

JEE (ADVANCED) 2018 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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ANSWER: Yes. You are eligible for appearing in JEE (Advanced)-2018, provided you also satisfy all other eligibility criteria.

QUESTION: I appeared in Class XII examination for the first time in 2016 and my Class XII examination board declared the results by June 2016. I neither appeared in JEE (Advanced)-2016 nor in JEE (Advanced)-2017. Am I eligible for JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: NO. You are NOT eligible for JEE (Advanced)-2018.

QUESTION: I appeared in Class XII examination for the first time in 2016 and my Class XII examination board declared the results by June 2016. I did not appear in JEE (Advanced)-2016 but appeared in JEE(Advanced) for the first time in 2017. Am I eligible for JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: NO. You are NOT eligible for JEE (Advanced)-2018.

QUESTION: I appeared in Class XII examination for the first time in 2016 and my Class XII examination board declared the results by June 2016. I appeared in JEE (Advanced)-2016 but did not appear in JEE (Advanced)-2017. Am I eligible for JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: NO. You are NOT eligible for JEE (Advanced)-2018.

QUESTION: I appeared in Class XII examination for the first time in 2016. My Class XII examination board declared the results of all the candidates of the board after June 2016. Am I eligible for JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: YES. You are eligible for appearing in JEE (Advanced)-2018, provided you also satisfy all other eligibility criteria.

QUESTION: I appeared in Class XII examination for the first time in 2016. My Class XII examination board declared the results of all the candidates of the board **before end of** June 2016, but my result was withheld and was declared after June 2016. Am I eligible for JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: NO. You are NOT eligible for JEE (Advanced)-2018.

QUESTION: During JEE (Main)-2018 registration I have declared my category wrongly. Can I correct it during JEE (Advanced)-2018 registration?

ANSWER: No. Category declared during JEE (Main) 2018 registration cannot be changed during JEE (Advanced)-2018 registration.

QUESTION: I have declared my category as OBC-NCL during JEE (Main) 2018 registration. But I do not belong to Non-Creamy Layer (NCL). Can I register for JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: Yes, you can register by declaring that you do not belong to NCL provided your JEE (Main)-2018 score is above the General Cut-off. If your JEE (Main)-2018 score is below the General Cut-off you are not eligible for JEE (Advanced)-2018.

QUESTION: I have declared my category as OBC-NCL during JEE (Main)-2018 registration. I do not have a valid NCL certificate, issued on or after 01-April-2018. Can I upload my OBC-NCL certificate issued prior to 01-April-2018?

ANSWER: No. A valid OBC-NCL certificate as per the prescribed format, given in the JEE (Advanced)-2018 website, issued on or after 01-April-2018, should be uploaded for availing the benefits of OBC-NCL category.

QUESTION: I am an OBC-NCL candidate. I find my caste mentioned only in the state list of OBCs of my state but not in the central list of OBCs, as listed in www.ncbc.nic.in. Am I eligible for reservation under OBC-NCL category in JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: NO. For availing the benefits of reservation, OBCs should be listed in the current updated central list of OBCs (www.ncbc.nic.in). OBCs present in the state list, but not covered in the central list of OBCs (as per the list in www.ncbc.nic.in) are not eligible to claim the reservation.

QUESTION: What is the non-creamy layer (NCL) criteria for availing benefits of reservation under OBC-NCL category?

ANSWER: The criteria for Non-Creamy Layer (OBC-NCL) will be as per the current notification of Government of India.

QUESTION: I am an OBC candidate. I find my caste mentioned in the central list of OBCs, as listed in www.ncbc.nic.in. However, I do not belong to Non-Creamy Layer, as per the current notification of Government of India. Am I eligible for reservation under OBC category in JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: NO. Candidates belonging to the creamy layer of OBC are **NOT** entitled for reservation. Such candidates are treated as belonging to the general (GEN), i.e. unreserved category.

QUESTION: I am a PwD candidate with over 40% disability and have a valid PwD certificate. Am I eligible to avail the services of a scribe and the additional one hour compensatory time during the JEE (Advanced)-2018 examination?

ANSWER: The services of a scribe (amanuensis) are available **ONLY** to those PwD candidates who are visually impaired OR dyslexic OR have disability in the upper limbs or have lost fingers / hands thereby preventing them to properly operate the Computer Based Test platform. PwD candidates who desire to avail the services of a scribe **MUST** opt for this during the online registration of JEE (Advanced)-2018 (i.e. while registering for JEE (Advanced) -2018).

