1500
All other candidates including foreign nationals	₹ 2000	₹ 2500

*PwD here refers to Persons with Benchmark Disability. Only those candidates with benchmark disability (40% and higher) are eligible for fee concession. For benchmark disabilities, please refer [RPwD Act 2016](#).

**Dates are subject to change.

6.4.2 GATE 2027 Online Application Process

Tentatively, by the mid of August 2026, GATE 2027 website (<https://gate2027.iitm.ac.in>) will contain the link to the GATE Online Application Processing System (GOAPS), which enables a candidate to

- Register and enroll for the examination (Create a verified DigiLocker account for a smooth registration process).
- Upload photograph, signature, photo ID, and category certificate (SC/ST/PwD) and/or Dyslexic certificate, as applicable.
- Pay the application fee through the listed electronic payment modes.
- Check the status of the application form: Received/Under scrutiny/Accepted/Defect status/Status after rectification/Rejected with valid reasons, etc.
- Download Admit Card.
- View answers, marks, and GATE score.
- Download GATE 2027 Score Card.

Registration

Candidates are advised to check the GATE 2027 official website frequently for various updates. The Indian nationals may need to register through DigiLocker, for other nationals they must first register by providing full name (as per the valid photo ID, which candidate MUST bring in original while appearing for GATE 2027 examination at the examination centre), a valid email address, mobile number and by choosing a password. All communication will be sent to this email address and/or mobile number. **Only ONE PERSON CAN REGISTER WITH ONE email address.** No change in email or mobile number will be entertained at a later stage. It is advisable to give personal mobile number and email address of the candidate, because all communication related to GATE 2027 will be through email and/or SMS/WhatsApp.

Enrolment ID

Each registered candidate will be provided with a unique Enrolment ID. Upon registration, an email containing the Enrolment ID will be sent to the candidate. The Enrolment ID will be needed for reference in all future communications pertaining to the examination.

Password

The candidate has to choose a password during enrolment. This along with Enrolment ID will be necessary to log-in to the account. It is strongly recommended to choose a password that cannot be guessed easily. For example, it should not be the candidate's name, date of birth, or some easily identifiable string of numbers or letters like *12345678* or *abcdefgh*. Length of the password should be 8-15 characters. Keep the password information safe, secure and confidential.

6.4.3 Filling in GATE 2027 Application

After registration, GATE 2027 application must be filled and submitted online only.

Candidates are discouraged from filling applications through a third person. If the application is filled by someone else (e.g., friend, Internet café person) on behalf of the candidate, it is the responsibility of the candidate to ensure that the data submitted is correct.

Data Required for Filling the Application Form

The following data will be required while filling the online application form

- It is recommended to register in DigiLocker (verified) to have a smooth process during application registration and at the exam centres.
- Personal details (name, date of birth, personal mobile number, name and mobile number of parent or guardian, etc.). The name of the candidate in the application form must be exactly the same as that in the valid photo ID, which the candidate must produce in original while appearing for GATE 2027 examination at the centre. Candidates are advised to ensure that the date of birth provided in the application form matches exactly with that mentioned in the photo ID. GATE 2027 scorecard will be issued as per the name entered in the application form. Prefixes/titles such as Mr./Shri/Dr./Mrs./Smt./Prof./Capt./Maj./Lt./Col., etc. must not be used before the name.
- Address for communication including PIN code
- Details of the degree
- Institute/College name and address (where the candidate is studying or have graduated from) with PIN code
- Choice of GATE test paper(s)
- Choice(s) of GATE examination cities
- Good quality image of the candidate's photograph conforming to the specifications as given in Section 6.7. Latest photo not older than 3 months.
- Candidate's live photo will be captured during registration time. Hence, use a computer with a webcam facility or phone with 5 MP camera.
- Good quality image of the candidate's signature conforming to the specifications as given in Section 6.7
- Scanned copy of valid photo Identity Document (ID) (the same ID, in original, MUST be produced while appearing for GATE 2027)
- Scanned copy of the Category (SC/ST) certificate, if applicable, in PDF format
- Scanned copy of UDID (preferred)/PwD Certificate, if applicable, in PDF format
- Scanned copy of Dyslexic Certificate, if applicable, in PDF format
- Internet banking/debit card/credit card/UPI/wallet details for fee payment

GATE 2027 Online Application Processing System (GOAPS) allows the candidate to enter the data, save partially filled form, logout and resume filling the form by logging in again. The online application process is self-explanatory and user-friendly. Before proceeding to payment, the candidate is advised to check the filled-in application form for any errors by clicking "Save and View Application" button. Once the candidate clicks "Submit and Proceed to Payment" button, no changes can be made to the application. Before submitting the online application form, the candidate will be required to read and accept a declaration that the details furnished are correct and that falsification of data will attract

appropriate consequences.

Forgot user ID or password

In case of forgotten user ID or password, follow the instructions on the GATE 2027 website to retrieve them.

6.5 PwD Candidates and Scribe Related Guidelines

GATE 2027 will follow the O.M. [F. No. P-13013/75/2023-Policy-DD-III dated August 01, 2025](#) of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India (GoI).

A PwD candidate, in the category of blindness, locomotor disability (both arms only) and cerebral palsy, can request for the facility of scribe upon production of valid disability certificate/UDID card.

In case of all other specified disabilities i.e., except blindness, locomotor disability (both arms affected-BA only), and cerebral palsy, the facility of scribe will be allowed on production of a certificate to the effect that the person concerned has a functional limitation to write, caused by the specified disability and, therefore, a scribe is essential to help him/her in the examination. The certificate is to be issued, after due medical examination by a three member medical authority chaired by Chief Medical Officer/Civil Surgeon/Chief District Medical Officer/Medical Superintendent of a Government healthcare institution as per the proforma at Appendix-B1.

The candidate must exercise this option at the time of filling the application. As per the Government of India guidelines (O.M. [F. No. P-13013/75/2023-Policy-DD-III dated August 01, 2025](#)), “candidate’s own scribe” are discouraged. Hence, candidates are requested to avail the facility of “scribes arranged by GATE”. GATE will arrange the scribes as per the above-mentioned guidelines. Candidate’s own scribe will be allowed, if and only if, GATE is unable to arrange the scribe. In that case, the candidate will have to provide the details of the scribe and submit the details as per the proforma at Appendix B2.

The assistance that the scribe can render to the candidate is limited to reading the instructions and test paper displayed on the computer screen verbatim and in mouse-clicks, if the candidate is not able to do so. The scribe will communicate only in English. The scribe shall not translate/interpret/emphasize the test paper contents to the candidate.

Scribes arranged by GATE

GATE scribes will be used for those PwD/Dyslexic candidates who have *a priori* opted for GATE scribes. According to the GoI guidelines, the qualification of the scribe will be a minimum of “two academic years below” and a maximum of “three academic years below” the minimum qualification for appearing in GATE 2027. The qualification of the scribe arranged by GATE will be either 12th pass or first year of undergraduate degree. If there are Y candidates who require scribe, a panel of (Y+1) scribes will be made available at the exam centre so that every candidate can have an alternative scribe to choose for the services. A PwD/Dyslexic (or similar learning disability) will be presented with TWO scribes from this panel. The candidate must choose one from these two scribes. Candidates will NOT be permitted to bring their own scribe if they have already opted for scribes to be arranged by GATE.

Scribes arranged by Candidates

The scribe MUST NOT be eligible to appear in GATE 2027. According to the Government of India (GoI) guidelines, in cases where the candidate is allowed to bring their own scribe, **the qualification of the scribe must be a minimum of “two academic years below” and a maximum of “three academic years below” the minimum qualification for appearing in GATE 2027.** If PwD/Dyslexic candidates have been allowed to bring their own scribe, but they do not bring their own scribe, then it will not be possible to arrange a new scribe. Honorarium will not be paid to the scribe arranged by the PwD/Dyslexic candidate. GATE 2027 discourages to bring candidate’s own scribe.

Assistive Devices

PwD candidates are permitted to use assistive devices such as Braille slate, Wheelchair, etc. They may

arrange for the assistive devices on their own and bring them to the examination centre. GATE zonal Institute cannot provide any assistive devices. Candidates will be given an option to view the content on the computer screen in a magnified font (approximately 1.25x or 1.5x). PwD candidates are encouraged to visit the Exam Centre a day before the examination to familiarize themselves with the arrangements.

Compensatory Time

Candidates with a scribe can avail the compensatory time of 20 minutes every hour, as specified in O.M. [F. No. P-13013/75/2023-Policy-DD-III dated August 01, 2025](#) of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India. Compensatory time of 60 minutes (for the 3 hours exam) will be provided automatically, which may be checked on the candidate's at the beginning of the exam.

PwD candidates with disabilities (including candidates with Dyslexic or similar learning disabilities), having functional limitations in writing, even if they are not using the services of a scribe can request for compensatory time during application. On-spot requests for compensatory time at the examination hall will not be entertained.

6.6 Supporting Documents

Identity Proof/Photo ID

Candidates must specify ANY ONE of the following valid photo Identity Documents (IDs) during the online application process and enter the document number: Aadhaar-UID (preferable), Aadhaar Virtual ID, Government issued ID, Passport, PAN card, Voter ID or Driving License. On the day of the examination, the candidate must bring the same original ID proof together with the GATE 2027 Admit Card. The photo ID must clearly show the name, photo, ID number, and date of birth. Candidates **must upload the photo ID having the photograph** of the candidate.

For foreign nationals appearing at centres in India, ONLY a valid Passport/Government issued ID/Driving License will be accepted as the recognized identification document.

Category (SC/ST/OBC/EWS) Certificate

Candidates who belong to SC/ST category must upload a valid documentary proof (for availing concession in application fee). Certificates issued ONLY by the authorized officials will be considered valid (refer to Appendix A for a list of Authorities Empowered to issue SC/ST Certificate). The same document may be required at the time of admission to the admitting institute, which may admit student using GATE score. The onus of verifying the candidate's SC/ST certificate lies with the admitting institute. The GATE committee will not be responsible for any incorrect declaration in this regard. Necessary legal actions will be initiated for any wrongdoing or misinformation.

OBC-NCL and EWS candidates are not required to submit/upload any category certificate while filling the online application form.

Person with Disability (PwD) Certificate

To avail the application fee concession under the Person with Disability (PwD) category, the candidates should attach a recently obtained and valid PwD certificate issued by the competent authority. The same document may be required by the admitting institute during admission. Candidates are encouraged to upload UDID or UDID enrollment number (in case they do not have UDID).

Certificate of Dyslexia

To avail the services of a scribe, the dyslexic candidates should attach a valid dyslexic certificate issued by any authorised Dyslexia Association (refer to Appendix A for Authorities Empowered to Issue Certificate of Dyslexia).

6.7 Photograph and Signature Requirements

GATE 2027 application requires that candidate's photograph and signature files to be uploaded online according to the following specifications.

Photograph Requirements

GATE 2027 Admit Card and Score Card will contain the same photograph that has been submitted at the time of application.

- Upload a good quality, color photograph of passport size (3.5 cm width × 4.5 cm height) with the face of the candidate covering 30-35% of the photograph.
- The background of the photograph must be white and not contain any other objects or persons.
- The photograph must show the frontal face view looking directly into the camera and must show the forehead, eyes, nose, and chin. The face in the photograph must not be covered with objects such as caps, hats, sunglasses, colored glasses, etc. Normal spectacles for vision correction are allowed. If the candidate normally wears spectacles, a photograph with glare on the glasses is not acceptable. If the glare cannot be avoided, the spectacles must be removed.
- Photograph can be in JPEG/JPG format with minimum aspect ratio of 0.66 and maximum aspect ratio of 0.89. After cropping the photograph, the face must cover 60-70% of the image.
- The maximum pixel resolution is 530 × 690 pixels and the minimum resolution is 200 × 260 pixels. The maximum file size that can be uploaded is 600 kB.
- The face must be visible clearly and not covered by any cloth or shadow.
- Photographs not adhering to the specified criteria could lead to rejection of GATE application, and the application fee will not be refunded.
- Head coverings are not permitted except for religious reasons, but the facial features from bottom of chin to the top of forehead and both edges of the face must be clearly shown.

Table 6 shows samples of acceptable and unacceptable photographs.

Signature Specifications

- Upload an image of the signature in JPEG/JPG format of size with an aspect ratio (height : width) of 1 : R, where the value of R can be between 2.75 and 3.75. After cropping to the mentioned size, the area of the signature must cover 70-80% of the image.
- The signature of the candidate must be in black or dark blue color ink only.
- The maximum file size that can be uploaded is 300 kB.
- The maximum pixel resolution is 580 × 180 pixels and the minimum resolution is 250 × 80 pixels.
- The signature must be signed only by the applicant and not by any other person.
- If the candidate's signature does not match with the signature at the time of the examination, the applicant could be disqualified.

Table 7 shows samples of signatures that are acceptable and not acceptable.

Instruction for clicking/editing the photo image are given in Figure 1.

- Face should cover A2, A3, B2, B3, C2 and C3 grids.
- Background should be plain and white colored.
- Eyes and face should be towards the camera.

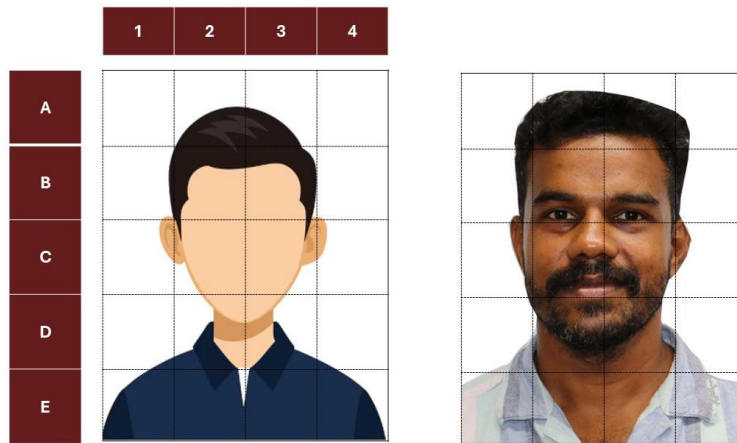
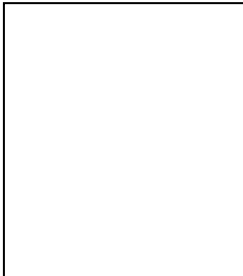
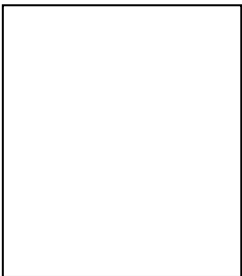
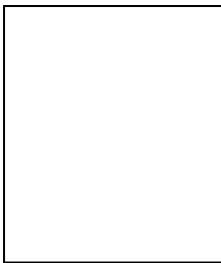
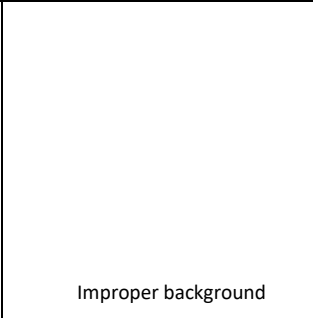
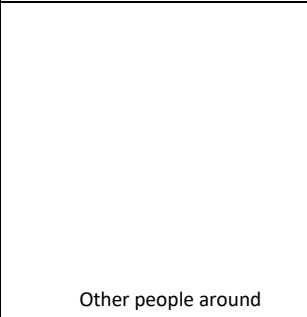
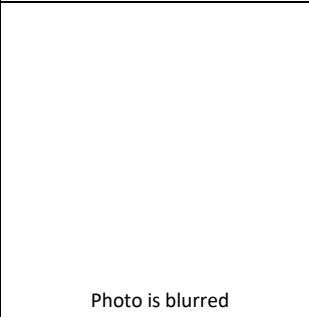
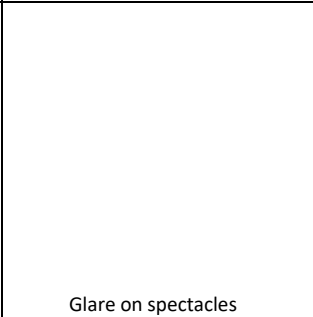


Figure 1: Instruction for clicking/editing photo image to be uploaded.

Table 6: Samples of acceptable and NOT acceptable photographs.

A: Samples of acceptable Photographs

			
B: Samples of Not acceptable Photographs			
 Not matching the size specification	 Wearing sunglasses	 Shadow on photograph	 Improper background
 Face and head covered	 Other people around	 Photo is blurred	 Glare on spectacles

			
Face covered by a mask	Wearing a cap	Objects in background	Not looking straight into the camera

Table 7: Samples of acceptable and NOT acceptable signatures

A: Samples of acceptable signature

Ram Kumar



जतिन कुमार

இலவீனாகுமார்

B: Samples of NOT acceptable signature



Signature in dark background

GOWRI

Signature in ALL CAPITAL

Vinoth

Digital signatures not allowed

Ram Kumar

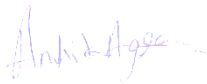
Signature in other than blue or black ink not allowed



Signature is too small to view

R.K

Signature with initials not allowed



Signature not clearly visible

Hello 

Signature with background / write up not allowed

Ram Kumar

Signature outside the signature box area and not signed horizontally

Ram Kumar

Signature outside the signature box area

6.8 Application Fee Payment Options

The GATE 2027 application portal directs candidates to the payment gateway, which provides options for fee payment — Internet banking/debit card/credit card/wallet/UPI. The fee amount and bank charges will be shown to the candidate, and they will have to confirm and pay. Once the payment is successful, the candidate will be redirected to the GATE 2027 application portal, from where a pdf copy of the submitted application form can be downloaded. The details of the application fee are given in Table 5.

If the candidate has a difficulty (for example, due to poor internet connection or power failure problems), or the candidate is not sure whether the payment has been processed or not, then the candidate should check the status of transaction from their bank account and also login back to GATE 2027 application portal after some time and check the status of the payment.

If the payment was received by GATE 2027, the candidate can continue submitting the application form. If the payment is not received by GATE 2027, a fresh payment must be initiated. In case the fee amount has been debited (deducted) from the candidate's bank account, but an acknowledgement for fee payment has not been received from GATE 2027, then the money will be credited to the same bank account within 15 working days.

In case of multiple payments made due to technical glitches, with respect to one application, the extra fee paid will be credited to the same bank account within 15 working days. In case a payment confirmation has not been received, the candidate is advised to initiate a new payment without waiting for the refund of the earlier payment, to complete the application submission process within the deadline. **Candidates are advised to apply and complete the payment well ahead of the closing date to avoid difficulties arising from the peak load on the online portal close to the deadline.**

6.9 Application Scrutiny and Rectification

GATE 2027 applications will be scrutinised for accuracy of the data, which include verification against the uploaded supporting documents, clarity of the photograph and signature. If everything is found to be in order, the application will be accepted. Otherwise, the defects will be marked and intimated to the candidate by email or SMS/WhatsApp for rectification within a stipulated time frame. The status of an application will be updated after scrutiny by the respective coordinating GATE offices. The status of the candidate's application can be checked anytime by logging into the GATE 2027 application portal. Candidates must promptly rectify the defects in their application within the stipulated time. Candidates are advised to login to the application portal and check the status of the defects regularly.

6.10 Admit Card

Candidates will be notified about the city of their exam centre in January 2027. The dates for the download of Admit Cards will be announced in the official website of GATE 2027. **Admit Cards will NOT be sent by post or email.**

Candidates must bring a printed copy (preferably in color) of the Admit Card on A4 paper to the examination for verification along with a valid original photo ID, specified during the filling up of the online application. The Admit Card is valid only if the candidate's photograph and signature are clear. Without these documents entry to examination centre may NOT be allowed.

Candidates are advised to regularly check the GATE 2027 website for latest updates.

Contact Information

Candidates are assigned a zone at the time of application, based on the first choice of the exam city. The zonal GATE office contact details are available in Table 1. Any queries regarding the application, examination centre, Admit Card, and results are handled by the respective GATE 2027 coordinating institute in consultation with the Organizing Institute. Candidates are encouraged to look up the frequently asked questions (FAQs) on the website. If a query is not resolved even after going through the FAQs, they may contact the coordinating GATE office.

7. GATE 2027 Examination Related Information

GATE 2027 examination will be conducted for 30 test papers as listed in Table 3. A candidate can appear for one or two (as per tentative combinations given in Table 4) of the 30 test papers. The examination for all the test papers will be in Computer Based Test (CBT) mode where the candidates will be shown the questions on a computer screen.

A virtual scientific calculator will be available on the computer screen. Calculators, mobile phones, bluetooth devices, electronic/communication devices, wallets, books, papers, loose sheets, data or handbooks, tables, pen or pencil boxes/pouches, analog/digital/smart watches are **strictly prohibited** in the exam halls and candidates found in possession of such devices will be disqualified regardless of whether they use them or not. **Moreover, if a candidate is found to be involved in malpractice, the GATE committee reserves the rights to ban the candidate from appearing in GATE for the next 3 years.** GATE 2027 will not be responsible for safeguarding the candidates' personal belongings. Code of conduct for GATE 2027 is given in Appendix C.

Scribble pads will be provided to the candidates for rough work. Candidates must write their name and registration number on the scribble pads before using it. A candidate can possess only one scribble pad at any point of time. Before taking the second scribble pad, the first scribble pad **MUST** be returned to the invigilator. At the end of the examination, candidates must return scribble pads to the invigilator before leaving the hall.

Syllabus for the test papers, previous years GATE question papers, and mock examination links together with the virtual scientific calculator will be accessible through GATE 2027 official website. It is to be noted that the syllabi for most of the test papers have been revised for GATE 2027.

7.1 Examination Duration

All test papers of GATE 2027 will be of three hours duration (a maximum of four hours in case of candidates availing compensatory time). After the examination duration has elapsed, the examination will terminate automatically.

Candidates will be permitted to occupy their allotted seats 40 minutes before the scheduled start of the examination. Candidates can login and start reading the instructions 20 minutes before the start of examination. A candidate will NOT be permitted to login after 15 minutes from the scheduled start of the examination. Candidates will NOT be permitted to leave the examination hall before the scheduled end of the examination.

7.2 Details of GATE 2027 Question Papers

7.2.1 Types of Questions

GATE 2027 test papers contain questions of three types: Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs); Multiple Select Questions (MSQs); and Numerical Answer Type (NAT) questions.

Multiple Choice Question (MCQ) carries 1 or 2 marks each. Each MCQ will have choice of four answers, out of which only ONE choice is correct.

Negative Marking for Wrong Answers: For a wrong answer chosen in a MCQ, there will be negative marking. For a 1-mark MCQ, 1/3 of a mark will be deducted for a wrong answer. Likewise, for 2-mark MCQ, 2/3 of a mark will be deducted for a wrong answer.

Example of MCQ

Which Institute is organizing GATE 2027?

(A) IIT Bombay (B) IIT Kanpur (C) IIT Madras (D) IIT Kharagpur

Here, the correct answer is (C) only. Candidate will get full marks only if this answer is selected. The candidates will be given NEGATIVE marks for choosing any other option as their answer.

Multiple Select Question (MSQ) carries 1 or 2 marks each. Each MSQ will have choice of four answers, out of which ONE or MORE than ONE choice(s) is/are correct.

Note: There is NO negative marking for a wrong answer in MSQ. However, there is NO partial mark for choosing partially correct combinations of choices or any single wrong choice.

Example of MSQ

Which of the following is/are the Prime factor(s) of 96?

(A) 2 (B) 3 (C) 6 (D) 15

Here, the correct answer(s) is/are the combination of (A) and (B). Candidates will get full marks if and only if this combination is selected. There are NO partial marks in this type of question. The candidates will NOT get any marks for choosing any other option(s) as their answer.

Numerical Answer Type (NAT) questions carry 1 or 2 marks each. For NAT questions, the answer is a signed real number, which must be entered by the candidate using the virtual numeric keypad on the monitor (keyboard of the computer will be disabled). No choices will be shown for these types of questions. The answer can be a number such as 10 or -10 (an integer only). The answer may be in decimals as well, for example, 10.1 (one decimal) or 10.01 (two decimals) or -10.001 (three decimals). The stem or main body of the NAT question will indicate the number of decimal places that must be specified in the answer. **Candidates are advised to round-off only at the end of the calculation and not at intermediate stages of the calculation.**

Note: There is NO negative marking for a wrong answer in NAT questions. Also, there is NO partial marking in NAT questions.

Example of NAT

If the wire diameter of a compressive helical spring is increased by 2%, the change in spring stiffness (in %) is _____ (*rounded off to two decimal places*).

7.2.2 Categories of Questions

The questions in a test paper are designed to assess the following abilities:

Recall: These questions are based on facts, principles, formulae or laws of the discipline. The candidate is expected to be able to obtain the answer either from memory of the subject or at most from a short computation.

Comprehension: These questions test the candidate's understanding of the basic concepts and require the candidate to draw simple conclusions from fundamental ideas.

Application: These questions test the candidate's applicability of knowledge either through computation or by logical reasoning.

Analysis and Synthesis: In these questions, the candidate is presented with data, diagrams, images, etc. that require analysis before answering a question. A synthesis question might require the candidate to compare two or more pieces of information. Questions in this category could, for example, involve the candidate being able to recognise unstated assumptions, or separating useful information from irrelevant information.

The questions may be a mix of a single standalone statement/phrase/data based questions, combination of options, or match the given items type.

7.3 Marking Scheme - Distribution of Marks and Questions

Every test paper has 65 questions carrying a total of 100 marks, out of which 10 questions carrying a total of 15 marks will be on General Aptitude (GA), which is intended to test typically language and analytical skills.

Table 8 provides a summary of the distribution of marks in various test papers for GATE 2027.

In test papers AE, AG, BM, BT, CE, CH, CS, EC, EE, ES, IN, ME, MN, MT, NM, PE and PI, the General Aptitude section will carry 15 marks and the remaining 85 marks are devoted to the subject component, out of which Engineering Mathematics will carry 13 marks.

XE has a common section, namely, XE0 (Engineering Mathematics), which carries 15 marks.

In test papers AR, CY, DA, EY, GE, GG, MA, PH, RA, ST, XH and XL, the General Aptitude section carries 15 marks and the remaining 85 marks are devoted to the subject component.

7.3.1 General Aptitude (GA) Questions

In all test papers, GA questions carry a total of 15 marks. The GA section includes 5 questions carrying 1 mark each and 5 questions carrying 2 marks each.

7.3.2 Architecture and Planning (AR) Test Paper

Apart from the General Aptitude (GA) section, the AR test paper consists of two parts: Part A (60 marks) and Part B (25 marks). Part A is common for all the candidates. Part B contains two parts: Part B1 (Architecture) and Part B2 (Planning). The choice of Part B1 or Part B2 can be made during the examination.

Part A consists of 39 questions carrying a total of 60 marks: 18 questions carrying 1 mark each and 21 questions carrying 2 marks each. Part B1 (Architecture) and Part B2 (Planning) consist of 16 questions each carrying a total of 25 marks: 7 questions carrying 1 mark each and 9 questions carrying 2 marks each.

7.3.3 Geomatics Engineering (GE) Test Paper

Apart from the General Aptitude (GA) section, the GE question paper consists of two parts: Part A (55 marks) and Part B (30 marks). Part A — Engineering Mathematics and Basic Geomatics is common for all the candidates. Part B contains two components: Part B1 (Surveying and Mapping) and Part B2 (Image Processing and Analysis). The choice of Part B1 or Part B2 can be made during the examination.

Part A consists of 36 questions carrying a total of 55 marks: 17 questions carrying 1 mark each and 19 questions carrying 2 marks each. Part B1 (Surveying and Mapping) and Part B2 (Image Processing and Analysis) consist of 19 questions each, carrying a total of 30 marks: 8 questions carrying 1 mark each and 11 questions carrying 2 marks each.

7.3.4 Geology and Geophysics (GG) Test Paper

Apart from the General Aptitude (GA) section, the GG question paper consists of two parts: Part A (25 marks) and Part B (60 marks). Part A is common for all the candidates. Part B contains two components: Part B1 (Geology) and Part B2 (Geophysics). **The choice of Part B1 or Part B2 must be made at the time of filling the online application form and CANNOT be made in the examination hall.**

Part A consists of 16 questions carrying a total of 25 marks: 7 questions carrying 1 mark each and 9 questions carrying 2 marks each. Part B1 (Geology) and Part B2 (Geophysics) consists of 39 questions each, carrying a total of 60 marks: 18 questions carrying 1 mark each and 21 questions carrying 2 marks each.

7.3.5 Robotics and Automation (RA) Test Paper

Apart from the General Aptitude (GA) section, the RA test paper consists of two parts: Part A (60 marks) and Part B (25 marks). Part A is common for all the candidates. Part B contains two parts: Part B1 (Electrical) and Part B2 (Mechanical). The choice of Part B1 or Part B2 can be made during the examination.

Part A consists of 39 questions carrying a total of 60 marks: 18 questions carrying 1 mark each and 21 questions carrying 2 marks each. Part B1 (Electrical) and Part B2 (Mechanical) consist of 16 questions each carrying a total of 25 marks: 7 questions carrying 1 mark each and 9 questions carrying 2 marks each.

7.3.6 Engineering Sciences (XE) Test Papers

A candidate appearing in the XE paper must answer the following (Note: sectional paper codes have been changed from GATE 2027)

General Aptitude (GA) carrying a total of 15 marks.

Section XE0 – Engineering Mathematics (Common): This section contains 11 questions carrying a total of 15 marks: 7 questions carrying 1 mark each (sub-total: 7 marks) , and 4 questions carrying 2 marks each (sub-total: 8 marks).

At most two of XE Sections XE1 through XE9: The choice of two sections from XE1 to XE9 can be made during the examination after viewing the questions. At most two sections can be answered. A candidate wishing to change section during the examination must first de-select one of the previously chosen sections (XE 1 through XE 9). This step will clear the answers, and there will be a message warning the candidate that the answers to the section being de-selected will be deleted. Only after the candidate confirms, the answers will be deleted and the section will be de-selected. Each of the sections of the XE paper from Sections XE1 through XE9 contains 22 questions carrying a total of 35 marks: 9 questions carrying 1 mark each (sub-total: 9 marks) and 13 questions carrying 2 marks each (sub-total: 26 marks).

7.3.7 Humanities and Social Sciences (XH) Test Papers

A candidate appearing in the XH paper must answer the following (Note: sectional paper codes have been changed from GATE 2027)

General Aptitude (GA) carrying a total of 15 marks.

Section XH0 – Reasoning and Comprehension (Common): This section contains 16 questions carrying a total of 25 marks: 7 questions carrying 1 mark each (sub-total: 7 marks) and 9 questions carrying 2 marks each (sub-total: 18 marks).

Any one of XH Sections XH1 to XH6: The choice of section from XH1 to XH6 must be made during filling the online application form. Candidates cannot request for a change of section during the examination. Each of the optional sections of the XH paper (Sections XH1 through XH6) contains 39 questions carrying a total of 60 marks: 18 questions carrying 1 mark each (sub-total: 18 marks) and 21 questions carrying 2 marks each (sub total: 42 marks).

7.3.8 Life Sciences (XL) Test Papers

A candidate appearing in the XL paper must answer the following (Note: sectional paper codes have been changed from GATE 2027)

General Aptitude (GA) carrying a total of 15 marks.

Section XL0 – Chemistry (Common): This section contains 17 questions carrying a total of 25 marks: 9 questions carrying 1 mark each (sub-total: 9 marks) and 8 questions carrying 2 marks each (sub-total: 16 marks).

At most two of XL Sections XL1 through XL5: The choice of two sections from XL1 to XL5 can be made during the examination after viewing the questions. At most TWO sections (from XL1 to XL5) can be answered. Each of the sections of the XL paper (Sections XL1 through XL5) contains 19 questions carrying a total of 30 marks: 8 questions carrying 1 mark each (sub-total: 8 marks) and 11 questions carrying 2 marks each (sub-total: 22 marks). A candidate wishing to change section during the examination must first de-select one of the previously chosen sections (XL1 through XL5). This step will clear the answers, but there will be a message warning the candidate that the answers to the section being de-selected will be deleted.

Table 8: Distribution of marks in various test papers of GATE 2027

Paper Code	General Aptitude (GA) Marks	Subject Common Section	Subject Section(s)	Total Marks
AE, AG, BM, BT, CE, CH, CS, EC, EE, ES, IN, ME, MN, MT, NM, PE, PI; Subject marks in these papers include questions on Engineering Mathematics (13 marks), which are paper-specific.	15	85	—	100
CY, DA, EY, MA, PH, ST	15	85	—	100
AR: Part A is Common. Part B1 or B2 can be selected during the exam. B1 - Architecture B2 - Planning	15	60	25	100
GE: Part A is Common. Part B1 or B2 can be selected during the exam. B1 - Surveying and Mapping B2 - Image Processing and Analysis	15	55	30	100
GG: Part A is Common. Part B1 or B2 must be chosen at the time of application. B1 - Geology B2 - Geophysics	15	25	60	100
RA: Part A is Common. Part B1 or B2 can be selected during the exam. B1 - Electrical B2 – Mechanical	15	60	25	100
XE: XE0 (Engineering Mathematics) is a common section. Applicants must select at most TWO of the sections XE1 – XE9 during the exam.	15	15	$2 \times 35 = 70$	100
XH: XH0 (Reasoning and Comprehension) is a common section. Applicants must select any ONE of the sections XH1 – XH6 at the time of application.	15	25	60	100
XL: XL0 (Chemistry) is a common section. Applicants must select at most TWO of the sections XL1 – XL5 during the exam.	15	25	$2 \times 30 = 60$	100

Question papers from previous GATE exams (2007 to 2026) can be downloaded from the Downloads tab of the GATE 2027 website.

8. Post-Examination Related Information

After the GATE 2027 examinations conclude,

- i) the candidates' responses will be available in their account on GOAPS.
- ii) the answer keys for various GATE 2027 question papers will be displayed on the GATE 2027 official website.
- iii) candidates may submit their contests against the answer keys during the specified dates subject to payment of a fee.
- iv) evaluation will be finalized and GATE 2027 results (score) will be announced.
- v) qualified candidates can download the score card from GOAPS.

The dates for the above activities will be announced on the official website of GATE 2027 after the examination.

8.1 GATE 2027 Score

After evaluating the answers, the actual (raw) marks obtained by a candidate will be considered for computing the GATE score. For multi-session test papers, the raw marks obtained by the candidates in different sessions will be converted to normalized marks for that particular test paper. Thus, raw marks (for single session test papers) or normalized marks (for multi-session test papers) will be used for computing the GATE score, based on the qualifying marks.

Calculation of Normalized Marks for Multi-Session Papers

In GATE 2027, some test papers may be conducted in multiple sessions. For such papers, a suitable normalization is applied to take into account any variation in the difficulty levels of the question papers across sessions. The normalization is done based on the assumption that in multi-session GATE papers, the distribution of abilities of candidates is the same across the sessions. This assumption is reasonable since the number of candidates appearing in multi-session papers will be large and the procedure for allocation of candidates to sessions is random. Further, the number of candidates allotted in each session of the multi-session paper is comparable.

Based on these considerations, the following formula is used for calculating the normalized marks for the multi-session papers.

The normalized marks of the j^{th} candidate in the i^{th} session, denoted by $\hat{M}_{ij}$, are computed as

$$\hat{M}_{ij} = \frac{\bar{M}_t^g - M_q^g}{\bar{M}_{ti} - M_{iq}} (M_{ij} - M_{iq}) + M_q^g$$

where

M_{ij} is the actual marks obtained by the j^{th} candidate in the i^{th} session;

$\bar{M}_t^g$ is the average marks of the top 0.1% of the candidates considering all sessions;

M_q^g is the sum of the mean and standard deviation marks of the candidates in the paper considering all sessions;

$\bar{M}_{ti}$ is the average marks of the top 0.1% of the candidates in the i^{th} session;

M_{iq} is the sum of the mean marks and standard deviation marks of the i^{th} session.

Calculation of GATE Score for All Papers

The GATE 2027 score will be computed using the formula given below.

$$\text{GATE Score} = S_q + (S_t - S_q) \frac{M - M_q}{\bar{M}_t - M_q}$$

where,

M is the marks obtained by the candidate (actual marks for single session papers and normalized marks for multi-session papers);

M_q is the qualifying marks for the General Category candidate in the paper;

$\bar{M}_t$ is the mean of marks of top 0.1% or top 10 (whichever is larger) of the candidates who appeared in the paper (in case of multi-session papers including all sessions);

$S_q = 350$ is the score assigned to M_q ; and

$S_t = 900$ is the score assigned to $\bar{M}_t$.

In GATE 2027, the qualifying marks (M_q) for the general category candidate in each subject will be

$$\text{Qualifying marks for GENERAL category} = \max(25, \min(40, \mu + \sigma))$$

where μ is the mean and σ is the standard deviation of marks of all the candidates who appeared for the test paper.

The qualifying marks for other categories may be calculated as per the standard ratio:

$$\text{Qualifying marks for OBC-NCL/EWS categories} = (9/10) \times \text{Qualifying marks for GENERAL category}$$

$$\text{Qualifying marks for SC/ST/PwD categories} = (2/3) \times \text{Qualifying marks for GENERAL category}$$

8.2 GATE 2027 Results and Scorecards

GATE 2027 results will be announced on the GATE 2027 website. GATE 2027 scorecards will be available for download by the qualified candidates. **It is highly recommended that an electronic version of the scorecard be preserved by the candidates for future use.** A fee of ₹ 500 (Rupees five hundred only) per test paper per candidate will be levied for obtaining the scorecard after the download period announced in the website. From January 1, 2028 onward, scorecards will not be issued for GATE 2027 qualified candidates.

GATE 2027 scorecard is valid for THREE years from the date of announcement of the results. No information on GATE 2027 score will be available after this period.

There is NO provision for the issue of hard copies of the GATE 2027 scorecard.

