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Sub.: Conduct of the Joint Entrance Examination [JEE (Main) - 2024] Session 1 – reg.

The National Testing Agency (NTA) has conducted the Joint Entrance Examination (Main)–2024 Session 1 (January 2024) in about **544** Centres in **291**Cities (including **21 cities** outside India) as per the details given below:

Date of Exam	Paper	Shift
27, 29, 30, 31 January and 01 February 2024	Paper 1 (B.E./B. Tech)	First shift (09:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon) and Second Shift (03:00 P.M. to 06:00 P.M.)
24 January 2024	Paper 2A (B. Arch), Paper 2B (B. Planning) and Paper 2A & 2B (B. Arch & B. Planning both)	Second Shift (03:00 P.M. to 06:30 P.M.)

The JEE (Main) - 2024 Examination was conducted in **Computer Based Test (CBT)** as per the following details:

i.   B.E. /B. Tech.(Paper1) in "Computer Based Test (CBT)" mode only.
ii. B. Arch. (Paper 2A): Mathematics-(Part I) and Aptitude Test-(Part II) in "Computer Based Test (CBT)" mode and Drawing Test –(Part III) in "Pen & Paper" (offline) mode.
iii. B. Planning(Paper 2B): Mathematics-(Part I), Aptitude Test-(Part II), and Planning (Part III) in "Computer Based Test (CBT)" mode.

The Examination was held in **13** languages **(Assamese, Bengali, English, Gujarati, Hindi, Kannada, Malayalam, Marathi, Odia, Punjabi, Tamil, Telugu, and Urdu).**

The Examination was also conducted in **21** cities outside India **Manama, Doha, Dubai, Kathmandu, Muscat, Riyadh, Sharjah, Singapore, Kuwait City, Kuala Lumpur, Lagos/Abuja, Colombo, Jakarta, Moscow, Ottawa, Port Louis, Bangkok, and Washington D.C.**

The examination was also conducted in Abu Dhabi, Hong Kong, and Oslo cities for the first time.

In comparison to the previous year, the number of registered candidates is about **12,31,874**. The number of cities and centres also increased where the examination was conducted.

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Following are the details of **Category-wise** and **gender-wise** registered candidates:

Gender-wise distribution of Candidates Registered:

Gender	Female	Male	Third Gender	Total
Count of Registered Candidates	406920	824945	9	1231874

Category-wise distribution of Candidates Registered:

Category	General	EWS	OBC-NCL	SC	ST	Total
Count of Registered Candidates	416086	154840	498179	121394	41375	1231874

Day	Date of Examination	Paper*	Registered Candidates	Appeared Candidates	% age
Day 1	24 January 2024	Paper 2 (B.Arch. / B.Planning)	74002	55493	75.0%

Day	Date of Examination	Paper*	Registered Candidates	Appeared Candidates	% age
Day 2	27 January 2024	Paper 1 (B.E. / B.Tech.)	1221615	1170036	95.8%
Day 3	29 January 2024				
Day 4	30 January 2024				
Day 5	31 January 2024				
Day 6	01 February 2024				

Note: Total count is 1231874 wherein there are common candidates for Paper 1 and Paper 2.

The attendance across the Country was **95.8% for Paper 1 (B.E. / B.Tech.).** This is one of the highest percentages of attendance for JEE (Main) since NTA has started the conduct of JEE (Main) examination.

The Examination was monitored in the following ways:-

- A Central Control Room was opened to monitor and facilitate the smooth conduct of the Examination on the ground. **02** National Coordinators, **18** Regional Coordinators, **303** City Coordinators, **1083** Observers, 150 Technical Observers, and **162** Deputy Observers were deployed.

- Live CCTV Surveillance was planned in all examination centres to curb malpractices in the examination. The NTA also made arrangements for live viewing of remote locations of all examination centres from the Control Room located in the NTA premises of New Delhi. Recording of CCTV Systems was also done.

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- The examination centres were also monitored using AI-based Video Analytics and Virtual Observers.

- In order to stop cheating using mobile networks, Jammers were installed in all the Centres to prevent unfair practices by the candidates during the examination through mobile or any other electronic device. **The latest 5G Jammers** were installed at all examination Centres for the first time.

This year, the JEE (Main) – 2024 Session 1 was conducted in **11 shifts which is 02 shifts** less than the previous year keeping in view that the number of registered candidates is 1231874 which is about **27% higher than the previous year**. From the following table, it is evident that the number of candidates in both Paper 1 and Paper 2 is increasing.

Paper	2022	2023	2024
Paper 1 (B.E. / B.Tech.)	Registered – 872432 Appeared – 769589 %age – 88.2%	Registered – 860064 Appeared – 823967 %age – 95.8%	Registered – 1221615 Appeared – 1170036 %age – 95.8%
Paper 2 (B.Arch. / B.Planning)	Registered – 94258 Appeared – 54463 %age – 57.8%	Registered – 96279 Appeared – 67250 %age – 69.8%	Registered – 74002 Appeared – 55493 %age – 75.0%

The NTA took various steps to ensure candidates were facilitated at every stage of the examination. The first time, the following initiatives were taken by the NTA for the smooth conduct of the examination:

➢ AADHAAR Authentication was done at all examination Centres.

➢ **A detailed training programme was organized in Delhi specially to curb the electronic malpractices during the examination, accordingly, the Technical Observers were identified and trained to focus on technical parameters to prevent the malpractices.**

➢ If a candidate went for bio-break /toilet, he/she was asked to undergo the mandatory frisking and biometrics again.

➢ Bio-breaks were not allowed during the first hour and the last half an hour.

➢ Apart from the biometric attendance and frisking at entry, candidates were frisked, and biometric attendance was taken again on entry from the bio-break/toilets break.

➢ The PwD candidates were allotted to a PwD-friendly test Centre and extra organizational support was given to those candidates.

➢ For the centres outside India, close coordination was done with the Embassy of India / High Commission of India in those countries.

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The JEE (Main) being one of the most sensitive examinations, NTA made elaborate arrangements at various levels and took help from State Authorities for the smooth conduct of the examination.

To make the candidates and their parents aware of the rules and regulations of the examination, candidates were sent various e-mails on their registered e-mail numbers. SMS was also sent to all the candidates to download "Important Advisory and Instructions to the candidates for JEE (Main) - 2024" along with the Admit Card.

The entire examination for all shifts was conducted smoothly and successfully.

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