

NOTIFICATION  
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT  
Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar,  
Dated the 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.

Gujarat  
Professional  
Technical  
Educational  
Colleges or  
Institutions  
(Regulation of  
Admission and  
Fixation of  
Fees) Act,  
2007.

**NO.GH/SH/2024/33/PVS/102020/475/S**:-In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 20 read with section 4 of the Gujarat Professional Technical Educational Colleges or Institutions (Regulation of Admission and Fixation of Fees) Act, 2007 (Guj. 2 of 2008) and in supersession of all the rules made in this behalf, the Government of Gujarat, hereby makes the following rules to regulate admission to the Bachelor of Architecture Course and payment of fees, namely: -

**1. Short title and commencement.-**

- (1) These rules may be called the Bachelor of Architecture Course (Regulation of Admission and Payment of Fees) Rules, 2024.
- (2) They shall come into force from the date of their publication in the *Official Gazette*.

**2. Definitions.-**

(1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires:-

- (a) "Act" means the Gujarat Professional Technical Educational Colleges or Institutions (Regulation of Admission and Fixation of Fees) Act, 2007 (Guj. 2 of 2008);
- (b) "Admission" means admission of students in the Bachelor of Architecture Course;
- (c) "Admission Committee" means the "Admission Committee for Professional Courses" constituted by the State Government under section 4 of the Act;
- (d) "AICTE" means the All India Council for Technical Education, a statutory body constituted under section 3 of the All India Council for Technical Education, Act 1987 (52 of 1987);
- (e) "Architecture Course" means the Bachelor of Architecture in the Professional Educational Colleges or Institutions of the State;
- (f) "CoE" or "Centre of Excellence" means University or Institutions of Gujarat awarded as a "Centre of Excellence" notified under the powers conferred by clause (b) of sub-rule (1) of rule (4) along with

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clause (d) of sub-rule (1) of the rule (2) of the Gujarat Professional Technical Educational Colleges or Institutions (Procedure for Declaration of Centre of Excellence) Rules, 2020.

- (g) "Council" means the Council of Architecture (CoA) constituted under section 3 of the Architects Act, 1972 (20 of 1972);
- (h) "Foreign National (FN) student" shall have the meaning assigned to it in clause (dd) of section 2 of the Act;
- (i) "Gujarat Board" means the Gujarat Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Board established under section 3 of the Gujarat Secondary and Higher Secondary Education Act, 1972 (Guj.18 of 1973);
- (j) "Help Centres" means the centres notified by the Admission Committee for facilitation of the candidate for off-campus/online admission process;
- (k) "Improvement Exam" means qualifying examination appeared or passed by the candidate who have already declared passed by the Gujarat Board or as per the provisions made by the respective other Board.
- (l) "JEE (Main)" means 'Joint Entrance Examination' conducted by the National Testing Agency (NTA), New Delhi for the purpose of admission to the Bachelor of Architecture course (Under Graduate Architecture Program);
- (m) "National Aptitude Test in Architecture (NATA)" means the common entrance test conducted by the Council for the purpose of admission to the Bachelor of Architecture course;
- (n) "Non-Resident Indian (NRI) Seats" shall have the meaning assigned to it in clause (i) of section 2 of the Act;
- (o) "Qualifying Examination" means the Higher Secondary School Certificate Examination, (Standard XII, 10+2 patterns) or equivalent examination;
- (p) "Sanctioned intake" means intake sanctioned by the registering or statutory body and/or recognized University;
- (q) "Supplementary Exam" means qualifying examination appeared or passed by the candidate who has not been declared passed by the Board as per the provisions made by the respective Board.

(r) "Technical Examination Board (TEB)" means the Technical Examination Board, established by the State Government under the Government Resolution, Education and Labor Department No.ECT-1064/91813-GH, dated the 11th July, 1966;

(s) "Website" means the official website of the Admission Committee to carry out off-campus/online admission process;

(2) Words and expressions used in these rules but not defined shall have the same meaning as assigned to them in the Act.