9. Disclaimer

1. Coordinating GATE offices never sell or advertise any GATE examination test papers or syllabus. Candidates are advised to stay alert about fraud, spam or fake emails, text messages promising to offer services in the name of GATE/GATE 2027. Any individual or organization claiming to sell or distribute GATE 2027 papers in the name of IISc and/or IITs will attract appropriate legal action.
2. Qualifying in GATE examination does NOT guarantee admission, scholarship, or a job. Admission to any institute is fully dependent on the admitting institute's criteria for educational qualification. GATE qualification does not assure a Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) job, as it depends on the recruitment procedure of the concerned PSU. No responsibility is assumed for admission, scholarship, or a job.
3. Call for admissions to M.Tech., Ph.D., or any other program will be advertised separately by the respective institutions and the GATE Committee is not responsible for admissions. GATE zonal offices will not entertain any queries pertaining to admission, reservation of seats, award of scholarship/assistantship, etc. No liability is assumed for any legal obligations related to admission.
4. The data provided by the candidates during the application process as well as their GATE 2027 results may be shared for admission to academic/private institutes or recruitment purposes (PSUs).
5. PwD and Dyslexia certificates may be verified by the admitting institute. The GATE 2027 Committee will not be responsible for incorrect declaration of the PwD/dyslexic status.
6. The dates mentioned here are subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances. In rare cases, it may become necessary to postpone the GATE 2027 examination because of situations beyond the control of the GATE Committee. All updates will be available on the GATE 2027 official website.
7. Candidates found using unfair means and not complying with the code of conduct and ethics of GATE 2027 will have their candidature cancelled regardless of whether they have been allowed to complete their examination or not. Appropriate legal action may be initiated against all such candidates. Moreover, if a candidate is found to be involved in malpractice, the GATE committee reserves the rights to ban the candidate from appearing in GATE for the next 3 years.
8. In all matters concerning GATE 2027, the decision of the GATE 2027 Committee will be final and binding on all the applicants.
9. Although GATE 2027 will be held at different centres across the country, Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IITM) is the Organizing Institute and has the overall responsibility of conducting GATE 2027. In case of any claims or disputes arising in respect of GATE 2027, the Madras High Court, Chennai, Tamil Nadu shall have the exclusive jurisdiction to entertain and settle such disputes and claims.

Appendix A: Certificate issuing authorities

Authorities Empowered to Issue SC/ ST Certificates*

- District Magistrate/Additional District Magistrate/Collector/ Deputy Collector/Deputy Commissioner/Additional Deputy Commissioner/First Class Stipendiary Magistrate/City Magistrate/ Sub-Divisional Magistrate/Taluk Magistrate/Executive Magistrate/Extra Assistant Commissioner.
- Chief Presidency Magistrate/Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate/Presidency Magistrate.
- Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tahsildar.
- Sub-Divisional Officer of the area where the Candidate and/or her/his family normally resides.
- Administrator/Secretary to Administrator/Development Officer (Lakshadweep Islands).

Authorities Empowered to Issue ‘Certificate of Dyslexia’*

A copy of the certificate of Dyslexic condition should be uploaded at the time of online registration to avail the services of scribe. Such a certificate can be obtained from any Dyslexia Association. Some of them are listed below:

- Dyslexia Trust of Kolkata, Divya Jalan, Aruna Bhaskar 3, Dover Park, Kolkata – 700019.
- Dyslexia Association of Andhra Pradesh (DAAP), 3-4-494/1, 1st Floor, Macherla Gastrology Hospital, Reddy College Road, Barkatpura, Hyderabad, Telangana, 500027.
- Madras Dyslexia Association, 94 Park View, 1st Floor, G.N. Chetty Road, T. Nagar, Chennai – 600017.
- Maharashtra Dyslexia Association, 003, Amit Park Bldg, L J Road, Deonar, Mumbai 400088.
- The Dyslexia Association of India, MZ-47, The Center Stage Mall, Plot No 01, Block L, Sector 18, NOIDA, 201303.

Person with Disability (PwD) Category

In order to avail application fee concession under the PwD category, the candidates should attach a recently obtained proper PwD certificate, which is required to be submitted to the admitting institute at the time of admission. Benefit would be given to those who have benchmark disability, i.e., not less than 40% impairment irrespective of the type of disability. The onus of verifying PwD certificate lies with the admitting institute. The GATE 2027 Committee is NOT responsible for any incorrect declaration of the PwD status of candidates.

PwD candidates may consult Unique Disability ID (UDID) scheme of Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India for more information.

Authorities Empowered to issue certificate for recommendation of scribe and/or compensatory time for persons with disabilities and have limitation in writing*

The medical authority for certification should be a multi-member authority comprising the

- Chief Medical Officer/ Civil Surgeon/ Chief District Medical Officer- Chairperson
- Orthopaedic/PMR specialist- Member
- Any other expert, based on the condition of the candidate, as may be nominated by the Chairperson- Member

*Certificate issued by any other official will NOT be accepted.

Appendix B: Certificates required for various categories of PwD candidates

PwD candidates are required to fill their options as appropriate and upload the documents as indicated in the Table below. The option on GOAPS is required even if the candidates are opting for their own Scribe.

Please refer to the guidelines [F. No. P-13013/75/2023-Policy-DD-III dated August 01, 2025](#) of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment.

	Scribe	Compensatory Time	Certificates/Documents needed
PwD-A: PwD having one or more of the following disabilities: a) Blindness b) Locomotor disability (Both arms only) c) Cerebral palsy	No	Yes	Valid PwD certificate/UDID
	Yes	Yes	- Valid PwD certificate/UDID - Appendix-B2 if the candidate is allowed to have own scribe
PwD-B: Type of disability other than those described in PwD-A category	No	Yes	- Valid PwD certificate/UDID - Appendix – B1
	Yes	Yes	- Valid PwD certificate/UDID - Appendix – B1 - Appendix – B2 if the candidate is allowed to have own scribe

APPENDIX- B1

Certificate for recommendation of scribe and/or Compensatory time for persons with disabilities as defined under Section 2(s) of the RPwD Act 2016 and have limitation in writing as specified in the Guidelines

1. This is to certify that, we have examined Mr./Ms./Mrs.
(name of the candidate), S/o or D/o
a resident of (Village/PO/PS/District/State),
aged.... years, a person with(nature of disability/condition),
and to state that he/she has limitation which hampers his/her writing capability owing to his/her above
disability/condition. He/she requires support of scribe and/or Compensatory Time as specified in the
guidelines for writing the examination.

2. The above candidate uses aids and assistive device such as prosthetics & orthotics, hearing aid (name
to be specified)/other (to be specified), which is/are essential for the candidate to appear at the
examination with the assistance of scribe.

3. This certificate is issued only for the purpose of appearing in written examinations conducted by
Examining Bodies and is valid up to (it is valid for maximum period of one
year or less as may be certified by the medical authority)

Signature of medical authority

(Signature & Name)	(Signature & Name)
Orthopedic / PMR specialist	Other Expert, based on the condition of the candidate, as nominated by the Chairperson
(Signature & Name)	
Chief Medical Officer/Civil Surgeon/Chief District Medical Officer.....Chairperson	

Name of Government Hospital/Health Care Centre with Seal

Place

Date

APPENDIX- B2

Letter of Undertaking by the persons with disabilities as defined under section 2(s) of RPwD Act 2016 using the services of scribe during written examinations conducted by various authorities as specified in the guidelines

1. I, a candidate with
(nature of disability/condition) appearing for the (name of the
examination) bearing Enrollment/Application No..... at
(name of the centre) in the District.....,(name of the State).
My educational qualification is

2. I do hereby state that (name of the scribe)
will provide the service of scribe for the undersigned for taking the aforementioned examination. I
further declare that there is no conflict of interest of any kind that may affect the impartiality of the
examination.

3. I do hereby undertake that his/her qualification is
In case, subsequently, it is found that his/her qualification is not as declared by the undersigned and is
beyond the specified qualification for the examination as mentioned in the extant Guidelines, I shall
forfeit my right to the post/position/academic seat I am competing for and claims relating thereto.

(Signature of the candidate with Disability)

(counter-signature by the parent/guardian, if the candidate is a minor)

Place:

Date:

Appendix C: Code of Conduct for GATE 2027 Examination

Candidates appearing for GATE 2027 must strictly comply with the following code of conduct:

- Candidates appearing for GATE 2027 examination must carry their Admit Card and ORIGINAL valid photo-identity proof (used at the time of registration) to the examination hall.
- Scribble pad will be provided to the candidate for rough work in the examination hall by the invigilator. Candidates MUST write their name and registration number on the scribble pad before they start using it. The candidate can possess ONLY one scribble pad at any point of time. Before taking the next scribble pad, the previous scribble pad MUST be returned to the invigilator. Any scribble pad in the possession of the candidate MUST be returned to the invigilators after the end of the examination. The tearing of sheets from the scribble pads is prohibited.
- Carrying mobile phones (even in the switched-off mode), watches of any form and calculators inside the examination hall is strictly PROHIBITED.
- Carrying any electronic/communication devices, wallets, papers, loose sheets, pen or pencil boxes/pouches, and printed or hand-written textual materials, inside the examination hall is strictly PROHIBITED.
- All means and modes of communication (verbal or otherwise) among the candidates inside the examination hall are strictly PROHIBITED.
- If any of the PROHIBITED acts or items listed above is detected during the examination, it will automatically lead to CANCELLATION of candidature. Results will NOT be declared for such candidates.
- The GATE Examination Body comprising Organizing Institute and Coordinating Institutes will not take any responsibility regarding safety and security of mobile phones/ electronic devices/ any kind of valuables belonging to candidates.
- Candidates MUST not tamper with the computer and the related hardware provided in the examination hall. Candidates found tampering the computers will have their candidature cancelled summarily. In addition, appropriate legal action may be initiated against such candidates.

Note: Candidates found using unfair means and not complying with the code of conduct and ethics of GATE 2027 will have their candidature cancelled regardless of whether they have been allowed to complete their examination or not. Appropriate legal action may be initiated against all such candidates. Moreover, if a candidate is found to be involved in malpractice, the GATE committee reserves the rights to ban the candidate from appearing in GATE for the next 3 years.

Appendix D

Syllabus Content

Important Note for Candidates: In each of the following subjects, the topics have been divided into two categories – Core Topics and Special Topics. The corresponding sections of the question paper will contain at least 90% of the questions on Core Topics and the remaining 10% at most on Special Topics.

Section 1: Engineering Mathematics**Core Topics:**

Linear Algebra: Vector algebra, matrix algebra, systems of linear equations, rank of a matrix; Eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

Calculus: Functions of single variable, limits, continuity and differentiability, chain rule, maxima and minima, Integration; Functions of several variables, partial derivatives, gradient, divergence and curl, directional derivatives; Line, surface and volume integrals. Theorems of Stokes, Gauss and Green.

Differential Equations: First order linear ordinary differential equations; Higher order linear ODEs with constant coefficients; Classification of partial differential equations; solution to: wave equation, Laplace equation, heat equation using separation of variables methods.

Numerical Methods: Numerical solutions for linear and nonlinear algebraic equations by bisection, Newton-Raphson method; basic numerical differentiation; numerical integration by trapezoidal and Simpson's rules; linear regression and least squares method; linear interpolation.

Special Topics:

Fourier series; complex numbers, analytic functions and Cauchy-Riemann equations.

Basics of probability and statistics: Bayes theorem, mean, median, & mode; variance; binomial, normal and Poisson distribution.

Section 2: Flight Mechanics & Space Dynamics**Core Topics:**

Atmosphere: Properties of standard atmosphere.

Classification of aircraft. Airplane (fixed wing aircraft) configuration and various parts; Pressure altitude; equivalent, calibrated, indicated air speeds;

Primary flight instruments: Altimeter, air speed indicator, vertical speed indicator, turn-bank indicator.

Aerodynamic forces and moments; angle of attack; sideslip;

High-lift devices; roll, pitch & yaw controls.

Airplane performance: C_L -alpha curve, drag polar; take-off and landing; steady climb and descent; absolute and service ceiling; range and endurance, load factor, turning flight, V-n diagram. Winds: head, tail and cross winds.

Static stability: stability and control derivatives; longitudinal stick fixed and free stability; horizontal tail position and size; directional stability, vertical tail position and size; lateral stability; wing dihedral, sweep & position; hinge moments, stick forces.

Linear momentum and angular momentum balance for rigid bodies.

Space Dynamics: central force motion, Keplerian orbits, Kepler's laws; escape velocity.

Special Topics:

Equations of motion; Euler angles; decoupling of longitudinal and lateral-directional dynamics; longitudinal modes; lateral-directional modes, Hohmann orbital transfers.

Section 3: Aerodynamics**Core Topics:**

Basic fluid mechanics: fluid kinematics, streamline, streakline, pathline; conservation laws: mass, linear momentum and energy (integral and differential form); dimensional analysis and dynamic similarity; incompressibility conditions; Newtonian fluids.

Elementary ideas of viscous flows: Hagen-Poiseuille flow, Couette flow, basic concepts in boundary layers, boundary layer thickness.

Two-dimensional potential flow theory: sources, sinks, doublets, point vortex and their superposition, Bernoulli's equation.

Airfoils and wings: airfoil nomenclature; aerodynamic coefficients: lift, drag and moment; Kutta-Joukowski theorem; thin airfoil theory, Kutta condition, starting vortex; finite wing theory: induced drag, Prandtl lifting line theory; critical and drag divergence Mach numbers.

Compressible flows: basic concepts of compressibility, one-dimensional compressible flows, isentropic flows, normal and oblique shocks, Prandtl-Meyer flow; flow through nozzles and diffusers.

Special Topics:

Fanno flow; Rayleigh flow; pressure measurements using U-tube manometers and Pitot probe.

Section 4: Structures**Core Topics:**

Strength of materials: Stress and strain, stress-strain curves of steel and Aluminium; stresses and deflections in statically determinate and indeterminate linear elastic trusses, bars, beams, and shafts; two-dimensional transformations of stresses and strains, Mohr's circle, principal stresses and strains; combined loading, failure criteria: maximum stress, Tresca, von Mises; strain energy; Castigliano's principles; three-dimensional Hooke's law; plane stress and strain; Euler buckling of columns.

Flight vehicle structures: torsion, bending and shear of open and closed thin-walled sections: symmetric and unsymmetric cross-sections; loads on aircraft.

Structural Dynamics: free and forced vibrations of undamped and damped SDOF systems; free vibrations of undamped 2-DOF systems.

Special Topics:

Equilibrium and compatibility equations in two-dimensional elasticity.

Section 5: Propulsion**Core Topics:**

Basics of thermodynamics.

Aerothermodynamics of aircraft engines: thrust, efficiency, range. Brayton cycle.

Engine performance: ramjet, turbojet, turbofan, turboprop and turboshaft engines; after-burners.

Aerothermodynamics of non-rotating propulsion components such as intakes, nozzles.

Gas turbine combustor: types and configurations; combustion, stoichiometric fuel-to-air ratio.

Turbomachinery: Axial compressors: angular momentum, work and compression, characteristic performance of a single axial compressor stage, efficiency of the compressor and degree of reaction, multi-staging; Centrifugal compressor: stage dynamics, inducer, impeller and diffuser; Axial turbines: stage performance.

Rockets: thrust equation and specific impulse, rocket performance; multi-staging; chemical rockets; performance of solid and liquid propellant rockets.

Special Topics:

Turbine blade cooling, compressor-turbine matching.

Section 1:	Engineering Mathematics
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Linear Algebra: Matrices and determinants, linear and orthogonal transformations, Caley Hamilton theorem; Eigen values and Eigen vectors, solutions of linear equations.

Calculus: Limit, continuity and differentiability; partial derivatives; homogeneous function – Euler’s theorem on homogeneous functions, total differentiation; maxima and minima of function with several independent variables; sequences and series – infinite series, tests for convergence; Fourier, Taylor and MacLaurin series.

Vector Calculus: Vector differentiation, scalar and vector point functions, vector differential operators – del, gradient; divergence and curl; physical interpretations-line, surface and volume integrals; Stokes, Gauss and Green’s theorems.

Differential Equations: Linear and non-linear first order Ordinary Differential Equations (ODE); homogeneous differential equations, higher order linear ODEs with constant coefficients; Laplace transforms and their inverse; Partial Differential Equations - Laplace, heat and wave equations.

Probability and Statistics: Mean, median, mode and standard deviation; random variables; Poisson, normal and binomial distributions; correlation and regression analysis.

Numerical Methods: Solutions of linear and non-linear algebraic equations; numerical integration - trapezoidal and Simpson’s rule; numerical solutions of ODEs.

Section 2:	Farm Machinery
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Machine Design: Design and selection of machine elements – gears, pulleys, chains and sprockets and belts; overload safety devices used in farm machinery; measurement of force, stress, torque, speed, displacement and acceleration on machine elements - shafts, couplings, keys, bearings and knuckle joints.

Farm Machinery: Soil tillage; forces acting on a tillage tool; hitch systems and hitching of tillage implements; functional requirements, principles of working, construction and operation of manual, animal, tractor and renewable energy operated equipment for tillage, sowing, planting, fertilizer application, inter-cultivation, spraying, mowing, chaff cutting, harvesting and threshing, calculation of performance parameters - field capacity, efficiency, performance index, application rate and losses; cost analysis of implements and tractors, equipment for precision agriculture.

Section 3:	Farm Power
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Sources of Power: Sources of power on the farm — human, animal, mechanical, electrical, wind, solar and biomass; bio-fuels and their use in farm mechanization.

Farm Power: Thermodynamic principles of I.C. engines; I.C. engine cycles; engine components; fuels and combustion; lubricants and their properties; I.C. engine systems – fuel, cooling, lubrication, ignition, electrical, intake and exhaust; selection, operation, maintenance and repair of I.C. engines; power efficiencies and measurement, engine performance curves; calculation of power, torque, fuel consumption, heat load and power losses;

Tractors and Power tillers: Type, selection, maintenance and repair of tractors and power tillers; tractor clutches and brakes; power transmission systems – gear trains, differential, final drives and power take-off;

mechanics of tractor chassis; traction theory; three point hitches - free link and restrained link operations; steering and hydraulic control systems used in tractors; tractor tests and performance; human engineering and safety considerations in design of tractor and agricultural implements.

Section 4: Soil and Water Conservation Engineering

Fluid Mechanics: Ideal and real fluids, properties of fluids; hydrostatic pressure and its measurement; continuity equation, kinematics and dynamics of flow; Bernoulli's theorem; laminar and turbulent flow in pipes, Darcy- Weisbach and Hazen-Williams equations; flow through orifices, weirs and notches; flow in open channels, dimensional analysis – concepts of geometric dimensionless numbers.

Soil Mechanics: Engineering properties of soils; fundamental definitions and relationships; index properties of soils; permeability and seepage analysis; shear strength, Soil compaction and Proctor test, Mohr's circle of stress, active and passive earth pressures; stability of slopes, Terzaghi's one dimensional soil consolidation theory.

Hydrology: Hydrological cycle and measurement of its components; meteorological parameters and their measurement; analysis of precipitation data; runoff estimation; hydrograph analysis, unit hydrograph theory and application; stream flow measurement; flood routing, hydrological reservoir and channel routing, Infiltration – indices and equations, drought and its classification.

Surveying and Leveling: Measurement of distance and area; instruments for surveying and levelling; chain surveying, methods of traversing; measurement of angles and bearings, plane table surveying; types of levelling; the Theodolite traversing; contouring; total station, introduction to GPS survey, computation of areas and volume.

Soil and Water Erosion: Mechanics of soil erosion - wind and water erosion: soil erosion types, factors affecting erosion; soil loss estimation; biological and engineering measures to control erosion; terraces and bunds; vegetative waterways; gully control structures, drop, drop inlet and chute spillways; earthen dams.

Watershed Management: Watershed characterization and land use capability classification; water budgeting in watershed, rainwater harvesting, check dams and farm ponds.

Section 5: Irrigation and Drainage Engineering

Soil-Water-Plant Relationship: Water requirement of crops; consumptive use and evapotranspiration; measurement of infiltration, soil moisture and irrigation water infiltration.

Irrigation Water Conveyance and Application Methods: Design of irrigation channels and underground pipelines; irrigation scheduling; surface, sprinkler and micro irrigation methods, design and evaluation of irrigation methods; irrigation efficiencies.

Agricultural Drainage: Drainage coefficient; planning, design and layout of surface and sub- surface drainage systems; leaching requirement and salinity control; irrigation and drainage water quality and reuse; non-conventional drainage system.

Groundwater Hydrology: Groundwater occurrence; ground water movement; Darcy's Law, steady and unsteady flow in confined and unconfined aquifers, groundwater exploration techniques; overview of groundwater recharge estimation and artificial recharge techniques.

Wells and Pumps: Types of wells, steady flow through wells; design and construction of water wells; classification of pumps; pump characteristics; pump selection and installation.

Section 6:	Agricultural Process Engineering
Engineering properties of agriculture produce: Physical, thermal, frictional, rheological and electrical properties. Evaporation and Drying: Concentration and drying of liquid foods – evaporators, tray, drum and spray dryers; osmotic dehydration and freeze drying; hydrothermal treatments; drying and milling of cereals, pulses and oilseeds; drying kinetics; psychrometry – properties of air-water vapor mixture. Size Reduction and Material Handling: Mechanics and energy requirement in size reduction of agriculture produce; particle size analysis for comminuted solids; size separation by screening; fluidization of granular solids-pneumatic, bucket, screw and belt conveying; cleaning and grading; effectiveness of separation; centrifugal separation of solids, liquids and gases; homogenization; filtration and membrane separation. Processing of Agriculture Produce: Processing of seeds, spices, fruits and vegetables; value addition of agriculture produce. Storage Systems: Controlled and modified atmosphere storage; perishable food storage, godowns, bins and grain silos, packaging material and machines.	
Section 7:	Dairy and Food Engineering
Heat and Mass Transfer: Steady state heat transfer in conduction, convection and radiation; transient heat transfer in simple geometry; working principles of heat exchangers; diffusive and convective mass transfer; simultaneous heat and mass transfer in agricultural processing operations; material and energy balances in food processing systems; water activity, sorption and desorption isotherms. Unit operations in Dairy and Food engineering: Blanching, homogenization, pasteurization, sterilization. Preservation of Food: Kinetics of microbial death – pasteurization and sterilization of milk and other liquid foods; preservation of food by cooling and freezing; refrigeration and cold storage basics and applications.	

Part A: Common Section**Section A.1: Design and Graphics**

Architectural Graphics; Visual composition in 20 and 30; Form; Surface development; Anthropometrics; Ergonomics, Ratio and proportion, Scales in design, Organization of space; Plans, elevations, and sections of buildings; Circulation- horizontal and vertical; Universal design; Building bye-laws; Codes and standards, Barrier-free environment; Engineering curves; Orthographic and Isometric projection; One-point and two-point perspectives; Light, shade and shadow;

Section A.2: Environmental Planning and Landscape

Natural and man-made ecosystem; Environmental, ecological, and sustainability principles; Environmental pollution- types, causes, controls and abatement strategies; Sustainable development goals and strategies; Climate change and built environment; Urban ecosystem approach; Ecological footprint and carrying capacity; Resource management; Life cycle analysis; Principles of circular economy; Environmental Impact Assessment; Carbon footprint; Carbon credits; Urban Heat Islands; Sustainable site planning; Contour and slope analysis; Landscape planning and design; Landscape suitability analysis; Plant characteristics and planting designs; Landscape conservation – principles and techniques; Social forestry; Historical gardens;

Section A.3: Urban Design and Conservation

Historical and modern examples of urban design; Elements of urban built environment – urban form, spaces, structure, pattern, fabric, texture, grain; Theories, principles, tools and techniques of urban design; Precincts, character, spatial qualities; Placemaking ; Form-based code; Urban design interventions for sustainable development and transportation; Development controls – FAR, densities and building byelaws; Urban renewal and conservation; Heritage conservation; Historical and contemporary public spaces;

Section A.4: Town Planning, Housing and Real Estate Development

Principles and concepts of town planning; Traditional and modern planned cities in India and abroad; Housing typologies; Concepts of housing need, demand, supply and shortage; Neighbourhood design; Residential densities; Affordable and incremental housing; Slums, squatters and informal housing; Standards for housing and community facilities; Housing for special areas and needs; Real estate valuation; Real estate feasibility studies and market analysis; Real Estate locational decisions and economic analysis; Project phasing and construction phasing;

Part B1: Architecture**Section B1.1 History and Theory of Architecture**

World History of Architecture: Egyptian, Greco-Roman classical period, Byzantine, Gothic, Renaissance, Baroque-Rococo; Recent trends in Contemporary Architecture: Art nouveau, Art Deco, Eclecticism, International styles, Postmodernism, Deconstruction in architecture; Influence of Modern art and Design in Architecture; Indian Architecture; Oriental Architecture; Works of renowned national and international architects; Principles of art, design and Architecture;

Section B1.2 Climatology and Environmentally Responsive Design

Climatic factors and classification; Solar architecture; Micro and macro climatic considerations in design; Thermal comfort in built environments; Passive design principles and concepts; Building energy audit and management; Embodied and operational energy; Building energy performance simulation and evaluation; Alternate and renewable sources of energy for buildings; Building Performance Rating systems; Kinetic architecture; Sustainable building technologies;

Section B1.3	Building Construction, Materials, and Structural Systems
Building construction techniques, methods and details: foundation, plinth, masonry, bonds, fenestrations, arches, scaffolding, formwork, timber/RCC/Steel frame construction, roof and roof covering; Lightweight construction; Fire protection; Flooring systems; Principles of Modular Coordination; Prefabricated construction; Building materials characteristics & applications; Different types of building materials for walls, floor, roof, finishes, repair and retrofitting, acoustic & insulation materials, damp prevention; Alternative building materials; Building structural systems; Elastic and Limit State design; Structural systems; Design with steel and RCC; Principles of Prestressing; High Rise and Shell structures; Gravity and lateral load resisting systems; Space frames; Long span structures; Suspension structures; Catenary structures; Wind load & seismic considerations in high-rise structures; Disaster resistant structures; Temporary structures for rehabilitation;	
Section B1.4	Building Services
Natural and mechanical ventilation; HVAC design principles; Air-Conditioning systems; Water supply and distribution system; Water harvesting systems; Water treatment, recycling and reuse; Storm water drainage; Sewage and waste disposal; Sanitary fittings and fixtures; Plumbing systems; Drainage system; Principles of electrification and illumination and special lighting for buildings; Acoustics in buildings; Vertical transport systems- standards and uses; Building automation systems; Firefighting Systems; Building Safety and Security systems; Building Management Systems; Services for specialised buildings like Hospitals, Indoor Sports Stadiums & High-rise buildings;	
Section B1.5	Computer Applications in Architecture
Fundamental principles of computational methods; Logic-based understanding of pattern recognition, simulation, and data analytics; Computer applications in building design and performance analysis; Architectural visualization: 3d Modelling and BIM, Rendering, Virtual Reality, Augmented Reality; Computational design: parametric design, shape grammar and generative design; Visual communication; User Interface and User Experience Design; Digital design and fabrication methods: CNC mining and 3d printing; Artificial Intelligence for architecture.	
Section B1.6	Project Management and Professional Practice
Construction planning and equipment; Construction project management techniques e.g. PERT, CPM; Professional practice and ethics; Estimation, costing and specification; Tendering; Arbitration; Role of Council of Architecture; Architecture journalism; Industrial architecture; Human Sociology; Building Economics; Interior design;	

Part B2: Planning

Section B2.1	Planning History, Theory and Techniques
Origins of the city; Pre-industrial cities; Post-industrial cities; Garden City, City Beautiful, Broadacre, Radial City, Linear City; Concepts and theories of urban planning; Ekistics; Urban sociology; Theories of urban geography; Regional delineation; Settlement hierarchy; Urban growth models; Industrial location theories; Contemporary planning ideas and trends: Eco- City, Smart City; Network Cities, Global Cities etc.; Global North and South perspectives; Land use and land cover classification; Types, tools, and techniques of surveys; Sampling techniques; Demography – definition and variables; Techniques of population projections; Estimation and forecasting techniques in planning; Socio-economic analysis; Goal formulation and scenario analysis; Planning indicators, norms, and standards; Public perception and user behaviour;	
Section B2.2	Planning Policy and Practice
Concepts, factors and trends of urbanization; International charters and mandates for planning; Constitutional and legal provision for planning; Planning as a state subject; Policies and programs for planning in India; Types and hierarchy of plans; Development norms, standards and guidelines such as URDPFI; Eminent domain; Land pooling and readjustment; Land acquisition; Laws governing land; Institutions of urban governance; Composition and functions of local self-governments and statutory institutions; Urban reforms and good governance; Participatory planning and use of technology; Municipal information systems, land	

information systems, cadastral systems;	
Section B2.3	Infrastructure, Services and Utilities
Water supply demand; Sources of water and intakes; Groundwater yield and recharge; Service Reservoir and Pumps; Water distribution system layout and network design; Water treatment; Water quality and testing; Water sensitive urban planning; Off-site and on-site sanitation; Decentralized sewerage system; Water carriage systems; Sewage quantity; Sewerage layout and network design; Sewer section and sewer design; Sewer appurtenances; Waste water treatment; Sewage disposal; Surface water runoff estimate, Discharge from streams and rivers; Flood protection measures; Layout and design of storm water drains; Rain water harvesting; Solid waste management: collection, storage, transportation and disposal; Waste composition and characteristics; Recycling and Reuse of solid waste; Processing and treatment of solid wastes; Area requirements and location choice criteria for different facilities and infrastructure; Standards, rules and Codes; Fundamentals of power transmission & distribution; Transformers, Feeders, Substation;	
Section B2.4	Urban Land Use and Transportation
Land Use-Transport-Urban form interaction; Urban structures and land use pattern; Economics concepts of land, rent, land use and land values; Land value capture; Transit Oriented Development, Urban regeneration and brown field redevelopment; Real estate pricing; Accessibility measures; Residence and employment location choice; Aggregate and disaggregate transport demand models and forecasting; Traffic and travel demand management and control in urban areas; Process and principles of traffic engineering; Design of roads, intersections, grade separators and parking areas; Hierarchy of roads and level of service; Modes of transportation; Pedestrian and non-motorized transport planning; Traffic survey methods, Traffic flow Analysis; Transport infrastructure and allied facilities planning; Intelligent transportation systems;	
Section B2.5	Data Analysis, Remote Sensing and Geo-informatics
Types of data and sources of data for planning; Descriptive statistics; Tests of normality; Inferential statistics: linear and multiple regression, testing of hypothesis, testing of error, ANOVA etc.; Decision Problem Structuring: Analytical Hierarchical Process, Multi-Criteria Analysis etc.; Basic concepts in satellite remote sensing, satellites, sensors, and coverage; Principles of digital image processing; Satellite data products and their use; Aerial photography; Principles of photogrammetry; Application of remote sensing in urban and regional studies; G.I.S applications in planning; Georeferencing; Storage of spatial data; Processing tools; 2d(spatial), 3d(elevation) and 4d(temporal) data analysis and modeling; Database management systems; Structured query Language; Spatial queries; Application of Machine Learning in urban planning; Smart city IoT applications; Python basics; Urban Analytics; Spatial Data Infrastructure;	
Section B2.6	Project Implementation and Financing
Reforms in municipal finance; Municipal tax administration; Municipal budgeting; Fiscal indicators for finance; Municipal bonds/debentures; Loans and credit rating; Recovery mechanisms and pricing of services and infrastructure; Partnership approaches and types of contracts; Financial Viability & cost-benefit analysis; Project implementation, monitoring and evaluation; Asset management; Operation and maintenance; Institutional organizational structures and capacity building;	

Section 1:	Engineering Mathematics
Linear Algebra: Matrix algebra, systems of linear equations, Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors. Calculus: Mean value theorems, theorems of integral calculus, partial derivatives, maxima and minima, multiple integrals, Fourier series, vector identities, line, surface and volume integrals, Stokes, Gauss and Green's theorems. Differential equations: First order linear and nonlinear differential equations, higher order linear differential equations with constant coefficients, method of separation of variables, Cauchy's and Euler's equations, initial and boundary value problems, and solution of partial differential equations. Analysis of complex variables: Analytic functions, Cauchy's integral theorem and integral formula, Taylor's and Laurent's series, residue theorem. Probability and Statistics: Sampling theorems, conditional probability, mean, median, mode and standard deviation, random variables, discrete and continuous distributions: normal, Poisson and binomial distributions. Tests of Significance, statistical power analysis, and sample size estimation. Linear Regression and correlation analysis. Numerical Methods: Matrix inversion, numerical solutions of nonlinear algebraic equations, iterative methods for solving differential equations, numerical integration.	
Section 2:	Electrical Circuits
Voltage and current sources - independent, dependent, ideal and practical; v-i relationships of resistor, inductor and capacitor; transient analysis of RLC circuits with dc excitation; Kirchoff's laws, superposition, Thevenin, Norton, maximum power transfer and reciprocity theorems; Peak, average and rms values of ac quantities; apparent, active and reactive powers; phasor analysis, impedance and admittance; series and parallel resonance, realization of basic filters with R, L and C elements, Bode plot.	
Section 3:	Signals and Systems
Continuous and Discrete Signal and Systems - Periodic, a periodic and impulse signals; Sampling theorem; Laplace and Fourier transforms; impulse response of systems; transfer function, frequency response of first and second order linear time invariant systems, convolution, correlation. Discrete time systems - impulse response, frequency response, DFT, Z - transform; basics of IIR and FIR filter.	
Section 4:	Analog and Digital Electronics
Basic characteristics and applications of diode, BJT and MOSFET; Characteristics and applications of operational amplifiers - difference amplifier, adder, subtractor, integrator, differentiator, instrumentation amplifier, buffer, filters and waveform generators. Number systems, Boolean algebra; combinational logic circuits - arithmetic circuits, comparators, Schmitt trigger, encoder/decoder, MUX/DEMUX, multi-vibrators; Principles of ADC and DAC; Microprocessor- architecture, interfacing memory and input- output devices.	
Section 5:	Measurements and Control Systems
SI units, systematic and random errors in measurement, expression of uncertainty - accuracy and precision index, propagation of errors; PMMC, MI and dynamometer type instruments; DC potentiometer; bridges for measurement of R, L and C, Q-meter. Basics of control system - transfer function.	
Section 6:	Sensors and Bioinstrumentation
Sensors - resistive, capacitive, inductive, piezoelectric, Hall effect, electro chemical, optical; Sensor signal conditioning circuits; application of LASER in sensing and therapy. Origin of bio potentials and their measurement techniques - ECG, EEG, EMG, ERG, EOG, GSR, PCG, Principles of measuring blood pressure, body temperature,	

volume and flow in arteries, veins and tissues, respiratory measurements and cardiac output measurement. Operating principle of medical equipment-sphygmomanometer, ventilator, cardiac pacemaker, defibrillator, pulse oximeter, hemodialyzer Electrical Isolation (optical and electrical), Safety and Regulatory Aspects of Biomedical Instruments.

Section 7:	Mammalian Cell Biology, Human Anatomy and Physiology
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Basics of cell, types of tissues and organ systems; Homeostasis; Basics of organ systems & their physiological aspects - musculoskeletal, respiratory, circulatory, excretory, endocrine, nervous, and gastro-intestinal systems.

Section 8:	Medical Imaging Systems
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Instrumentation and image formation techniques in medical imaging modalities such as X-Ray, Computed Tomography, Single Photon Emission Computed Tomography, Positron Emission Tomography, Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Ultrasound.

Section 9:	Biomechanics
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Kinematics of muscles and joints - free-body diagrams and equilibrium, forces and stresses in joints, biomechanical analysis of joints, Gait analysis; Hard Tissues - Definition of Stress and Strain, Structure and mechanical properties of bone - cortical and cancellous bones; Soft Tissues - Structure, functions, material properties.

Section 10:	Biomaterials and Tissue Engineering
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Basic properties of biomaterials - Metallic, Ceramic, Polymeric, Carbon-based and Composite materials; Fundamental characteristics of implants - biocompatibility, bioactivity, biodegradability; Basics of tissue engineering. Biomaterial characterization techniques - Atomic Force Microscopy, Electron Microscopy, Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy; Scaffold fabrication techniques– Electrospinning, 3D Printing and Bioprinting; Artificial Organs; Organoid; Organ-on-chip.

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Section 1:	Engineering Mathematics
Linear Algebra: Matrices and determinants; Systems of linear equations; Eigen values and Eigen vectors. Calculus: Multivariable calculus (limits, continuity, and differentiability); Partial derivatives, maxima and minima; Sequences and series; Test for convergence. Multivariable calculus: Gradient, divergence, and curl (for applications in fluid mechanics, transport processes, etc.). Differential Equations: Linear and nonlinear first order ODEs, higher order ODEs with constant coefficients; Cauchy's and Euler's equations; Laplace transforms. Probability and Statistics: Mean, median, mode and standard deviation; Random variables; Poisson, normal and binomial distributions; Correlation and regression analysis; Bayesian Statistics. Numerical Methods: Solution of linear and nonlinear algebraic equations; Integration by trapezoidal and Simpson's rule; Single step method for differential equations.	
Section 2:	General Biology
Biochemistry: Biomolecules - structure and function; Biological membranes - structure, membrane channels and pumps, molecular motors, action potential and transport processes; Basic concepts and regulation of metabolism of carbohydrates, lipids, amino acids and nucleic acids; Metabolism: Regulation of metabolism of carbohydrates, lipids, amino acids, and nucleic acids; Detailed pathways like glycolysis, citric acid cycle, and fatty acid oxidation; Photosynthesis, respiration and electron transport chain; Enzymes - Classification, catalytic and regulatory strategies; Enzyme kinetics - Michaelis-Menten equation; Enzyme inhibition - competitive, non-competitive and uncompetitive inhibition. Microbiology: History of Microbiology, Bacterial classification and diversity; Bacterial cell wall composition, Gram positive and Gram-negative bacteria, Archea, Methods in microbiology; Microbial growth and nutrition; Operon- Lac, Trp and Ara operon, Nitrogen fixation; Microbial diseases and host-pathogen interactions; Antibiotics and antimicrobial resistance, Two-component system (TCS), bacterial communication, Viruses - structure and classification. Immunology: Primary and Secondary lymphoid organs; Innate immunity and Inflammation; Cytokines and Chemokines; Complement system; Effector responses: Cellular and Humoral Immunity; Molecular basis of Antibody diversity and function; Polyclonal and Monoclonal antibodies; T-cell and B-cell development; Memory responses; Major Histocompatibility complex (MHC); Antigen processing and presentation; Regulation of immune responses; Immune tolerance; Hypersensitivity; Autoimmunity and Immunodeficiency; Graft vs Host disease; Immunization and vaccines.	
Section 3:	Genetics, Cellular and Molecular Biology
Genetics and Evolutionary Biology: Mendelian inheritance; Gene interaction; Complementation; Linkage, recombination and chromosome mapping; Extra chromosomal inheritance; Microbial genetics - transformation, transduction and conjugation; Bacterial gene mapping; Horizontal gene transfer and transposable elements; Chromosomal variation; Sex Determination; Genetic disorders; Population genetics; Epigenetics; Selection and inheritance; Adaptive and neutral evolution; Genetic drift; Species and speciation. Cell Biology: Eukaryotic cell structure; Cell cycle and cell growth control; Cell-cell communication; Cell signalling and signal transduction; Non-cell autonomous cell signalling; Post-translational modifications; Protein trafficking; Cell death and autophagy; Extra-cellular matrix. Molecular Biology: Molecular structure of genes and chromosomes; Mutations and mutagenesis; Regulation of gene expression; Nucleic acid - replication, transcription, splicing, translation and their regulatory mechanisms; Non-coding and micro RNA; RNA interference; DNA damage and repair.	

