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यस पाठ्यक्रम योजनालाई दुई चरणमा विभाजन गरिएको छ :

प्रथम चरण :- लिखित परीक्षा (Written Examination) पूर्णाङ्क :- २००

**द्वितीय चरण :-** (क)सामूहिक परीक्षण (Group Test) पूर्णाङ्क :- १० (ख) अन्तर्वार्ता(Interview) पूर्णाङ्क :- ३०

# परीक्षा योजना (Examination Scheme)

# प्रथम चरण : लिखित परीक्षा(Written Examination)

पर्णाङ्क :- २००

| Subject Test qoo 80 (Objective) (MCQs) ३० Part II: General Technical Subject and a subject qoo 80 (Objective) (MCQs)  प्रथम (MCQs) प्रथम ४ प् | पत्र    | विषय              | खण्ड  | ड पूर्णाङ्क उर्तीर्णाङ्क परीक्षा प्रणाली |    |        |            | प्रश्नसंख्या ×अङ् | समय                 |
|---|---------|-------------------|---|--|----|--------|------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| विषयात औरो उत्तर ४ प्रधन ४ प्रश्न   | प्रथम   |                   | General Awareness & General Reasoning Test Part II: General Technical | 900                                      | 80 |        | _          |                   | १ घण्टा<br>३० मिनेट |
| Igaly   Technical Subject   900   80  | द्वितीय | Technical Subject |   | 900                                      | ४० | विषयगत | छोटो उत्तर | ४ प्रश्न 🗙 ५ अङ्ग | ३ घण्टा             |

# द्वितीय चरण: सामूहिक परीक्षण (Group Test) र अन्तर्वार्ता (Interview)

पूर्णाङ्क :- ४०

| पत्र ∕विषय                      | पूर्णाङ्क | उर्तीर्णाङ्क | परीक्षा प्रणाली                      | समय      |
|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------------------------------|----------|
| सामूहिक परीक्षण<br>(Group Test) | 90        |              | सामूहिक छलफल (Group Discussion)      | ३० मिनेट |
| अन्तर्वार्ता (Interview)        | 30        |              | बोर्ड अन्तर्वार्ता (Board Interview) | -        |

## द्रष्टव्य :

- लिखित परीक्षाको माध्यम भाषा नेपाली वा अंग्रेजी अथवा नेपाली र अंग्रेजी द्वै ह्नेछ ।
- २. प्रथमपत्र र द्वितीयपत्रको लिखित परीक्षा छुट्टाछुट्टै हुनेछ ।
- वस्तुगत बहुवैकित्पिक (Multiple Choice) प्रश्नहरुको गलत उत्तर दिएमा प्रत्येक गलत उत्तर बापत २०
  प्रितिशत अङ्क कट्टा गिरनेछ । तर उत्तर निदिएमा त्यस बापत अङ्क दिइने छैन र अङ्क कट्टा पिन गिरने छैन ।
- ४. बहुवैकल्पिक प्रश्नहरु हुने परीक्षामा कुनै प्रकारको क्याल्कुलेटर (Calculator) प्रयोग गर्न पाइने छैन ।
- ५. विषयगत प्रश्नहरुको हकमा तोकिएको अंकको एउटा लामो प्रश्न वा एउटै प्रश्नका दुई वा दुई भन्दा बढी भाग (Two or more parts of a single question) वा एउटा प्रश्न अन्तर्गत दुई वा बढी टिप्पणीहरु (Short notes) सोध्न सिकने छ ।
- ६. द्वितीय पत्रमा(विषयगत प्रश्न हुनेका हकमा) प्रत्येक खण्डका लागि छुट्टाछुट्टै उत्तरपुस्तिकाहरु हुनेछन् । परिक्षार्थीले प्रत्येक खण्डका प्रश्नहरुको उत्तर सोहीखण्डको उत्तरपुस्तिकामा लेख्नुपर्नेछ ।
- ७. यस पाठ्यक्रम योजना अन्तर्गतका पत्र/विषयका विषयवस्तुमा जेसुकै लेखिएको भए तापिन पाठ्यक्रममा परेका कानून, ऐन, नियम तथा नीतिहरु परीक्षाको मिति भन्दा ३ मिहना अगािड (संशोधन भएका वा संशोधन भई हटाईएका वा थप गरी संशोधन भई) कायम रहेकालाई यस पाठ्कममा परेको सम्भन् पर्दछ ।
- ८. प्रथमचरणको परीक्षाबाट छनौट भएका उम्मेदवारहरुलाई मात्र द्वितीयचरणको परीक्षामा सम्मिलित गराइनेछ ।
- ९. यस भन्दा अगाडि लाग् भएका माथि उल्लेखित सेवा, समूहको पाठ्यक्रम खारेज गरिएको छ।
- १०. पाठ्यक्रम लाग् मिति : २०८०/०७/२०