ONLY those PwD candidates who have been permitted to use the services of a scribe will get one hour compensatory time i.e., the end time will be 13:00 IST for Paper 1 and 18:00 IST for Paper 2.

QUESTION: I am a PwD candidate, eligible to avail the services of a scribe during JEE (Advanced)-2018 examination (as per the conditions mentioned in the Information Brochure of JEE (Advanced)-2018). What procedure do I need to follow in order to avail the above?

ANSWER: PwD candidates who desire to avail the services of a scribe need to do the following:

- Opt for this option at the time of online registration for JEE (Advanced)-2018.
- The candidate should request the Chairman, JEE (Advanced)-2018, of the respective zonal coordinating IIT in the prescribed format. The requisition, along with a copy of the PwD certificate OR a copy of the certificate of Dyslexic candidate, should be uploaded at the time of online registration for JEE (Advanced)-2018. The formats for the Request Letter and PwD/Dyslexic certificates are given in Annexure-II (CERTIFICATE FORMATS of JEE (Advanced)-2018) of Information Brochure.

QUESTION: I have Class XII pass certificate of 2017 Class XII examination and the marks statement as a separate document. Which document should I upload during the JEE (Advanced)-2018 registration?

ANSWER: Upload the Class XII marks statement.

QUESTION: I have appeared for Class XII examination in 2018. Will I be able to register for JEE (Advanced)-2018 without uploading Class XII certificate?

ANSWER: Yes. The candidates who appeared in Class XII examination in 2018 do not have to upload any document with respect to Class XII examination at the time of JEE (Advanced)-2018 registration.

QUESTION: I have appeared in JEE (Main) Paper II. Am I eligible for Architecture Aptitude Test (AAT) without writing JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: No. Only the candidates who qualify JEE (Advanced)-2018 are eligible for AAT 2018. There is no relation between JEE (Main) Paper II and AAT.

QUESTION: I had taken admission in one of the NITs in 2017. Am I eligible for JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: Yes. Candidates who had taken admissions in NITs in 2017 are also eligible for appearing in JEE (Advanced)-2018, provided they satisfy all other eligibility criteria.

QUESTION: I was offered a seat in an IIT during JoSAA 2017, but I neither paid seat acceptance fee nor reported to any IIT reporting centre. Am I eligible to appear in JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: Yes, you are eligible to write JEE (Advanced)-2018, provided you also satisfy all other eligibility criteria.

QUESTION: I was offered a seat in an IIT during JoSAA 2017, I paid seat acceptance fee, reported to an IIT reporting centre and later withdrew before the last round of seat allotment. Am I eligible to appear in JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: Yes, you are eligible to write JEE (Advanced)-2018, provided you also satisfy all other eligibility criteria.

QUESTION: I was offered a seat in an IIT during JoSAA 2017, I paid seat acceptance fee, reported to an IIT reporting centre and received the “Document Verification-cum-Seat Acceptance Letter”, but I did not join my allotted program at the admitting IIT. Am I eligible to appear in JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: No. You are not eligible to write JEE (Advanced)-2018.

QUESTION: I took admission in an IIT program on the basis of JEE (Advanced) 2017. However, I did not continue with the program and left the program. Am I eligible to appear in JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: No. You are not eligible to write JEE (Advanced)-2018.

QUESTION: I accepted a seat through JoSAA 2017 and did not withdraw from JoSAA before the last round of seat allotment. Am I eligible for JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: If you have accepted a seat in an IIT and did not withdraw from the allotted seat in the IIT then you are NOT eligible for JEE (Advanced)-2018. However, if you have accepted a seat in NITs/IITs/Other GFTIs (i.e.

any institution other than an IIT) through JoSAA 2017 then you are eligible for JEE (Advanced)-2018, provided you satisfy all other eligibility criteria.

QUESTION: I have taken admission in one of the IITs for preparatory course in 2017. Am I eligible for JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: Yes. You are eligible for JEE (Advanced)-2018 subject to fulfilling other eligible criteria.

QUESTION: Are PIO and OCI card holders eligible to apply in JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: Yes, all PIO and OCI card holders are eligible to apply for JEE (Advanced)-2018 if they qualify from JEE (Main) 2018 and also satisfy all other eligibility criteria.

QUESTION: I hold a OCI/PIO card (AND/OR at least one of my parents is OCI/PIO card holder). Do I need to appear in JEE (Main) 2018 in order to be eligible to register for JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: Yes. You need to appear in JEE (Main)-2018 and qualify for JEE (Advanced)-2018 under the General category, in order to be eligible to register for JEE (Advanced)-2018.