Section 4:	Fundamentals of Biological Engineering
Bioreaction Engineering: Rate law, zero and first order kinetics; (More advanced kinetic models, including Michaelis-Menten kinetics for enzyme reactions. Inhibition kinetics: Competitive, non-competitive, and uncompetitive inhibition in enzyme catalysis); Ideal reactors - batch, mixed flow and plug flow; Enzyme immobilization, diffusion effects - Thiele modulus, effectiveness factor, Damkoehler number; Kinetics of cell growth, substrate utilization and product formation; Structured and unstructured models; Batch, fed-batch and continuous processes; Microbial and enzyme reactors; Optimization and scale up (Design and operation of microbial reactors (e.g., fermentation reactors) and enzyme reactors (e.g., immobilized enzyme systems); Case studies on the use of microbial reactors in large-scale production (e.g., antibiotics, biofuels). Upstream and Downstream Processing: Media formulation and optimization; Sterilization of air and media; Filtration - membrane filtration, ultra filtration; Centrifugation - high speed and ultra; Cell disruption; Principles of chromatography - ion exchange, gel filtration, hydrophobic interaction, affinity, GC, HPLC and FPLC; Extraction, adsorption and drying; Measurement devices; Valves; First order and second order systems; Feedback and feed forward control; Types of controllers – proportional, derivative and integral control; Tuning of controllers.	
Section 5:	Plant, Animal and Microbial Biotechnology
Plants: Totipotency; Cell fate transition, direct and indirect organogenesis, regeneration of plants; Plant growth regulators and elicitors; Tissue culture and cell suspension culture system - methodology, kinetics of growth and nutrient optimization; Production of secondary metabolites; Hairy root culture; Plant products of industrial importance; Artificial seeds; Somaclonal variation; Protoplast, protoplast fusion - somatic hybrid and cybrid; Transgenic plants - direct and indirect methods of gene transfer techniques; Selection marker and reporter gene; Plastid transformation. Animals: Culture media composition and growth conditions; Animal cell and tissue preservation; Anchorage and non-anchorage dependent cell culture; Kinetics of cell growth; Micro & macro- carrier culture; Hybridoma technology; Stem cell technology; Animal cloning; Transgenic animals; Knock-out and knock-in animals. Microbes: Production of biomass and primary/secondary metabolites - Biofuels, bioplastics, industrial enzymes, antibiotics; Large scale production and purification of recombinant proteins and metabolites; Clinical-, food- and industrial- microbiology; Screening strategies for new products.	
Section 6:	Recombinant DNA technology and Other Tools in Biotechnology
Recombinant DNA technology: Restriction and modification enzymes; Vectors - plasmids, bacteriophage and other viral vectors, cosmids, Ti plasmid, bacterial and yeast artificial chromosomes; Expression vectors; cDNA and genomic DNA library Gene isolation and cloning, strategies for production of recombinant proteins; Transposons and gene targeting, Recombination-based gene cloning. Molecular tools: Polymerase chain reaction; DNA/RNA labelling and Sangers and next generation sequencing; Southern and northern blotting; In-situ hybridization; DNA fingerprinting, RAPD, RFLP; Site-directed mutagenesis; CRISPR-Cas; Biosensing and biosensors; DNA-protein and protein-protein interaction tools; Genomics and proteomics-based approaches. Analytical tools: Principles of microscopy - light, electron, fluorescence and confocal; Principles of spectroscopy- UV, visible, fluorescence, CD, IR, FT-IR, MS, NMR; Electrophoresis; Micro- arrays; Enzymatic assays; Immunoassays - ELISA, RIA, immunohistochemistry; Immunoblotting; Flow cytometry; Whole genome and ChIP sequencing. Computational tools: Bioinformatics resources and search tools; Sequence and structure databases; Sequence analysis - sequence file formats, scoring matrices, alignment, phylogeny; Genomics, proteomics, metabolomics; Gene prediction; Functional annotation; Secondary structure and 3D structure prediction; Knowledge discovery in biochemical databases; Metagenomics; Metabolic engineering and systems biology.	

Section 1:	Engineering Mathematics
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Linear Algebra: Matrix algebra; Systems of linear equations; eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

Calculus: Functions of single variable; Limit, continuity and differentiability; Mean value theorems, local maxima and minima; Taylor series; Evaluation of definite and indefinite integrals, application of definite integral to obtain area and volume; Partial derivatives; Total derivative; Gradient, Divergence and Curl, Vector identities; Directional derivatives; Line, Surface and Volume integrals.

Ordinary Differential Equation (ODE): First order (linear and non-linear) equations; higher order linear equations with constant coefficients; Euler-Cauchy equations; initial and boundary value problems.

Partial Differential Equation (PDE): Fourier series; Separation of variables; solutions of one-dimensional diffusion equation; first and second order one-dimensional wave equation and two-dimensional Laplace equation.

Probability and Statistics: Basic concepts of probability – axioms and theorems, statistical independence; Conditional probability; Descriptive statistics – Mean, median, mode and standard deviation; Random Variables – Probability mass function, probability density function, cumulative distribution function; Poisson and Normal Distribution; Linear regression.

Numerical Methods: Error analysis. Numerical solutions of linear and nonlinear algebraic equations; Newton's and Lagrange polynomials; numerical differentiation; Integration by trapezoidal and Simpson's rule; Single and multi-step methods for first order differential equations.

Section 2:	Structural Engineering
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Engineering Mechanics: System of forces, free-body diagrams, equilibrium equations; Internal forces in structures; Frictions and its applications; Centre of mass.

Solid Mechanics: Bending moment and shear force in statically determinate beams; Transformation of stress (Mohr's circle); Simple stress and strain relationships; Simple bending theory, flexural and shear stresses, shear centre; Uniform torsion; Combined stresses; Column buckling.

Structural Analysis: Principle of superposition; Work and energy methods: Principle of virtual work, Castigliano's second theorem; Deflections of statically determinate beams, frames, and trusses; Analysis of statically indeterminate structures by force and displacement methods (method of consistent deformations, slope-deflection method, moment distribution method); Influence lines and moving loads; Stiffness matrix method; Analysis of determinate arches and cables.

Concrete Structures: Working stress and limit state design concepts; Design and detailing of beams, slabs, columns, and isolated footings; Bond and development length.

Steel Structures: Working stress and limit state design concepts; Design of tension and compression members, beams and beam-columns, column bases; Connections – simple and eccentric, beam-column connections; Concept of plastic analysis – beams and portal frames.

Section 3:	Geotechnical Engineering
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Three-phase system and phase relationships, index properties; Unified and Indian standard soil classification system; Permeability – one dimensional flow, Seepage through soils – two-dimensional flow, flow nets, uplift pressure, piping, capillarity, seepage force; Principle of effective stress and quicksand condition; Compaction

of soils; One-dimensional consolidation, time rate of consolidation; Shear Strength, Mohr's circle, effective and total shear strength parameters; Stress-strain characteristics of clays and sand; Stress paths. Sub-surface investigations – Drilling bore holes, sampling, plate load test, standard penetration and cone penetration tests; Earth pressure theories – Rankine and Coulomb; Stability of slopes – Finite and infinite slopes, Bishop's method; Sheet Piles; Stress distribution in soils – Boussinesq's theory; Pressure bulbs; Shallow foundations – Terzaghi's and Meyerhof's bearing capacity theories, effect of water table; Combined footing and raft foundation; Contact pressure; Settlement analysis in sands and clays; Deep foundations – static formulae, axial load capacity of piles in sands and clays, pile load test, pile under lateral loading, pile group efficiency, negative skin friction; Ground improvement techniques.	
Section 4:	Water Resources Engineering
Fluid Mechanics: Properties of fluids, fluid statics; Continuity, momentum and energy equations and their applications; Potential flow, Laminar and turbulent flow; Flow in pipes, pipe networks; Concept of boundary layer and its growth; Concept of lift and drag. Hydraulics: Forces on immersed bodies; Flow measurement in channels and pipes; Dimensional analysis and hydraulic similitude; Channel Hydraulics – Energy-depth relationships, specific energy, critical flow, hydraulic jump, uniform flow, gradually varied flow and water surface profiles; Prismatic and mobile channels, steady and unsteady flows, rapidly varied flow and hydraulic jump; Flow past sharp crested weirs. Hydrology: Hydrologic cycle, precipitation, evaporation, evapo-transpiration, watershed, infiltration; Streamflow measurements, unit hydrographs, hydrograph analysis, reservoir capacity, flood estimation and routing, surface runoff models, ground water hydrology – steady state well hydraulics and aquifers; Application of Darcy's Law. Irrigation: Types of irrigation systems and methods; Crop water requirements – Duty, delta, evapo-transpiration; Gravity dams and spillways; Lined and unlined canals, Design of weirs on permeable foundation; cross drainage structures; River training structures; Earthen dams; Seepage through dams; Well irrigation.	
Section 5:	Environmental Engineering
Water and Waste Water Quality and Treatment: Basics of water quality standards – Physical, chemical and biological parameters; Water quality index; Unit processes and operations; Water requirement; Water distribution system; Drinking water treatment. Sewerage system design, quantity of domestic wastewater, primary, secondary and tertiary treatment. Effluent discharge standards; Sludge treatment and disposal; Reuse of treated sewage for different applications. Air Pollution: Types of pollutants, their sources and impacts, air pollution control, air quality standards, Air quality index and limits. Municipal Solid Wastes: Characteristics, generation, collection and transportation of solid wastes, engineered systems for solid waste management (reuse/recycle, energy recovery, treatment and disposal); Basics of landfill design and operation.	
Section 6:	Transportation Engineering
Transportation Infrastructure: Geometric design of roadways using IRC codes – crosssectional elements, sight distances, classifications of roadways, design vehicle, horizontal and vertical alignments. Geometric design of railway Track – Speed and cant.	

Concept of airport runway length, calculations and corrections; taxiway and exit taxiway design.

Highway Pavements: Highway materials – desirable properties and tests; Desirable properties of bituminous paving mixes; Design factors for flexible and rigid pavements; Design of flexible and rigid pavement using IRC codes.

Traffic Engineering: Traffic studies on flow and speed, peak hour factor, accident study, statistical analysis of traffic data; Microscopic and macroscopic parameters of traffic flow, fundamental relationships; Traffic signs; Signal design by Webster's method; Types of intersections and interchanges; Highway capacity and level of service.

Transportation Planning: Four step travel demand modelling – trip generation, trip distribution, mode choice, traffic assignment and its applications.

Section 7:	Geomatics Engineering
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Principles of surveying; Plane and geodetic surveying, GNSS surveying, errors and their adjustment; Maps – Scale, coordinate system; Distance and angle measurement – Levelling and trigonometric levelling; Traversing and triangulation survey; Total station; Principles of topographic, cadastral, engineering; Introduction to cartography, map projections.

Photogrammetry – Introduction to photogrammetry, digital photogrammetry, photographic scale, flying height; Space resection, parallax equations, elevations by parallax differences, camera calibration.

Section 8:	Construction Materials and Management
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Construction Materials: Steel – Composition, material properties and behaviour; Cement – composition, hydration and microstructure, chemical and mineral admixtures; Concrete – Constituents, mix design, short-term and long-term properties.

Construction Management: Types of construction projects; Estimation and costing – Quantity estimation using long wall and short wall method, center line method, analysis of rates; Project planning and scheduling: AOA and AON network analysis – PERT and CPM; Project updating and monitoring; Construction equipment – Equipment for earthwork, concreting, hoisting and transportation of materials; Types of contracts.

Section 1:	Engineering Mathematics
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Linear Algebra: Matrix algebra; Systems of linear equations; Eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

Calculus: Functions of single variable; Limit, continuity and differentiability; Taylor series; Mean value theorem; Evaluation of definite and improper integrals; Partial derivatives; Total derivative; Maxima and minima; Gradient, divergence, and curl; Vector identities; Directional derivatives; Line, surface, and volume integrals; Stokes, Gauss, and Green's theorems.

Differential Equations: First order equations (linear and nonlinear); Higher order linear differential equations with constant coefficients; Cauchy's and Euler's equations; Initial and boundary value problems; Laplace transforms; Solutions of one-dimensional heat equation, wave equation, and Laplace equation.

Complex Variables: Complex number; polar form of complex number.

Probability and Statistics: Definitions of probability and sampling theorems; Conditional probability; Mean, median, mode, and standard deviation; Random variables; Poisson, Normal, and Binomial distributions.

Fundamentals of AI/ML: Linear Regression; Principal Component Analysis (PCA).

Numerical Methods: Numerical solutions of linear and non-linear algebraic equations; Integration by trapezoidal and Simpson's rule; Single and multi-step methods for numerical solution of ordinary differential equations; Finite-difference method for partial differential equations.

Section 2:	Process Calculations
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Steady and unsteady state mass and energy balances including multiphase, multi-component, reacting and non-reacting systems; Use of tie components; Recycle, bypass and purge calculations; Gibbs phase rule and degree of freedom analysis.

Section 3:	Thermodynamics
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Laws of thermodynamics; Open and closed systems; Entropy and chemical potential; Thermodynamic properties of pure substances: equations of state and residual properties; Thermodynamic properties of mixtures: partial molar properties, fugacity, excess properties, and activity coefficients; Phase equilibria: predicting VLE of systems; Chemical reaction equilibrium.

Section 4:	Fluid Mechanics and Mechanical Operations
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Newtonian and non-Newtonian fluids; Fluid statics; Surface Tension; Fluid kinematics; Equation of continuity, Equation of motion, Equation of mechanical energy; Macroscopic friction factors; Dimensional analysis and similitude; Inviscid flows: Euler equation; Flow through pipes: velocity profile, pressure drop, Bernoulli equation, flow meters; Pumps; Turbulent flow: fluctuating velocity, universal velocity profile, pressure drop; Elementary boundary layer theory; Flow past immersed bodies including packed and fluidized beds.

Particle size and shape; Particle size distribution; Size reduction and classification of solid particles; Free and hindered settling; Centrifuge and cyclones; Thickening and clarification; Filtration, agitation and mixing.

Section 5:	Heat Transfer
Equation of energy; Steady and unsteady heat conduction, convection, and radiation; Thermal boundary layer and heat transfer coefficients; Boiling, condensation, and evaporation; Types of heat exchangers and evaporators and their process calculations; Design of double pipe, shell and tube heat exchangers, and single and multiple effect evaporators.	
Section 6:	Mass Transfer
Fick's laws; Molecular diffusion in fluids; Mass transfer coefficients; Film, penetration and surface renewal theories; Momentum, heat and mass transfer analogies; Stage-wise and continuous contacting and stage efficiencies; HTU & NTU concepts.	
Fundamentals concepts and design of mass transfer operations: distillation, absorption, leaching, liquid-liquid extraction, drying, humidification, dehumidification and adsorption, membrane separations.	
Section 7:	Chemical Reaction Engineering
Theories of reaction rates; Kinetics of homogeneous reactions; Interpretation of kinetic data; Single and multiple reactions in ideal reactors; Kinetics of enzyme reactions (Michaelis-Menten and Monod models); Non-ideal reactors: residence time distribution, single parameter model; Non-isothermal reactors; Kinetics of heterogeneous catalytic reactions; Diffusion effects in catalysis; Catalyst deactivation.	
Section 8:	Instrumentation and Process Control
Measurement of process variables; Sensors and transducers; P&ID equipment symbols; Process modeling and linearization; State-space models; Transfer functions and dynamic responses of various systems; Systems with inverse response; Process reaction curve; Controller modes (P, PI, and PID); Control valves; Analysis of closed loop systems including stability, frequency response, controller tuning, cascade and feed forward control.	
Section 9:	Plant Design and Economics
Principles of process economics and cost estimation including depreciation and total annualized cost, cost indices, rate of return, payback period, discounted cash flow; Optimization in process design and sizing of chemical engineering equipment such as heat exchangers and multistage contactors; Batch plant scheduling.	
Section 10:	Chemical Technology
Overview of raw materials, unit operations, and processes involved in inorganic chemical industries (synthesis gas, sulfuric acid, phosphoric acid, chlor-alkali industry), fertilizers (ammonia, urea), natural products industries (pulp and paper, sugar and ethanol), petroleum refining and petrochemicals (ethyl benzene, styrene, ethylene oxide), polymerization industries (polyethylene and polyester).	

Section 1:	Engineering Mathematics
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Discrete Mathematics: Propositional and first order logic. Sets, relations, functions, partial orders and lattices. Monoids, Groups. Graphs: connectivity, matching, colouring. Combinatorics: counting, recurrence relations, generating functions.

Linear Algebra: Matrices, determinants, system of linear equations, eigenvalues and eigenvectors, LU decomposition.

Calculus: Limits, continuity and differentiability, Maxima and minima, Mean value theorem, Integration.

Probability and Statistics: Random variables, Uniform, normal, exponential, Poisson and binomial distributions. Mean, median, mode and standard deviation. Conditional probability and Bayes theorem.

Section 2:	Digital Logic
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Boolean algebra and minimization – algebraic technique, Karnaugh map, tabular method. Design of combinational and sequential circuits. Number representation and arithmetic (fixed and floating point).

Section 3:	Computer Organization and Architecture
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Instruction set and addressing modes. Design of arithmetic and logic unit (ALU). Design of control unit – hardwired and microprogrammed. Memory interfacing and hierarchy: performance, cache memory mapping. I/O interface (interrupt and DMA). Instruction pipelining, pipeline hazards.

Section 4:	Programming and Data Structures
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Programming in C. Recursion. Arrays, stacks, queues, linked lists, trees, binary search trees, binary heaps, graphs.

Section 5:	Algorithms
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Searching, sorting, hashing. Asymptotic worst case time and space complexity. Algorithm design techniques: greedy, dynamic programming and divide-and-conquer. Graph traversals, minimum spanning trees, shortest paths.

Section 6:	Theory of Computation
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Regular expressions and finite automata. Context-free grammars and push-down automata. Regular and context-free languages, pumping lemma. Turing machines and undecidability.

Section 7:	Compiler Design
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Lexical analysis, parsing, syntax-directed translation. Runtime environments. Intermediate code generation. Local optimisation, Data flow analyses: constant propagation, liveness analysis, common sub expression elimination.

Section 8:	Operating System
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System calls, processes, threads, inter-process communication, concurrency and synchronization. Deadlock. CPU and I/O scheduling. Memory management and virtual memory. File systems.

Section 9:	Databases
ER-model. Relational model: relational algebra, tuple calculus, SQL. Integrity constraints, normal forms. File organization, indexing (e.g., B and B+ trees). Transactions and concurrency control.	
Section 10:	Computer Networks
Principles of Layering; Basics of switching (circuit, packet and virtual circuit) and performance metrics; Data link layer: error detection, Medium Access Control, Ethernet; Distance vector and link state routing; IPv4 - Fragmentation, CIDR Notation, Network Address Translation; TCP- flow control and congestion control, socket API; DNS and HTTP.	

Section 1: Physical Chemistry

Structure: Postulates of quantum mechanics. Operators. Commutation relations and expectations values; the role of the wave function and its absolute squares, time dependent and time independent Schrödinger equations. Born interpretation. Dirac bra-ket notation. Examples of model solvable quantum mechanical systems.

Particle in a Box: Solutions and interpretations for finite length and infinite potential barrier; concept of tunnelling; particle in 1D, 2D and 3D-boxes; applications.

Harmonic Oscillator: Exact solutions of wave functions, properties of Hermite polynomials. eigenvalues in one dimension. Calculation of expectation values for potential and kinetic energy, harmonic and anharmonic potentials.

Rotational Motion: Angular momentum operators (orbital and spin), spherical harmonics and their properties.

Hydrogen and Hydrogen-like Atoms: Atomic orbitals; radial and angular distribution functions and their probabilities; Atomic units, Multi-electron atoms: Orbital approximation; electron spin; Pauli exclusion principle; Slater determinants. Variational method and secular determinants; first order non-degenerate perturbation techniques.

Molecular Structure and Chemical Bonding: Born-Oppenheimer approximation; Valence bond theory treatment for hydrogen molecule and linear combination of atomic orbitals – molecular orbitals (LCAO-MO) theory. Concept of hybridization and hybrid orbitals. Applications of LCAO-MO theory to H_2^+ , H_2 ; Molecular orbital theory (MOT) of homo- and heteronuclear diatomic molecules. Hückel theory, applications to simple molecules, small conjugated π -electron systems.

Group Theory: Symmetry elements and symmetry operations. Basic postulates of groups and group multiplication tables. Classes, reducible and irreducible representations of symmetry elements. Classification and labelling of molecular point groups. Symmetry based selection rules and their application to electronic and vibrational spectroscopy. Internal coordinates and symmetry labelling of vibrational modes; symmetry adapted linear combination of atomic orbitals (LCAO-MO); construction of hybrid orbitals using molecular point group symmetry.

Spectroscopy: Atomic spectroscopy; Russell-Saunders coupling; Term symbols and spectral details; origin of selection rules. Rotational, Vibrational, Electronic and Raman spectroscopy of diatomic and simple polyatomic molecules. Line broadening and line widths; simple properties of Gaussian and Lorentzian line shapes. Molecular spectroscopy: Absorbance, Beer- Lambert's law, Einstein's coefficient, Jablonski diagram. Relationship of transition moment integral with molar extinction coefficient and oscillator strength. Basic principles of Nuclear Magnetic Resonance: Gyromagnetic ratio; Chemical shift, nuclear coupling.

Equilibrium: Laws of thermodynamics. Standard states. Thermochemistry. Thermodynamic functions and their relationships: Gibbs-Helmholtz and Maxwell relations, Gibbs-Duhem equation, Van't Hoff equation. Criteria of spontaneity and equilibrium. Absolute entropy. Partial molar quantities. Thermodynamics of mixing. Chemical potential. Fugacity, Activity and Activity coefficient. Chemical equilibria. Dependence of equilibrium constant on temperature and pressure.

Solutions: Ideal and non-ideal solutions, Raoult's Law and Henry's Law.

Electrochemistry: Standard electrode potential and electrochemical cells. Nernst Equation and its application, relationship between electrode potential and thermodynamic quantities, Potentiometric and conductometric titrations. Ionic mobility and conductivity. Kohlrausch's law, Debye-Hückel limiting law. Debye-Hückel-Onsager equation.

Phase Equilibria: Phase rule. Clausius- Clapeyron equation. Phase diagram of one component system: CO_2 , H_2O , S; two component systems: liquid-vapor, liquid-liquid and solid-liquid systems. Fractional distillation. Azeotropes and Eutectics.

Statistical Thermodynamics: Micro-canonical, Canonical and Grand canonical ensembles, Boltzmann distribution, Partition functions and thermodynamic properties. Statistical mechanics of non-interacting systems, ideal monoatomic, diatomic gases, translational, rotational, vibrational and electronic partition functions.

Kinetics and Reaction Dynamics: Elementary, parallel, opposing, and consecutive reactions. Steady state approximation. Mechanism of complex reactions. Unimolecular reactions. Potential energy surface and classical trajectories, Concept of saddle points, Transition state theory: Eyring equation, thermodynamic aspects. Kinetics of polymerization. Catalysis concepts and enzyme catalysis. Kinetic isotope effects. Fast reaction kinetics: relaxation and flow methods. Diffusion controlled reactions. Kinetics of unimolecular and bimolecular photophysical processes, Quantum yield calculation, static and dynamic quenching.

Surfaces and Interfaces: Physisorption and chemisorption. Langmuir, Freundlich and Brunauer-Emmett-Teller (BET) isotherms. Surface catalysis: Langmuir-Hinshelwood mechanism. Surface tension, viscosity, Self-assembly/ physical chemistry of colloids, micelles and macromolecules.

Section 2:	Inorganic Chemistry
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Main Group Elements: Shapes and structures of molecules using VSEPR postulates, Hydrides, halides, oxides, oxoacids, nitrides, sulfides - shapes and reactivity. Structure and bonding of boranes, carboranes, silicones, silicates, boron nitride, borazine and phosphazenes: electron counting in polyhedral boranes, isolobal analogy. Allotropes of carbon, phosphorus and sulfur. Industrial synthesis of compounds of main group elements such as NH_3 , H_2SO_4 and HNO_3 . Chemistry of noble gases and interhalogen compounds. Acid-base concepts and principles (Lewis, Brønsted, HSAB and acid-base catalysis).

Transition Metals: Coordination chemistry – structure and isomerism, theories of bonding (VBT, CFT, and MOT). Metal-metal multiple bonds. Energy level diagrams in various crystal fields, CFSE, applications of CFT, Jahn-Teller distortion. Electronic spectra of transition metal complexes: spectroscopic term symbols, selection rules, Orgel and Tanabe-Sugano diagrams, nephelauxetic effect and Racah parameter, charge-transfer spectra. Magnetic properties of transition metal complexes. Ray-Dutt and Bailar twists, Reaction mechanisms: kinetic and thermodynamic stability, associative, dissociative substitution and redox reactions.

Lanthanides and Actinides: Recovery. Periodic properties, spectral and magnetic properties.

Organometallics: 18-Electron rule; metal-alkyl, metal-carbonyl, metal-olefin and metal-carbene complexes and metallocenes. Fluxionality in organometallic complexes. Types of organometallic reactions. Homogeneous catalysis – Hydrogenation, hydroformylation, methanol to acetic acid process, olefin metathesis and Wacker oxidation. Heterogeneous catalysis – Fischer-Tropsch reaction, Ziegler-Natta polymerization.

Bioinorganic Chemistry: Ion (Na^+ and K^+) transport, oxygen binding, transport and utilization, electron transfer reactions, nitrogen fixation, metalloenzymes containing magnesium, molybdenum, iron, cobalt, copper and zinc.

Solids: Crystal systems and lattices, Miller planes, crystal packing, crystal defects, Bragg's law, ionic crystals, structure of AX , AX_2 , ABX_3 type compounds, spinels, band theory, metals and semiconductors, Zeolites and their applications.

Instrumental Methods of Analysis: UV-visible, fluorescence and FT-IR spectrophotometry, NMR and ESR spectroscopy, mass spectrometry, atomic absorption spectroscopy, Mössbauer spectroscopy (Fe and Sn) and X-ray crystallography. Electroanalytical methods – cyclic voltammetry, ion-selective electrodes. Thermo-analytical methods: TGA, DTA and DSC.

Section 3:	Organic Chemistry
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General Concepts: Structure dependence on properties such as basicity and acidity. Role of aromatic stability on physical properties of organic compounds.

Stereochemistry: Chirality and symmetry of organic molecules with or without chiral centres and determination of their absolute configurations and optical purity. Relative stereochemistry in compounds having more than one stereogenic centre. Homotopic, enantiotopic and diastereotopic atoms, groups and faces. Conformational

analysis of acyclic and cyclic compounds. Geometrical isomerism and optical isomerism. Configurational and conformational effects, atropisomerism, and neighbouring group participation on reactivity and selectivity/specificity. Stereoselective and stereospecific synthesis. Enantiomeric excess.

Reaction Mechanisms: Basic mechanistic concepts and energy profile diagrams - kinetics versus thermodynamic control, Hammond's postulate and Curtin-Hammett principle. Methods of determining reaction mechanisms through kinetics, identification of products, intermediates and isotopic labelling. Solvent effects in substitution and elimination reactions. Linear free-energy relationship – Hammett and Taft equations.

Types of Reactions: Nucleophilic and electrophilic substitution reactions (both aromatic and aliphatic). Addition reactions to carbon-carbon and carbon-heteroatom (N and O) multiple bonds. Elimination reactions. Reactive intermediates – carbocation, carbanion, carbenes, nitrenes, arynes and free radicals. Molecular rearrangements. Barton decarboxylation and Barton-McCombie reaction, Hunsdiecker reaction.

Organic Synthesis: Synthesis, reactions, mechanisms and selectivity involving the following classes of compounds – alkenes, alkynes, arenes, alcohols, phenols, aldehydes, ketones, carboxylic acids, esters, nitriles, halides, nitro compounds, amines and amides. Uses of Mg, Li, Cu, B, Zn, P, S, Sn and Si based reagents in organic synthesis. Carbon-carbon bond formation through coupling reactions – Heck, Suzuki, Stille, Sonogashira, Negishi, Kumada, Hiyama, Tsuji-Trost reactions; olefin metathesis, McMurry coupling and Buchwald-Hartwig amination reactions. Baylis-Hillman, Henry, Ritter, Sakurai, Tebbe olefination, Pauson-Khand and Nazarov cyclization reactions. Concepts of multistep synthesis – retrosynthetic analysis, strategic disconnections, synthons and synthetic equivalents. Atom economy and green chemistry, Umpolung reactivity – formyl and acyl anion equivalents. Selectivity in organic synthesis – chemo-, regio- and stereoselectivity. Protection and deprotection of functional groups. Concepts of asymmetric synthesis – resolution (including enzymatic), desymmetrization and use of chiral auxiliaries, organocatalysis. Carbon-carbon and carbon-heteroatom bond forming reactions through enolates (including boron enolates), enamines and silyl enol ethers. Stereoselective addition to C=O groups (Cram, Prelog and Felkin-Anh models). Asymmetric aldol reactions – Evans reaction and proline catalyzed reaction.

Oxidation: Oxidation of alcohols involving metal and non-metal-based (chromium, manganese, DMSO, and hypervalent iodine) reagents. Peracid oxidation of alkenes and carbonyls. Alkenes to diols (manganese and osmium-based reagents), alkenes to carbonyls with bond cleavage (ozonolysis), and alkenes to alcohols/carbonyls without bond cleavage (hydroboration-oxidation). Asymmetric epoxidations (Sharpless and Jacobsen) and Sharpless asymmetric hydroxylation.

Reduction: Catalytic homogeneous and heterogeneous hydrogenation. Metal based reductions using Li/Na in liquid ammonia, magnesium, zinc, titanium, and samarium. Hydride transfer reagents: NaBH₄, L-selectride, K-selectride, Luche reduction, LiAlH₄ and DIBAL-H.

Pericyclic Reactions and Photochemistry: Electrocyclic, cycloaddition and sigmatropic reactions. Diels-Alder reaction, Claisen and Cope rearrangements and their applications in organic synthesis. FMO method of analysis. Woodward-Hoffmann rules. Photochemistry of alkenes, arenes and carbonyl compounds. Photo-oxidation and photo-reduction. Di- π -methane rearrangements, Norrish type-I and II reactions. Paternó-Büchi reaction, Photo-Curtius and Wolff rearrangements. Barton and Hofmann-Löffler-Freytag reactions.

Heterocyclic Compounds: Nomenclature of mono- and bicyclic, as well as mono- and di-heteroatomic compounds, Structure, preparation, properties and reactions of furan, pyrrole, thiophene, pyridine, indole, quinoline and isoquinoline.

Biomolecules: Structure, properties and reactions of mono- and di-saccharides, physicochemical properties of amino acids, chemical synthesis of peptides, chemical structure determination of peptides and proteins, structural features of proteins, nucleic acids, lipids, steroids, terpenoids, carotenoids, and alkaloids.

Experimental Techniques in Organic Chemistry: Optical rotation (polarimetry). Application of various chromatographic techniques such as thin-layer, column, HPLC and GC. Applications of UV-visible, IR, NMR spectroscopy and Mass spectrometry in the structural determination of organic molecules.

Section 1:	Probability and Statistics
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Counting (permutation and combinations), probability axioms, Sample space, events, independent events, mutually exclusive events, marginal, conditional and joint probability, Bayes Theorem, conditional expectation and variance, mean, median, mode and standard deviation, correlation, and covariance, random variables, discrete random variables and probability mass functions, uniform, Bernoulli, binomial distribution, Continuous random variables and probability distribution function, uniform, exponential, Poisson, normal, standard normal, t-distribution, chi-squared distributions, cumulative distribution function, Conditional PDF, Central limit theorem, confidence interval, z-test, t-test, chi-squared test.

Section 2:	Linear Algebra
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Vector space, subspaces, linear dependence and independence of vectors, matrices, projection matrix, orthogonal matrix, idempotent matrix, partition matrix and their properties, quadratic forms, systems of linear equations and solutions; Gaussian elimination, eigenvalues and eigenvectors, determinant, rank, nullity, projections, LU decomposition, singular value decomposition.

Section 3:	Calculus and Optimization
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Functions of a single variable, limit, continuity and differentiability, Taylor series, maxima and minima, optimization involving a single variable.

Section 4:	Programming, Data Structures and Algorithms
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Programming in Python, basic data structures: stacks, queues, linked lists, trees, hash tables; Search algorithms: linear search and binary search, basic sorting algorithms: selection sort, bubble sort and insertion sort; divide and conquer: mergesort, quicksort; introduction to graph theory; basic graph algorithms: traversals and shortest path.

Section 5:	Database Management and Warehousing
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ER-model, relational model: relational algebra, tuple calculus, SQL, integrity constraints, normal form, file organization, indexing, data types, data transformation such as normalization, discretization, sampling, compression; data warehouse modelling: schema for multidimensional data models, concept hierarchies, measures: categorization and computations.

Section 6:	Machine Learning
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Supervised Learning: regression and classification problems, simple linear regression, multiple linear regression, ridge regression, logistic regression, k-nearest neighbour, naive Bayes classifier, linear discriminant analysis, support vector machine, decision trees, bias-variance trade-off, cross-validation methods such as leave-one-out (LOO) cross-validation, k-folds cross-validation, multi-layer perceptron, feed-forward neural network;

Unsupervised Learning: clustering algorithms, k-means/k-medoid, hierarchical clustering, top-down, bottom-up: single-linkage, multiple-linkage, dimensionality reduction, principal component analysis.

Section 7:	AI
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Search: informed, uninformed, adversarial; logic, propositional, predicate; reasoning under uncertainty topics — conditional independence representation, exact inference through variable elimination, and approximate inference through sampling.

EC	Electronics and Communication Engineering
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Section 1:	Engineering Mathematics
Linear Algebra: Vector space, basis, linear dependence and independence, matrix algebra, eigen values and eigen vectors, rank, solution of linear equations - existence and uniqueness. Calculus: Mean value theorems, theorems of integral calculus, evaluation of definite and improper integrals, partial derivatives, maxima and minima, multiple integrals, line, surface and volume integrals, Taylor series. Differential Equations: Linear differential equations, Euler-Cauchy equation, Nonhomogeneous equations, methods of solution using variation of parameters, complementary function and particular integral, partial differential equations, variable separable method, initial and boundary value problems. Vector Analysis: Vectors in plane and space, vector operations, gradient, divergence and curl, Gauss's, Green's and Stokes' theorems. Complex Analysis: Analytic functions, Cauchy's integral theorem, Cauchy's integral formula, sequences, series, convergence tests, Taylor and Laurent series, residue theorem. Probability and Statistics: Mean, median, mode, standard deviation, combinatorial probability, probability distributions, binomial distribution, Poisson distribution, exponential distribution, normal distribution, joint and conditional probability, correlation and regression analysis.	
Section 2:	Networks, Signals and Systems
Circuit Analysis: Node and mesh analysis, superposition, Thevenin's theorem, Norton's theorem, reciprocity. Sinusoidal steady state analysis: phasors, complex power, maximum power transfer. Time and frequency domain analysis of linear circuits: RL, RC and RLC circuits, solution of network equations using Laplace transform. Linear 2-port network parameters, wye-delta transformation. LTI systems: definition and properties, causality, stability, impulse response, convolution, poles and zeroes, frequency response, group delay, phase delay. Continuous-time Signals: Fourier series and Fourier transform, Nyquist sampling theorem, sampling and reconstruction. Discrete-time Signals: DTFT, DFT, z-transform, FIR and IIR filter design.	
Section 3:	Electronic Devices
Formation of energy bands in solids, energy bands in intrinsic and extrinsic semiconductors, equilibrium carrier concentration, direct and indirect band-gap semiconductors. Carrier Transport: Diffusion current, drift current, mobility and resistivity, generation and recombination of carriers, Poisson and continuity equations. P-N junction, Zener diode, BJT, MOS capacitor, MOSFET, scaling in MOSFETs, LED, photo diode and solar cell.	
Section 4:	Analog Circuits
Diode Circuits: Clipping, clamping and rectifiers. BJT and MOSFET Amplifiers: Biasing, AC coupling, small signal analysis, frequency response. Current mirrors and differential amplifiers.	

Op-amp Circuits: Amplifiers, summers, differentiators, integrators, active filters, Schmitt trigger and oscillators, dominant-pole (Miller) compensation, phase margin.	
Section 5:	Digital Circuits
Number Representations: Binary, integer and floating-point- numbers. Combinatorial circuits: Boolean algebra, minimization of functions using Boolean identities and Karnaugh map, logic gates and their static CMOS implementations, arithmetic circuits, code converters, multiplexers, decoders. Sequential Circuits: Latches and flip-flops, counters, shift-registers, finite state machines, propagation delay, setup and hold time, critical path delay. Data Converters: Sample and hold circuits, ADCs and DACs. Semiconductor Memories: ROM, SRAM, DRAM. Computer Organization: Machine instructions and addressing modes, ALU, data-path and control unit, instruction pipelining.	
Section 6:	Control Systems
Basic control system components; Feedback principle; Transfer function; Block diagram representation; Signal flow graph; Transient and steady-state analysis of LTI systems; Frequency response; Routh-Hurwitz and Nyquist stability criteria; Bode and root-locus plots; compensators, PID controller; State variable model and solution of state equation of LTI systems.	
Section 7:	Communications
Random Processes: Autocorrelation and power spectral density, properties of white noise, filtering of random signals through LTI systems. Analog Communications: Amplitude modulation and demodulation, angle modulation and demodulation, spectra of AM and FM, super heterodyne receivers. Information Theory: Entropy, source coding, mutual information and channel capacity theorem. Digital Communications: PCM, DPCM, digital modulation schemes (ASK, PSK, FSK, QAM), bandwidth, inter-symbol interference, MAP, ML detection, matched filter receiver, SNR and BER. Fundamentals of error correction, Hamming codes, CRC.	
Section 8:	Electromagnetics
Maxwell's Equations: Differential and integral forms and their interpretation, boundary conditions, wave equation, Poynting vector. Plane Waves and Properties: Reflection and refraction, polarization, phase and group velocity, propagation through various media, skin depth. Transmission Lines: Equations, characteristic impedance, impedance matching, impedance transformation, Sparameters, Smith chart. Rectangular and circular waveguides, light propagation in optical fibers, dipole and monopole antennas, linear antenna arrays.	