### **3. Admission to Architecture Course.-**

Admissions to the First Year of the Bachelor of Architecture Course shall be given as under, namely:-

(1) All the Government Seats shall be filled on the basis of merit list prepared by the Admission Committee.

(2) All the Management Seats shall be filled by the management of the respective Professional Educational Colleges or Institutions, on the basis of inter-se merit list of the candidates whose names appear in the merit list prepared by the respective colleges or institutions.

### **4. Seats Available for Admission.-**

For the purpose of admission to the first year of Bachelor of Architecture Course, the available seats shall include,-

#### **A. Government Seats:-**

All the sanctioned seats of Bachelor of Architecture Course,-

(i) In the Government Colleges or Institutions of the State,

(ii) In the aided Colleges or Institutions by State Government, and

(iii) Fifty percent (50%) of the total sanctioned seats in the Unaided Colleges or Institutions,

(iv) Thirty-three percent (33%) of the total sanctioned seats in the University or Institutions of Gujarat awarded as a Centre of Excellence (CoE),

(v) All supernumerary seats of the professional courses as referred to in these rules, in the Government Colleges or Institutions and in the aided and unaided Colleges or Institutions.

**B. Management Seats:-**

- (i) Fifty percent (50%) seats of the total sanctioned seats of the Bachelor of Architecture in the unaided Colleges or Institutions, including fifteen (15%) percent NRI seats;
- (ii) The intimation received, in respect of sanction of seats, by the Admission Committee three days prior to the counseling program, shall be considered as available seats:

Provided that the Government Seats shall be available for online admission as per the counseling rounds declared by the Admission Committee from time to time:

Provided further that the registration and merit list of the Management Seats shall be managed, finalized and declared by the concerned college or institution.

**5. Eligibility for Admission.-****A. Government Seats: -**

- (1) For the purpose of admission to the first year of Bachelor of Architecture course, in Government seats, a candidate shall have passed the Qualifying Examination with minimum eligible criteria as prescribed by the Council of Architecture (CoA) from time to time from,-

- (i) The Gujarat Board; or
- (ii) The Central Board of Secondary Education:

Provided that,

- (a) The school in which the candidate has studied, shall have been located in the State of Gujarat; or
- (b) The school in which the candidate has studied, shall have been located in the Union Territories of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu and whose parents are of the Gujarat origin; or
- (iii) The Council of Indian School Certificate Examination, New Delhi:

Provided that:

- (a) The school in which the candidate has studied, shall have been located in the State of Gujarat; or
  - (b) The school in which the candidate has studied, shall have been located in the Union Territories of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu and whose parents are of Gujarat origin; or
- (iv) The National Institute of Open Schooling:

Provided that,

- (a) The study center or school in which the candidate has studied, shall have been located in the State of Gujarat; or
  - (b) The study center or school in which the candidate has studied, shall have been located in the Union Territories of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu and whose parents are of Gujarat origin; or
- (v) The International School Board:

Provided that,

- (a) The study center or school in which the candidate has studied, shall have been located in the State of Gujarat; or
  - (b) The study center or school in which the candidate has studied, shall have been located in the Union Territories of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu and whose parents are of Gujarat origin; or
- (vi) Diploma from International Baccalaureate, obtained after 10 years of schooling, with not less than fifty percent (50%) marks in aggregate;

Provided that,

- (a) The study center or school in which the candidate has studied, shall have been located in the State of Gujarat; or
  - (b) The study center or school in which the candidate has studied, shall have been located in the Union Territories of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu and whose parents are of Gujarat origin; or
- (vii) The Technical Examination Board, Gujarat State, or

(viii) the recognized Board or University or institute approved by AICTE or CoA and situated in Gujarat State, or

(ix) A candidate who has,-

- (a) studied under Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya Scheme up to Standard VIII in any of the schools located in the State of Gujarat, and
- (b) thereafter studied in any of the schools located out of the State of Gujarat under the said scheme, and
- (c) passed qualifying examination from a Navodaya Vidyalaya located outside Gujarat State, and

has qualified an aptitude test in architecture conducted either by NTA (i.e. JEE) or "NATA" conducted by the Council of Architecture of corresponding academic year.

shall be eligible for admission and his candidature shall be included in the merit list prepared under rule 11.