Further, all OCI/PIO candidates are outside the ambit of reservation of seats under the OBC-NCL, SC, and ST and PwD categories and are to be treated as General category candidate. Refer to relevant MEA/MHA, Government of India, notification regarding OCI/PIO.

QUESTION: Is there any exception for the requirement to appear in JEE (Main) 2018 in order to be eligible to register for JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: Candidates belonging to any one of the following listed three categories who wish to appear in JEE (Advanced)-2018 must write Paper-1 of JEE (Main) 2018:

- (i) Citizens of India
- (ii) OCI/PIO Card holders
- (iii) Candidates whose one of the parents are OCI/PIO Card holders

Foreign nationals who do not belong to OCI/PIO category and their parents also satisfy the same criteria, i.e., they are foreign nationals and do not belong to OCI/PIO category, can directly register for JEE (Advanced)-2018 without appearing in JEE (Main)-2018.

QUESTION: I have completed Step 1 (filling of personal details and choice of examination cities) and Step 2 (document upload) of JEE (Advanced)-2018 registration. However, I have not paid the registration fees (Step 3 of registration). Am I eligible to write JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: NO. If you have NOT completed Step 3 of the registration process by paying the registration fees, your registration is NOT complete. If your registration is not complete, your admit card for JEE (Advanced)-2018 examination will NOT be generated and you will NOT be eligible to write JEE (Advanced)-2018.

QUESTION: I have problem in downloading my admit card through the candidate portal. What should I do?

ANSWER: In case of any problem in downloading of the admit card, the candidate should immediately contact the Chairman, JEE (Advanced)-2018 of their respective zonal coordinating IIT.

QUESTION: I am a defense service personnel (or former defense service personnel). Can my child get a seat under DS category?

ANSWER: Not all defense service personnel children are eligible for DS category seats. DS category seats are earmarked for children of defense / paramilitary personnel killed or permanently disabled in action during war or peacetime operations. A certificate (format provided in Annexure II: Form DS in the Information Brochure) issued by a competent authority in the Directorate of Resettlement and Rehabilitation, New Delhi under the Ministry of Defence or the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India is required to be eligible for belonging to DS category.

QUESTION: Is writing Paper-1 and Paper-2 in JEE (Advanced)-2018 compulsory?

ANSWER: Yes, both PAPER-1 and PAPER-2 are compulsory. If a candidate is absent in any of the papers, then the candidate will be considered as absent in JEE (Advanced)-2018.

QUESTION: If I am absent in one of the papers (Paper 1, Paper 2), will my result be declared?

ANSWER: NO. You will be considered absent in JEE (Advanced)-2018 and the result will not be prepared/declared. It is compulsory to appear in both the papers for result preparation.

QUESTION: Do I have to choose my question paper language at the time of JEE (Advanced)-2018 registration?

ANSWER: NO. There is no need to indicate question paper language at the time of JEE (Advanced)-2018 registration. Candidates will have the option to choose their preferred language (English or Hindi), as the default language for viewing the questions, at the start of the Computer Based Test (CBT) examination of JEE (Advanced)-2018.

QUESTION: Can I change the language (from English to Hindi and vice versa) of viewing the questions during the CBT of JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: Questions will be displayed on the screen of the Candidate in the chosen default language (English or Hindi). Further, the candidate can also switch/toggle between English or Hindi languages, as the viewing language of any question, anytime during the entire period of the examination. The candidate will also be having the option of changing default question viewing language anytime during the examination.

QUESTION: Will I be given rough sheets for my calculations during the CBT of JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: Yes, you will be given "Scribble Pad" (containing blank sheets, for rough work) at the start of every paper of JEE (Advanced)-2018. You can do all your calculations inside this "Scribble Pad". Candidates MUST

submit their signed Scribble Pads at the end of each paper of the examination, given to them at the start of the paper.

QUESTION: During examination can I change my answers?

ANSWER: Candidate will have the option to change previously saved answer of any question, anytime during the entire duration of the test.

QUESTION: How can I change a previously saved answer during the CBT of JEE (Advanced)-2018?

ANSWER: To change the answer of a question that has already been answered and saved, first select the corresponding question from the Question Palette, then click on “Clear Response” to clear the previously entered answer and subsequently follow the procedure for answering that type of question.

QUESTION: Will I be given a printout/hard copy of the questions papers along with my responses to questions in Paper-I and Paper-II after the completion of the respective papers?

ANSWER: No.

QUESTION: How will I be getting a copy of the questions papers and my responses to questions in Paper-I and Paper-II?