Section 1: Engineering Mathematics

Linear Algebra: Matrix Algebra, Systems of linear equations, Eigen values, Eigen vectors.

Calculus: Mean value theorems, Theorems of integral calculus, Evaluation of definite and improper integrals, Partial Derivatives, Maxima and minima, Multiple integrals, Fourier series, Vector identities, Directional derivatives, Line integral, Surface integral, Volume integral, Stokes's theorem, Gauss's theorem, Divergence theorem, Green's theorem.

Differential Equations: First order equations (linear and nonlinear), Higher order linear differential equations with constant coefficients, Method of variation of parameters, Cauchy's equation, Euler's equation, Initial and boundary value problems, Partial Differential Equations, Method of separation of variables.

Complex Variables: Analytic functions, Cauchy's integral theorem, Cauchy's integral formula, Taylor series, Laurent series, Residue theorem, Solution integrals.

Probability and Statistics: Sampling theorems, Conditional probability, Mean, Median, Mode, Standard Deviation, Random variables, Discrete and Continuous distributions, Poisson distribution, Normal distribution, Binomial distribution, Correlation analysis, Regression analysis.

Section 2: Electric circuits

Network Elements: Ideal voltage and current sources, dependent sources, R, L, C, M elements; Network solution methods: KCL, KVL, Node and Mesh analysis; Network Theorems: Thevenin's, Norton's, Superposition and Maximum Power Transfer theorem; Transient response of DC and AC networks, sinusoidal steady-state analysis, resonance, two port networks, balanced three phase circuits, star-delta transformation, complex power and power factor in AC circuits.

Section 3: Electromagnetic Fields

Coulomb's Law, Electric Field Intensity, Electric Flux Density, Gauss's Law, Divergence, Electric field and potential due to point, line, plane and spherical charge distributions, Effect of dielectric medium, Capacitance of simple configurations, Biot-Savart's law, Ampere's law, Curl, Faraday's law, Lorentz force, Inductance, Magnetomotive force, Reluctance, Magnetic circuits, Self and Mutual inductance of simple configurations.

Section 4: Signals and Systems

Representation of continuous and discrete time signals, shifting and scaling properties, linear time invariant and causal systems, Fourier series representation of continuous and discrete time periodic signals, sampling theorem, Applications of Fourier Transform for continuous and discrete time signals, Laplace Transform and Z transform. R.M.S. value, average value calculation for any general periodic waveform.

Section 5: Electrical Machines

Single phase transformer: equivalent circuit, phasor diagram, open circuit and short circuit tests, regulation and efficiency; Three-phase transformers: connections, vector groups, parallel operation; Auto-transformer, Electromechanical energy conversion principles; DC machines: separately excited, series and shunt, motoring and generating mode of operation and their characteristics, speed control of dc motors; Three-phase induction machines: principle of operation, types, performance, torque-speed characteristics, no-load and blocked-rotor tests, equivalent circuit, starting and speed control; Operating principle of single-phase induction motors; Synchronous machines: cylindrical and salient pole machines, performance and characteristics, regulation and parallel operation of generators, starting of synchronous motors; Types of losses and efficiency calculations of electric machines.

Section 6:	Power Systems
Basic concepts of electrical power generation, AC and DC transmission concepts, Models and performance of transmission lines and cables, Economic Load Dispatch (with and without considering transmission losses), Series and shunt compensation, Electric field distribution and insulators, Distribution systems, Per-unit quantities, Bus admittance matrix, Gauss- Seidel and Newton-Raphson load flow methods, Voltage and Frequency control, Power factor correction, Symmetrical components, Symmetrical and unsymmetrical fault analysis, Principles of over-current, differential, directional and distance protection; Circuit breakers, System stability concepts, Equal area criterion.	
Section 7:	Control Systems
Mathematical modelling and representation of systems, Feedback principle, transfer function, Block diagrams and Signal flow graphs, Transient and Steady-state analysis of linear time invariant systems, Stability analysis using Routh-Hurwitz and Nyquist criteria, Bode plots, Root loci, Lag, Lead and Lead-Lag compensators; P, PI and PID controllers; State space model, Solution of state equations of LTI systems.	
Section 8:	Electrical and Electronic Measurements
Bridges and Potentiometers, Measurement of voltage, current, power, energy and power factor; Instrument transformers, Digital voltmeters and multi-meters, Phase, Time and Frequency measurement; Oscilloscopes, Error analysis.	
Section 9:	Analog and Digital Electronics
Simple diode circuits: clipping, clamping, rectifiers; Amplifiers: biasing, equivalent circuit and frequency response; oscillators and feedback amplifiers; operational amplifiers: characteristics and applications; single stage active filters, Active Filters: Sallen Key, Butterworth, VCOs and timers, combinatorial and sequential logic circuits, multiplexers, demultiplexers, Schmitt triggers, sample and hold circuits, A/D and D/A converters.	
Section 10:	Power Electronics
Static V-I characteristics and firing/gating circuits for Thyristor, MOSFET, IGBT; DC to DC conversion: Buck, Boost and Buck-Boost Converters; Single and three-phase configuration of uncontrolled rectifiers; Voltage and Current commutated Thyristor based converters; Bidirectional ac to dc voltage source converters; Magnitude and Phase of line current harmonics for uncontrolled and thyristor based converters; Power factor and Distortion Factor of AC to DC converters; Single-phase and three-phase voltage and current source inverters, sinusoidal pulse width modulation.	

Section 1:	Mathematics Foundation
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Linear Algebra: Determinants and matrices, Systems of linear equations, Eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

Calculus: Functions, Limit, Continuity, Differentiability, Local maxima and minima, Taylor series, Tests for convergence, Definite and indefinite integrals, Application of definite integral to obtain area and volume, Partial and total derivatives, Linear and non-linear first order ordinary differential equations (ODE).

Numerical Methods: Approximation, errors, accuracy and precision in numerical methods; Numerical solutions (roots) of linear and non-linear algebraic equations; Interpolation and curve fitting - Least square approximation, Newton's and Lagrange polynomials; Numerical differentiation and integration - trapezoidal and Simpson's rule; Numerical solution of ordinary differential equations - single and multi-step methods.

Probability and Statistics: Descriptive statistics, Measurement of central tendency, Dispersion, Skewness and kurtosis, Probability concepts, Conditional probability, Bayes theorem, Risk and reliability, Probability distributions, Correlation, Single and multiple regression models, Hypothesis testing (t-test, F-test, chi-square test).

Section 2:	Environmental Chemistry
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Fundamentals of Environmental Chemistry: Covalent and ionic bonding; Chemical equations, concentration and activity; Structure and chemistry of organic molecules; Chemical equilibria; Thermodynamics and kinetics of chemical reactions.

Principles of Water Chemistry: Water quality parameters and their measurement; Acid-base equilibria; Buffer solution; Carbonate equilibrium; Solubility of gases in water; Complexation, precipitation, and redox reactions; Inorganic and organic contaminants.

Soil Chemistry: Organic matter, nitrogen, phosphorous, potassium, cation exchange capacity, base saturation, and sodium absorption ratio.

Atmospheric Chemistry: Composition of the atmosphere; Reactivity of trace substances in the atmosphere; Chemistry of ozone formation.

Section 3:	Environmental Microbiology
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Prokaryotic and Eukaryotic Microorganisms: Characteristics of diverse groups of microorganisms; Classification of microorganisms; Microbial diversity; Role of microorganisms in wastewater treatment, bioremediation and biogeochemical cycling.

Cell Chemistry and Cell Biology: Structure of proteins, nucleic acid (DNA & RNA), lipids and polysaccharides; Structure of cell; Structure and function of cytoplasmic membrane, cell wall, outer membrane, glycocalyx; antimicrobial resistance, quorum sensing.

Microbial Metabolism: Anabolism and catabolism; Phosphorylation; Glycolysis; TCA cycle; Electron transport chain; Fermentation; Anaerobic respiration; Energy balances; Enzymes and Enzyme kinetics.

Growth and Control of Microorganisms: Bacterial nutrition and growth; Specific growth rate and doubling time; Monod's model; Types of culture media; Batch and continuous culture; Effects of environmental factors on growth; Control of microbes using physical and chemical methods.

Microbiology and Health: Pathogens and modes of transmission; Indicator organisms; Quantification of coliforms using MPN and membrane filtration techniques.

Section 4: Water Resources and Environmental Hydraulics

Global Water Resources: Structure, properties and distribution of water; Threats to water resources; Water conservation.

Surface Water Resources: Hydrological cycle and water balance - precipitation, infiltration, evapotranspiration, runoff; Flow hydrographs; Unit hydrographs; Stage-discharge relationship; Reservoir capacity; Surface water management; Rain water harvesting and storage.

Groundwater Resources: Geologic formations as aquifers; Vadose and saturated zones; Confined and unconfined aquifers and their parameters - porosity, permeability, transmissivity and storage coefficient; Darcy's law and applications; Steady state well hydraulics.

Environmental Hydraulics: Concepts of mechanics; Properties of fluids; Pressure measurement; Hydrostatic force on surfaces; Buoyancy and flotation; Laminar and turbulent flow; Flow through pipes; Pipe networks; Forces on immersed bodies; Flow measurement in channels and pipes; Kinematics of flow; Continuity, momentum and energy equations; Channel hydraulics - specific energy, critical flow, hydraulic jump, rapid and gradually varied flow; Design of lined channels.

Section 5: Water & Wastewater Treatment and Management

Water and wastewater quality parameters; Eutrophication and thermal stratification in lakes; River pollution - Oxygen sag curve.

Water treatment methods — screening, sedimentation with and without coagulation, filtration, desalination, disinfection; Water distribution and storage.

Point and non-point sources of wastewater; Population forecasting methods; Design of sewer and storm water sewers; Sewer appurtenances; Preliminary, primary, secondary and tertiary sewage treatment; Sludge generation, processing and disposal methods; Sewage farming.

Sources and characteristics of industrial effluents; Concept of Common Effluent Treatment Plants (CETP); Wastewater recycling and zero liquid discharge.

Kinetics and reactor design: Mass and energy balance, Order and rate of reactions, Batch reactors, Completely mixed flow reactors, Plug flow reactors.

Section 6: Air and Noise Pollution

Structure and composition of the atmosphere; sources (natural and anthropogenic); Atmospheric processes (emission, transformation, transport, removal); Indoor air pollution; Effects on health and environment; Air pollution: gases and particulate matter; Air quality standards; Primary and secondary pollutants; Criteria pollutants; primary and secondary pollutants; ambient and emission standards; air quality indices; visibility and radiative effects.

Particulate Pollutants: Measurement and control methods; Control of particulate air pollutants using gravitational settling chambers, cyclone separators, wet scrubbers, fabric filters (Baghouse filter), electrostatic precipitators (ESP).

Gaseous Pollutants: Measurement and control methods; Control of gaseous contaminants: absorption, adsorption, condensation and combustion; Control of sulphur oxides, nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, and hydrocarbons; Diffusion, Fick's law and interfacial mass transfer. Vehicular emission control systems, including diesel particulate filters (DPFs), catalytic converters, and fuel standards.

Air Quality Management: Point, line and area sources; Inventory; Meteorology and dispersion; atmospheric stability and inversion, mixing height, wind rose diagrams, Gaussian plume dispersion modelling, and topographic influences.

Noise Pollution: Sources; Health effects; Standards; Measurement parameters (sound pressure level, equivalent continuous sound level L_{eq} , day-night level L_{dn}); frequency analysis; and control and mitigation methods.

Section 7: Solid and Hazardous Waste Management

Integrated solid waste management; Waste hierarchy; Rules and regulations for solid waste management in India.

Municipal solid waste management: Sources, generation, characteristics, collection, segregation, and transportation, waste processing and disposal (including reuse options, biological methods, energy recovery processes and landfilling), waste-to-energy technologies, circular economy principles, life-cycle energy analysis, decentralized renewable systems, and urban metabolism.

Hazardous waste management: Characteristics, generation, fate of materials in the environment, treatment and disposal. Soil contamination and leaching of contaminants into groundwater.

Management of biomedical waste, plastic waste, waste from energy sector (solar/wind/batteries etc), C&D waste and E-waste: Sources, generation and characteristics; Waste management practices including storage, collection and transfer.

Section 8: Global and Regional Environmental Issues

Global effects of air pollution: Greenhouse gases, radiative forcing and global warming potential (GWP), climate change, urban heat islands, acid rain, ozone hole.

Ecology and various ecosystems; Biodiversity; Factors influencing increase in population, energy consumption, and environmental degradation.

Section 9: Environmental Management and Sustainable Development

Environmental Management Systems; ISO14000 series; Environmental Auditing: Environmental Impact Assessment; Life cycle assessment; Human health risk assessment; Occupational Health and Hygiene, Physical & Chemical Hazards.

Environmental Law and Policy: Objectives; Polluter pays principle, Precautionary principle; The Water and Air Acts with amendments; The Environment (Protection) Act (EPA) 1986; National Green Tribunal Act, 2010; National Environment Policy; Principles of International Law and International treaties.

Energy and Environment: Energy Sources: Overview of resources and reserves; Renewable and non-renewable energy sources; Energy-Environment nexus.

Sustainable Development: Definition and concepts of sustainable development; Sustainable development goals; Hurdles to sustainability; Environment and economics; carbon pricing, emission trading, Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) frameworks.

Section 1:	Ecology
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Fundamental Concepts: Abiotic and biotic components of ecosystems; Levels of biological organization (individuals, population, species, community, ecosystems, biomes); Niches; Habitats; Functional traits; Ecophysiology (e.g. physiological adaptations, homeostasis, acclimation).

Population Ecology: Population dynamics and growth (density dependent/independent); Meta-population ecology; Age-structured populations.

Interactions: Types of interactions (mutualism, symbiosis, commensalism, competition, parasitism, predation, etc.); Two species population models (Lotka-Volterra equations); Trophic levels and their direct and indirect interactions.

Community Ecology: Community assembly, structure and succession; Role of dispersal and habitat/environmental filtering; levels of diversity (alpha, beta, gamma); Species richness, Evenness and diversity indices; Relative abundance; Species-area relationships; Diversity gradients (e.g. latitudinal and altitudinal gradients); Theory of island biogeography.

Ecosystem Structure and Function: Primary and secondary productivity; Food web, energy flow, and biogeochemical cycles (e.g. carbon and nitrogen); Ecosystem properties (e.g. stability, resilience); Global biomes and biogeographic zones; Flora and fauna of India; Biogeography of India.

Section 2:	Evolution
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Fundamentals: Lamarckism; Darwinism; Modern Synthesis; Variation; Heritability; Natural selection; Fitness and adaptation; Types of selection (e.g. stabilizing, directional, disruptive).

Diversity of Life: Origin and history of life on earth; Paleobiological evidence; Diversity and classification of life; Classical taxonomy vs systematics (cladistics).

Life History Theory: Allocation of resources; Tradeoffs; r/K selection; Strategies (e.g. semelparity and iteroparity).

Interactions: Co-evolution (e.g. mutualism, arms race, co-speciation); Prey-predator interactions (e.g. mimicry, crypsis); Host-parasite interactions

Population and Quantitative Genetics: Origins of genetic variation; Mendelian genetics; Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium; Drift; Selection (one-locus two-alleles model); Population genetic structure (panmixia, gene flow, FST); Polygenic traits; Gene-environment interactions (phenotypic plasticity); Heritability; Epistasis and epigenetic inheritance.

Molecular Evolution and Phylogenetics: Mutation rates; Molecular clocks; Neutral processes; Rates of evolution; Chromosomal and genome evolution (e.g. hybridization, ploidy, introgression); Phylogenetic methods (parsimony; maximum likelihood, Bayesian, etc); Phylogeography

Macroevolution: Species concepts; Speciation and extinction; Adaptive radiation; Convergence; Biogeographic processes; Continental drift.

Section 3:	Mathematics and Quantitative Ecology
Mathematics and Statistics in Ecology: Simple functions (linear, quadratic, exponential, logarithmic, etc); Concept of derivatives and slope of a function; Permutations and combinations; Basic probability (probability of random events; Sequences of events, conditional probability, etc); Probability distributions (e.g. binomial, normal, Poisson); Descriptive statistics (mean, variance, coefficient of variation, confidence intervals, etc.). Study design and Statistical methods: Statistical hypothesis testing; Concept of p-value; Type I and Type II error, Statistical tests (e.g. t- test, Chi-square test); Correlation, linear regression and ANOVA.	
Section 4:	Behavioural Ecology
Classical Ethology and Sensory Ecology: Proximate and ultimate explanations for behaviour; Innate and learnt behavior; Basic mechanisms (e.g., neuroethology, behavioural endocrinology); Modes of communication (chemical, visual, etc); Movement (e.g. navigation). Foraging and Reproduction: Optimal foraging theory; Space use (e.g. territoriality); Mating systems; Sexual selection and sexual conflict (runaway selection, good-genes, handicap principle, etc); Parental care. Social Behaviour: Costs and benefits of group-living; Intraspecific competition (e.g. scramble and contest); Kin selection; Altruism.	
Section 5:	Applied Ecology & Evolution
Biodiversity and Conservation: Biodiversity-ecosystem function relationships; Ecosystem services; Conservation (endemism, biodiversity hotspots, protected areas); Global conservation initiatives (e.g. COP, IUCN, CBD, CITES); Conservation genetics and methods (genetic diversity, inbreeding depression, DNA fingerprinting and DNA barcoding). Disease Ecology and Evolution: Epidemiology; Zoonotic diseases; Antibiotic resistance. Global Change: Causes, consequences, adaptation and mitigation of climate change; Threats to biodiversity (e.g. pollution, habitat loss and change); Invasive species.	

GA	General Aptitude
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Section 1:	Verbal Aptitude
Basic English grammar: tenses, articles, adjectives, prepositions, conjunctions, verb-noun agreement, and other parts of speech. Basic vocabulary: words, idioms, and phrases in context. Reading and comprehension, Narrative sequencing.	
Section 2:	Quantitative Aptitude
Data interpretation: data graphs (bar graphs, pie charts, and other graphs representing data), 2-and 3-dimensional plots, maps, and tables. Numerical computation and estimation: ratios, percentages, powers, exponents and logarithms, permutations and combinations, and series. Mensuration and geometry, Elementary statistics and probability.	
Section 3:	Analytical Aptitude
Logic: deduction and induction, Analogy, Numerical relations and reasoning.	
Section 4:	Spatial Aptitude
Transformation of shapes: translation, rotation, scaling, mirroring, assembling, and grouping paper folding, cutting, and patterns in 2 and 3 dimensions.	

Part A: Common Section

Engineering Mathematics: Surveying measurements, Accuracy, Precision, Most probable value, Errors and their adjustments, Regression analysis, Correlation coefficient, Least squares adjustment, Statistical significant value, Chi-square test.

Remote Sensing: Basic concept, Physical Principles of Remote Sensing, Spectral signature, Resolutions: Spectral, Spatial, Temporal, Radiometric, Platforms and Sensors, Remote Sensing Data Products- PAN, Multispectral, Microwave, Thermal, Hyperspectral data; Visual and digital interpretation methods.

GNSS: Principle used, Components of GNSS, Data collection methods, DGPS, Errors in observations and corrections.

GIS: Introduction, Data Sources, Data Models and Data Structures, DBMS, Creation of Databases (spatial and non-spatial), Basic Spatial analysis: Interpolation, Buffer, Overlay, Terrain Modeling and Network analysis.

Part B1: Surveying and Mapping

Maps: Importance of maps to engineering projects, Types of maps, Scales, and uses, Plotting accuracy, Map sheet numbering, Coordinate systems- Cartesian and geographical, Map projections, Map datum – MSL, Geoid, spheroid, WGS-84.

Land Surveying: Levelling instruments, Levelling methods, Compass, Theodolite, Total Station and COGO functions, Tachometer, Trigonometric levelling, Traversing, Triangulation and Trilateration.

Aerial Photogrammetry: Types of photographs, Flying height and scale, Relief (height) displacement, Stereoscopy, Height determination using Parallax Bar, Digital Elevation Model (DEM).

Part B2: Image Processing and Analysis

Data Quantization and Processing: Sampling and quantization theory Principle of Linear System, Convolution.

Digital Image Processing: Digital image characteristics: image histogram and scattergram and their significance, Variance-Covariance and Correlation matrix and their significance.

Basic Radiometric and Geometric Corrections: Registration and Resampling techniques.

Image Enhancement: Spatial Enhancement: Noise and Spatial filters, Contrast Enhancement: Linear and Non-linear methods.

Image Transformation: Principal Component Analysis (PCA), Discriminant Analysis, Color transformations (RGB - IHS, CMYK), Indices (Ratios, NDVI, NDWI).

Basic Image Classification and Segmentation: Supervised and unsupervised techniques, accuracy analysis.

Part A: Common Section

This section includes various introductory topics related to geology and geophysics.

Introduction to Earth and planetary systems: Terrestrial planets and moons of the solar system; Concept of isostasy, Internal structure of Earth – elasticity, body and surface waves, propagation of body waves in the Earth's interior; Heat flow within the Earth; Gravitational field of the Earth; Continental and oceanic crust – composition, structure and thickness.

Plate Tectonics: Type of plate boundaries; Plate motions and driving mechanisms; Processes at plate boundaries - volcanism, seismicity, orogenesis, sea-floor spreading and magnetic anomalies and paleomagnetism, formation of back-arc basins; Continental rifting, mantle plumes, hotspots; Numerical problems related to plate motions.

Earth surface processes: Landforms created by hillslopes, rivers, wind, glaciers, oceans, and volcanoes.

Basic structural geology: Mohr's circle, stress, strain, and material response; Brittle and ductile deformation; Nomenclature and classification of folds and faults.

Mineralogy: Silicate crystal structure, physical and chemical properties of common rock-forming minerals.

Common Igneous: Sedimentary, and metamorphic-rocks: composition, structure, and formation processes.

Stratigraphy and Geological time scale: Relative and absolute time, Half-life, decay constant, radioactive equilibrium, stratigraphic principles, and major stratigraphic divisions of India; Major metallic ores, coal and petroleum resources of India.

Introduction to remote sensing: Energy sources and radiation principles, atmospheric absorption, interaction of energy with Earth's surface; Engineering properties of rocks and soils; Natural hazards (landslide, volcanic, seismogenic, coastal) and mitigation; Principles of climate change;

Elements of hydrogeology: Principles and applications of gravity, magnetic, electrical, electromagnetic, seismic, and radiometric methods of prospecting for oil, mineral, and groundwater.

Part B1: Advanced topics in Geology

Geomorphology: Basic geomorphic concepts, Geomorphic processes, and agents; Development and evolution of landforms in continental and oceanic settings; Landscape evolution in response to tectonics, climate, and base-level change. Quaternary geomorphology.

Structural Geology: Stress and strain analysis, deformation mechanisms, primary and secondary structures; Geometry and genesis of planar and linear structures (bedding, cleavage, schistosity, lineation); Folds, faults, joints, and unconformities; Shear zones, thrusts, and superposed folding; Geological maps-interpretation, measurements, and numerical analysis; Stereographic projection.

Crystallography and Mineralogy: Elements of crystal symmetry, form, and twinning; Crystallographic projections; Classification of minerals, physical and optical properties of rock-forming minerals; Mineral nucleation; Mineral chemistry (major, trace, and rare earth elements), cation re-calculations.

Geochemistry: Nucleosynthesis and cosmic abundance of elements; Classification and components of meteorites; Geochemical affinities and distribution of major, minor and trace elements in crust, mantle, and core; Planetary differentiation and geochemical evolution of the earth; Radiogenic (long-lived) isotopic evolution (Rb-Sr, Sm-Nd, U-Th-Pb) of the crust and the mantle, mantle reservoirs; Stable isotope geochemistry (H, O, C), isotope fractionation; geochemical cycles; Elements of high-temperature and low-temperature geochemical thermodynamics; Geochemical and isotopic (C-O, Sr isotopes) composition of river water, groundwater and seawater, residence time, and water-rock interaction; Principles of environmental geochemistry (pH, Salinity,

TDS, BOD, COD).

Igneous Petrology: Classification and textures of common igneous rocks; Mantle melting; Magmatic differentiation; Role of major, trace, and rare earth elements in igneous petrogenesis; Magma evolution, modeling crystallization and melting processes, plate margin volcanism; Intra-plate volcanism and large igneous provinces.

Thermodynamics: Equilibrium, Gibbs free energy; enthalpy, entropy, energy, Clapeyron Equation, Mineral stability and Phase equilibria, Schreinmakers rules; Phase rule; Phase diagrams, Activity-composition; Mineral solid solutions; Enthalpy and entropy of magma crystallization, Binary and ternary phase diagrams in igneous systems; Chemical speciation and equilibrium in natural waters, solubility and precipitation of minerals - saturation index calculations, Eh-pH diagrams and redox equilibria.

Sedimentology: Texture, structure, sedimentary processes, physical principles related to fluid flow; Statistical analysis in sedimentology; Petrology of common sedimentary rocks; Sedimentary facies and environments, cyclicities in sedimentary succession; Provenance and basin analysis.

Metamorphic Petrology: Structures and textures of metamorphic rocks; Extreme metamorphism; Metamorphic facies and grades; Paired metamorphic belts; Mineral reactions and chemographic projections; Metamorphism of pelitic, mafic and impure carbonate rocks; role of bulk compositions and fluids in metamorphism; Thermobarometry; Timing of metamorphism.

Paleontology: Diversity of life through time, mass extinctions- causes and effects; Taphonomy - processes of fossilization. functional morphology of invertebrates (bivalves, brachiopods, gastropods, echinoids, ammonites) and microfossils - (foraminifera, Ostracoda, conodonts, bryozoa); Statistical analysis of morphology; Vertebrate paleontology. Basic concepts of paleoecology; Fossils and paleoenvironments.

Stratigraphy: Principles of stratigraphy, concepts of correlation and their applications in Indian stratigraphy; Quantitative Lithostratigraphy, biostratigraphy, and chronostratigraphy - statistical and probabilistic approaches; Isotope stratigraphy; Principles of sequence stratigraphy and applications; Boundary problems in Indian stratigraphy.

Resource Geology: Ore-mineralogy; Ore forming processes - magmatic, hydrothermal, sedimentary, supergene, and metamorphogenic ores; Fluid inclusions in ore genesis; Coal and petroleum geology; Marine mineral resources; Prospecting and exploration of economic mineral deposits - sampling, ore reserve estimation, geostatistics, and mining methods; Distribution of strategic, essential, and critical minerals and fossil fuel deposits in India.

Engineering Geology: Physico-mechanical properties of rocks and soils; rock index tests; Rock failure criteria (Mohr-Coulomb, Griffith, and Hoek-Brown criteria); Shear strength of rock discontinuities; Rock mass classifications (RMR and Q Systems); in-situ stresses; Geological factors in the construction of engineering structures including dams, tunnels, and excavation sites; Analysis of slope stability.

Hydrogeology: Porosity and permeability; Groundwater storage and aquifer properties; Darcy's law; Hydraulic conductivity and groundwater flow dynamics; Groundwater exploration, well hydraulics.

Remote Sensing: EM spectrum, multispectral remote sensing in visible, infrared, thermal IR and microwave regions including hyperspectral; Digital processing of satellite images. GIS – basic concepts, raster and vector mode operations; Applications of remote sensing tools and techniques in geology.

Part B2: Advanced topics in Geophysics

Heat flow: Elements of conduction and convection within the mantle and the core, Half-space cooling, calculation of simple geotherms, geothermal gradient, equilibrium geotherms, thermal models in plate tectonics, adiabat, and melting in the mantle.

Geodesy: Gravitational Field of the Earth; Clairaut's theorem, size and shape of Earth; Geoid; Ellipsoid; Geodetic Reference Systems; Datum; GPS.

Seismology and Interior of the Earth: Variation of density, velocity, pressure, temperature, electrical and magnetic properties of the Earth; Conservation laws, Newton's law of viscosity, elements of laminar and turbulent flow; Elements of elasticity theory- stress and strain tensors, Generalized Hooke's Law; Body and Surface Waves; Rotational, dilatational, irrotational, and equivoluminal waves; Reflection and refraction of elastic waves; Inhomogeneous and evanescent waves and bounded waves; Eikonal Equation and Ray theory; Wave propagation in elastic media, Seismic Tomography.

Earthquake Seismology: Earthquakes-causes and measurements, magnitude and intensity, focal mechanisms; Earthquake quantification, source characteristics, seismotectonics and seismic hazards; Digital seismographs, Earthquake statistics, quantifying earthquake source from seismological data; Uniqueness Theorem, Representation Theorems of correlation and convolution type, Reciprocity.

Potential and Time Varying Fields: Scalar and vector potential fields; Laplace, Maxwell and Helmholtz equations for solution of different types of boundary value problems in Cartesian, cylindrical, and spherical polar coordinates; Green's theorem; Image theory; integral equations in potential and time-varying field theory.

Gravity: The earth as a planet; Absolute and relative gravity measurements; The various corrections for gravity data reduction – free air, Bouguer and isostatic anomalies; density estimates of rocks; Regional and residual gravity separation; Principle of equivalent stratum; Upward and downward continuation; Wavelength filtering; Gravity anomalies and their interpretation – anomalies due to geometrical and irregular shaped bodies, depth rules, calculation of mass.

Magnetic Methods: Geomagnetic field, paleomagnetism; Inclination, declination; Magnetic induction equation – convection, diffusion, Ohm's law for a moving conductor, frozen flux theorem, magnetic fields of planets in the Solar System, Geodynamo and origin of Earth's Magnetic field, magnetic susceptibility of rocks and measurements; Various corrections applied to magnetic data, IGRF, Poisson's relation of gravity and magnetic potential field, upward and downward continuation, magnetic anomalies due to geometrical and irregular shaped bodies; Interpretation of processed magnetic anomaly data; Derivative, analytic signal and Euler Depth Solutions.

Electrical Methods: Conduction of electricity through rocks, electrical conductivities of metals, non-metals, rock-forming minerals and different rocks, concepts of D.C. resistivity measurement and depth of investigation; Apparent Resistivity and Apparent Chargeability, Theory of Reciprocity, Sounding and Profiling, Various electrode arrangements, application of linear filter theory, Sounding curves over multi-layered earth, interpretation of resistivity field data, Principles of equivalence and suppression.

Electromagnetic Methods: Geo-electromagnetic spectrum; Biot Savart's Law; Maxwell's Equation, Helmholtz Equation, Basic concept of EM induction in the earth, Skin-depth, elliptic polarization, in-phase and quadrature components, phasor diagrams; Response function and response parameters; Measurements in different source receiver configurations; Earth's natural electromagnetic methods- tellurics, geomagnetic depth sounding and magnetotellurics; Electromagnetic profiling and Sounding, Time domain EM method; EM scale modelling, processing of EM data and interpretation; Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) Methods; Effect of conducting overburden.

Seismic Methods: Elastic properties of earth materials; Reflection, refraction, generation, and propagation of elastic waves, velocity – depth models, seismic noise and noise profile analysis, processing, and interpretation; CDP stacking charts, binning, filtering, static and dynamic corrections, Digital seismic data processing, seismic deconvolution and migration methods, attribute analysis, bright and dim spots, seismic stratigraphy, high-resolution seismics, VSP, AVO, multi-component seismics, and seismic interferometry; Kirchhoff migration, Time Reversal, Time-Reversal imaging, Reverse-Time Migration; Representation theorem of cross-correlation and convolution type.

Reservoir Geophysics: Rock Physics and Petrophysics, Failure Criteria, stress concentration, Linear elasticity fracture mechanics, Elastic-Plastic Fracture mechanics; Griffith's criterion, dynamic fracture mechanics; Lithology and Porosity Estimation; Saturation and Permeability Estimation; application of borehole geophysics in groundwater, mineral, and oil exploration.

Geophysical Signal Processing: Sampling theorem, Nyquist frequency, aliasing, Fourier series, periodic waveform, Fourier and Hilbert transform, Z-transform and wavelet transform; power spectrum, delta function, auto-correlation, cross-correlation, convolution, deconvolution, principles of digital filters, windows, poles, and zeros, Basics of Time-frequency analysis.

Geophysical Well Logging: Principles and techniques of geophysical well-logging, SP, resistivity, induction, gamma ray, neutron, density, sonic, temperature, dip meter, caliper, nuclear magnetic resonance- longitudinal and transverse relaxation, CPMG sequence, porosity characterization, cement bond logging, micro-logs, Quantitative evaluation of formations from well logs.

Geophysical Inversion: Basic concepts of forward and inverse problems, Ill-posedness of inverse problems, condition number, non-uniqueness and stability of solutions; L1, L2, and Lp norms, overdetermined, underdetermined and mixed determined inverse problems, quasi-linear and non-linear methods including Tikhonov's regularization method, Singular Value Decomposition, Backus-Gilbert method, simulated annealing, genetic algorithms, swarm intelligence, Statistics of misfit and likelihood, Random Variables and Processes, Probability distribution functions - Gaussian, Poissonian, log-normal; Spatial analysis, Hypothesis testing; Bayesian construction of posterior probabilities, sparsity promoting L1 optimization; Ambiguity and uncertainty in geophysical interpretation; PDE constrained optimization, Adjoint-state method.

IN	Instrumentation Engineering
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Section 1	Engineering Mathematics
Linear Algebra: Matrix algebra, systems of linear equations, consistency and rank, eigenvalues and eigenvectors, tensors. Calculus: Functions, limits, continuity; differentiation, differentiability, partial derivatives, maxima and minima, integration, multiple integrals, vector algebra, line, surface and volume integrals, Stokes, Gauss and Green's theorems. Differential Equations: Ordinary differential equations, first order linear differential equations, second order linear differential equations with constant coefficients, method of variation of parameters, Cauchy's and Euler's equations, initial and boundary value problems, solution of partial differential equations: variable separable method. Analysis of Complex Variables: Analytic functions, Cauchy's integral theorem and integral formula, Taylor's and Laurent's series, residue theorem, solution of integrals. Probability and Statistics: Random variables, discrete and continuous distributions: normal, Poisson and Binomial distributions. Sampling from distributions, conditional probability and Bayes' theorem, mean, median, mode, standard deviation and variance. Numerical Methods: Solution of matrix equations, solutions of non-linear algebraic equations, iterative methods for solving differential equations, numerical integration, regression and correlation analysis, backpropagation for neural networks.	
Section 2	Electricity and Magnetism
Coulomb's law, electric field intensity, electric flux density, Gauss' law, electric field and potential due to point, line, plane and spherical charge distributions, effect of dielectric medium, permittivity, capacitance, magnetic field intensity, magnetic flux density, Biot-Savart's law, Ampere's law, Faraday's law, Lorentz force, permeability, self and mutual inductance, electrical and magnetic dipoles, electromagnetic induction, magnetomotive force, reluctance, magnetic circuits, B-H curve, Maxwell's equations: vector, differential and integral forms.	
Section 3	Electrical Circuits and Machines
Electrical Circuits: Independent, dependent, ideal and practical sources; V-I characteristics of practical current and voltage sources, battery, solar cell, resistor, inductor, coupled inductor, capacitor; transient analysis of RC, RL, LC, RLC circuits; power and energy consumption, power rating of components, efficiency and losses. Kirchhoff's laws, mesh and nodal analysis, star-delta transformation, superposition, Thevenin's, Norton's, Miller's, maximum power transfer and reciprocity theorems. Peak, average and rms values of AC quantities; apparent, active and reactive powers, power factor; phasor analysis, impedance and admittance; series and parallel resonance, locus diagrams, realization of basic filters with R, L, and C elements; transient analysis of RLC circuits with AC excitation. Analysis of one-port and two-port networks with controlled voltage and current sources, driving point impedance and admittance, open and short circuit parameters. Electrical Machines: Single phase transformers, permanent magnet synchronous machines; buck and boost converters, rectifiers, single phase inverters; rotor position and speed sensing, current sensing, pulse width modulation (PWM) control.	

