

ADVISORY
TO ALL NCTE-RECOGNISED INSTITUTIONS OFFERING INTEGRATED TEACHER
EDUCATION PROGRAMME (ITEP)

17th June 2026

The National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) is implementing the Integrated Teacher Education Programme (ITEP), a four-year dual-major holistic teacher education programme envisaged under the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. In accordance with Paragraph 15.7 of NEP 2020, admissions to ITEP are to be made through a suitable subject and aptitude test conducted by the National Testing Agency (NTA). Accordingly, the National Common Entrance Test (NCET) has been designated as the single-window national-level entrance examination for admission to ITEP and has been conducted by NTA since 2023. For the Academic Session 2026–27, NCET 2026 was conducted by NTA on 17th and 18th April 2026 for admission to NCTE-recognized ITEP institutions/ universities across the country. The result of the NCET examination was declared on 4th June 2026.

In this regard, all NCTE-recognized institutions/ universities offering ITEP are hereby advised to ensure the following:

1. **Admissions to the ITEP for the Academic Session 2026-27 shall be made strictly through NCET 2026**, the single-window national-level entrance examination conducted by the National Testing Agency (NTA).
2. **Only candidates who have appeared in NCET 2026 conducted on 17th and 18th April 2026 shall be considered eligible for admission** to the ITEP programme for the Academic Session 2026-27, subject to fulfilment of other eligibility conditions prescribed by the concerned institution, affiliating university, State Government, and regulatory authorities.
3. After declaration of NCET 2026 results by NTA, the NCTE recognised ITEP institutions / Universities will declare Counselling / Admission schedule and merit list shall be prepared based on NTA score card for admission as per the admission criteria/ norms of the respective institution/ Universities.
4. **No admission shall be granted to any candidate who has not appeared in NCET 2026.** Any admission made in contravention of this advisory shall be treated as unauthorized and in violation of the admission framework prescribed for ITEP.
5. Any deviation from the above provisions shall be viewed seriously by NCTE and may invite appropriate action under the relevant provisions of the NCTE Act, 1993, Regulations, and other applicable rules and guidelines in force.

All institutions are requested to strictly adhere to the above directions while conducting admissions to the ITEP for the Academic Session 2026-27 and ensure full compliance with the admission process prescribed by NCTE.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.



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