**Explanation.-** "Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya Scheme" means the Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya scheme started during the year 1985-86 by the Government of India in accordance with the National Policy of Education. The scheme is managed by the Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, an autonomous organization under the Department of Education, Ministry of Education, Government of India.

- (2) Five percent (5%) of seats of Government institutes and State Government aided institutes shall be available for the candidates who have cleared the Qualifying Examination with minimum eligibility criteria of percentage of marks in subjects prescribed by CoA from time to time from an eligible Board from the school located in India (Including Gujarat State), and have qualified an aptitude test in architecture conducted either by NTA (i.e. JEE) or "NATA" conducted by the Council of Architecture of corresponding academic year.
- (3) A candidate who have already passed the Qualifying Examination and appeared for an Improvement Examination of the same Board and

have qualified in NATA or JEE examination of corresponding year shall be eligible for the admission in consecutive online admission rounds provided the candidate shall have complete registration in due period of time prescribed by the Admission Committee. Such revised merit number of registered candidate shall be considered in vacancy arises due to non-allotment and non-reporting seats in consecutive online admission round. And a candidate who has passed the Qualifying Examination after appearing in the Supplementary Examination conducted by the Board shall be eligible for admission in the current academic year on the vacancy arises after offering the seats to all the candidates whose names appear in the merit list prepared for the Government Seats.

- (4) The reservation of seats and relaxation in percentage of marks obtained in the Qualifying Examination for admission shall be as per the prevailing reservation policy of the Government of Gujarat from time to time.

**B. Management Seats:-**

- (1) For the purpose of admission to the first year of Bachelor of Architecture Course, candidates who have passed the Qualifying Examination from an eligible Board from the school located in India (Including Gujarat State) with minimum eligibility criteria as prescribed by CoA from time to time and have qualified an aptitude test in architecture conducted either by NTA (i.e. JEE) or by the Council of Architecture i.e. NATA.
- (2) The candidates who have passed the Qualifying Examination from the school located outside India with minimum eligibility criteria as prescribed by CoA from time to time, and equivalency defined by Association of Indian Universities (AIU), New Delhi shall be eligible for admission.
- (3) The candidate shall have to pass all the subjects of the Qualifying Examination from a single Board.

## 6. Reservation of Seats.-

- (1) For the purpose of admission, the seats shall be reserved for the candidates who are of Gujarat origin and falling under the following categories and in following proportion, namely:-

(a) Scheduled Castes	:	7%
(b) Scheduled Tribes	:	15%
(c) Socially and Educationally Backward Classes	:	27%
(d) Economically Weaker Sections(EWSs) including Widows and orphan of any Caste	:	10%

- (2) A candidate seeking admission on reserved seat shall be required to produce a Certificate of inclusion in the concerned category:

Provided that the candidate belonging to the Socially and Educationally Backward Classes shall be required to produce a certificate to the effect of non-inclusion in Creamy Layer in addition to the Caste certificate.

- (3) No caste/category certificate shall be valid unless it is duly stamped, signed and issued by the authority empowered by the Government of Gujarat.
- (4) No certificate to the effect of non-inclusion in Creamy Layer shall be valid, unless it is duly stamped, signed and issued by the competent authority specified by the State Government. The validity of such certificate shall be as per prevailing rules of the State Government norms.
- (5) If a candidate fails to submit the certificate as required under sub-rule (2) within the stipulated time, his candidature shall be considered for admission under unreserved category.
- (5) If a candidate of reserved category gets admission on unreserved seat in order of merits, he may be given admission on the unreserved seat according to his preference.
- (6) The admission of a candidate of a reserved category on a reserved seat shall be valid subject to the verification of caste/category certificate issued to him by the competent authority as specified by the State Government. In case, the caste or category certificate is found to be

invalid on verification, he shall not have right to claim his admission on reserved seat and if he has already been granted admission, such admission shall be cancelled. Admission of such candidate may be continued in case of availability of vacant unreserved seats, subject to the condition of eligibility of merit.