Section 4	Signals and Systems
Periodic, aperiodic and impulse signals; sampling; Fourier series, Laplace, Fourier and z-transforms, DFT and FFT; continuous-time and discrete-time systems, transfer function, linear time invariant systems, impulse response, frequency response, pulse transfer function; convolution, correlation; basics of IIR and FIR filters.	
Section 5	Control Systems
Feedback principles, role of sensing in feedback, signal flow graphs, transient response, steady state error, Bode plot, phase and gain margins, Routh and Nyquist criteria, root loci, state-space representation of systems; time-delay systems. Actuators for control system: control valves, servo valves, servo motors, stepper motors; on-off, P, PI, PID, cascade, feed forward, and ratio controllers, tuning of PID controllers; design of lead, lag and lead-lag compensators; basic concept of supervisory control, basics of distributed control system (DCS) and programmable logic controller (PLC).	
Section 6	Analog Electronics
Types of diode and their applications; BJT and MOSFET circuits, biasing, power dissipation, DC analysis, small signal analysis, frequency response of transistor circuits, feedback, amplifier design. Characteristics of ideal and practical operational amplifiers; applications of opamps: adder, subtractor, integrator, differentiator, difference amplifier, instrumentation amplifier, precision rectifier, active filters, comparators, Schmitt trigger, multivibrators, oscillators, signal generators, voltage-controlled oscillators and phase-locked loop. Sources and effects of noise and interference in electronic circuits; conductively, capacitively, inductively coupled interference; noise generated by electronic components, thermal noise, shot noise, flicker noise; shielding and grounding. Basic principles of component selection based on specifications, circuit board realization and testing.	
Section 7:	Digital Electronics
Basics of number systems. Combinational logic circuits, multiplexer and demultiplexer, truth table, minimization of Boolean functions; IC families: ECL, TTL and CMOS, CMOS implementation of logic gates; arithmetic circuits, sequential circuits, finite state machines, flipflops, shift registers, timers and counters. Analog front end: analog multiplexer, programmable gain amplifier, sample-and-hold circuit; analog-to-digital converters (ADC) (successive approximation, integrating, flash and sigma-delta) and digital-to-analog converters (DAC) (weighted R, R-2R ladder and current steering logic); characteristics and specifications of ADC and DAC (dynamic range, resolution, quantization, significant bits, conversion/settling time, INL, DNL, ENOB); embedded systems: common microprocessors and microcontrollers, memory and input-output interfacing, embedded systems programming; basics of data acquisition systems, virtual instrumentation, IoT; basic AI applications in instrumentation (sensor linearization, system calibration and tuning, signal classification).	
Section 8:	Measurements
SI units, standards of basic electrical quantities (R, L, C, voltage, current and frequency), systematic and random errors in measurement, expression of uncertainty, accuracy and precision, propagation of errors, linear and weighted regression; bridges: Wheatstone, Kelvin, Maxwell, Anderson, Schering and Wien bridges for measurement of R, L, C and frequency, typical applications of bridges, Q-meter; megohm measurement; measurement of voltage, current and power in DC, single and three phase AC circuits; contact and noncontact type AC and DC current and voltage probes; true rms meters, voltage and current scaling, instrument transformers, timer/counter, time, phase and frequency measurements, digital voltmeter, digital multimeter, digital energy meter, digital storage oscilloscope, spectrum analyzer.	

Section 9:	Sensors and Industrial Instrumentation
Resistive, capacitive, inductive, piezoelectric, electromagnetic and Hall effect sensors and associated signal conditioning circuits; transducers for industrial instrumentation: displacement, velocity, acceleration (linear and angular), force, torque, vibration, shock, pressure (including low and high pressure), flow (variable head, variable area, electromagnetic, ultrasonic, turbine flowmeters), temperature (thermocouple, bolometer, 2, 3, 4 wire RTD, thermistor, pyrometer and semiconductor sensor), liquid level, pH, conductivity and viscosity measurement.	
Section 10	Communication and Optical Instrumentation
Amplitude and frequency modulation and demodulation, pulse code modulation, frequency and time division multiplexing; amplitude, phase, frequency, quadrature amplitude, pulse shift keying for digital modulation and demodulation; functional architectures of transmitters and receivers; instrument and sensor networks, 4–20 mA two-wire transmitter. Optical sources and detectors: LED, laser, photo-diode, light dependent resistor, square law detectors and their characteristics; interferometer: applications in metrology; basics of fiber optic sensing. Near-infrared (NIR) sensing, Ultraviolet-Visible (UV-VIS) spectrophotometers, mass spectrometer.	

Section 1: Calculus

Functions of two or more variables, continuity, directional derivatives, partial derivatives, total derivative, Taylor's theorem, maxima and minima, saddle point, method of Lagrange's multipliers; Double and Triple integrals, Jacobians and Change of variables, Applications to area, volume and surface area;

Vector Calculus: gradient, divergence and curl, Line integrals and Surface integrals, Green's theorem, Stokes' theorem, and Gauss divergence theorem.

Section 2: Linear Algebra

Finite dimensional vector spaces over real or complex fields; Linear transformations and their matrix representations, rank and nullity; systems of linear equations, characteristic polynomial, eigenvalues and eigenvectors, diagonalization, minimal polynomial, Cayley-Hamilton Theorem, Finite dimensional inner product spaces, Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization process, symmetric, skew-symmetric, Hermitian, skew-Hermitian, normal, orthogonal and unitary matrices; diagonalization by a unitary matrix, Jordan canonical form; bilinear and quadratic forms.

Section 3: Real Analysis

Metric spaces, Baire category theorem, connectedness, compactness, completeness; Continuity and Uniform continuity of functions; Sequences and series of functions, uniform convergence, Ascoli-Arzelà theorem; Weierstrass approximation theorem; contraction mapping principle, Power series; Differentiation of functions of several variables, Inverse and Implicit function theorems; Lebesgue measure on the real line, measurable functions; Lebesgue integral, Fatou's lemma, monotone convergence theorem, dominated convergence theorem, L^p spaces.

Section 4: Complex Analysis

Functions of a complex variable: continuity, differentiability, analytic functions, harmonic functions;

Complex integration: Cauchy's integral theorem and formula; Liouville's theorem, maximum modulus principle, Morera's theorem; zeros and singularities; Power series, radius of convergence, Taylor's series and Laurent's series; Residue theorem and applications for evaluating real integrals; Rouché's theorem, Argument principle, Schwarz lemma; Conformal mappings, Möbius transformations.

Section 5: Ordinary Differential Equations

First order ordinary differential equations, existence and uniqueness theorems for initial value problems, linear ordinary differential equations of higher order with constant coefficients; Second order linear ordinary differential equations with variable coefficients; Cauchy-Euler equation; Definition and basic properties of Laplace transforms, Applications of Laplace transform for solving ordinary differential equations, series solutions (power series, Frobenius method); Legendre and Bessel functions and their orthogonal properties; Systems of linear first order ordinary differential equations, Sturm's oscillation and separation theorems, Sturm-Liouville eigenvalue problems, Planar autonomous systems of ordinary differential equations: Stability of stationary points for linear systems with constant coefficients, Linearized stability, Lyapunov functions.

Section 6: Algebra

Groups, subgroups, normal subgroups, quotient groups, homomorphisms, automorphisms; cyclic groups, permutation groups, Group action, Finite Abelian groups, Sylow's theorems and their applications; Rings, ideals, prime and maximal ideals, quotient rings, unique factorization domains, Principal ideal domains, Euclidean domains, polynomial rings, Eisenstein's irreducibility criterion; Fields, finite fields, field extensions, algebraic extensions, algebraically closed fields.

Section 7:	Functional Analysis
Normed linear spaces, Bounded linear operators and compact linear operators, Banach spaces, Separability, Dual spaces, Hahn-Banach theorem, open mapping and closed graph theorems, principle of uniform boundedness; Inner-product spaces, Hilbert spaces, orthonormal bases, projection theorem, Riesz representation theorem, spectral theorem for compact self-adjoint operators.	
Section 8:	Numerical Analysis
Systems of linear equations: Direct methods (Gaussian elimination, LU decomposition, Cholesky factorization), Iterative methods (Gauss-Seidel and Jacobi) and their convergence for diagonally dominant coefficient matrices; Numerical solutions of nonlinear equations: bisection method, secant method, Newton-Raphson method, fixed point iteration; Interpolation: Lagrange and Newton forms of interpolating polynomial, Error in polynomial interpolation of a function; Numerical differentiation and error, Numerical integration: Trapezoidal and Simpson rules, Newton-Cotes integration formulas, composite rules, mathematical errors involved in numerical integration formulae; Numerical solution of initial value problems for ordinary differential equations: Methods of Euler, Runge-Kutta method of order 2.	
Section 9:	Partial Differential Equations
Method of characteristics for first order linear and quasilinear partial differential equations; Second order partial differential equations in two independent variables: classification and canonical forms, method of separation of variables for Laplace equation in Cartesian and polar coordinates, Maximum Principle; heat and wave equations in one space variable; Wave equation: Cauchy problem and d'Alembert formula, domains of dependence and influence, non-homogeneous wave equation; Heat equation: Cauchy problem; Laplace and Fourier transform methods.	
Section 10:	Topology
Basic concepts of topology, bases, subbases, subspace topology, order topology, product topology, quotient topology, metric topology, connectedness, path connectedness, compactness, sequentially compact, limit point compact, Tychonoff theorem, countability and separation axioms, Urysohn's Lemma, Tietze extension theorem.	
Section 11:	Linear Programming
Linear programming models, convex sets, extreme points; Basic feasible solution, graphical method, simplex method, two phase methods, revised simplex method ; Infeasible and unbounded linear programming models, alternate optima; Duality theory, weak duality and strong duality; Balanced and unbalanced transportation problems, Initial basic feasible solution of balanced transportation problems (least cost method, north-west corner rule, Vogel's approximation method); Optimal solution, modified distribution method; Solving assignment problems, Hungarian method.	

Section 1:	Engineering Mathematics
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Linear Algebra: Matrix algebra, systems of linear equations, eigen values and eigen vectors.

Calculus: Functions of single variable, limit, continuity and differentiability, mean value theorems, indeterminate forms; evaluation of definite and improper integrals; double and triple integrals; partial derivatives, total derivative, Taylor series (in one and two variables), maxima and minima, Fourier series; gradient, divergence and curl, vector identities, directional derivatives, line, surface and volume integrals, applications of Gauss, Stokes and Green's theorems.

Differential Equations: First order equations (linear and nonlinear); higher order linear differential equations with constant coefficients; Euler-Cauchy equation; initial and boundary value problems; Laplace transforms; solutions of heat, wave and Laplace's equations.

Complex Variables: Analytic functions; Cauchy-Riemann equations; Cauchy's integral theorem and contour integral formula; Taylor and Laurent series.

Probability and Statistics: Definitions of probability, sampling theorems, conditional probability; mean, median, mode and standard deviation; random variables, binomial, Poisson and normal distributions.

Numerical Methods: Numerical solutions of linear and non-linear algebraic equations; integration by trapezoidal and Simpson's rules; single and multi-step methods for ordinary differential equations.

Section 2:	Applied Mechanics and Design
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Engineering Mechanics: Free-body diagrams and equilibrium; friction and its applications including rolling resistance, belt-pulley, brakes, clutches, screw jack, wedge, vehicles, etc.; plane trusses and frames; virtual work; kinematics and dynamics of rigid bodies in plane motion; impulse and momentum (linear and angular) and energy formulations.

Mechanics of Materials: Stress and strain, elastic constants and their relationships; stress and strain components transformations in 2D; Mohr's circle for plane stress and plane strain; thin-walled pressure vessels; shear force and bending moment diagrams; bending and shear stresses; concept of shear centre; deflection of beams; torsion of circular shafts; Euler's theory of columns; energy methods; thermal stresses; strain gauges and rosettes; Mechanical properties of materials, toughness, hardness, impact strength.

Theory of Machines: Displacement, velocity and acceleration analysis of plane mechanisms; dynamic analysis of linkages; cams; gears and gear trains; flywheels and governors; balancing of reciprocating and rotating masses; gyroscope.

Vibrations: Free and forced vibration of linear systems with single and two degrees of freedom, damping estimation and effects; vibration isolation, transmissibility ratio; resonance; critical speeds of shafts; Control system, PID controller, transfer function.

Machine Design: Design for static and dynamic loading; failure theories; fatigue strength and the S-N diagram; principles and design of machine elements such as bolted, riveted and welded joints; shafts, gears, belt drives, rolling and sliding contact bearings, brakes and clutches, springs.

Section 3:	Fluid Mechanics and Thermal Sciences
	Fluid Mechanics: Fluid properties; fluid statics, forces on submerged bodies, stability of floating bodies; control-volume analysis of mass, momentum and energy; fluid acceleration; differential equations of continuity and momentum; concept of velocity potential; Bernoulli's equation; dimensional analysis; viscous flow of incompressible fluids, boundary layer, elementary turbulent flow, flow through pipes, head losses in pipes, bends and fittings; One dimensional high speed compressible fluid flow; flow through converging and converging-diverging nozzles. Heat Transfer: Modes of heat transfer; one dimensional heat conduction, resistance concept and electrical analogy, heat transfer through fins; unsteady heat conduction, lumped parameter system, thermal boundary layer, dimensionless parameters in free and forced convective heat transfer, heat transfer correlations for flow over flat plates and through pipes; boiling and condensation; effect of turbulence; heat exchanger performance, LMTD and NTU methods; radiative heat transfer, Stefan- Boltzmann law, Wien's displacement law, black and grey surfaces, view factors, radiation network analysis. Thermodynamics: Thermodynamic systems and processes; properties of pure substances, behaviour of ideal and real gases; zeroth, first and second laws of thermodynamics, calculation of work, heat, energy changes and entropy changes in various processes; application of first and second laws for analysis of closed and open systems; thermodynamic property charts and tables, availability and irreversibility; thermodynamic relations. Applications: <i>Power Engineering:</i> vapour and gas power cycles, concepts of regeneration and reheat; <i>I.C. Engines:</i> Air-standard Otto, Diesel and dual cycles; <i>Basics of Combustion:</i> Air- Fuel Ratio, Equivalence Ratio; <i>Refrigeration and air-conditioning:</i> Vapour and gas refrigeration and heat pump cycles, properties of moist air, psychrometric chart, basic psychrometric processes; <i>Turbomachinery:</i> Impulse and reaction principles, velocity diagrams, Pelton-wheel, Francis and Kaplan turbines, steam and gas turbines, Air and gas compressors, pumps and pump characteristics.
Section 4:	Materials, Manufacturing and Industrial Engineering
	Engineering Materials: Crystal structure of common metals, phase diagrams, heat treatment; Properties and applications of engineering materials - metals and alloys, polymers, composites and ceramics; Engineering and true stress-strain diagrams. Casting, Forming and Joining Processes: Different types of casting processes; Patterns, moulds and core; Solidification and cooling, riser and gating design, casting defects; Plastic deformation and yield criteria; Hot working and cold working; Principles of bulk forming and sheet forming processes and estimation of load in these processes; Fundamentals of powder metallurgy and its applications; Principles of welding, brazing, soldering; Solid-state welding processes, adhesive bonding; Non-destructive testing methods. Machining and Machine Tool Operations: Basic machining operations and machine tools; Single-point and multipoint cutting tools; Geometry of single-point turning tools - ASA and ORS systems; Mechanics of machining; Cutting tool materials, tool life and tool wear; Economics of machining; Abrasive machining processes; Principles and applications of non-traditional machining processes; Principles of work holding, jigs and fixtures. Additive Manufacturing: Principles of different types of additive manufacturing processes for engineering materials; Additively manufactured products – advantages, limitations, and applications. Metrology and Inspection: Limits, fits and tolerances; Linear and angular measurements; Comparators;

Interferometry; Form and finish measurement; Alignment and testing methods; Tolerance analysis in manufacturing and assembly; Principle of coordinate- measuring machine (CMM).

Computer Aided Manufacturing and Automation: Basic concepts of CAD/CAM and their integration tools; NC/CNC machines and CNC programming; Pneumatic, electro-pneumatic, and hydraulic actuators for automation; Programmable logic controllers.

Production Planning and Control: Work study, Productivity, Forecasting models, Aggregate production planning, Scheduling, Materials requirement planning, Six sigma, Lean manufacturing, Inventory Control – deterministic models, safety stock, inventory control systems, Quality and reliability concepts for product lifecycle analysis.

Operations Research: Linear programming, Simplex method, Transportation, Assignment, Network flow models, Simple queuing models, PERT and CPM.

Section 1: Engineering Mathematics

Linear Algebra: Matrices and Determinants; Inverse and Rank of matrix; Systems of linear equations; Eigen values and Eigen vectors.

Calculus: Limit, continuity and differentiability; Partial Derivatives; Mean value theorems; Indeterminate forms and L' Hospital's rule; Maxima and minima; Taylor's theorem; Sequences and series; Fourier series.

Vector Calculus: Gradient; Divergence and Curl; Line; surface and volume integrals; Stokes, Gauss and Green's theorems.

Differential Equations: Linear and non-linear first order ODEs; Higher order linear ODEs with constant coefficients; Cauchy's and Euler's equations.

Probability and Statistics: Probability: Joint, Conditional, Bayes' Theory; Descriptive Statistics; Sampling theory and hypothesis testing; Binomial, Poisson, exponential and normal distributions; Pearson Correlation and linear regression.

Numerical Methods: Solutions of linear algebraic equations; Interpolation; Integration of trapezoidal and Simpson's rule; Single and multi-step methods for differential equations.

Section 2: Mining Geology, Mine Development and Surveying

Mining Geology: Minerals, Rocks and their Origin, Classification, Ore Genesis; Structural Geology.

Mine Development: Methods of access to deposits; Underground drivages; Drilling methods and machines; Explosives and initiation system, blasting tools, blast design practices; ground vibration

Mine Surveying: Levels and levelling, tacheometry, triangulation; Errors and adjustments; Correlation; Underground surveying; Curves and contouring; Photogrammetry; Theodolite, EDM, Total Station, GPS, Remote sensing and Astronomical survey.

Section 3: Geomechanics and Ground Control

Engineering Mechanics: Equivalent force systems; Equations of equilibrium; Two dimensional frames and trusses; Friction forces; Particle kinematics and dynamics; Beam analysis.

Geomechanics: Geo-technical properties of rocks; Rock mass classification; Instrumentations and in-situ stress measurement techniques; Theories of rock failure; Stress distribution around mine openings; Subsidence; Slope and Dump stability.

Ground Control: Design of pillars and supporting systems; Mine filling. Strata Control.

Section 4: Mining Methods and Machinery

Mining Methods: Surface mining: layout and haul road development, loading, transportation and mechanization, continuous mining systems; highwall mining; Underground coal mining: bord and pillar systems, longwall mining, thick seam mining methods, Underground metal mining: open, supported and caving stopping methods, stope mechanization, ore handling systems.

Mining Machinery: Generation and transmission of mechanical, hydraulic and pneumatic power; Materials handling: wire ropes, haulages, conveyors, face and development machineries, hoisting systems, pumps; comminution methods and machinery, Rock-tool interaction and mechanical cutting.	
Section 5:	Surface Environment, Mine Ventilation and Underground Hazards
Surface Environment: Air, water and soil pollution: Standards of quality, causes and dispersion of contamination and control; Noise pollution and control; Land reclamation; EIA. Mine Ventilation: Underground atmosphere; Heat load sources and thermal environment, air cooling; Mechanics of airflow, distribution, natural and mechanical ventilation; Mine fans and usage; Auxiliary ventilation; Ventilation survey and planning; Ventilation networks. Underground Hazards: Mine Gases, Methane drainage; Underground hazards from fires, explosions, dust and inundation; Rescue apparatus and practices; Safety management plan; Safety data analytics; Mine illumination; Mine legislation; Occupational health and safety.	
Section 6:	Mineral Economics, Mine Planning, Systems Engineering
Mineral Economics: Mineral resource classification; Discounted cash flow analysis; Mine valuation; Mineral taxation. Mine Planning: Sampling methods, practices and interpretation; Reserve estimation techniques: Basics of geostatistics and quality control; Optimization of facility location; Mine planning and its components, Determination of mine size and mine life; Ultimate pit design; Grade-tonnage relationship, ore dilution, recovery and cut-off grade; Equipment Selection. Systems Engineering: Concepts of reliability; Reliability of simple systems; Maintainability and availability; Linear programming, transportation and assignment problems; Network analysis; Inventory models; Queuing theory.	

Section 1:	Engineering Mathematics
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Linear Algebra: Matrices and determinants; systems of linear equations; eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

Calculus: Limit, continuity and differentiability; partial derivatives; maxima and minima; sequences and series; test for convergence; Fourier series.

Vector Calculus: Gradient, divergence and curl; line, surface and volume integrals; Gauss theorem.

Differential Equations: Linear and non-linear first order ODEs; higher order linear ODEs with constant coefficients; Cauchy's and Euler's equations; PDEs – one dimensional heat and wave equations.

Probability and Statistics: Definitions of probability; conditional probability; mean, median, mode and standard deviation; random variables; Poisson, normal and binomial distributions; analysis of experimental data; linear least squares method.

Numerical Methods: Roots of linear and non-linear algebraic equations of single variable (bisection, secant, Newton- Raphson methods); numerical integration (trapezoidal rule) and differentiation (Taylor series expansion).

Section 2:	Metallurgical Thermodynamics
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Laws of Thermodynamics: First law – energy conservation, Second law - entropy; enthalpy, Gibbs and Helmholtz free energy; Maxwell's relations; chemical potential; applications to metallurgical systems; solutions, ideal and regular solutions; Gibbs phase rule, phase equilibria, binary phase diagram and lever rule; free-energy vs. composition diagrams; equilibrium constant, activity, Ellingham and phase stability diagrams.

Electrochemistry: Single electrode potential; electrochemical cells; Nernst equation; potential-pH diagrams.

Section 3:	Transport Phenomena and Rate Processes
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Momentum Transfer: Concept of viscosity; shell balances; Bernoulli's equation; mechanical energy balance equation; flow past plane surfaces and through pipes.

Heat transfer: Conduction - Fourier's Law, 1-D steady state conduction; convection; heat transfer coefficient and correlations; radiation; Stefan-Boltzmann Law; Kirchhoff's Law.

Mass Transfer: Diffusion and Fick's laws, mass transfer coefficients and correlations.

Dimensional Analysis: Significance of dimensionless numbers and their applications.

Basic Laws of Chemical Kinetics: First order reactions; reaction rate constant; Arrhenius relation; heterogeneous reactions; oxidation kinetics.

Electrochemical Kinetics: Polarization.

Section 4:	Mineral Processing and Extractive Metallurgy
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Comminution; Size classification; Flotation, Gravity, magnetic and electrostatic separation methods of mineral beneficiation.

Principles of pyro, hydro and electro metallurgy; unit processes for extraction of non-ferrous metals – aluminium, copper, titanium, zinc, and associated heat and material balance.

Ironmaking: Thermodynamics of blast furnace ironmaking; heat and material balance in blast furnace; production of sinter, pellets, metallurgical coke and testing, alternative routes of iron making (rotary kiln, MIDREX, COREX).

Primary Steel Making: Structure and properties of slags; thermodynamics and kinetics of steelmaking; basic oxygen furnace and electric arc furnace steel making.

Secondary Steel Making: Ladle process – deoxidation, degassing, argon stirring, desulphurization, inclusion shape control; basics of stainless steel manufacturing.

Continuous Casting: Basics of continuous casting, casting defects, thin slab casting.

Section 5:	Physical Metallurgy
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Materials Characterisation: X-ray Diffraction-Bragg's law; optical microscopy; imaging and spectroscopy in SEM.

Crystal Imperfections: Point, line and surface defects; coherent, semi-coherent and incoherent interfaces.

Diffusion in Solids: Atomic models for interstitial and substitutional diffusion; volume, surface and grain boundary diffusion, Kirkendall effect; uphill diffusion.

Phase Transformation: Driving force; homogeneous and heterogeneous nucleation; growth kinetics; solidification in isomorphous, eutectic and peritectic systems; cast structures and macrosegregation; dendritic solidification and constitutional supercooling; coring and microsegregation.

Solid-state Transformations: Precipitation; eutectoid transformation, diffusionless transformations; precipitate coarsening, Gibbs-Thomson effect; glass transition in ceramics and polymers.

Principles of heat treatment: Heat treatment of steels; time-temperature-transformation (TTT) and continuous cooling transformation (CCT) diagrams; surface hardening; recovery, recrystallization and grain growth; heat treatment of cast irons and aluminium alloys.

Corrosion: Basic forms of corrosion and its prevention.

Section 6:	Mechanical Behaviour of Materials
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Elasticity; strain tensor and stress tensor; representation by Mohr's circle; uniaxial tensile testing and stress-strain curves for metals, ceramics, and polymers; Tresca and von Mises yield criteria; plastic deformation by slip and twinning.

Dislocation Theory: Edge, screw and mixed dislocations; sources and multiplication of dislocations; stress fields around dislocations; partial dislocations; dislocation interactions and reactions.

Strengthening Mechanisms: Work/strain hardening, strengthening due to grain boundaries, solid solution, precipitation and dispersion.

Fracture behaviour: Griffith theory; linear elastic fracture mechanics; fracture toughness; fractography; ductile to brittle transition; toughening mechanisms in ceramics.

Fatigue: Low and high cycle fatigue; crack growth.

High Temperature deformation: Mechanisms of high temperature deformation and failure; creep and stress rupture, stress exponent and activation energy.

Section 7:	Manufacturing Processes
Metal Casting: Mould design involving feeding, gating and risering, casting practices, casting defects. Hot, Warm and Cold Working of Metals: Metal forming – fundamentals of metal forming processes of rolling, forging, extrusion, wire drawing and sheet metal forming; defects in forming. Metal Joining: Principles of soldering, brazing and welding; welding metallurgy, defects in welded joints in steels and aluminium alloys. Powder Metallurgy: Production of powders, compaction and sintering. Non-destructive Testing (NDT): Dye-penetrant, ultrasonic, radiography, eddy current, acoustic emission and magnetic particle inspection methods.	
Section 8:	Materials Science and Non-Metallic Materials
Classification of engineering materials; chemical bonding- ionic, covalent, metallic and secondary bonding in materials; Structure of metals and alloys, ionic and covalent bonded solids and polymers. Polymers: Molecular weight; thermoplastics and thermosets; copolymers; crystallinity of polymers. Ceramics: Radius ratio and electroneutrality rules for determining crystal structure; Schottky and Frenkel defects, non-stoichiometric defects. Composites: Types of reinforcements and matrices; enhancement in modulus and strength; isostrain and isostress loading conditions. Electronic Properties: Band gap; Fermi energy; conductors, semiconductors and insulators. Magnetic properties: Magnetization and B-H curves, principles of ferro-, ferri-, antiferro-, para- and dia-magnetism.	

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Section 1:	Engineering Mathematics
Determinants and matrices, Systems of linear equations, Eigen values and eigen vectors. Functions, gradient, divergence, curl, chain rules, partial derivatives, directional derivatives, definite and indefinite integrals, line surface and volume integrals, theorems of Stokes, Gauss and Green. Linear, non-linear, first and higher order ordinary and partial differential equations, separation of variables. Laplace transformation, analytical functions of complex variables, Fourier series, numerical methods for differentiation and integration, complex analysis, probability and statistics.	
Section 2:	Applied Mechanics and Structures
Engineering Mechanics: Free-body diagrams and equilibrium; trusses and frames; virtual work; kinematics and dynamics of particles and rigid bodies in plane motion; impulse and momentum (linear and angular) and energy formulations. Mechanics of Materials: Stress and strain, elastic constants, Poisson's ratio; Mohr's circle for plane stress and plane strain; shear force and bending moment diagrams; bending and shear stresses; torsion; Euler's theory of columns; energy methods; theories and failure, material testing methods. Vibrations: Free and forced vibration of damped and undamped systems, single and multi DOF systems. Machine Design: Design for static and dynamic loading; Design of machine elements such as shafts, gears, rolling and sliding contact bearings; Joining techniques such as bolting, riveting and welding.	
Section 3:	Fluid Mechanics and Marine Hydrodynamics
Fluid Mechanics: Fluid properties; fluid statics, stability of floating bodies; Conservation laws: Mass, momentum and energy (Integral and differential form); Dimensional analysis and dynamic similarity; sources, sinks, doublets, line vortex and their superposition; Stoke's integral theorem. Generalised Bernoulli's equation, sources, sinks, dipole, Flow with circulation, potential flow with rotational symmetry, hydrodynamical lift, Kutta-Joukowski theorem. Vortex motion- Fundamental concepts, vortex analogy to Biot-Savart's law, straight parallel vortex filaments, vortex sheets. Viscous flow - Navier-Stokes equations, Couette flow, Plane poiseuille flow. Equation of continuity, Euler's equation, Bernoulli's equation, Viscous flow of incompressible fluids, elementary turbulent flow, boundary layer, flow through pipes. Boundary layer theory- Prandtl's boundary layer equations, criterion for separation, Blasius solution, Skin friction, displacement thickness, momentum thickness, Turbulent boundary layer, Boundary layer control. Airfoils- Lift, drag, circulation, pressure distribution-theory of thin aerofoils, wings of infinite and finite span, circulation distribution, Cavitation. Vorticity and Kelvin's theorem, Potential flow theory, Sources, Sinks and Doublets, hydrodynamic forces in potential flow, D'Alembert's paradox, added-mass, slender-body theory, hydrodynamic model testing, scaling laws, application of potential theory to surface waves, energy transport, wave/body forces, linearised theory of lifting surfaces.	
Section 4:	Naval Architecture and Ocean Engineering
Ship geometry and physical fundamentals - Archimedes' principle, buoyancy and weight of ship, laws of flotation, heel and trim, stable and unstable equilibrium of ships, importance of streamlined hull shape, ship main particulars, hydrostatic calculations,	

Stability and Trim of Ships: Statical stability at small angles of heel, Inclining experiment. Shift of centre of gravity due to addition or removal of mass, transverse movement of mass and effect, Free surface effect, Effect of suspended mass, Stability at large angles of heel, angle of loll, curves of statical stability, dynamical stability, Probabilistic and deterministic Damage Stability Different Characteristic curves of dynamic stability. Floodable length calculations and curves. Loss of stability due to grounding, docking stability.

Resistance and Propulsion: Components of ship resistance, form factor, hull roughness, model testing and ship resistance prediction methods, tank wall effects, determination of ship resistance different series test results, resistance of advanced vehicles, appendage and added resistance. Geometry of screw propeller, propeller theories, hull-propeller interactions, different propulsive efficiency definitions. Propeller cavitation and effects. Propeller design and series. Open water and self-propulsion model tests. Different types of propellers and their working principles. Propeller material, strength and manufacturing. Unconventional propellers.

Ship Manoeuvring and Motions: Ship path keeping and changing, equations of motion, linearised equations and control fixed stability indexes, model tests. Stability and control in the horizontal and vertical planes – definitive manoeuvres and sea trials. Rudder hydrodynamics, design and operation. Influence of propeller, hull, appendages etc. on rudder performance. Experimental methods for the determination of hydrodynamic derivatives.

Ocean waves – regular, irregular, trochoidal. Wave spectrum, encounter frequency. Types of ship motions, coupled and non-coupled motions, equations of motion. Dynamic effects of ship motion in seaway. Different ship motion stabilisers – passive and active. Different numerical and experimental methods to determine ship motions – strip theory, BEM, FEM. Seakeeping features of high-performance marine vehicles.

Ship Structures and Strength: Shipbuilding materials, joining techniques, ship structural and framing systems – bottom, side, deck, bulkhead, end structures, and structural connections. Primary and secondary structural members, superstructure, hatch covers, machinery foundations, cargo handling systems and support structures.

Loads acting on ships in seaway, longitudinal and transverse strength considerations and estimation methods. Strength of hull girder, stiffened plate analysis, torsion of hull girder, deformation and stresses, local strength analysis; Reliability analysis and ultimate strength of hull girder, structural vibrations, fatigue and fracture.

Physical Oceanography: Physical properties of seawater, Different types of ocean waves - tides and wind waves, and their importance. Offshore Structures: Fixed offshore platforms - Jackets, Gravity platforms; Floating platforms - semi-submersibles, jack-ups, TLPs, FPSOs; Mooring, station keeping. Port and Harbour Engineering: Ports and Harbours, Port structures - Jetties, Dolphins, Liquid berths, Dredging, Navigation.

Section 5:	Thermodynamics and Marine Engineering
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Thermodynamics: First law of thermodynamics - Closed system undergoing a cycle; closed system undergoing a change of state; Internal energy of a system; Expansion work; Process using ideal gas - constant pressure, constant volume, isothermal; adiabatic and polytropic process -work done and heat added in different process; First law applied to one - dimensional steady flow process, flow energy, steady flow energy equation (ID). Second law of Thermodynamics - Different statements; Reversible and irreversible process; Corollaries of second law - Absolute temperature scale; Carnot cycle - Carnot engine, refrigerator and heat pump. Clausius inequality and definition of entropy, change of entropy of an ideal gas; Gas power cycles and I.C.Engines; Gas power cycles: Carnot cycle, Brayton cycle, Ericsson cycle, Sterling cycle etc.; Air standard cycles- Otto- Diesel, Dual and Joule cycle; Evaluation of thermal efficiency and mean effective pressure; Internal Combustion engine - Classification of I.C. engines -Principle of operation of spark Ignition and Compression Ignition engines both two stroke and four stroke; Stages of combustion in S.I. and C.I. engines; Knocking and detonation- factors controlling knock and detonation, methods of preventing Knocking and detonation; Refrigeration - principle of operation of Simple vapour compression system, Comparison with vapour compression systems; Air conditioning principles - Sensible heating and cooling, Humidification and dehumidification, Cooling and humidification, Cooling and dehumidification- Heating and humidification, Heating and dehumidification, Adiabatic mixing of air streams –cooling and heating load calculation.

Marine Diesel Engines: General engine principles, Low speed and medium speed diesel engines, Two and Four stroke engines, Scavenging and turbo charging, Fuel oil system, Lubricating oil systems, cooling systems, torque and power measurement, Starting air systems and reversing systems, controls and safety devices, Couplings and Gearboxes, Specific Fuel Consumption. Waste heat recovery system, MARPOL regulations and Energy Efficiency Design Index (EEDI), Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP).

Marine Steam Turbines: Types of turbines, compounding, reheat, turbine construction, rotors, blades, casing, Gland sealing, diaphragms, nozzles, bearings etc. Lubrication systems, expansion arrangements, Gearings. Marine gas turbines – fundamentals of G.T, Structure of gas turbines, gearing, operational features, controls, combined cycles. Nuclear propulsion – physical principles of the operation of nuclear reactors – use of nuclear propulsion on seagoing vessels, Electrical Propulsion,

Marine Boilers: Types - fire tube, water tube boilers, Package boilers, Cochran Boilers, Composite boilers, steam to steam generators, double evaporation boilers, exhaust gas heat exchangers, auxiliary steam plant systems, exhaust gas boilers, composite boilers. Boiler mounting, combustion, feed system, feed water treatment.

Engine Dynamics: Torsional vibration of engine and shafting, axial shaft vibration, critical speeds, engine rating, rating corrections, trial tests etc. Relationship of engine to the propeller classification society rules on engine construction, Engine room arrangement. Automation of ship propulsion plants, Maintenance requirements and reliability of propulsion plants.

Marine Auxiliary Machinery & Systems: Different types of pumps and piping systems in ships - hot water, drinking water, cooling water and seawater, fuel oil systems, lubricating oil system filters, coolers, centrifuges, purifiers and clarifiers, bilge and ballast systems, sewage disposal, oily water separator, air compressors, boilers, heat exchangers, waste heat recovery systems; Heat, ventilation and air conditioning systems; Deck machinery and cargo handling systems; Propulsions and steering gear systems.

PE	Petroleum Engineering
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Section 1:	Engineering Mathematics
Linear Algebra: Matrix algebra; Systems of linear equations; Eigenvalues and eigenvectors. Calculus: Functions of single variable; Limit, continuity and differentiability; Taylor series; Mean value theorems; Evaluation of definite and improper integrals; Partial derivative, Total derivative; Maxima and minima; Gradient, divergence and curl; Vector identities; Directional derivatives; Line, surface and volume integrals; Stokes, Gauss and Green's theorems. Differential Equations: First order equations: linear and nonlinear; Higher order linear differential equations with constant coefficients; Cauchy's and Euler's equations; Initial and boundary value problems; Laplace transform; Solution of one-dimensional diffusivity equation and Laplace equation. Complex Variables: Complex number; Polar form of complex number; Triangle inequality. Probability and Statistics: Definitions of probability and sampling theorems; Conditional probability; Mean, median, mode and standard deviation; Random variables; Poisson, normal and binomial distributions; Linear regression analysis. Numerical Methods: Numerical solutions of linear and non-linear algebraic equations; Integration by trapezoidal and Simpson's rule; Single and multi-step methods for numerical solution of differential equations.	
Section 2:	Petroleum Exploration
Classification and description of some common rocks with special reference to clastic and non-clastic reservoir rocks; Origin, migration and accumulation of petroleum; Petroleum exploration methods; Petroleum resource classification and evaluation.	
Section 3:	Oil and Gas Well Drilling Technology
Well planning; Drilling methods; Drilling rigs; Rig operating systems; Drilling fluids, function and properties; Drilling fluid maintenance equipment; Oil and gas well cementing operations; Drill bit types and their applications; Drill string and casing string function, operation, selection and design; Drilling problems, their control and remedies; Directional drilling tools; Directional survey; Application of horizontal, multilateral, extended reach; Slim wells; Intelligent drilling and completion techniques: image assisted drilling, managed pressure drilling, underbalanced drilling.	
Section 4:	Reservoir Engineering
Petrophysical properties of reservoir rocks; Coring and core analysis; Reservoir fluid properties; Phase behaviour of a hydrocarbon system; Single phase and multiphase flow through porous media; Water and gas coning; Reservoir pressure measurement; Reservoir drives, drive mechanisms and recovery factors; Theory of material balance; Reserve estimation and techniques; Field development and reservoir management; Reservoir geomechanics: Stress analysis and fracturing; Basics of reservoir simulation: mathematical models, finite difference discretization, Cartesian and radial grid systems, black oil reservoir simulation, history matching.	
Section 5:	Petroleum Production Operations
Well equipment; Well completion techniques; Well production problems and mitigation; Well servicing and Workover operations; Workover and completion fluids; Formation damage; Well stimulation techniques; Artificial lift techniques; Field processing of oil and gas; Storage and transportation of petroleum and petroleum products; Metering and measurements of oil and gas; Production system analysis and optimization including inflow performance, tubing performance, and nodal analysis; Production testing; Multiphase flow in tubing and flow-lines; Flow assurance: Problems and remedies; Pressure vessels, storage tanks, shell and tube heat exchangers, pumps and compressors.	