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## प्रथम पत्र (Paper I): General Subject

# Part (I): - General Awareness & General Ability Test (50 Marks)

## 1. General Awareness and Contemporary Issues $(25 \times 1 \text{ Mark} = 25 \text{ Marks})$

- 1.1 Physical, socio-cultural and economic geography and demography of Nepal
- 1.2 Major natural resources of Nepal
- 1.3 Geographical diversity, climatic conditions, and livelihood & lifestyle of people
- 1.4 Notable events and personalities, social, cultural and economic conditions in modern history of Nepal
- 1.5 Current periodical plan of Nepal
- 1.6 Information on sustainable development, environment, pollution, climate change, biodiversity, science and technology
- 1.7 Nepal's international affairs and general information on the UNO, SAARC & BIMSTEC
- 1.8 The Constitution of Nepal (From Part 1 to 5 and Schedules)
- 1.9 Governance system and Government (Federal, Provincial and Local)
- 1.10 Provisions of civil service act and regulation relating to constitution of civil service, organisational structure, posts of service, fulfillment of vacancy and code of conduct
- 1.11 Functional scope of public services
- 1.12 Public Service Charter
- 1.13 Concept, objective and importance of public policy
- 1.14 Fundamentals of management : planning, organizing, directing, controlling, coordinating, decision making, motivation and leadership
- 1.15 Government planning, budgeting and accounting system
- 1.16 Major events and current affairs of national and international importance

### 2. General Reasoning Test

 $(25 \times 1 \text{ Mark} = 25 \text{ Marks})$ 

2.1 **Logical Reasoning**  $(9 \times 1 \text{ Mark} = 9 \text{ Marks})$ 

Verbal Ability, Alphanumeric Series, Reasoning Analogies, Classification, Coding-Decoding, Order & Ranking, Distance & Directions, Analytical and Logical Reasoning, Assertion and Reason, Statement and Conclusion, Input-Output, Venn-diagram

## 2.2 **Numerical Reasoning** ( $8 \times 1$ Mark = 8 Marks)

Arithmetic Series, Analogy, Classification, Arithmetical Reasoning, Fraction. Percentage, Ratio, Average, Profit & Loss, Time & Work, Date & Calender, Data Sufficiency, Data Interpretation & Data Verification

## 2.3 **Spatial Reasoning** $(8 \times 1 \text{ Mark} = 8 \text{ Marks})$

Figure Series, Figure Analogy, Figure Classification, Figure Matrix, Pattern Completion, Embedded Images, Image Formation & Analysis, Mirror and Water Images, Cubes and Dices, Paper Folding & Cutting

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## Part (B): - General Technical Subject (50 Marks)

## 1. History and Current Status of Agriculture Sector in Nepal (5 marks)

- 1.1 History of agricultural research and development in Nepal
- 1.2 Overview of Nepalese agriculture: Current status and scope
- 1.3 Institutional arrangement of agricultural research, extension and education in Nepal
- 1.4 Agriculture Perspective Plan (APP) and its impact in Nepalese agriculture
- 1.5 Devolution of agriculture extension system and its impact in agricultural development

## 2. Agriculture Research, Extension and Education

(5 marks)

- 2.1 Role of agriculture research in contemporary agriculture
- 2.2 Nepal Agricultural Research Council (NARC) and its vision
- 2.3 Agricultural education systems in Nepal
- 2.4 Academic institutions such as AFU, PU, TU
- 2.5 Non-academic institutions (CTEVT and its allied institutions)
- 2.6 Major functions of agriculture research, extension and education in Nepal
- 2.7 Linkage and coordination among research, extension and teaching in Nepal
- 2.8 Public, private, NGOs, CBOs, agricultural co-operatives and farmer groups involvement in research, extension and education
- 2.9 Participatory technology development, participatory planning, monitoring, evaluation and feedback

# 3. Natural Resource, Environment Conservation, Climate Change and Disaster-Risk Management (10 marks)

- 3.1 Importance of natural resources conservation, utilization and management w. r. t. food security, employment generation and livelihoodimprovement in Nepal
- 3.2 Bio-diversity and agro-biodiversity: Conservation and utilization for sustainable agriculture development
- 3.3 Use of fertilizers and pesticides in agriculture and their implications to environment
- 3.4 Integrated pest, crop, and plant nutrient management systems (IPM, ICM, IPNM) and Good Agricultural Practices (GAP)
- 3.5 Environmental issues and sustainability of Nepalese agriculture
- 3.6 Organic agriculture, and organic products for export promotion and food safety
- 3.7 General climatic conditions of Nepal
- 3.8 Weather observation and instruments use in Nepal
- 3.9 Climate change and its impact in agriculture sector
- 3.10 Climate change adaptation and mitigation strategies of Nepal
- 3.11 Disaster (landslide, drought, flood, cold spell, earthquake, pest outbreak) management in agriculture