ANSWER: The responses of all the candidates who have appeared for both Paper 1 and Paper 2, recorded during the exam, along with the questions of each paper, will be electronically mailed to their registered email ids, **by Friday, May 25, 2018, 10:00 IST.**

QUESTION: Suppose two candidates have same JEE (Advanced)-2018 aggregate marks. Will the two candidates be given the same rank?

ANSWER: If the aggregate marks scored by two or more candidates are the same, then the following tie-break policy will be used for awarding ranks:

Step 1: Candidates having higher positive marks will be awarded higher rank.

If the tie breaking criterion at Step 1 fails to break the tie, then the following criterion at Step 2 will be followed.

Step 2: Higher rank will be assigned to the candidate who has obtained higher marks in Mathematics. If this does not break the tie, higher rank will be assigned to the candidate who has obtained higher marks in Physics. If there is a tie even after this, candidates will be assigned the same rank.

QUESTION: I have read in newspapers that for the academic year 2018-2019, supernumerary seats for female candidates would be there in IITs. Does this mean that the non-females will get reduced number of seats in IITs in 2018?

ANSWER: A decision has been taken at the level of the IIT Council to, inter alia, improve the gender balance in the undergraduate programs at the IITs from the current (approximately) 8% to 14% in 2018-19 by creating supernumerary seats specifically for female candidates, without any reduction in the number of seats that was made available to non-female candidates in the previous academic year (i.e. academic year 2017-2018).

QUESTION: I have qualified in JEE (Advanced)-2018. Is it compulsory for me to register in Joint Seat Allocation Authority (JoSAA) 2018 and fill in my course choices in order to be eligible for admission in IITs?

ANSWER: All JEE (Advanced)-2018 qualified candidates **MUST** register in Joint Seat Allocation Authority (JoSAA) 2018 and fill in course choices in order to be eligible for admission in IITs.

QUESTION: I qualified in JEE (Advanced)-2018 but I missed the deadline (last date for choice filling) for registering in Joint Seat Allocation Authority (JoSAA) 2018. What should I do in order to get admission in IITs?

ANSWER: All candidates who have qualified in JEE (Advanced)-2018 **MUST** register in Joint Seat Allocation Authority (JoSAA) 2018 and also **MUST** fill in their course choices in order to be eligible for admission in IITs. If any JEE (Advanced)-2018 qualified candidate has not done the same, then the candidate will not be considered for admission to any program in IITs.

QUESTION: I qualified in JEE (Advanced)-2018 and registered for Joint Seat Allocation Authority (JoSAA) 2018. However, I forgot to fill in my choices for courses. Will I be considered for admission in IITs?

ANSWER: NO. If you have not filled in your course choices by the deadline (last date for choice filling), then you will NOT be considered for admission to any program in IITs.

QUESTION: I appeared in Class XII examination for the first time in 2017 and my aggregate marks in the examination was lower than the corresponding top 20 percentile cut-off of my category in my board. Do I need to reappear in all the subjects in 2018 in order to qualify for admission in IITs through top 20 percentile cut-off criteria?

ANSWER: Candidates who appeared in Class XII (or equivalent) examination for the first time in 2017 and wish to (or have to) reappear in 2018 with the objective to qualify through top 20 percentile cut-off criteria, MUST reappear in all the subjects. For such candidates, top 20 percentile cut-off for 2018 will be considered.

QUESTION: I appeared in Class XII examination for the first time in 2017 and my aggregate marks was lower than 75% (or 65% for SC, ST and PwD). Do I need to reappear in all the subjects in 2018 in order to meet the 75% (or 65% for SC, ST and PwD) marks level to qualify for admission in IITs?

ANSWER: If a candidate has passed his/her Class XII (or equivalent) in 2017 and wishes to improve his/her aggregate marks to meet the

“aggregate marks of 75% (or 65% for SC, ST and PwD) criterion”, she/he can reappear for any number of subjects she/he wishes for improvement. The percentage marks in this situation will be calculated by considering the marks obtained in 2017 or 2018, whichever is higher, in the respective subjects, in her/his two attempts in 2017 and 2018.

QUESTION: Marks in which subjects of the Class XII examination would be considered for calculating my aggregate marks for the purpose of checking whether I qualify for admission in IITs?

ANSWER: The marks scored in the following five subjects will be considered for calculating the aggregate marks of the candidates (and also the cut-off marks for fulfilling the top 20 percentile criterion).

- i. Physics
- ii. Chemistry
- iii. Mathematics
- iv. A language (if the candidate has taken more than one language, then the language with the higher marks will be considered)
- v. Any subject other than the above four (the subject with the highest marks will be considered).