Section 6:	Offshore Drilling and Production Practices
Offshore oil and gas operations and ocean environment; Buoyancy and stability; Offshore fixed platforms, Offshore mobile units, station keeping methods like mooring and dynamic positioning system; Offshore drilling from fixed platform, jack-up, ships and semi submersibles; Use of conductors, risers and umbilicals; Offshore well completion; Deep water applications of subsea technology; Offshore production: Oil processing platforms, water injection platforms, storage, Single Point Mooring (SPM) and Single Buoy Mooring (SBM), transportation and utilities; Deep water drilling and production system.	
Section 7:	Petroleum Formation Evaluation
Petrophysical evaluation of sub-surface formations: principles, applications, advantages and disadvantages of Spontaneous Potential (SP), resistivity, radioactive, acoustic logs, gamma ray logs and types of tools used; Logging While Drilling (LWD); Evaluation of Cement Bond Log (CBL)/ Variable Density Log (VDL), Ultrasonic Imager Tool (USIT), Segmented Frequency Tool (SFT), Repeat Formation Tester (RFT); Production logging tools, principles, limitations and applications; Special types of logging tools; Casing inspection tools: principles, applications and limitations; Formations micro scanner (FMS), Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) logging principles; Standard log interpretation methods; Cross-plotting methods.	
Section 8:	Oil and Gas Well Testing
Diffusivity equation and its solutions; Radius of investigation; Principle of superposition; Horner's approximation; Drill stem testing; Pressure transient tests: drawdown and build up-test analysis; Pressure derivative analysis; Wellbore effects; Multilayer reservoirs; Injection well testing; Multiple well testing; Interference testing; Pulse testing; Well-test analysis by use of type curves; Gas well testing; Inflow testing.	
Section 9:	Health Safety and Environment in Petroleum Industry
Health hazards in Petroleum Industry: toxicity, physiological, asphyxiation, respiratory and skin effect of petroleum hydrocarbons, sour gases; Safety System: manual and automatic shutdown system, blow down systems; Gas detection system; Fire detection and suppression systems; Personal protection system and measures; Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) policies; Disaster and crisis management in petroleum industry; Environment: Environment concepts, impact on ecosystem, air, water and soil; The impact of drilling and production operations on environment; Environmental transport of petroleum wastes; Offshore environmental studies; Offshore oil-spill and oil-spill control; Environmental regulations and compliance.	
Section 10:	Enhanced Oil Recovery Techniques
Basic principles and mechanism of Enhanced Oil Recovery (EOR); Screening of EOR processes; Concept of pattern flooding, recovery efficiency, permeability heterogeneity; Macroscopic and microscopic displacement efficiency; EOR methods: chemical flooding, miscible flooding, thermal recoveries (steam stimulation, hot water and steam flooding, in-situ combustion), microbial EOR, low salinity water flooding.	
Section 11:	Latest Trends in Petroleum Engineering
Coal bed methane, shale gas, oil shale, gas hydrate, heavy oil, physical and chemical trapping of CO ₂ in underground reservoirs.	

PH	Physics
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Section 1:	Measurements and Error Analysis
Units and dimensions, dimensional analysis; least count, significant figures; Methods of measurement and error analysis for physical quantities associated with various measurements; 2-probe and 4-probe methods for resistance measurement; Grounding for electrical circuits, Ground loops; Design of DC power supply, Signal processing through lock-in amplifiers.	
Section 2:	Mathematical Physics
Linear vector spaces: basis, orthogonality and completeness; matrices: similarity transformations, diagonalization, eigenvalues and eigen vectors; linear differential equations: simple applications of first and second order linear differential equations and solutions; complex analysis: Cauchy-Riemann conditions, Cauchy's theorem, singularities, residue theorem and applications; Fourier analysis; tensors: tensor transformations, covariant and contravariant tensors.	
Section 3:	Classical Mechanics
D'Alembert's principle, Euler-Lagrange equation, Hamilton's principle, calculus of variations; symmetry and conservation laws; central force motion: Kepler problem; small oscillations: coupled oscillations and normal modes; rigid body dynamics: inertia tensor, orthogonal transformations, Euler angles, torque free motion of a symmetric top; Hamiltonian and Hamilton's equations of motion; canonical transformations: Poisson bracket. Special theory of relativity: Lorentz transformations, relativistic kinematics, mass-energy equivalence.	
Section 4:	Thermodynamics and Statistical Mechanics
Laws of thermodynamics; macrostates and microstates; phase space; ensembles; partition function, free energy, calculation of thermodynamic quantities; classical and quantum statistics; degenerate Fermi gas; black body radiation and Planck's distribution law; Bose-Einstein condensation; first and second order phase transitions, phase equilibria, critical phenomena.	
Section 5:	Electromagnetic theory
Solutions of electrostatic and magnetostatic problems including boundary value problems; method of images; separation of variables; dielectrics and conductors; magnetic materials; multipole expansion; Maxwell's equations; scalar and vector potentials; Coulomb and Lorentz gauges; electromagnetic waves in free space, non-conducting and conducting media; reflection and transmission at normal and oblique incidences; polarization of electromagnetic waves; Poynting vector, Poynting theorem, energy and momentum of electromagnetic waves.	
Section 6:	Optical Physics
Wave equation: plane and spherical waves, superposition of waves, standing waves, phase and group velocities; Interference: spatial and temporal coherence, dielectric films, Newton's ring, multiple-beam interference, Michelson interferometer, Fabry-Perot interferometer and etalon; diffraction: Fresnel and Fraunhofer diffraction, rectangular and circular aperture, Rayleigh criterion of resolution, diffraction from double slit and many slits. dispersion by a grating; polarization: Jones vectors and matrices for linear, circular and elliptical polarization, birefringence, ray-transfer matrix for mirrors and lenses; lasers: Einstein coefficients, population inversion, two and three level laser systems.	
Section 7:	Quantum Mechanics
Basic ideas of quantum mechanics; uncertainty principle; linear vectors and operators in Hilbert space; time independent Schrodinger equation; one dimensional potentials: step potential, finite rectangular well, tunnelling from a potential barrier, particle in 1,2,3-dimensional box, particle in single and double delta function potentials, 1,2,3 dimensional harmonic oscillator: concept of degeneracy; central potentials; hydrogen-like atoms; orbital and spin angular momenta; addition of angular momenta; variational method, time independent perturbation theory; elementary scattering theory, Born approximation.	

Section 8:	Atomic and Molecular Physics
Spectra of one-and many-electron atoms; spin-orbit interaction: L-S and j-j coupling schemes; fine and hyperfine structures; Zeeman, Paschen-Back and Stark effects; electric dipole transitions and selection rules; rotational and vibrational spectra of diatomic molecules; electronic transitions in diatomic molecules, Franck-Condon principle; Raman effect and basics of Raman spectroscopy; NMR, ESR, X-ray and Mossbauer spectroscopies.	
Section 9:	Solid State Physics
Elements of crystallography; diffraction methods for structure determination; bonding in solids; lattice vibrations and thermal properties of solids; free electron theory; band theory of solids: nearly free electron model; metals, semiconductors and insulators; conductivity, electron and hole statistics in intrinsic and extrinsic semiconductors, mobility and effective mass; metal-semiconductor junctions; ohmic and rectifying contacts; dielectric properties of solids; polarizability, ferroelectricity; magnetic properties of solids; dia, para, ferro, antiferro and ferri magnetism, ferromagnetic domains; superconductivity: type-I and type II superconductors, Meissner effect, London equation, BCS theory, flux quantization.	
Section 10:	Nuclear and Particle Physics
Nuclear binding energy, electric and magnetic moments; semi-empirical mass formula; nuclear models; liquid drop model, nuclear shell model; nuclear force and two nucleon problem; alpha decay, beta-decay, electromagnetic transitions in nuclei; Rutherford scattering, nuclear reactions, conservation laws; fission and fusion; particle accelerators and detectors; elementary particles; photons, baryons, mesons and leptons; quark model; conservation laws, isospin symmetry, charge conjugation, parity and time-reversal invariance.	
Section 11:	Electronics
p-n diodes, bipolar junction transistors, field effect transistors; negative and positive feedback circuits; oscillators, operational amplifiers and their applications, active filters; wave form generators: sine wave, square wave and triangular wave; basics of digital logic circuits, combinational and sequential circuits, flip-flops, timers, counters, registers, A/D and D/A conversion.	

PI	Production and Industrial Engineering
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Section 1:	Engineering Mathematics
Linear Algebra: Matrix algebra; Systems of linear equations; Eigenvalues and eigenvectors. Calculus: Functions of single variable; Limit, continuity and differentiability; Mean value theorems, Evaluation of definite integrals; Partial derivative; Total derivative; Maxima and minima; Gradient, divergence and curl; Vector identities; Directional derivatives; Line, Surface and Volume integrals; Stokes, Gauss and Green's theorems; Taylor series. Differential Equations: First order equations: linear and nonlinear; Higher order linear differential equations with constant coefficients; Cauchy's and Euler's equations; Initial and boundary value problems; Laplace transform. Probability and Statistics: Definitions of probability and sampling theorems; Conditional probability; Mean, median, mode and standard deviation; Linear regression, Random variables, Poisson, normal, binomial and exponential distributions. Numerical Methods: Numerical solutions of linear and nonlinear algebraic equations; Integration by trapezoidal and Simpson's rules; Single and multi-step methods for differential equations.	
Section 2:	General Engineering
Engineering Materials: Structure, physical and mechanical properties, and applications of common engineering materials (metals and alloys, semiconductors, ceramics, polymers, and composites – metal, polymer and ceramic based); Iron-carbon equilibrium phase diagram; Heat treatment of metals and alloys and its influence on mechanical properties; Stress-strain behavior of metals and alloys. Applied Mechanics: Engineering mechanics – equivalent force systems, free body concepts, equations of equilibrium; Strength of materials – stress, strain and their relationship; Failure theories; Mohr's circle (stress); Deflection of beams, bending and shear stresses; Thick and thin cylinders; Torsion. Theory of Machines and Design: Analysis of planar mechanisms, cams and followers; Governors and fly wheels; Design of bolted, riveted and welded joints; Interference/shrink fit joints; Friction and lubrication; Design of shafts, keys, couplings, spur gears, belt drives, brakes and clutches. Thermal and Fluids Engineering: Fluid mechanics – fluid statics, Bernoulli's equation, flow through pipes, laminar and turbulent flows, equations of continuity and momentum, capillary action; Dimensional analysis; Thermodynamics – zeroth, first and second laws of thermodynamics, thermodynamic systems and processes, calculation of work and heat for systems and control volumes; Air standard cycles; Heat transfer – basic applications of conduction, convection and radiation.	
Section 3:	Manufacturing Processes I
Casting: Types of casting processes and applications; Sand casting: patterns – types, materials and allowances; molds and cores–materials, making, and testing; design of gating system and riser; analysis of solidification and microstructure development; Other casting techniques: Pressure die casting, centrifugal casting, investment casting, casting defects and their inspection by non-destructive testing. Metal Forming: Stress-strain relations in elastic and plastic deformation; von Mises and Tresca yield criteria, concept of flow stress; Hot, warm and cold working; Bulk forming processes – forging, rolling, extrusion and wire drawing; Sheet metal working processes – blanking, punching, bending and deep drawing; Ideal work and slab analysis; Defects in metal working and their causes. Joining of Materials: Classification of joining processes; Principles of fusion welding processes using different heat sources (flame, arc, resistance, laser, and electron beam), heat transfer and associated losses; Arc welding processes - SMAW, GMAW, GTAW, plasma arc, submerged arc welding processes; Principles of solid state welding processes - friction welding, friction stir welding, ultrasonic welding; Welding defects - causes and inspection; Principles of adhesive joining, brazing and soldering processes. Powder Processing: Production of metal/ceramic powders, compaction and sintering of metals and ceramic	

powders.

Polymers and Composites: Polymer processing – injection, compression and blow molding, extrusion, calendaring and thermoforming; Molding of composites.

Section 4: Manufacturing Processes II

Machining: Orthogonal and oblique machining, single point cutting tool and tool signature, chip formation, cutting forces, Merchant's analysis, specific cutting energy and power; Machining parameters and material removal rate; Tool materials, tool wear and tool life; Thermal aspects of machining, cutting fluids, machinability; Economics of machining; Machining processes - turning, taper turning, thread cutting, drilling, boring, milling, gear cutting, thread production; Finishing processes – grinding, honing, lapping and super-finishing.

Machine Tools: Lathe, milling, drilling and shaping machines – construction and kinematics; Jigs and fixtures – principles, applications, and design.

Advanced Manufacturing: Principles and applications of USM, AJM, WJM, AWJM, EDM, LBM, EBM, PAM, CHM, ECM; Effect of process parameters on material removal rate, surface roughness and power consumption; Additive manufacturing techniques: Fundamentals, stereolithography, fused filament fabrication, selective laser sintering, selective laser melting, directed energy deposition.

Computer Integrated Manufacturing: Basic concepts of CAD and CAM, CNC; Automation in manufacturing; Industrial robots – configurations, drives and controls; Cellular manufacturing and FMS - group technology; Introduction to Internet of Things and digital twins.

Section 5: Quality and Reliability

Metrology and Inspection: Accuracy and precision; Types of errors; Limits, fits and tolerances; Gauge design, Interchangeability, selective assembly; Linear, angular, and form measurements (straightness, flatness, roundness, runout and cylindricity) by mechanical and optical methods; Inspection of screw threads and gears; Surface roughness measurement by contact and non-contact methods.

Quality Management: Quality – concepts and cost; Statistical quality control – process capability analysis, control charts for variables and attributes and acceptance sampling; Six sigma; Total quality management, Just-in-Time inventory management; Quality assurance and certification - ISO 9001:2015, ISO 14001:2015; Integration of sustainable manufacturing with quality management.

Reliability and Maintenance: Reliability, availability and maintainability; Distribution of failure and repair times; Determination of MTBF and MTTR, reliability models; Determination of system reliability; Preventive and predictive maintenance and replacement, total productive maintenance.

Section 6: Industrial Engineering

Product Design and Development: Principles of product design, tolerance design; Quality and cost considerations; Product life cycle; Standardization, simplification, diversification; Value engineering and analysis; Concurrent engineering; Design for "X".

Work System Design: Taylor's scientific management, Gilbreths' contributions; Productivity – concepts and measurements; Method study, micro-motion study, principles of motion economy; Work measurement – time study, work sampling, standard data, PMTS; Ergonomics; Job evaluation and merit rating.

Facility Design: Facility location factors and evaluation of alternate locations; Types of plant layout and their evaluation; Assembly line balancing; Material handling systems.

Section 7: Operations research and Operations management

Operation Research: Linear programming – problem formulation, simplex method, duality and sensitivity analysis; Transportation and assignment models; Integer programming; Markovian queuing models; Introduction to discrete event simulation.

Engineering Economy and Costing: Elementary cost accounting and methods of depreciation; Break-even analysis; Activity based costing.

Production Control: Forecasting techniques – causal and time series models, moving average, exponential

smoothing, trend and seasonality; Aggregate production planning; Master production scheduling; MRP, MRP-II and ERP; Routing, scheduling and priority dispatching; Push and pull production systems, concepts of lean and agile manufacturing systems; Logistics, distribution, and supply chain management; Inventory – functions, costs, classifications, deterministic inventory models, quantity discount; Perpetual and periodic inventory control systems.

Project Management: CPM, PERT and Gantt chart. Time-cost tradeoff.

RA	Robotics and Automation
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Part A: Common Section	
Section A.1:	Engineering Mathematics
Linear Algebra: Matrices- transpose, determinant, rank, eigenvalues and eigenvectors, trace, adjoint, solutions to system of linear equations. Calculus: Functions of a single variable, limit, continuity, and differentiability, mean value theorems, indeterminate forms; evaluation of definite and improper integrals; double and triple integrals; partial derivatives, total derivative, Taylor series (in one and two variables), maxima and minima; gradient, divergence and curl, vector identities. Differential Equations: First-order equations (linear and nonlinear); higher-order linear differential equations with constant coefficients; Euler-Cauchy equation; initial and boundary value problems; Laplace transforms; solutions of heat, wave, and Laplace's equations; Fourier series. Probability and Statistics: Axioms of probability, conditional probability, mean, median, mode, standard deviation, random variables, expectation, binomial, Poisson, and normal distributions; hypothesis testing, Probability Density Function (PDF), Cumulative Distribution Function (CDF). Numerical Methods: Solutions of linear and non-linear algebraic equations; integration by trapezoidal and Simpson's rules; finite differences, explicit single and multi-step methods for differential equations.	
Section A.2:	Basics of Mechatronics
Network Elements: Ideal voltage and current sources, dependent sources, R, L, C, M elements; Network solution methods: Kirchoff's laws (KCL, KVL), Node and Mesh analysis; Network Theorems: Thevenin's, Norton's Superposition and Maximum Power Transfer theorem; Transient response of DC and AC networks, sinusoidal steady-state analysis, resonance, two-port networks, balanced three-phase circuits, complex power and power factor in AC circuits. Digital Circuits: Boolean algebra, combinational (multiplexers, encoders, decoders), and sequential circuits (flip-flops, counters). Sensors: Resistive, capacitive, inductive, piezoelectric, Hall effect sensors and associated signal conditioning circuits; transducers for industrial instrumentation- displacement (linear and angular), velocity, acceleration, force, torque, pressure. Actuators: Principles of operation, performance, torque-speed characteristics of hydraulic and pneumatic actuators, DC motors, stepper motors, and servo motors. Engineering Mechanics: Free-body diagrams and equilibrium; friction and its applications- rolling friction, belt-pulley; trusses and frames; kinematics and dynamics of rigid bodies in plane motion. Programming: Flowcharts and pseudo code; Programming in Python: data types, operators, expressions, conditional statements (if, elif, else, case) looping statements (while, for), loop control statements (break and continue), functions, arrays, dictionary, strings, recursion. Data Structures: Stack, queue, linked list, binary search tree, binary heap, graph.	
Section A.3:	Principles of Robotics and Automation
Robotic classification- serial and parallel manipulators, geometrical configuration, Links and joints, Coordinate systems and degrees-of-freedom; Rotation matrices in 2D and 3D; homogeneous transformations, forward kinematics. Robot applications- point-to-point and continuous path control, types of end-effectors, robot accuracy and repeatability.	

Computer Integrated Manufacturing- Automation in Manufacturing, Programmable Logic Controllers (PLCs) in manufacturing, Automated material handling systems, Automated storage and retrieval systems, Automated identification, detection and capture systems; computer numerical control; Basics of single and multi-axis positioning systems; Basics of concurrent design and manufacturing planning for automation.

Part B1: Electrical Engineering

Section B1.1 Analog Circuits and Embedded Systems

Analog filters - low-pass, high-pass, band-pass and band-reject; Amplifiers: biasing, equivalent circuit and frequency response, feedback amplifiers, operational amplifiers- characteristics and applications; oscillators; Voltage Controlled Oscillators and timers, Schmitt triggers, sample and hold circuits, Analog-to-Digital (A/D) and Digital-to-Analog (D/A) converters; Switched Mode Power Supplies (SMPS).

Microprocessor and microcontroller applications, components of microcontrollers (CPU, memory, I/O ports, timers), interrupt handling; memory and input-output interfacing; basics of data acquisition systems.

Section B1.2 Signals and Systems

Representation of continuous and discrete time signals, shifting and scaling properties, linear time-invariant and causal systems, Fourier series representation of continuous and discrete time periodic signals, Shannon's sampling theorem, Definitions and properties of Fourier Transform, Laplace Transform and Z transform; R.M.S. value, average value calculation.

Section B1.3 Control Systems

Mathematical modeling and representation of systems, feedback principle, transfer function, Block diagrams and Signal flow graphs, Transient and Steady-state analysis of linear time-invariant systems, Stability analysis using Routh-Hurwitz and Nyquist criteria, Bode plots, Root Loci, Lag, Lead and Lead-Lag compensators; P, PI and PID controllers.

Part B2: Mechanical Engineering

Section B2.1 Mechanics of Materials

Stress and strain, elastic constants, Poisson's ratio; Mohr's circle for plane stress and plane strain; thin cylinders; shear force and bending moment diagrams; bending and shear stresses; concept of shear centre; deflection of beams; torsion of circular shafts; Euler's theory of columns; Castigliano's theorems; thermal stresses; strain gauges and rosettes; testing of materials with universal testing machine; testing of hardness and impact strength.

Section B2.2 Kinematics and Dynamics

Displacement, velocity, and acceleration analysis of plane mechanisms; dynamic analysis of linkages; gears and gear trains; balancing of reciprocating and rotating masses; gyroscope, Vibrations- free and forced vibration of single degree of freedom systems, the effect of damping, vibration isolation; resonance; critical speeds of shafts.

Section B2.3 Machine Design and Computer Integrated Manufacturing

Design for static and dynamic loading; failure theories; fatigue strength and the S-N diagram; principles of the design of machine elements such as bolted, riveted and welded joints; shafts, rolling and sliding contact bearings, brakes and clutches, springs. Basic concepts of Computer Aided Design (CAD)/Computer Aided Manufacturing (CAM) and their integration tools; additive manufacturing.

Section 1:	Calculus
Finite, countable and uncountable sets; Sequences of real numbers, convergence of sequences, bounded sequences, monotonic sequences, Cauchy criterion for convergence; Series of real numbers, convergence, tests of convergence, alternating series, absolute and conditional convergence; Power series and radius of convergence; Functions of a real variable: Limit, continuity, monotone functions, uniform continuity, differentiability, Rolle's theorem, mean value theorems, Taylor's theorem, L'Hospital rules, maxima and minima, Riemann integration and its properties, improper integrals; Functions of several real variables: Limit, continuity, partial derivatives, directional derivatives, gradient, Taylor's theorem, total derivative, maxima and minima, saddle point, method of Lagrange multipliers, double and triple integrals and their applications.	
Section 2:	Matrix Theory:
Subspaces of $\mathbb{R}^n$ and $\mathbb{C}^n$, span, linear independence, basis and dimension, row space and column space of a matrix, rank and nullity, row reduced echelon form, trace and determinant, inverse of a matrix, systems of linear equations; Inner products in $\mathbb{R}^n$ and $\mathbb{C}^n$, Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization; Eigen values and eigen vectors, characteristic polynomial, Cayley-Hamilton theorem, symmetric, skew-symmetric, Hermitian, skew-Hermitian, orthogonal, unitary matrices and their eigen values, change of basis matrix, equivalence and similarity, diagonalizability, positive definite and positive semi-definite matrices and their properties, quadratic forms, singular value decomposition.	
Section 3:	Probability
Axiomatic definition of probability, properties of probability function, conditional probability, Bayes' theorem, independence of events; Random variables and their distributions, cumulative distribution function, probability mass function, probability density function and their properties, expectation, variance, properties of expectation and variance, moments and moment generating function, probability generating function, quantiles, distribution of functions of a random variable, Chebyshev, Markov and Jensen inequalities.	
Section 4:	Standard Univariate Distributions
Bernoulli, binomial, geometric, negative binomial, hypergeometric, discrete uniform, Poisson, continuous uniform, exponential, double exponential, gamma, beta distributions of first and second kinds, Weibull, normal, Cauchy.	
Section 5:	Joint Distributions
Jointly distributed random variables and their distribution functions, probability mass function, probability density function and their properties, marginal and conditional distributions, conditional expectation and moments, product moments, simple correlation coefficient, joint moment generating function, independence of random variables, functions of random vector and their distributions, distributions of order statistics, joint and marginal distributions of order statistics; multinomial distribution, bivariate normal distribution, sampling distributions: central chi-square, central t, and central F distributions.	
Section 6:	Convergence of Random Variables
Convergence in distribution, convergence in probability, convergence almost surely, convergence in $r - th$ mean and their inter-relations, Slutsky's lemma, Borel-Cantelli lemma; weak and strong laws of large numbers; central limit theorem for i.i.d. random variables.	

Section 7:	Stochastic Processes
Markov chains with finite and countable state space, classification of states, limiting behaviour of n-step transition probabilities, stationary distribution, Poisson process, birth-and-death process, pure-birth process, pure-death process, Brownian motion and its basic properties.	
Section 8:	Estimation
Sufficiency, minimal sufficiency, factorization theorem, completeness, completeness of exponential families, ancillary statistic, Basu's theorem and its applications, unbiased estimation, uniformly minimum variance unbiased estimation, Rao-Blackwell theorem, Lehmann-Scheffe theorem, Cramer-Rao inequality, consistent estimators, method of moments estimators, method of maximum likelihood estimators and their properties; Interval estimation: pivotal quantities and confidence intervals based on them, coverage probability.	
Section 9:	Testing of Hypotheses
Neyman-Pearson lemma, most powerful tests, monotone likelihood ratio (MLR) property, uniformly most powerful tests, uniformly most powerful tests for families having MLR property, uniformly most powerful unbiased tests, uniformly most powerful unbiased tests for exponential families, likelihood ratio tests, large sample tests.	
Section 10:	Non-parametric Statistics
Empirical distribution function and its properties, goodness of fit tests, chi-square test, Kolmogorov-Smirnov test, run tests, sign test, Wilcoxon signed rank test, Mann-Whitney U-test, Kruskal-Wallis test, rank correlation coefficients of Spearman and Kendall.	
Section 11:	Multivariate Analysis
Multivariate normal distribution: properties, conditional and marginal distributions, maximum likelihood estimation of mean vector and dispersion matrix, Hotelling's T^2 test, Wishart distribution and its basic properties, multiple and partial correlation coefficients and their basic properties.	
Section 12:	Regression Analysis
Simple and multiple linear regression, R^2 and adjusted R^2 and their applications, distributions of quadratic forms of random vectors: Fisher-Cochran theorem, Gauss-Markov theorem, tests for regression coefficients, confidence intervals.	

XE	Engineering Sciences
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XE0: Engineering Mathematics (Common for all XE candidates)	
Section XE0.1:	Linear Algebra
Algebra of real matrices: Determinant, inverse and rank of a matrix; System of linear equations (conditions for unique solution, no solution and infinite number of solutions); Eigenvalues and eigen vectors of matrices; Properties of eigenvalues and eigen vectors of symmetric matrices, diagonalization of matrices; Cayley-Hamilton Theorem.	
Section XE0.2:	Calculus
Functions of Single Variable: Limit, indeterminate forms and L'Hospital's rule; Continuity and differentiability; Mean value theorems; Maxima and minima; Taylor's theorem; Fundamental theorem and mean value theorem of integral calculus; Evaluation of definite and improper integrals; Applications of definite integrals to evaluate areas and volumes (rotation of a curve about an axis). Functions of Two Variables: Limit, continuity and partial derivatives; Directional derivative; Total derivative; Maxima, minima and saddle points; Method of Lagrange multipliers; Double integrals and their applications. Sequences and Series: Convergence of sequences and series; Tests of convergence of series with non-negative terms (Cauchy Condensation Test, Ratio, Root and integral tests); Power series; Taylor's series.	
Section XE0.3:	Vector Calculus
Gradient, divergence and curl; Line integrals and Green's theorem.	
Section XE0.4:	Complex variables
Complex numbers, Argand plane and polar representation of complex numbers; De Moivre's theorem; Definition and examples of Analytic functions; Cauchy-Riemann equations.	
Section XE0.5:	Ordinary Differential Equations
First order equations (linear and nonlinear); Second order linear differential equations with constant coefficients; Cauchy-Euler equation; Second order linear differential equations with variable coefficients; Wronskian; Method of variation of parameters; Eigen value problem for second order equations with constant coefficients; Power series solutions for ordinary points.	
Section XE0.6:	Partial Differential Equations
Classification of second order linear partial differential equations, One dimensional heat and wave equations, two dimensional Laplace equation, Method of separation of variables, Fourier series method.	
Section XE0.7:	Probability and Statistics
Axioms of probability; Conditional probability; Total probability theorem, Bayes' Theorem; Mean, variance and standard deviation of random variables; Binomial, Poisson and Normal distributions; Correlation and linear regression.	

Section XE0.8:**Numerical Methods**

Solution of systems of linear equations using LU decomposition, Gauss elimination method; Lagrange and Newton's interpolations; Solution of polynomial and transcendental equations by Bisection method and Newton-Raphson method; Numerical integration by trapezoidal rule and Simpson's $1/3^{\text{rd}}$ and $3/8^{\text{th}}$ rules; Numerical solutions of first order differential equations by Euler's method.

XE1: Fluid Mechanics	
Section XE1.1:	Classification of Flows
Concept of a fluid, Viscous versus inviscid flows, Concept of viscosity, Newtonian versus non-Newtonian fluid, Incompressible versus compressible flows, Internal versus external flows, Steady versus unsteady flows, Laminar versus turbulent flows.	
Section XE1.2:	Hydrostatics
Buoyancy, Manometry, Forces on submerged bodies and their stability.	
Section XE1.3:	Kinematics of Fluid Motion
Eulerian and Lagrangian descriptions of fluid motion, Concept of local, Convective and material derivatives, Streamline, Streakline, and Pathline.	
Section XE1.4:	Integral Analysis for a Control Volume
Reynolds Transport Theorem (RTT) for conservation of mass and linear momentum.	
Section XE1.5:	Differential Analysis
Differential equations of mass and momentum for incompressible flows, Euler equation, Bernoulli equation and its application for venturi meter, Pitot-static tube, and Orifice meter. Navier-Stokes equation and its exact solutions for Couette flow and Poiseuille flow. Concept of fluid rotation, Vorticity, Stream function, and Circulation.	
Section XE1.6:	Dimensional Analysis
Concept of similarity, Buckingham Pi theorem and its applications. Dimensionless groups and their physical significance - Reynolds number, Froude number, and Mach number.	
Section XE1.7:	Internal Flows
Fully developed pipe flow - Friction factor, Darcy-Weisbach relation and Moody's chart, Major and minor losses. Concept of flow development.	
Section XE1.8:	Potential Flows
Velocity potential function, Uniform flow, Source, Sink, and Vortex.	
Section XE1.9:	External Flows
Concept of Prandtl boundary layer, Boundary layer thickness, Displacement thickness and momentum thickness. Qualitative idea of boundary layer separation, Streamlined and bluff bodies, Drag and lift forces.	

XE2: Materials Science

Section XE2.1: Classification and Structure of Materials

Classification of Materials: Metals, ceramics, polymers and composites.

Fundamentals of crystallography: Definitions of crystal, lattice and motif: Crystal=Lattice+Motif. Distinction between atoms and lattice points; Symmetry operations: Translations (required symmetry of crystals/lattices); Symmetry based definitions of 7 crystal systems; Unit cells: primitive and non-primitive cells; Fourteen Bravais lattices and their classification into crystal systems; Miller and Miller-Bravais indices of crystallographic planes and directions.

Close-packed crystal structures of elements: Cubic close-packed (CCP), Hexagonal close-packed (HCP) and body-centred cubic (BCC) structures; Stacking sequence of planes; Tetrahedral and octahedral voids.

Crystalline and other ordered structures of carbon: Diamond and Graphite in terms of lattice and motif; Graphene and fullerene; Carbon nanotubes.

Crystalline structure of compounds: NaCl, CsCl, ZnS (Zinc blend and Wurtzite), Perovskite, Spinel; Pauling's rule for structure of ionic compounds.

Structure of amorphous materials: Crystalline and glassy silica; Fused silica and soda-lime glass.

Solid solutions: Interstitial and substitutional; Hume-Rothery rules.

Structure of polymers: Monomers and polymers. Addition and condensation polymers. Bonding in polymers. C-C chain. Degree of polymerization. Chain configuration vs. chain conformations. Atactic, isotactic and syndiotactic configurations. Crystalline, semi-crystalline and amorphous polymers. Copolymers: alternating, block and random. Examples of common polymers: Polyethylene (PE), Polypropylene (PP), Polyvinylchloride (PVC), Polyetrafluoroethylene (PTFE), Polystyrene (PS). Crosslinking. Natural and vulcanised rubber.

Defects in Crystalline Materials:

Zero-dimensional or point defects: Vacancies, interstitials, substitutional atoms, Frenkel and Schottky defects; Equilibrium concentration of point defects.

One-dimensional or line defects: Dislocations: edge, screw and mixed. Burgers vector and Burgers circuit; Burgers vectors of stable dislocations in simple cubic, body-centred cubic and face-centred cubic lattices; Dislocations meeting at a node; Line energy of a dislocation. Dislocation motion: glide and climb.

Two-dimensional or surface defects: Free surfaces, Grain boundaries, twin boundaries, stacking faults, phase boundary; Surface energy of a free surface in terms of a simple bond breaking model.

Section XE2.2: Thermodynamics, Kinetics and Phase Transformations

Extensive and intensive thermodynamic properties, laws of thermodynamics, phase equilibria, phase rule, phase diagrams - unary pressure-temperature diagrams, binary temperature-composition diagrams, construction of temperature composition diagrams from free energies, common tangent construction in free energy-composition diagrams, invariant reactions.

Reaction kinetics, rate constants, order of reactions, Arrhenius law, Fick's laws, Steady state and non-steady state solutions of diffusion equations, diffusion distance and diffusion time, applications of solutions of diffusion equations, atomistic mechanisms of diffusion, fast diffusion paths.

Solidification of pure metals and alloys, homogeneous and heterogeneous nucleation, nucleation rate, growth, partitioning during binary solidification; diffusional solid-state phase transformations (precipitation and eutectoid), overall transformation kinetics (TTT and CCT), martensitic/displacive transformation; glass transition.

Section XE2.3:	Properties and Applications of Materials
Mechanical properties: elastic and plastic deformation; atomic bonding and elasticity; shear strength of perfect crystals; plastic deformation by slip and dislocation motion; Strengthening mechanisms: strain hardening, solid solution hardening, precipitation hardening, grain size refinement; Griffith theory of fracture; fatigue: cyclic loading, S-N curve, crack initiation and propagation; Creep in crystalline materials: stages and mechanisms of creep; Composites: particle and fibre reinforced composites; elastic modulus (rule of mixtures). Electronic Properties: Drude model and classical description of electrical conductivity, Drawbacks of classical theory, Quantum mechanical description including concept of Fermi energy, Fermi surface and density of states. Band Theory to explain insulators, conductors, and semiconductors via allowed and forbidden energy bands, Effective mass concept, Intrinsic and extrinsic semiconductors, temperature dependence of conductivity, Carrier concentration and mobility, drift vs. diffusion current, Hall Effect for a simple metal or semiconductor. Dielectric behavior, piezo- and ferro-electric behavior. Magnetic Properties: Origin of magnetism in materials, types of Magnetism: Diamagnetism, Paramagnetism, Ferromagnetism, Ferrimagnetism and Antiferromagnetism, Magnetic Domains & Hysteresis, Hard and soft magnetic materials. Thermal Properties: Specific heat, Classical Dulong–Petit Law, Wiedemann-Franz Law, Thermal conductivity of metals and insulators (role of electrons and phonons), Einstein and Debye model, heat conduction, thermal diffusivity, thermal expansion, and thermoelectricity. Optical Properties: Refractive index, absorption and transmission of electromagnetic radiation.	
Section XE2.4:	Characterization and Measurements of Properties
X-ray diffraction: Bragg's Law, structure factor, indexing of cubic diffraction patterns; spectroscopic techniques: UV-Vis, IR and Raman; band-gap measurement; Microscopy (optical, scanning and transmission electron microscopy): wavelength range, resolution, depth of field; Composition analysis using energy dispersive spectroscopy. Tensile test: engineering and true stress-strain curves, parameters, such as, yield stress, ultimate tensile stress, elongation, area under the curve; Hardness: Brinell, Rockwell and Vickers. Electrical conductivity, carrier mobility and concentrations. Thermal analysis techniques: thermogravimetry and calorimetry.	
Section XE2.5:	Processing of Materials
Heat Treatment of steels: TTT and CCT diagram: coarse and fine pearlite, martensite and bainite; Annealing, normalizing, quenching, tempering. Heat treatment of aluminium alloys: Precipitation hardening: Solutionising, quenching and ageing. Hardness vs. aging time and its dependence on aging temperature. Silicon processing: production of metallurgical and semiconductor grade, zone refining, single crystal growth, silicon oxidation, doping, photolithographic process Preparation of powders; sintering.	
Section XE2.6:	Degradation of Materials
Electrochemical basis of corrosion of metals: standard electrode potential, galvanic series, Nernst equation, polarization and passivation; forms of corrosion; corrosion prevention Polymer degradation: swelling and dissolution; bond rupture: radiation, chemical and thermal effects; weathering.	

XE3: Solid Mechanics

Section XE3.1 Mechanics of Rigid Bodies

Equivalent forces and moments; equilibrium equations; analysis of determinate trusses and frames; sliding and sticking friction; the principle of minimum potential energy and its relation to stable equilibrium; particle kinematics and dynamics; dynamics of inter-connected and/or constrained rigid bodies under planar motion; systems that conserve energy and/or momentum.

Section XE3.2 Mechanics of Deformable Bodies

Definition of stress and strain; Transformation of stresses and strains; Principal Stresses; Mohr's circle for plane stress and plane strain; Elastic Constants; Generalized Hooke's Law; Thermal Stresses; Theories of Failure - von Mises, Tresca and maximum principal stress theories.

Axial force, shear force, and bending moment diagrams; axial, shear, and bending stresses; combined stresses; deflection (for symmetric bending); systems with up to one degree of static indeterminacy (i.e., up to one support or internal force not determinable from static equilibrium alone); energy methods (Castigliano's theorems); torsion of circular shaft; Euler Buckling; thin-walled pressure vessels.

Section XE3.3 Vibrations

Free and forced vibration of single-degree-of-freedom systems; effect of damping; base excitation.

XE4: Thermodynamics	
Section XE4.1:	Basic Concepts
Continuum, microscopic and macroscopic approaches; Thermodynamic systems (closed and open); Thermodynamic properties, state and equilibrium; State postulate for simple compressible substances, paths and processes on property diagrams; Concepts of heat and work, different modes of work; Zeroth law of thermodynamics, concept of temperature.	
Section XE4.2:	Properties of Pure Substances
Thermodynamic properties of pure substances in solid, liquid and vapor phases; P-v-T behaviour of simple compressible substances, Concept of triple point and critical point; Ideal and real gases, ideal gas equation of state and van der Waals equation of state.	
Section XE4.3:	First Law of Thermodynamics
Concept of energy and various forms of energy; Internal energy, enthalpy; Specific heats; First law applied to elementary processes, closed systems and control volumes, steady flow energy equation applied to simple engineering devices.	
Section XE4.4:	Second Law of Thermodynamics
Limitations of the first law of thermodynamics, concepts of heat engines and heat pumps/refrigerators, thermal efficiency, coefficient of performance; Kelvin-Planck and Clausius statements and their equivalence; Reversible and irreversible processes; Carnot cycle and Carnot principles/theorems; Thermodynamic temperature scale.	
Section XE4.5:	Entropy
Clausius inequality and concept of entropy, causes of irreversibility; Entropy generation, the principle of increase of entropy, T-s diagrams; Isentropic process and isentropic efficiency; Second law analysis of system and control volume; Second law efficiency; Concept of third law of thermodynamics.	
Section XE4.6:	Thermodynamic Relations
T-ds relations, Helmholtz and Gibbs functions, Gibbs relations, Maxwell relations, Joule-Thomson coefficient and inversion curve; Coefficient of volume expansion, adiabatic and isothermal compressibilities; Clapeyron and Clapeyron-Clausius equations.	
Section XE4.7:	Thermodynamic Cycles
Carnot vapor cycle, ideal Rankine cycle; Simple vapor-compression refrigeration cycle; Air-standard cycles - Otto, Diesel, and Brayton cycles.	
Section XE4.8:	Mixtures of Ideal Gases
Dalton's and Amagat's laws, properties of ideal gas mixtures, air-water vapor mixtures and simple thermodynamic processes; Specific and relative humidities; Dew point, dry bulb and wet bulb temperatures, adiabatic saturation temperature, Simple psychrometric processes.	