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- 3.12 Rapid urbanization and change in land use pattern and their consequences in food security, environment conservation, employment generation and youth migration
- 3.13 Crop insurance in Nepal: Current policies and status

## 4. Legislations, Plan, Policies, Strategies, and Global Trade in Agriculture (10 marks)

- 4.1 Agriculture sector in current constitution
- 4.2 Concept, goals, target and strategies of current periodic plan
- 4.3 Planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of agricultural projects
- 4.4 Local governance and its role in agricultural development
- 4.5 National Agriculture Policy, 2061 (2004)
- 4.6 Agro-biodiversity Promotion Policy, 2063 (2007) (first amendment, 2071)
- 4.7 Agri-business Promotion Policy, 2063 (2006)
- 4.8 Agriculture Development Strategy (ADS), 2015-2035 AD: vision, mission, target, components and its salient features, implementation status of ADS, supporting projects and institutional arrangement
- 4.9 National Seed Vision, 2013-2025 and its implementation status
- 4.10 Nepal Trade Integration Strategy (NTIS), 2016 Agricultural commodities
- 4.11 Agricultural Extension Strategy, 2061 (2003)
- 4.12 Seeds Act, 2045 (1988) and Seeds Rules, 2069 (2013)
- 4.13 Plant Protection Act, 2064 (2007) and Plant Protection Rules, 2066 (2010)
- 4.14 Pesticides Management Act, 2076 (2019) and Regulation
- 4.15 Fertilizer Control Order, 2055
- 4.16 Food Right and Food Sovereignty Act, 2076 (2019)
- 4.17 Food Safety Policy, 2076 (2019)
- 4.18 Agro Forestry Policy, 2076 (2019)
- 4.19 World Trade Organization (WTO), Agreement on South Asian Free Trade Area (SAFTA): their implication and impact in Nepalese agriculture
- 4.20 Comparative advantage, agriculture commercialization and trading of Nepalese agricultural products.
- 4.21 Implication of Sanitaryand Phyto-sanitary(SPS) measures in Nepalese agricultural trade

## 5. Agricultural Technology and Management

**(20 marks)** 

- 5.1 Importance of technology generation, verification and dissemination in crop production and management
- 5.2 Seed quality assurance: Seed production, laboratory testing, processing, handling, marketing and storage
- 5.3 Variety release and registration system in Nepal
- 5.4 Food and nutrition security: Concepts, status and dimensions
- 5.5 Importance of pests and pesticides management
- 5.6 Integrated Pest Management (IPM) concepts and strategies/practices
- 5.7 Roles of pollinators in crop production

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- 5.8 Importance of microbial agents (fungus, bacteria, nematodes and virus) in plant protection
- 5.9 Importance of crop diversification and commercialization in Nepal.
- 5.10 Precision and protected agriculture: Concepts and technologies
- 5.11 Agricultural crops for agro-forestry and environmental protection
- 5.12 Strategies for commercialization of high value low volume commodities
- 5.13 Concept of soil fertility and productivity
- 5.14 Essential plant nutrients and their sources (manures and fertilizers)
- 5.15 Soil reaction (pH) and soil reaction improvement
- 5.16 Concept of Integrated Plant Nutrient Systems (IPNS) and its significance
- 5.17 Contemporary agricultural extension practices in Nepal (plant clinic, mobile service, training and demonstration farm, farmer to farmer extension and pluralistic extension)
- 5.18 Role of information and communication technology(ICT) in agriculture development
- 5.19 Agricultural markets and marketing in Nepal
- 5.20 Agricultural Management Information System (AMIS) in Nepal
- 5.21 Agriculture Census, 2068
- 5.22 Linkage of agro-industries with agriculture production and marketing
- 5.23 Role of cooperatives in agriculture development in Nepal
- 5.24 Research methodology in agriculture (basic concepts, common designs and their application)
- 5.25 Trade liberalization and its implication in Nepalese agricultural product
- 5.26 Value chain development: concepts and practices in agriculture
- 5.27 Postharvest management of agricultural commodities
- 5.28 Farming system and sustainable agriculture development
- 5.29 Gender Equity and Social Inclusion(GESI) and women's role in Nepalese agriculture
- 5.30 Conservation agriculture: concept, principles and practices

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