XE5	Polymer Science and Engineering
Section XE5.1:	Polymer Chemistry
Monomers; Degree of polymerization; Classification of polymers; Polymerization reactions: addition and condensation, their kinetics; Metallocene polymers and other newer methods of polymerization; Copolymerization; Monomer reactivity ratios and its significance; Kinetics; Different copolymers; Random, alternating, azeotropic copolymerization; Block and graft copolymers; Techniques for polymerization-bulk, solution, suspension, emulsion.	
Section XE5.2:	Polymer Characterization
Solubility and swelling; Concept of molecular weight distribution and its significance; Concept of average molecular weight; Determination of number average, weight average, viscosity average and Z-average molecular weights; Glass transition; Melting transition; Amorphous and crystalline states of polymers; Orientation in polymers and polymer crystallinity; Factors affecting crystallinity; Analysis of polymers using IR, XRD, thermal (DSC, DMTA, TGA); Microscopic (optical and electronic) techniques; GPC; Mooney viscosity; Morphology and microstructure (SEM, TEM, AFM).	
Section XE5.3:	Synthesis, Manufacturing and Properties
Commodity and general-purpose thermoplastics: PE, PP, PS, PVC; Polyesters; Acrylic; PU polymers; Engineering Plastics: Nylon, PC, PBT, Polyphenylene oxide, ABS, Fluoropolymers; Thermosetting polymers: Polyurethane, PF, MF, UF, Epoxy, Unsaturated polyester, Alkyds; Natural and synthetic rubbers: recovery of NR hydrocarbon from latex; SBR; Nitrile; CR; CSM; EPDM; IIR; BR; Silicone; TPE; Specialty plastics: PEK, PEEK, Polyphenylene sulfide, Polysulfone, Polyethersulfone, etc.; Bio-compostable polymers such as PCL, PLA, PBAT, PHA/PHB, natural and biodegradable polymers such as cellulose, starch, alginate.	
Section XE5.4:	Polymer Blends and Composites
Polymer blends and composites, their significance; Choice of polymers for blending, blend miscibility: miscible and immiscible blends; Thermodynamics; Phase morphology; Polymer alloys; Polymer eutectics; Plastic-plastic, rubber-plastic and rubber-rubber blends; FRP, particulate, long and short fibre reinforced composites; Polymer reinforcement, reinforcing fibres – natural and synthetic.	
Section XE5.5:	Additives, Compounding and Formulations
Polymer compounding-need and significance; Different compounding ingredients for rubber and plastics (crosslinkers, antioxidants, heat stabilizers, UV stabilizers, lubricants, processing aids, impact modifiers, flame retardant, antistatic agents. PVC stabilizers and plasticizers) and their function; Use of carbon black; Polymer mixing equipment; Vulcanization and kinetics.	
Section XE5.6:	Polymer Rheology
Flow of Newtonian and non-Newtonian fluids, different flow equations, dependence of shear modulus on temperature, molecular/segmental deformations at different zones and transitions; Measurements of rheological parameters by capillary, parallel plate, cone-plate rheometer. viscoelasticity, creep and stress relaxation, oscillatory or dynamic testing, mechanical models, control of rheological characteristics through compounding, rubber curing in parallel plate viscometer, ODR and MDR.	
Section XE5.7:	Polymer Processing
Spin coating; Electrospinning; Solution and melt spinning; Film casting; Compression molding; Transfer molding; Injection molding; Blow molding; Reaction injection molding; Filament winding; SMC; BMC; DMC; Extrusion;	

pultrusion; Calendaring; Rotational molding; Thermoforming; Powder coating; Rubber processing in two-roll mill, internal mixer, twin screw extruder.

Section XE5.8:	Polymer Testing
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Mechanical-static and dynamic, tensile, flexural, compressive, abrasion, endurance, fatigue, hardness, tear, resilience, impact, toughness; Conductivity-thermal and electrical, dielectric constant, dissipation factor, power factor, electric resistance, surface resistivity, volume resistivity, swelling, ageing resistance, environmental stress cracking resistance, limiting oxygen index; Heat deflection temperature – Vicat softening temperature, ductile to brittle transition, glass transition temperature, coefficient of thermal expansion, shrinkage, flammability, dielectric constant, dissipation factor, power factor; Optical Properties - Refractive Index, Luminous Transmittance and Haze, Melt flow index.

Section XE5.9:	Polymer Recycling, Waste Management and Sustainability
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Polymer waste and its impact on environment; Sources, identification and separation techniques; Recycling classification: mechanical and chemical recycling, recycling of thermoplastics, thermosets and rubbers, applications of recycled materials; Life cycle assessment of polymer products (case studies like PET bottles, packaging bags); Recycling, segregation and disposal strategies of biodegradable and bio-compostable polymers, microplastics.

XE6	Food Technology
Section XE6.1:	Food Chemistry and Nutrition
Food Components Characterization and quantification techniques Carbohydrates: Structure and functional properties of mono-, oligo-, & poly- saccharides including starch, cellulose, pectic substances and dietary fibre, gelatinization and retrogradation of starch. Proteins: classification and structure of proteins in food, Protein denaturation, functional properties of proteins and starch. Lipids: Classification and structure of lipids, rancidity, polymerization and polymorphism. Pigments: carotenoids, chlorophylls, anthocyanins, tannins and myoglobin. Curcumin, betalains. Food Flavours: Terpenes, esters, aldehydes, ketones and quinines. Enzymes: specificity, simple and inhibition kinetics, coenzymes, enzymatic and non- enzymatic browning, Food enzymology. Nutrition: Balanced diet, essential amino acids and essential fatty acids, protein efficiency ratio, water soluble and fat soluble vitamins, role of minerals in nutrition, co-factors, anti-nutrients, nutraceuticals, nutrient deficiency diseases. Food Supplements, Concept of nutrigenomics. Food adulteration (types of adulterants and their detection) Chemical and Biochemical Changes: Changes occurring in foods during different processing. Changes occur in foods and food biopolymers (carbohydrates, proteins, lipids) during different processing.	
Section XE6.2:	Food Microbiology
Characteristics of Microorganisms: Morphology of bacteria, yeast, mold and actinomycetes, spores and vegetative cells, gram-staining, Resistant bacteria. Microbial Growth: D-value, Z-value, F-value, Growth and death kinetics, serial dilution technique. Food Spoilage: Spoilage microorganisms in different food products including milk, fish, meat, egg, cereals and their products. Toxins from Microbes: Pathogens and non-pathogens including Staphylococcus, Salmonella, Shigella, Escherichia, Bacillus, Clostridium, and Aspergillus genera, Food borne diseases. Fermented Foods and Beverages: Curd, yoghurt, cheese, pickles, soya-sauce, sauerkraut, idli, dosa, vinegar, alcoholic beverages, and sausage. Probiotic foods: probiotic microorganisms, their benefits, prebiotics, synbiotics.	
Section XE6.3:	Food Products Technology
Processing Principles: Food Components Characterization and quantification techniques. Quality analysis of raw and processed food products. Thermal processing (blanching, pasteurization, sterilization), chilling, freezing, dehydration, addition of preservatives and food additives, Microwave, radiowave, and Infrared processing, irradiation, fermentation, hurdle technology, intermediate moisture foods.	

Non thermal technologies: Ultrasonication, HPP, Pulse Electric Field, Cold plasma.

Food packaging and storage: packaging materials and their properties, aseptic packaging Active and Intelligent packaging, controlled and modified atmosphere storage. Microplastics in food. Cereal processing and products: milling of rice, wheat, and maize, Pulse processing, parboiling of paddy, bread, biscuits, extruded products and ready to eat breakfast cereals. Meat Analogue and Plant-based milk alternatives

Oil Processing: Expelling, solvent extraction, refining and hydrogenation.

Fruits and Vegetables Processing: Extraction, clarification, concentration and packaging of fruit juice, jam, jelly, marmalade, squash, candies, tomato sauce, ketchup, and puree, potato chips, pickles.

Plantation crops processing and products: Tea, coffee, cocoa, spice, extraction of essential oils and oleoresins from spices.

Milk and Milk Products Processing: Pasteurization and sterilization, cream, butter, ghee, ice- cream, cheese and milk powder.

Processing of animal products: Processing of frozen, canned, and dried products, ready to eat products of fish and meat. Curing, smoking, poultry processing, animal slaughtering

Waste Utilization: Pectin from fruit wastes, uses of by-products from rice milling. Edible films and packaging materials from waste

Food standards and Quality Maintenance: FPO, PFA, A-Mark, HACCP, food plant sanitation and cleaning in place (CIP). FSSAI, BIS, Codex Alimentarius, ISO, Food Safety and Management System (FSMS).

Section XE6.4:	Food Engineering
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Mass and energy balance.

Momentum Transfer: Flow rate and pressure drop relationships for Newtonian fluids flowing through pipe, Reynolds number.

Heat transfer: heat transfer by conduction, convection, radiation, heat exchangers.

Mass Transfer: Molecular diffusion and Fick's law, conduction and convective mass transfer, permeability through single and multilayer films.

Mechanical Operations: Size reduction of solids, high pressure homogenization, filtration, centrifugation, settling, sieving, mixing & agitation of liquid.

Thermal operations: Thermal blanching, pasteurization, sterilization, sterilization, evaporation of liquid foods, hot air drying of solids, spray and freeze-drying, freezing and crystallization.

Mass Transfer Operations: Psychometric, humidification and dehumidification operations.

XE7	Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences
Section XE7.1:	Atmospheric Science
Vertical Structure and Composition of the Atmosphere; Blackbody Radiation and Radiation Balance; Modes of Heat Transfer in the Atmosphere; Greenhouse Effect; Cloud Types; Laws of Thermodynamics; Gas Laws; Hydrostatic Equation; Clausius Clapeyron Equation; Adiabatic Processes, Humidity in the Atmosphere, Atmospheric Stability; Global Radiation Budget, Role of Greenhouse Gases. Navier-Stokes and Continuity Equations; Compressible and Incompressible Fluids; Pressure Gradient, Centripetal, Centrifugal and Coriolis Forces; Geostrophic, Gradient and Cyclostrophic Balances; Circulations and Vorticity, General Circulation of the Atmosphere. Broad Features of Indian Monsoons; Fundamentals of Tropical Cyclones.	
Section XE7.2:	Ocean Sciences
Vertical Profiles of Temperature and Salinity; Stability and Double Diffusion; Equation of State, Equations for Conservation of Mass, Momentum, Heat and Salt; Inertial Currents; Geostrophic Motion; Air-Sea Surface Fluxes; Wind-driven Circulation, Ekman and Sverdrup Transports; Storm Surges, Tides, Tsunamis and Wind Waves; Eddies and Gyres; Thermohaline Circulation. Chemical Properties of Seawater, Major and Minor Elements, Ocean Acidification, Biogeochemical Cycling of Nutrients; Biological Pump; Primary and Secondary Biological Productivity; Marine Ecology.	

XE8	Energy Science
Section XE8.1:	Energy Resources and Conversion Technologies
Fossil energy resources: R/P ratio, estimation of reserves, unconventional fossil resources (coal bed methane, shale gas, gas hydrates, frozen methane), peak oil theory. Nuclear energy resources: Energy-mass relation, nuclear reaction conservation laws, binding energy and Q-values, radioactive decay, fission and fusion. Solar thermal systems: Solar radiation distribution and measurement, solar geometry, optical efficiency, thermal efficiency, energy conversation for solar thermal collectors, flat plate collectors, evacuated tube collectors, solar air heaters, concentrating collectors. Solar photovoltaic (PV) systems: I-V characteristics, efficiency, fill factor, series and parallel connections, sizing of PV systems (load factor, days of autonomy, battery size, inverter size, PV array size), maximum power point tracking. Biomass: Biomass resources, biomass composition, characterisation, conversion methods (pyrolysis, gasification, steam reforming), biofuels. Wind energy conversion systems: Wind resource analysis, types and characteristics of wind turbines, Betz limit, wind turbine motor design considerations, blade profile, wind energy generators. Hydropower: Hydro resources, hydro power plants, turbines (Pelton, Kaplan, Francis), small hydro systems.	
Section XE8.2:	Energy Storage, Economics, Environment, and Efficiency
Energy storage systems: Batteries (capacity, C-rate, state of charge, state of health, depth of discharge, energy and power densities); conservation of energy and mass for thermal energy storage, pumped hydro storage, and compressed air storage; charging, discharging, and roundtrip efficiency. Economic analysis of energy systems: Simple Payback Period, Time Value of Money, Discount rate, Present Worth Factor, Capital Recovery Factor, Life Cycle Costing, Internal Rate of Return, Net Present Value, Annual Worth, Cost of Saved Energy, Levelized Cost of Energy. Environmental impacts of energy use: Air pollution (SO_x, NO_x, CO, particulates), greenhouse gas emissions and their sources, emission factors and inventories. Energy management: Energy auditing (methodology, analysis of past trends plants data), electrical systems (demand side management, power factor correction), motor efficiency testing, energy efficient motors, lighting (lighting levels, efficient options, fixtures, daylighting, timers), thermal and mechanical systems (insulation, compressors, pumps, boiler, heating and cooling systems).	

XE9	Textile Engineering and Fibre Science
Section XE9.1:	Textile Fibres
Classification of textile fibres; Essential requirements of fibre forming polymers; Gross and fine structures of natural fibres like cotton, wool, silk; Introduction to bast fibres; Properties and uses of natural and man-made fibres including carbon, aramid and ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene fibres; Physical and chemical methods of fibre and blend identification and blend analysis. Molecular architecture, amorphous and crystalline phases, glass transition, plasticization, crystallization, melting, factors affecting T_g and T_m; Polymerization of nylon-6, nylon-66, poly (ethylene terephthalate), polyacrylonitrile and polypropylene; Melt spinning processes for PET, polyamide and polypropylene; Preparation of spinning dope; Principles of wet spinning, dry spinning, dry-jet-wet spinning and gel spinning; Spinning of acrylic, viscose and other regenerated cellulosic fibres such as polynosic and lyocell; Post spinning operations such as drawing, heat setting, tow-to-top conversion; Spin finish composition and applications; Different texturing methods. Methods of investigating fibre structure such as density, x-ray diffraction, birefringence, optical and electron microscopy such as SEM and TEM, I.R. spectroscopy, thermal methods such as DSC, DMA, TMA and TGA; Structure and morphology of man-made fibres; Mechanical properties of fibres; Moisture sorption of fibres; Fibre structure-property correlation.	
Section XE9.2:	Yarn Manufacture, Yarn Structure and Properties
Principles of ginning; Principles of opening, cleaning and blending; Working principles of modern blowroom machines; Fundamentals of carding; Conventional vs. modern carding machine; Card setting; Card clothing; Periodic mass variation in card sliver; Card autoleveller; Principles of roller drawing; Roller arrangements in drafting systems; Periodic mass variation in drawn sliver; Drawframe autoleveller; Principles of cotton combing; Combing cycle and mechanisms; Recent developments in combing machine; Principles of drafting, twisting, and bobbin building in roving formation; Modern developments in roving machine; Principles of drafting, twisting and cop building in ring spinning; Causes of end breakages; Modern developments in ring spinning machine; Working principles of ring doubler and two-for-one twister; Relationship between single yarn twist and folded yarn twist; Principles of compact, rotor, air-jet, air-vortex, friction, core, wrap and twist-less spinning processes. Influence of fibre geometry, fibre configuration and fibre orientation in yarn; Fibre packing density of yarn; Yarn diameter; Yarn twist and its relation to yarn strength; Helical arrangement of fibres in yarns; Yarn contraction; Fibre migration in yarns; Stress-strain relation in yarn; Mass irregularity of yarn; Structure-property relationship in ring, compact, rotor, air-jet and friction spun yarns.	
Section XE9.3:	Fabric Manufacture, Structure and Properties
Principles of winding processes; Classification of winding methods; Patterning mechanism; Yarn clearers and tensioners; Different systems of yarn splicing; Warping objectives and classification; Different types of warping creels; Features of beam and sectional warping machines; Different sizing systems; Sizing of spun and filament yarns; Drawing-in process; Principles of pirn winding. Primary and secondary motions of loom; Shedding motion; Positive and negative shedding mechanisms; Type of sheds; Tappet, dobby and jacquard shedding; Weft insertion; Mechanics of weft insertion with shuttle; Shuttle picking and checking; Beat-up; Kinematics of sley; Loom timing diagram; Cam designing; Effect of sley setting and cam profile on fabric formation; Take- up and Let-off motions; Warp and weft stop motions; Warp protection; Weft replenishment; Principles of weft insertion systems of shuttle-less weaving machines such as projectile, rapier, water-jet and air-jet; Principles of functioning of multiphase and circular looms; Types of selvages; Basic woven fabric constructions and their derivatives, such as crepe, cord, terry, gauze, leno, double cloth and other constructions; Drawing and lifting plans. Fundamentals of weft knitting; Classification of weft knitting technologies; Weft knitted constructions such as plain, rib, interlock, purl and others; Different knit stitches such as loop, tuck, float and others; Principle of warp knitting; Classification of warp knitting technologies; Swinging and shogging motion of guide bar; Basic warp knit constructions such as pillar, tricot, atlas, inlay nets and others; Fibre preparation processes for nonwovens; Web formation and bonding processes; Spun-bonding and melt-blowing technologies; Applications of	

nonwoven fabrics; Principles of braiding; Type of braids; Maypole braiding technology;

Peirce's equations for plain woven fabric geometry; Thickness, cover and maximum set of woven fabrics; Geometry of plain weft knitted loop; Munden's constants and tightness factor for plain weft knitted fabrics; Geometry of tubular braids.

Section XE9.4:

Textile Testing

Sampling techniques for fibres, yarns and fabrics; Sample size and sampling errors.

Moisture in textiles; Fibre length, fineness, crimp, maturity and trash content; Tensile testing of fibres; High volume fibre testing.

Linear density of sliver, roving and yarn; Twist and hairiness of yarn; Tensile testing of yarns; Evenness testing; Fault measurement and analysis of yarns.

Fabric thickness, compressibility, stiffness, shear, drape, crease recovery, tear strength, bursting strength, pilling and abrasion resistance; Tensile testing of fabrics; Objective evaluation of low stress mechanical characteristics; Air permeability; Wetting and wicking; Water-vapour transmission through fabrics; Thermal resistance of fabrics.

Section XE9.5:

Chemical Processing

Impurities in natural fibre; Singeing; Chemistry and practice of preparatory processes for cotton; Preparatory processing of wool and silk; Mercerization of cotton; Preparatory processes for manmade fibres and their blends; Optical brightening agent.

Classification of dyes; Dyeing of cotton, wool, silk, polyester, nylon and acrylic with appropriate classes of dyes; Dyeing of polyester/cotton and polyester/wool blends; Dyeing machines; Dyeing processes and machines for cotton knitted fabrics; Dye-fibre interaction; Introduction to thermodynamics and kinetics of dyeing; Brief idea about the relation between colour and chemical constitution; Beer-Lambert's law; Kubelka-Munk theory and its application in colour measurement; Methods for determination of wash, light and rubbing fastness.

Methods of printing such as roller printing and screen printing; Preparation of printing paste; Various types of thickeners; Printing auxiliaries; Direct styles of printing of (i) cotton with reactive dyes, (ii) wool, silk, nylon with acid and metal complex dyes, (iii) polyester with disperse dyes; Resist and discharge printing of cotton, silk and polyester; Pigment printing; Transfer printing of polyester; Inkjet printing; Printing faults.

Mechanical finishing of cotton; Stiff, soft, wrinkle resistant, water repellent, flame retardant and enzyme (bio-polishing) finishing of cotton; Milling, decatizing and shrink resistant finishing of wool; Antistatic and soil release finishing; Heat setting of synthetic fabrics; Minimum application techniques.

Pollution control and treatment of effluents.

XH	Humanities & Social Sciences
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This part is to test the candidate's ability to comprehend and interpret written information – skills that are critical in research in the Humanities and Social Sciences. The section will not directly test language competence in terms of grammar, vocabulary etc. The focus is instead on critical reasoning (similar to what is often found in exams like LSAT, GRE, GMAT etc.) and analysis of the text and its stylistic and rhetorical structure.

XH0: Reasoning and Comprehension (Common for all XH candidates)

Section XH0.1:	Reading Comprehension
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Ability to understand complex language material in short paragraphs and answer questions regarding them.

Section XH0.2:	Expression
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Questions on stylistic and rhetorical aspects of a short passage including corrections or modifications of particular sentences.

Section XH0.3:	Analytical Reasoning
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Ability to understand relationship in statements or short passages and being able to draw reasonable conclusions/inferences from them.

Section XH0.4:	Logical Reasoning
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Thinking critically to evaluate or to predict an argument, identify the main and supporting arguments, predict outcomes etc.

XH1: Economics	
Section XH1.1:	Microeconomics
Theory of Consumer Behaviour: Cardinal Approach and Ordinal Approach; Consumer Preferences; Nature of the utility function; Marshallian and Hicksian demand functions; Duality Theorem. Slutsky equation and Comparative Statics. Homogeneous and Homothetic Utility Functions; Euler's Theorem. The Theory of Revealed Preference: Weak Axiom of Revealed Preference and Strong Axiom of Revealed Preference, Theory of Production and Costs: Short-run and Long-run Analysis, Existence, Uniqueness and Stability of Market Equilibrium: Walrasian and Marshallian Stability Analysis. The Cobweb Model, Decision making under uncertainty and risk. Asymmetric Information: Adverse Selection and Moral Hazard. Theory of Agency costs. The Theory of Search, Non-Cooperative games: Constant sum game, Mixed Strategy & Pure Strategy, Bayesian Nash Equilibrium, SPNE, Perfect Bayesian Equilibria., Theory of Firm: Market Structures — Competitive and Non-competitive equilibria and their efficiency properties. Structure-Conduct-Performance Paradigm, Factor Pricing: Marginal productivity Theory of Distribution in Perfectly Competitive markets; Theory of Employment in Imperfectly Competitive Markets — Monopolistic Exploitation, General Equilibrium Analysis. Welfare Economics: Fundamental Theorems, Social Welfare Function. Efficiency Criteria: Pareto-Optimality.	
Section XH1.2:	Macroeconomics
National Income Accounting: Closed Economy Concepts and Measurement and Open Economy Issues, Determination of output and employment: Classical & Keynesian Framework, Theories of Consumption: Absolute Income Hypothesis, Relative Income Hypothesis, Life Cycle Hypothesis, Permanent Income Hypothesis and Robert Hall's Random Walk Model; Investment Function Specifications - Dale Jorgenson's Neoclassical Theory of Capital Accumulation and Tobin's, Keynesian Stabilization Policies, (Autonomous) Multipliers and Investment Accelerator, Demand and Supply of Money, Components of Money Supply, Liquidity Preference and Liquidity Trap, Money Multiplier, Interest Rate determination, Central Banking, Objectives, Instruments (Direct and Indirect) of Monetary Policy, Prudential Regulation, Quantitative Easing (Unconventional Monetary Policy), Commercial Banking, Non-Banking Financial Institutions, Capital Market and its Regulation, Theories of Inflation and Expectations Augmented Phillips Curve, Real Business Cycles, Adaptive Expectations Hypothesis, Rational Expectation Hypothesis and its critique. Closed Economy IS – LM Model and Mundell Fleming Model: Monetary and Fiscal Policy Efficacy. The Impossible Trinity.	
Section XH1.3:	Statistics, Econometrics and Mathematical Economics
Basic Statistics: Probability Theory: Concepts of probability, Probability Distributions [Discrete and Continuous], Central Limit Theorem, Index Numbers and Construction of Price Indices, Sampling Methods & Sampling Distribution, Estimation and Hypothesis Testing; Econometrics: Simple Linear Regression Models; the Gauss Markov Theorem; Regression with multiple variables, Heteroscedasticity, Multicollinearity and Autocorrelation, Dummy variable regression, Simultaneous Equation Models – recursive and non-recursive, Identification Problem; Time Series Analysis: Dynamic Models, Models of Non-Stationarity, Spurious Regression, Univariate Time Series Analysis – AR, MA, ARMA, Multivariate Time Series Analysis – cointegration, error-correction, causality and VAR;; Mathematical Economics: Differential Calculus and its Applications, Linear Algebra – Matrices, Applications of Cramer's Rule, Static Optimization Problems and Applications, Input-Output Model, Linear Programming, Difference equations and Differential equations with applications.	
Section XH1.4:	International Economics
Theories of International Trade, International Trade under Imperfect Competition, Gains from Trade, Terms of Trade, Trade Multiplier, Tariff and Non-Tariff barriers to trade; Dumping and Anti-Dumping Policies, GATT, WTO and Regional Trade Blocks; Trade Policy Issues, Balance of Payments: Composition, Equilibrium and Disequilibrium and Adjustment Mechanisms, Foreign Exchange Market and Arbitrage, Exchange rate determination, IMF & World Bank.	

Section XH1.5:	Public Economics
Market Failure and Remedial Measures: Asymmetric Information, Public Goods, Externality, Regulation of Market – Collusion and Consumers’ Welfare, Public Revenue: Tax & Non-Tax Revenue, Direct & Indirect Taxes, Progressive and non-Progressive Taxation, Incidence and Effects of Taxation, Public expenditure, Public Debt and its management, Public Budget and Budget Multiplier, Tax Incidence, Fiscal Policy and its implications, Environment as a Public Good, Market Failure and Coase Theorem, Cost-Benefit Analysis.	
Section XH1.6:	Development Economics
Theories of Economic Development: Adam Smith, David Ricardo, Karl Marx, J. Schumpeter, W. Rostow, Balanced & Unbalanced Growth, Big Push Approach, Indicators of Economic Development: HDI, SDGs, MDGs, Poverty and Inequalities – Concepts and Measurement Issues, Social Sector Development: Health, Education, Gender, Fertility, Morbidity, Mortality, Migration, Child Labor, Age Structure, Demographic Dividend, Models of Economic Growth: Harrod-Domar, Solow, Ramsey, Technical progress – Disembodied & Embodied, Endogenous Growth Models.	
Section XH1.7:	Indian Economy
Economic Growth in India: Pattern and Structure, Agriculture, Industry & Services Sector: Pattern & Structure of Growth, Major Challenges, Policy Responses, Rural & Urban Development – Issues, Challenges & Policy Responses, Flow of Foreign Capital, Trade Policies, Infrastructure Development: Physical and Social; Public-Private Partnerships, Reforms in Land, Labour and Capital Markets, Poverty, Inequality & Unemployment, Functioning of Monetary Policy in India, Fiscal Policy in the Indian context: Structure of Receipts and Expenditure, Tax reforms-Goods and Services Tax, Issues of Growth and Equity, Fiscal Federalism, Centre-State Financial Relations and Finance Commissions of India; Sustainability of Deficits and Debt, The Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act 2003, Demonetization and aftermath. India’s balance of payments, Composition of India’s Trade, Competitiveness of India’s exports, India’s exchange rate policy.	

XH2: English	
Section XH2.1:	Literary Forms, Genres, and Modes of Expression
Poetry, drama, fiction (novels, short stories, graphic narratives), creative non-fiction, and nonfiction prose from the Medieval period to the present. Literary Genres and Subgenres: History, evolution and importance of categorisation to understand different kinds of writing. Aesthetic and rhetorical strategies, including narrative and poetic techniques, and figures of speech.	
Section XH2.2:	History of English Literature and Literary Studies
English Literary Traditions across Time: Chaucer to Contemporary English Literature. Global Perspectives on Literary Studies: Anglophone literatures (British, American, Canadian and other Postcolonial literatures). Intersections of literature with political, social, and intellectual movements. Literary Studies in relation to Sociology, Psychology, Philosophy, Environment and other allied disciplines.	
Section XH2.3:	Comparative and World Literatures in English Translation
Literatures in English translation, particularly from India and the Global South. Cross-cultural Exchanges and their impact on literary traditions. Theoretical Frameworks for Comparative Literature: intertextuality, adaptation, interconnectedness and cosmopolitanism. Multilingualism, Translation Studies, and the politics of language in literary production.	
Section XH2.4:	Critical Theories and Intellectual Traditions
Theoretical Paradigms, Socio-Cultural Movements shaping Literary Studies: Structuralism, Marxism, Feminism, Existentialism, Poststructuralism, Modernism, Postmodernism, New Historicism, Postcolonialism, Posthumanism, etc. Interdisciplinary fields: Cultural Studies; Film and Media studies, Memory and Trauma studies, Dalit and Subaltern Studies, Environmental, Medical and Digital humanities, etc. Indian Literary and Aesthetic Traditions: Classical poetics (Rasa, Dhvani, Vakrokti, Alamkara, Riti, Aucitya) and other indigenous frameworks for literary interpretation.	
Section XH2.5:	Contemporary Literary Cultures and Research Methodologies
Major literary awards and prizes; literary festivals; literary associations and networks. Research in literary studies: archival research, ethnographic methods, textual analysis, discourse analysis, AI-assisted and multimodal approaches. Structuring research arguments, academic integrity, plagiarism checking, citation ethics, and engagement with scholarly discourse.	

XH3: Linguistics	
Section XH3.1:	Language and Linguistics (Fundamental Concepts)
This section covers the fundamental concepts of what language is and how linguists study it.	
What is Language? Understanding language in its spoken, written, and signed forms; Difference between description and prescription. Language and Culture: Exploring the connection between language and a community's cultural heritage; social/personal identities; linguistic determinism/relativity. The Science of Language: Treating language as an object of scientific study, looking at its basic units and unique properties (design features); levels of adequacy of grammars; principles of creativity and productivity. Knowledge vs. Use: Difference between a speaker's subconscious knowledge of grammar (<i>competence</i>) and their actual use of language in real-world situations (<i>performance</i>). History of Linguistics: Major schools of thought in linguistics (European, American traditions, as well as the Indian Grammatical Tradition).	
Section XH3.2:	Levels of Grammatical Analysis (The primary components of grammar)
A. Phonetics and Phonology (Sounds): Speech Production and Perception: Producing sounds using the vocal tract; articulation; phonation; acoustic properties of sounds; perceptual cues; auditory system. Sound Systems: How languages organize sounds into a system; IPA; finding the abstract sound units (<i>phonemes</i>), analyzing their distribution (<i>allophones</i>, complementary vs. contrastive distribution); tonal, segmental and suprasegmental phonological processes and their representation (including distinctive features). Modern Theories: Key ideas from theories (linear and non-linear approaches) like autosegmental phonology, generative phonology, lexical phonology, prosodic morphology, and optimality theory. B. Morphology (Words): Building Blocks: Identifying the smallest units of meaning (<i>morphemes</i>) and their variations (<i>allomorphs</i>); morpheme types. Word Formation: The difference between grammatical changes to words (<i>inflection</i>) and creating new words (<i>derivation</i> and other processes of lexeme building); constraints on word formation; lexical and structural ambiguity; the morphology-phonology interface. The Mental Dictionary: How words and the rules to create them are stored in the mind (<i>mental lexicon</i>). Modern Theories: Key ideas from theories like distributed morphology, lexicalist vs paradigm based approaches, construction morphology. C. Syntax (Sentences): Sentence Structure: Understanding the basic units of syntax like words, phrases, and clauses, and the rules for combining them (e.g., <i>Phrase Structure Rules</i>, <i>X-bar Theory</i>); syntactic processes and representations; diagnostics of structure; sub-modules of syntax such as theta theory, case theory, binding, argument structure; valency alternations etc.; syntax-morphology and syntax-phonology interfaces; structural and semantic ambiguity. Major Theories: The core principles of key syntactic theories, like generative grammar (including the Minimalist Programme), LFG, and HPSG. Universal Grammar: The concept that all human languages share an underlying blueprint (<i>Universal Grammar</i>), which addresses the language acquisition problem; tacit knowledge vs. explicit knowledge; core grammar vs. peripheral grammar. Syntactic Analysis: Analyzing common syntactic phenomena across languages.	

D. Semantics and Pragmatics (Meaning):

Literal Meaning (Semantics): How word meanings combine to form sentence meaning (*compositionality*); truth conditions; basic logic (propositions, quantifiers); lexical semantics (e.g., *synonymy*, *antonymy*); propositional semantics (*paraphrase*, *entailment*, *contradiction* etc.); syntax-semantics and semantics-pragmatics interfaces.

Meaning in Context (Pragmatics): Contextual use of language including *speech* acts; implied meanings based on conversational rules (Grice's Maxims and *implicatures*), and assumed knowledge (*presuppositions*); deictic and indexical elements; discourse analysis.

Section XH3.3:	Historical Linguistics (Language Change)
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Sound Changes over time: Sound laws (e.g., Grimm's Law, Verner's Law).

Grammar and Meaning Change: How grammars change (grammaticalization) and how word meanings shift over time.

Reconstruction: Comparative reconstruction of ancestral languages.

Language Contact including borrowing.

Section XH3.4:	Sociolinguistics (Language and Society)
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Language Variation: How language varies based on social factors (e.g., creating *sociolects* or *dialects*); language contact and migration (including dialect geography); the formation of pidgins and creoles; linguistic variables and their co-variation along linguistic/social dimensions; communicative competence.

Bi- and Multilingualism: The study of phenomena like *code-switching* and *code-mixing*; mother tongue and other tongues.

Language and Policy: The role of language in society, including official language policies (especially in India); language endangerment (EGIDS), language loss, and revitalization; language maintenance and language documentation; minority and majority languages.

Section XH3.5:	Typology and Universals (Language Classification)
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Classifying Languages: Grouping languages by their structural type (e.g., *agglutinative*, *isolating*, *fusional*) and by their family trees (*genetic classification*).

Language Universals: Identifying features or patterns that are common to all or most languages (e.g., Greenberg's universals on word order).

South Asian Languages: The key areal features of the major language families found in South Asia (*Indo-Aryan*, *Dravidian*, *Austro-Asiatic*, *Tibeto-Burman* etc.); constitutional provisions for languages.

Section XH3.6:	Methods of Analysis (How to Do Linguistics)
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Data Collection: Methods for gathering linguistic data, such as fieldwork or experiments; elicitation techniques from speakers; sampling.

Data Analysis: Using both quantitative (basic statistical) and qualitative methods to analyze data.

Ethics: The ethical responsibilities involved in working with languages and their speakers.

Corpora: Development; annotation; types; analysis.

Section XH3.7:**Applied Linguistics (Linguistics in the Real World)**

Psycholinguistics: The psychology of language; acquisition, production and comprehension of speech in real-time; language and the brain; bi- and multi-lingualism; language and cognition (e.g. the relationships between language, mind, and experience).

Computational Linguistics: Basic computational ideas of modelling and processing; corpora; parsing; LLMs; basic computational applications for speech recognition, morphological analysis or sentiment analysis etc.

Second Language Acquisition (SLA) and Language Teaching: Principles and practices of language teaching; methods and assessment; learning vs acquisition; cognitive resources.

Clinical Linguistics: assessments and evidence-based therapies; language disorders (both developmental and acquired).

XH4: Philosophy

Section XH4.1:

Classical Indian Philosophy

Orthodox Systems: Sāṅkhya – Puruṣa, Prakṛti, Guṇas, Satkāryavāda, Mokṣa (Kaivalya), Pramāṇas and Theory of Error. Yoga – Pramāṇas, Theory of Error, Īśvara, Citta, Kleśa, Aṣṭāṅga-yoga, Kaivalya (Mokṣa). Nyāya – Pramāṇas, Hetvābhāsa, Īśvara, Asatkāryavāda, Theory of Error, Navya-Nyāya. Vaiśeṣika – Parataḥpramāṇya, Padārthas (categories), Theory of Atomism (paramāṇuvāda). Mīmāṃsā – Dharma, Apūrva, Mokṣa, Pramāṇas (both in Kumārila and Prabhākara), Anyathākhyāti. Vedānta – Advaita (Adhyāsa, Brahman, Īśvara, Ātman, Jīva, Mokṣa, Viśiṣṭādvaita (Tattva-traya, Mokṣa, and Refutation of Māyāvāda), Dvaita, Dvaitādvaita, Śuddhādvaita, Pramāṇa in Advaita and Viśiṣṭādvaita.

Heterodox Systems: Cārvāka – Pramāṇa, Indian materialism and Hedonism. Jainism – Pramāṇas, Syādvāda, Anekāntavāda, Padārtha (categories), Jīva and Ajīva, Mokṣa, Mahāvratā, Aṇuvratā. Buddhism – Ti-piṭaka, Sarvāstivāda, Sautrāntika, Mādhyamika, Yogācāra-Vijñānavāda, Pañca-skandha, Anityavāda, Anātmavāda, Doctrine of Momentariness, Doctrine of Dependent Origination, Pramāṇas, Doctrine of Two Truths, Doctrine of Tri-kāya, Ṣaḍ-pāramitās, Brahmavihāras, Pañcaśīla, and Bodhisattva Ideal, and Upāyakauśalya.

Upaniṣads, Bhagavadgītā, and Dharmaśāstras: Philosophy of the Upaniṣads – Pure Monism, Brahman and Ātman, Pañca-kośa, Parā-vidyā and Aparā-vidyā, Meaning of Dharma, Rta, Puruṣārtha, Śreyas and Preyas, Varṇāśramadharma, Svadharma and Sādhāraṇa Dharma, Ṛna, Yajña, Karma-yoga, Sthitaprajña, Lokasaṃgraha, and Law of Karma.

Kāśmīra Śaivism, Śaivasiddhānta, Vīra Śaivism, Śāktism and Vaiṣṇavism: Kāśmīra Śaivism – Pratyābhijñā school, Śiva and Śakti, and Conception of Kriyā. Śaivasiddhānta – God (pati) and Divine Power (śakti), Proofs for God's Existence, Bondage and Liberation. Philosophical basis of Vīra Śaivism, Śāktism, and Vaiṣṇavism.

Section XH4.2:

Contemporary Indian Philosophy

Swami Vivekananda: Practical Vedānta, Nature of Religion, Destiny of the Soul – Realisation of Immortality. Sri Aurobindo: Evolution, Mind and Supermind, Integral Yoga. Iqbal: Self, God, Man and Superman, Intellect and Intuition. Tagore: Religion of man, ideas on education, Concept of Nationalism. K. C. Bhattacharyya: *Swaraj* in ideas, Concept of Philosophy, subject as Freedom, the doctrine of *Māyā*. Radhakrishnan: Intellect and intuition, the Idealist view of life, concept of Universal Religion, Hindu view of life. J. Krishnamurti: Conception of thought, Freedom from the known, analysis of self, Choiceless awareness. Gandhi: Notion of Truth, Non-violence, *satyagraha*, *swaraj*, critique of modern civilization (*Hind Swaraj*). Ambedkar: Basic Features of Indian Constitution; Untouchability, Democracy. Daya Krishna: Three Myths about Indian Philosophy.

Section XH4.3:

Classical and Modern Western Philosophy

Metaphysics: Pre-Socratic Philosophy of Thales, Anaxagoras, Anaximenes, Ionians, Pythagoras, Parmenides, Heraclitus, and Democritus. Plato and Aristotle: The question of Being (Ousia), Being as Idea in Plato's Phaedo, Republic and the Sophist, Being as the synthesis of Matter [*hyle*] and Form [*morphe*] in Aristotle's Metaphysics and Physics. Problem of evil and existence of God in St. Augustine, St. Anselm, and St. Thomas Aquinas. Metaphysics in Modern Philosophy: Substance, Mind-Body Dualism, Attribute, Parallelism, Pre-established harmony, the existence of God, Problem of Solipsism, Self and Personal Identity, Rejection of Metaphysics, Phenomena and Noumena, Transcendental Deduction of Categories, Being and Becoming, Absolute Idealism.

Epistemology: Plato and Aristotle's Theory of Knowledge, *Doxa*, *Episteme*, and *Sophia*, Method of Dialectics, Theoretical and Practical Reason, Theory of Causation. Descartes' Method of Doubt, *Cogito ergo sum*, Innate Ideas and its refutation, Principle of Non-contradiction, Sufficient Reason, and Identity of Indiscernibles. Locke's Three Grades of Knowledge, Berkeley's Critique of Abstract Ideas, Hume's Impressions and Ideas, Induction and Causality. Kant's Copernican Revolution, Forms of Sensibility, Possibility of Synthetic *a priori* Judgments. Hegel's Dialectics, Spirit, and Absolute Idealism. The Gettier Problem and major responses to it.

Ethics: Egoism, Altruism, Universalism, Subjectivism, Cultural Relativism, Super-naturalism, Ethical realism and anti-realism, Ethical Cognitivism and Non-cognitivism, Intuitionism. Concepts of Good, Right, Justice, Duty, Obligation, Cardinal Virtues, *Eudaemonism*. Kant's moral theory, Postulates of Morality, Good will, Categorical

Imperative, Duty, Means and ends, Maxims. Utilitarianism: Principle of Utility, Problem of Sanction and Justification of Morality, Moral theories of Bentham, J. S. Mill. Care Ethics. Theories of Punishment. Professional Ethics: Corporate Governance and Social Responsibility. Environmental Ethics: Nature as means or end, land ethic (Aldo Leopold), Deep Ecology (Arne Naess), Animal Rights (Peter Singer). Principles of Bioethics: Autonomy, Beneficence, Non-maleficence and Justice; Doctor-patient relationship, Euthanasia.

Social and Political Philosophy: Plato's theory of Justice and State, Aristotle's definition of State and Political Naturalism. Classical Liberalism and Social Contract Theory (Hobbes, Rousseau, Locke). Marx's Dialectical Materialism, Alienation, and critique of Capitalism. Rawls' Veil of Ignorance, Principles of Justice. Civic virtue, Libertarianism (Robert Nozick), Feminist Political Theory (Simone de Beauvoir, Judith Butler), Multiculturalism (Charles Taylor), Capability Approach.

Logic: Truth and Validity, Nature of Propositions, Categorical Syllogism, Laws of Thought. Classification of Propositions, Square of Opposition, Truth-Functions and Propositional Logic, Quantification, and Rules of Quantification. Symbolic Logic: Use of symbols, Truth Table for testing the validity of arguments, Differences between Deductive and Inductive Logic, Causality and Mill's Method.

Section XH4.4:	Contemporary Western Philosophy
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Frege's Sense and Reference. Logical Positivism's Verification theory of meaning, Elimination of Metaphysics. Moore's Distinction between Sense and Reference, Defense of common-sense, Proof of an External World. Russell's Logical Atomism, Definite Descriptions, Refutation of Idealism. Wittgenstein on Language and Reality, the Picture Theory, critique of private language, Meaning and Use, Forms of life. Gilbert Ryle on Systematically Misleading Expressions, critique of Cartesian dualism. W.V.O. Quine's Two Dogmas of Empiricism. P.F. Strawson's concept of Person. Husserl's Phenomenological Method, Philosophy as a rigorous science, Intentionality, Phenomenological Reduction, Inter-subjectivity. Heidegger's concept of Being (*Dasein*), Being in the world. Sartre's Types of Being, Concept of Freedom, Bad-faith. Merleau-Ponty on Perception, Embodied Consciousness. William James's Pragmatic Theories of Meaning and Truth, Varieties of Religious experience. John Dewey on Pragmatist Epistemology with focus on Inquiry, Fallibilism and Experience, Education. Nietzsche on the Critique of Enlightenment, Will to Power, Genealogy of Morals, Idea of Overman. Richard Rorty's Critique of Representationalism. Habermas: Communicative Rationality.

XH5: Psychology	
Section XH5.1:	Research Methods and Statistics
Approaches to Research: Philosophical worldviews & criteria involved in approach. Research design: Quantitative, Qualitative, and Mixed methods. Designing Research: Research problems, Purpose statement, Variables and Operational Definitions, Hypothesis, Sampling. Nature of Quantitative & Qualitative Research: Interview, Self-completion questionnaires (Survey), Observation, Experiment, Quasi-experiment, Field studies, Focus groups discussions, Narratives, Case studies, Ethnography. Ethics in conducting and reporting research. Statistics in Psychology: Measures of Central Tendency and Dispersion. Normal Probability Curve. Parametric and Non-parametric tests, Effect size and Power analysis. Correlational Analysis: Correlation [Product Moment, Rank Order], Partial correlation, multiple correlation. Special Correlation Methods: Biserial, Point biserial, tetrachoric, phi coefficient. Regression: Simple linear regression, Multiple regression. Factor analysis: Assumptions, Methods, Rotation and Interpretation. Experimental Designs: Factorial Design, Randomized Block Designs, Repeated Measures Design, Single-subject designs, Cohort studies, Statistics for experimental design: ANOVA, MANOVA, ANCOVA.	
Section XH5.2:	Psychometrics
Foundations of Psychological measurement; Basic components: Scales and items' construction and analysis of items: Intelligence test items, Performance tests, Ability & Aptitude test, Personality questionnaires. Method of test construction. Standardization of measures: Reliability, Validity, Norms. Application of assessment and measurements in Tests. Applications of psychological testing in various settings-educations, counselling and guidance, clinical, organizational and developmental.	
Section XH5.3:	Biological and Evolutionary Basis of Behaviour
Heredity and behaviour, Evolution and natural selection, Nervous system, Structures of the brain and their functions. Neurons: Structure, functions, types, neural impulse, synaptic transmission. Neurotransmitters. Hemispheric lateralization, The endocrine system types and functions. Biological basis of Motivation: Hunger, Thirst, Sleep and Sex. Biological basis of emotion: The Limbic system. Biological basis of Memory. Hormonal regulation of behaviour. Methods of Physiological. Psychology: Invasive methods – Anatomical methods, degeneration techniques, lesion techniques, chemical methods, microelectrode studies, Non-invasive methods – EEG, Scanning methods, Muscular and Glandular system: Genetics and behaviour: Chromosomal anomalies; Nature-Nurture controversy [Twin studies and adoption studies].	
Section XH5.4:	Perception, Learning, Memory and Forgetting
Sensation, sensory thresholds and sensory adaptations, Vision, hearing, touch and pain, smell and taste, kinesthesia and vestibular sense. Perception: Role of attention; organizing principles of perception, Gestalt perception, depth perception and illusions. Theories of learning: Classical conditioning, operant conditioning, social learning theory, cognitive learning. Memory: encoding, storage, retrieval, Information processing theories of memory, retrieval in long term memory, reconstructive nature of long-term memory. Forgetting: encoding failure, interference theory, memory trace decay theory.	

Section XH5.5:	Cognition
Thinking, Intelligence and Language: Basic elements of thought: Concepts, Propositions, Imagery. Current paradigms of cognitive psychology: Information processing approach, ecological approach. Problem solving: Methods of problem solving, Strategies and obstacles, Role of Metacognitive processing. Decision-making: Choosing among alternatives, Intelligence: Theories of intelligence (Spearman; Thurstone; Jensen; Cattell; Gardner; Stenberg) and Emotional Intelligence; Measuring intelligence, Individual differences in Intelligence; Role of heredity and environment, Difference between Intelligence, Aptitude and Creativity.	
Section XH5.6:	Personality
Theories of personality: Psychoanalytic, Behaviourist, Social, Cognitive, Humanism, Trait and Type theories. Biology of personality. Assessment of personality.	
Section XH5.7:	Motivation, Emotion and Stress and Coping
Approaches to understanding motivation: Instinct, Drive-reduction, Arousal, Incentive, Humanistic, Achievement motivation, Intrinsic motivation, Aggression, Curiosity and Exploration. Emotions: Nature of emotions; Theories of emotions. Definition of stress, what are stressors, cognitive factors in stress. Factors in stress reaction: General adaptation syndrome, Effect of stress. Coping with stress: Problem-focused coping and Emotion-focused coping.	
Section XH5.8:	Social Psychology
Social perception: Attribution, Impression formation, Social categorization, Implicit personality theory. Social influence: Conformity, Compliance and obedience, Attitudes, Beliefs and Values. Evaluating the social world, Attitude formation, Attitude change and persuasion, Cognitive dissonance, Prejudice, Discrimination, Aggression, Power and prosocial behaviour, Belief systems and value patterns. Group dynamics, Theories of intergroup relations and conflicts.	
Section XH5.9:	Development Across the Life Span
Nature versus nurture in human development, Prenatal development: Chromosomes, Genes and DNA. Physical, cognitive and psychosocial development in infancy, childhood, adolescence and adulthood. Moral development. Theories of aging.	
Section XH5.10:	Clinical Psychology and Organizational Behavior
Psychological disorders, Conceptions of mental disorders, Assessment and diagnosis, DSM and Other tools. Psychotherapies: Psychodynamic, Phenomenological/Experiential therapy, Behaviour therapy, Cognitive therapy, Rational emotive behavior therapy (REBT), Meditation, Biological therapy. Organizational Behavior, Organizational demographic and cultural diversity, Organizational Culture, Making decisions in organization, Power and Politics, Leadership theories, Leadership styles and effectiveness, Positive organizational behavior, Performance management by reward and punishment	
Section XH5.11:	Applications of Psychology
Applications of theories of Motivation and Learning in School, Factors in educational achievement, Counselling and Guidance in Schools. Application of theories of motivation, learning, emotions, perceptions in Group dynamics and Organizational setup. Issues of Personal space, Crowding, and Territoriality. Intervention for Mental health and Wellbeing.	

XH6: Sociology	
Section XH6.1:	Sociological Theory
Classical Sociological Traditions: Emile Durkheim (Social Solidarity, Social Facts, Religion, Functionalism, Suicide, Anomie, Division of Labour, Law; Max Weber (Types of authority, Social action, Protestant ethic and the spirit of capitalism, Bureaucracy, Ideal type, Methodology); Karl Marx: Class and class conflict, dialectical and historical materialism, capitalism, surplus value, alienation). Structural-Functionalism and Structuralism: Bronislaw Malinowski; A.R. Radcliffe- Brown, Talcott Parsons (AGIL, Systems approach), Robert K. Merton (Middle range theory, reference groups, latent and manifest function), Claude Levi Strauss (Myths, Structuralism). Hermeneutic and Interpretative Traditions: G.H. Mead, Alfred Schutz (Phenomenology); Harold Garfinkel (Ethnomethodology); Erving Goffman (Symbolic interaction, dramaturgy); Clifford Geertz (Culture, thick description). Recent theoretical developments, Post-Modernism and Post-Structuralism: Pierre Bourdieu, Michel Foucault, Jurgen Habermas, Anthony Giddens, Frankfurt School. Conflict Theory: Ralf Dahrendorf, Lewis Coser, Louis Althusser. Indian Thinkers: M.K. Gandhi, B.R. Ambedkar, Radha Kamal Mukherjee, G. S. Ghurye, M.N. Srinivas, Irawati Karve, A. R. Desai, Andre Beteille.	
Section XH6.2:	Research Methodology and Methods
Conceptualizing Social Reality: Philosophy of Science (Karl Popper & Thomas Kuhn); Scientific Method and Epistemology in Social Science; Hermeneutic Traditions; Etic and Emic approaches; Inductive and Deductive methods; Objectivity and Reflexivity in Social Science; Ethics and Politics of research. Research Design: Reading Social Science Research, Data and Documents; Fact, Concept and Theory; Hypotheses, Research Questions, Objectives. Quantitative and Qualitative Methods: Ethnography; Survey Method; Historical Method; Comparative Method; Statistical Methods. Research Techniques: Sampling; Questionnaire and Schedule; Statistical Analysis; Observation, Interview and Case study; Interpretation, Data Analysis and Report Writing.	
Section XH6.3:	Sociological Concepts
Sociological Concepts: Social Structure; Culture; Network; Status and Role; Identity; Community; Socialization; Diaspora; Values, Norms and Rules; Personhood, Habitus and Agency; Bureaucracy, Power and Authority; Self and society. Social Institutions: Marriage, Family and Kinship; Economy; Polity; Religion; Education; Law and Customs. Social Stratification: Social Difference, Hierarchy, Inequality and Marginalization: Caste and Class; Status and Power; Gender, Sexuality and Disability; Race, Tribe and Ethnicity. Social Change: Evolution and Diffusion; Modernization and Development; Social Transformations and Globalization; Social Mobility –Sanskritization, Westernization, Educational and Occupational change.	

Section XH6.4:	Agrarian Sociology and Rural Transformation
Rural and Peasant Society; Caste- Tribe Distinction and Continuum; Agrarian Social Structure and Emergent Class Relations; Land Ownership and Agrarian Relations; Decline of Agrarian Economy, De-Peasantization and Agrarian Change; Agrarian Unrest and Peasant Movements; Feudalism, Mode of production debate; Land reforms; Panchayati Raj; Rural development programmes and community development; Green revolution and agricultural change; Peasants and farmers movements.	
Section XH6.5:	Family, Marriage and Kinship; Theoretical Approaches
Structural- Functionalist, Alliance and Cultural; Gender Relations and Power Dynamics; Inheritance, Succession and Authority; Gender, Sexuality and Reproduction; Children, Youth and Elderly; Emotions and Family; Emergent Forms of Family; Changing Marriage Practices; Changing Care and Support Systems; Family Laws; Domestic Violence and Crime against Women; Honour Killing.	
Section XH6.6:	Indian Society/Sociology of India
Colonial, Nationalist, Indological perspectives (G.S. Ghurye); Structural-Functional approach (M.N. Srinivas); Dialectical approach (A.R. Desai); Subaltern studies (R. Guha); Non Brahmin perspectives (Phule, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar); Feminist perspectives (Leela Dube, Sharmila Rege); Social Institutions – Family, Kinship, Household, Village and Urban Settings; Social Stratification – Caste, Class, Tribe and Gender; Tradition and Modernity (M.N. Srinivas, Yogendra Singh, Dipankar Gupta); Peasants and agrarian sociology (Andre Beteille, A.R. Desai, D.N. Dhanagare); Social Movement (T.K. Oommen), Village studies; Communalism and Secularism.	
Section XH6.7:	Social Movements
Introduction to Social Movements: Nature, Definitions, Characteristics; Social Movement and Social Change; Types of social movements (Reform, Rebellion, Revival, Revolution, Insurrection, Counter Movement). Theories of Social Movements: Structural–functional; Marxist; Resource Mobilization Theory; New Social Movements. Social Movement in India with Specific Reference to Social Basis, Leadership, Ideology and Actions: Peasant movement; Labour movement; Dalit movement; Women’s movement, Environmental movement. Social Movements, Civil Society and Globalization: Social movement and its relationship with state and civil society; Social movements and impact of globalization: Debates; Issues of citizenship.	
Section XH6.8:	Sociology of Development
Perspectives on the Study of Development: Definitions and Indices; Liberal (Modernization theory), Marxist, and Neo-Marxist Perspectives (Dependency theory, World Systems) The Micro-Politics of Development: Transforming Communities: Maps and Models; Knowledge and Power in Development; Re-inventing Development: Subaltern Movements; Post- colonial development; Decentralization and devolution; Participatory approaches. Development and its critique: Post-development perspectives (Escobar); Alternative development paradigms; Feminist critique; Human development, development induced dispossession.	

XL0: Chemistry (Common for all XL candidates)**Section XL0.1: Atomic Structure and Periodicity**

Planck's quantum theory, wave particle duality, uncertainty principle, comparison between Bohr's model and quantum mechanical model of hydrogen atom, electronic configuration of atoms and ions. Hund's rule and Pauli's exclusion principle. Periodic table and periodic properties: ionization energy, electron affinity, electronegativity and atomic size.

Section XL0.2: Structure and Bonding

Ionic and covalent bonding, MO and VB approaches for diatomic molecules, VSEPR theory and shape of molecules, hybridization, resonance, dipole moment, structure parameters such as bond length, bond angle and bond energy, hydrogen bonding and van der Waals interactions. Ionic solids, ionic radii and lattice energy (Born-Haber cycle). HSAB principle.

Section XL0.3: s, p and d Block Elements

Oxides, halides and hydrides of alkali, alkaline earth metals, B, Al, Si, N, P, and S. General characteristics of 3d elements. Coordination complexes: valence bond and crystal field theory, colour, geometry, magnetic properties and isomerism.

Section XL0.4: Bioinorganic Chemistry

Oxygen transport and storage metalloproteins (hemoglobin, myoglobin, hemocyanin); Electron transport Fe-S metalloproteins; Carbonic anhydrase and Cu-Zn Superoxide dismutase.

Section XL0.5: Chemical Equilibria

Osmotic pressure, elevation of boiling point and depression of freezing point, ionic equilibria in solution, solubility product, common ion effect, hydrolysis of salts, pH, buffer and their applications. Equilibrium constants (K_c , K_p , and K_x) for homogeneous reactions.

Section XL0.6: Electrochemistry

Conductance, Kohlrausch law, cell potentials, EMF, Nernst equation, thermodynamic aspects and their applications.

Section XL0.7: Reaction Kinetics

Rate constant, order of reaction, molecularity, activation energy, zero, first and second order kinetics, catalysis and elementary enzyme reactions. Reversible and irreversible inhibition of enzymes.

Section XL0.8: Thermodynamics

Qualitative treatment of state and path functions, First law, reversible and irreversible processes, internal energy, enthalpy, Kirchhoff equation, heat of reaction, Hess's law, heat of formation. Second law, entropy and free energy. Gibbs-Helmholtz equation, free energy change and spontaneity, Free energy changes from equilibrium constant.

Section XL0.9: Structure-Reactivity Correlations and Organic Reaction Mechanisms

Acids and bases, electronic and steric effects, Stereochemistry, optical and geometrical isomerism, tautomerism, conformers and concept of aromaticity. Elementary treatment of SN1, SN2, E1, E2 and radical reactions, Hoffmann/Saytzeff rules, addition reactions, Markownikoff rule and Kharasch effect. Elementary hydroboration reactions. Grignard's reagents and their uses. Aromatic electrophilic substitutions, nucleophilic aromatic substitutions, and orientation effect as exemplified by various functional groups. Identification of common functional groups by chemical tests.

Section XL0.10:

Chemistry of Biomolecules

Amino acids, proteins, nucleic acids and nucleotides. Peptide sequencing by chemical and enzymatic proteolytic methods. DNA sequencing by chemical and enzymatic methods. Carbohydrates (upto hexoses only). Lipids (triglycerides only). Principles of biomolecule purification-Ion exchange and gel filtration chromatography. Electronic absorption and fluorescence spectroscopy for the identification of biological molecules.

XL1: Biochemistry

Section XL1.1	Structure and Function of Biomolecules
Organization of life; Importance of water; Structure and function of biomolecules: Carbohydrates, lipids, proteins, and nucleic acids; Protein structure, folding/misfolding, and function; Myoglobin, hemoglobin, lysozyme, ribonuclease A, carboxypeptidase, and chymotrypsin.	
Section XL1.2	Enzymes and General Principles of Metabolism
Enzymes: catalysis, specificity, and regulation, kinetics (up to two substrates), enzyme inhibitors; Regulatory Enzymes; Vitamins and coenzymes; General principles of metabolism, hormonal regulation of metabolism; Generation and utilization of ATP.	
Section XL1.3	Metabolic Pathways and Associated Disorders
Glycolysis, TCA cycle, pentose phosphate pathway, oxidative phosphorylation, gluconeogenesis, and fatty acid metabolism; Metabolism of nitrogen-containing compounds: nitrogen fixation, amino acids, and nucleotides. Photosynthesis, photophosphorylation, Calvin cycle. Metabolic disorders (Sugars, amino acids, and lipids).	
Section XL1.4	Analytical Techniques
Buffering against pH changes in biological systems, the Henderson-Hasselbalch equation; Ion exchange, size exclusion and affinity chromatography, Thin layer and paper chromatography, centrifugation; Characterization of biomolecules by electrophoresis; Analytical methods to study DNA-protein and protein-protein interactions; Lambert-Beer law, UV-visible, and fluorescence spectroscopy; next-generation DNA sequencing, PCR, and site-directed mutagenesis. Antibody-antigen interaction; Immunological techniques: immunodiffusion, immune-electrophoresis, RIA and ELISA, flow cytometry; monoclonal antibodies and their applications.	
Section XL1.5	Cell Structure and Function
Cell structure and organelles; Biological membranes; Transport across membranes; Membrane assembly, Protein targeting and degradation; Biosignalling; Receptor-ligand interaction; Two-component system, hormones and neurotransmitters; Toxins and ion channels.	
Section XL1.6	Gene Expression and Its Regulation, and DNA Repair
DNA replication, transcription, and translation; DNA damage and repair; Nuclease accessibility methods; Biochemical regulation of gene expression.	

XL2: Botany	
Section XL2.1:	Plant Systematics
Botanical nomenclature; History of plant taxonomy; Diversity and classification of plants; APG system of plant classification; Major families such as Apiaceae, Apocynaceae, Asteraceae, Lamiaceae, Myrtaceae, Solanaceae, Verbenaceae, Poaceae and Orchidaceae; Phylogenetics and cladistics; Molecular taxonomy and DNA barcoding; Centers for plant taxonomy and herbaria in India.	
Section XL2.2:	Plant Anatomy
Anatomy of root, stem and leaves, floral organs, embryo and young seedlings; Primary and secondary meristems; Stellar organization; Vascular system and their ontogeny; Xylem and phloem structure; Secondary growth in plants and wood anatomy; Plant cell structure and differences from animal cells.	
Section XL2.3:	Plant development; Cell and Tissue Morphogenesis
Life cycle of an angiosperm; Development of male and female gametophyte; Cell fate determination and tissue patterning; Spacing mechanisms in trichomes and stomata; Embryogenesis, organization and function of shoot and root apical meristems; Transition to flowering: photoperiodism and vernalization; ABC model of floral organ patterning, pollen germination, double fertilization, seed development; Xylem and phloem cell differentiation, photomorphogenesis; Phytochrome, cryptochrome, phototropin; Role of auxin, cytokinin, gibberellins, and brassinosteroids on plant development.	
Section XL2.4:	Plant Physiology and Biochemistry
Plant water relations, mechanisms of uptake and transport of water, ions, solutes from soil to plants, apoplastic and symplastic transport mechanisms; Mechanism of stomatal movements, nitrogen metabolism, photosynthesis; C3, C4 and CAM cycles, photorespiration, respiration: glycolysis, TCA cycle and electron transport chain; Plant responses and mechanisms of abiotic stresses including drought, salinity, freezing and heat stress, metal toxicity; Role of abscisic acid in abiotic stresses; Structure and function of biomolecules (proteins, carbohydrates, lipids, nucleic acid), enzyme kinetics; Structure and biosynthesis of major plant secondary metabolites (alkaloids, terpenes, phenylpropanoids, flavonoids); Biosynthesis, mechanism of action and physiological effects of auxin, cytokinin, gibberellic acids, brassinosteroid, ethylene, strigolactone, abscisic acid, salicylic and jasmonic acid; Plant peptide hormones; Concept of hormone-receptor-repressor; Senescence and programmed cell death.	
Section XL2.5:	Genetics and Genomics
Cell cycle and cell division; Principles of Mendelian inheritance, linkage, recombination, genetic mapping; Extra chromosomal inheritance; Introduction to epigenetics; Gene silencing- transgene silencing, post transcriptional gene silencing, miRNA and siRNA; Evolution and organization of eukaryotic genome structure, gene expression, gene mutation and repair, chromosomal aberrations (numerical: euploidy and aneuploidy and structural: deletion, duplication, inversion, translocation), transposons; Model organisms for functional genetics and genomics; Introduction to transcriptomics, proteomics and metabolomics; Large data analysis, bioinformatics, statistical analysis.	
Section XL2.6:	Plant Breeding, Genetic Modification, Genome Editing
Principles, methods – selection, hybridization, heterosis; Male sterility; Genetic maps and molecular markers; Embryo rescue; haploid and doubled haploids; Plant tissue culture: micropropagation, embryo culture and in vitro regeneration, somatic embryogenesis, artificial seed, cryopreservation, somaclonal variation, somatic cell	

hybridization, marker-assisted selection, gene transfer methods viz. direct and vector-mediated, generation of transgenic plants; Introduction to genome editing: CRISPR/Cas9, Cre-Lox system to generate chimeras; Plasmid transformation; chemical mutagenesis.

Section XL2.7:	Economic and Applied Botany
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A general account of economically and medicinally important plants - cereals, pulses, plants yielding fibers, timber, sugar, beverages, oils, rubber, pigments, dyes, gums, drugs and narcotics; Economic importance of algae, fungi, lichen and bacteria; Major Indian cash crops; Effect of industrialization on agricultural botany such as plastic on fiber economy; Genetically modified crops and its regulation eg. Bt cotton, Bt brinjal, golden rice etc.; Chemical biology of phytochemicals; Postharvest processing of tea and essential oil-bearing plants.

Section XL2.8:	Plant Pathology
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Nature and classification of plant diseases; Diseases of important crops caused by fungi, bacteria, nematodes and viruses, and their control measures (chemical and biological) mechanism(s) of pathogenesis, resistance: basal, systemic, induced systemic resistance, gene for gene concept; Molecular detection of pathogens; Plant-microbe interactions: symbionts and mycorrhiza, pathogens and pests; Signaling pathways in plant defence response; Salicylic acid (SA) and jasmonic acid (JA) in plant-pathogen and plant-herbivore interaction, necrosis; Calcium signalling in plants; Host-parasitic plant interaction (such as Cuscuta).

Section XL2.9:	Ecology and Environment
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Ecosystems – types, dynamics, degradation, biogeochemical cycles, ecological succession; Food webs and energy flow through ecosystem; Vegetation types of the world, Indian vegetation types and biogeographical zones, climate and flora endemism; Pollution and global climate change, speciation and extinction, biodiversity and conservation strategies, ecological hotspots, afforestation, habitat restoration; Plant interactions with other organisms; epiphytes, parasites and endophytes.

XL3: Microbiology	
Section XL3.1:	Historical Perspective
Discovery of microbial world; Landmark discoveries relevant to the field of microbiology; Controversy over spontaneous generation; Role of microorganisms in transformation of organic matter and in the causation of diseases.	
Section XL3.2:	Methods in Microbiology
Pure culture techniques; Disinfection and Sterilization: principles, methods and assessment of efficacy; Principles of microbial nutrition; Enrichment culture techniques for isolation of microorganisms; Antigen and antibody detection methods for microbial diagnosis; Light-, phase contrast-, fluorescence- and electron-microscopy; PCR, Real-time PCR for quantitation of microbes; CRISPR-Cas.	
Section XL3.3:	Microbial Taxonomy and Diversity
Bacteria, Archea and their broad classification; Eukaryotic microbes: Yeasts, molds and protozoa; Viruses and their classification; Molecular approaches to microbial taxonomy and phylogeny.	
Section XL3.4:	Prokaryotic Cells: Structure and Function
Cell walls, cell membranes and their biosynthesis; Mechanisms of solute transport across membranes; Flagella and Pili, Capsules, Cell inclusions like endospores and gas vesicles; Bacterial locomotion, including positive and negative chemotaxis.	
Section XL3.5:	Microbial Growth
Definition of growth; Growth curve; Mathematical expression of exponential growth phase; Measurement of growth and growth yields; Synchronous growth; Continuous culture; Effect of environmental factors on growth; Sporulation; Quorum sensing; Bacterial biofilm and biofouling.	
Section XL3.6:	Microbial Metabolism
Energetics: redox reactions and electron carriers; Electron transport and oxidative phosphorylation; An overview of metabolism; Glycolysis; Pentose-phosphate pathway; Entner-Doudoroff pathway; Glyoxalate pathway; The citric acid cycle; Fermentation; Aerobic and anaerobic respiration; Chemolithotrophy; Photosynthesis; Calvin cycle; Biosynthetic pathway for fatty acids synthesis; Common regulatory mechanisms in synthesis of amino acids; Regulation of major metabolic pathways.	
Section XL3.7:	Microbial Diseases and Host Pathogen Interaction
Normal microbiota; Classification of infectious diseases; Reservoirs of infection; Nosocomial infection; Opportunistic infections; Emerging infectious diseases; Mechanism of microbial pathogenicity; Nonspecific defense of host; Antigens and antibodies; Humoral and cell mediated immunity; Vaccines; Passive immunization; Immune deficiency; Human diseases caused by viruses, bacteria, and pathogenic fungi.	
Section XL3.8:	Control of Micro-organisms: Chemotherapy/Antibiotics
General characteristics of antimicrobial drugs; Antibiotics: Classification, molecular mechanism of mode of action and resistance; Antifungal and antiviral drugs.	
Section XL3.9:	Microbial Genetics
Types of mutation; UV and chemical mutagens; Selection of mutants; Ames test for mutagenesis; Bacterial genetic system: transformation, conjugation, transduction, recombination, plasmids, transposons; DNA repair; Regulation of gene expression: repression and induction; Operon model; Bacterial genome with special reference to <i>E.coli</i> ; Phage λ and its life cycle; RNA ; Mutation in virus genomes, virus recombination and reassortment; Basic concept of microbial genomics; Cell cycle and cell division in lower eukaryotes.	
Section XL3.10:	Microbial Ecology
Microbial interactions; Carbon, sulphur and nitrogen cycles; Soil microorganisms associated with vascular plants; Bioremediation; Uncultivable microorganisms; Basic concept of metagenomics and metatranscriptomics.	

XL4: Zoology	
Section XL4.1:	Animal Diversity
Systematics and classification of animals, phylogenetic relationships (based on classical and molecular phylogenetic tools).	
Section XL4.2:	Evolution
Origin and history of life on earth, theories of evolution, natural selection, adaptation, speciation.	
Section XL4.3:	Genetics
Basic Principles of inheritance, molecular basis of heredity, sex determination and sex-linked characteristics, cytoplasmic inheritance, linkage, recombination and mapping of genes in eukaryotes, population genetics, genetic disorders, roles of model organisms in understanding genetic principles.	
Section XL4.4:	Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Nucleic acids, proteins, lipids and carbohydrates; replication, transcription and translation, Krebs cycle, glycolysis, enzyme catalysis, hormones and their actions, roles of vitamins and minerals.	
Section XL4.5:	Cell Biology
Basic principles of cellular microscopy, structure of cell, cytoskeletal organization, cellular organelles and their structure and function, cell cycle, cell division, chromosomes and chromatin structure.	
Section XL4.6:	Gene expression in Eukaryotes
Eukaryotic genome organization and regulation of gene expression, transposable elements.	
Section XL4.7:	Animal Anatomy and Physiology
Comparative anatomy and physiology, respiratory system, muscular system, circulatory system, digestive system, nervous system, excretory system, endocrine system, reproductive system, skeletal system.	
Section XL4.8:	Parasitology and Immunology
Nature of parasite, host-parasite relation, protozoan and helminthic parasites, the immune system, cellular and humoral immune response.	
Section XL4.9:	Development Biology
Gametogenesis, Embryonic development, cellular differentiation, organogenesis, metamorphosis, Model organisms used in developmental biology, genetic and molecular basis of development, stem cells.	
Section XL4.10:	Ecology
The ecosystem, Animal distribution, ecological niche and its contribution to ecological diversity, the food chain, population dynamics, species diversity, zoogeography, biogeochemical cycles, conservation biology, ecotoxicology, biodiversity hotspots in India.	
Section XL4.11:	Animal Behaviour
Type of animal behaviours and their evolution, courtship, mating and territoriality, instinct, learning and memory, social behaviour across the animal taxa, communication, pheromones.	

XL5	Food Technology
Section XL5.1:	Food Chemistry and Nutrition
Food Components Characterization and quantification techniques Carbohydrates: Structure and functional properties of mono-, oligo-, & poly- saccharides including starch, cellulose, pectic substances and dietary fibre, gelatinization and retrogradation of starch. Proteins: classification and structure of proteins in food, Protein denaturation, functional properties of proteins and starch. Lipids: Classification and structure of lipids, rancidity, polymerization and polymorphism. Pigments: carotenoids, chlorophylls, anthocyanins, tannins and myoglobin. Curcumin, betalains. Food Flavours: Terpenes, esters, aldehydes, ketones and quinines. Enzymes: specificity, simple and inhibition kinetics, coenzymes, enzymatic and non- enzymatic browning, Food enzymology. Nutrition: Balanced diet, essential amino acids and essential fatty acids, protein efficiency ratio, water soluble and fat soluble vitamins, role of minerals in nutrition, co-factors, anti-nutrients, nutraceuticals, nutrient deficiency diseases. Food Supplements, Concept of nutrigenomics. Food adulteration (types of adulterants and their detection) Chemical and Biochemical Changes: Changes occurring in foods during different processing. Changes occur in foods and food biopolymers (carbohydrates, proteins, lipids) during different processing.	
Section XL5.2:	Food Microbiology
Characteristics of Microorganisms: Morphology of bacteria, yeast, mold and actinomycetes, spores and vegetative cells, gram-staining, Resistant bacteria. Microbial Growth: D-value, Z-value, F-value, Growth and death kinetics, serial dilution technique. Food Spoilage: Spoilage microorganisms in different food products including milk, fish, meat, egg, cereals and their products. Toxins from Microbes: Pathogens and non-pathogens including Staphylococcus, Salmonella, Shigella, Escherichia, Bacillus, Clostridium, and Aspergillus genera, Food borne diseases. Fermented Foods and Beverages: Curd, yoghurt, cheese, pickles, soya-sauce, sauerkraut, idli, dosa, vinegar, alcoholic beverages, and sausage. Probiotic foods: probiotic microorganisms, their benefits, prebiotics, synbiotics.	
Section XL5.3:	Food Products Technology
Processing Principles: Food Components Characterization and quantification techniques. Quality analysis of raw and processed food products. Thermal processing (blanching, pasteurization, sterilization), chilling, freezing, dehydration, addition of preservatives and food additives, Microwave, radiowave, and Infrared processing, irradiation, fermentation, hurdle technology, intermediate moisture foods. Non thermal technologies: Ultrasonication, HPP, Pulse Electric Field, Cold plasma.	

Food packaging and storage: packaging materials and their properties, aseptic packaging Active and Intelligent packaging, controlled and modified atmosphere storage. Microplastics in food. Cereal processing and products: milling of rice, wheat, and maize, Pulse processing, parboiling of paddy, bread, biscuits, extruded products and ready to eat breakfast cereals. Meat Analogue and Plant-based milk alternatives.

Oil Processing: Expelling, solvent extraction, refining and hydrogenation.

Fruits and Vegetables Processing: Extraction, clarification, concentration and packaging of fruit juice, jam, jelly, marmalade, squash, candies, tomato sauce, ketchup, and puree, potato chips, pickles.

Plantation crops processing and products: Tea, coffee, cocoa, spice, extraction of essential oils and oleoresins from spices.

Milk and Milk Products Processing: Pasteurization and sterilization, cream, butter, ghee, ice- cream, cheese and milk powder.

Processing of animal products: Processing of frozen, canned, and dried products, ready to eat products of fish and meat. Curing, smoking, poultry processing, animal slaughtering.

Waste Utilization: Pectin from fruit wastes, uses of by-products from rice milling. Edible films and packaging materials from waste.

Food standards and Quality Maintenance: FPO, PFA, A-Mark, HACCP, food plant sanitation and cleaning in place (CIP). FSSAI, BIS, Codex Alimentarius, ISO, Food Safety and Management System (FSMS).

Section XL5.4:

Food Engineering

Mass and energy balance.

Momentum Transfer: Flow rate and pressure drop relationships for Newtonian fluids flowing through pipe, Reynolds number.

Heat transfer: heat transfer by conduction, convection, radiation, heat exchangers.

Mass Transfer: Molecular diffusion and Fick's law, conduction and convective mass transfer, permeability through single and multilayer films.

Mechanical Operations: Size reduction of solids, high pressure homogenization, filtration, centrifugation, settling, sieving, mixing & agitation of liquid.

Thermal operations: Thermal blanching, pasteurization, sterilization, sterilization, evaporation of liquid foods, hot air drying of solids, spray and freeze-drying, freezing and crystallization.

Mass Transfer Operations: Psychometric, humidification and dehumidification operations.



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