- (7) After granting admission to all the candidates of reserved categories on respective reserved seats, the reserved category seats remain vacant; such seats shall be transferred to the unreserved category seats.

**7. Reservation for Physically Disabled Candidates. -**

Five percent (5%) of the available seats in each category shall be reserved, in accordance with the provisions of section 32 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (49 of 2016) for the persons with benchmark disability who can perform the academic activities in the respective course. A candidate with disability shall have to submit certificate of disability issued and duly signed by the certifying authority.

**Explanation.** - "person with disability" means a person suffering from not less than forty percent (40%) of any disability as certified by a competent medical authority.

**8. Reservation for the Children of Defense Personnel and Ex-Servicemen. -**

- (1) One percent (1%) of available seats shall be reserved for the children of Defense personnel and Ex-Servicemen, for admission.
- (2) A candidate claiming admission against the Ex-Servicemen category shall require to submit a certificate to that effect duly issued by the Director, Sainik Welfare Board, Gujarat State or by the District Sainik Welfare Officer. In-Service Defense Persons or retired defense persons notified by the Police Division-II, the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India shall require to submit certificate to that effect duly issued by the Commanding Officer of the respective unit in which they are serving or were serving just before the retirement respectively.
- (3) The seats remaining vacant against the category of Defense personnel and Ex-Servicemen shall be filled up from the merit list of unreserved category candidates.

- (4) The children of Defense personnel or Ex-Servicemen Gujarat origin and the children of Defense Personnel serving in Gujarat shall be included under the reserved category specified in this rule, if they have passed the Qualifying Examination from the schools located outside the Gujarat State, and have qualified an aptitude test in architecture conducted either by NTA (i.e. JEE) or "NATA" conducted by the Council of Architecture.
- (5) The admission on such reserved seat shall be valid subject to the veracity of certificate being confirmed by the authority by which the certificate is issued.

#### **9. Supernumerary Seats.-**

The supernumerary seats shall be filled in the following manner, namely:-

- (1) The supernumerary seats of Bachelor of Architecture course shall be filled in accordance with the directions of the Council of Architecture or the Ministry of Education, Government of India.
- (2) The supernumerary seats not exceeding five percent (5%) of the sanctioned intake of the colleges or institutions shall be filled on the basis of merit of the candidate, whose parents' annual income is less than Rs. 8.0 lakhs from all sources of income.
- (3) These seats shall be supernumerary in nature and shall be available in the Colleges or Institutions where a minimum of 30 % of sanctioned seats are filled up.

#### **10. Distribution of Government Seats.-**

- (1) For the purpose of admission in Government seats, the available seats shall be distributed based on the merit list prepared as specified in rule 11 for preparation of merit.
- (2) For the distribution of seats under para A of rule 5, the seats shall be distributed on pro-rata basis between eligible candidates who have applied to ACPC and appeared in JEE or NATA examination of the corresponding year:

Provided that if the Government seats remain vacant which were to be filled by the candidate falling under sub-rule (2) of para A of rule 5, such vacant seats shall be offered to and filled by the candidate falling under sub-rule (1) of para A of rule 5 and vice-versa.

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules, for the admission year 2024-25 for the purpose of distribution of the seats under para A of rule 5, the seats shall be distributed as:

- (a) The seats shall be pro-rata basis between eligible candidates who have applied to ACPC and appeared in JEE or NATA examination of corresponding year.
- (b) 90% seats of available seats under para A of rule 5 shall be available to candidates who have qualified eligibility examination from Gujarat Board, Diploma Board or Universities of Gujarat.
- (c) 10% seats of available seats under para A of rule 5 shall be available to candidates who have qualified eligibility examination from the CBSE Board, ISCE Board, NIOS from school located in State of Gujarat, Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu.

This shall be applicable only for Academic Year 2024-25.

## **11. Preparation of Merit List.-**

### **A. Government Seats:-**

The merit list of the candidates who have applied for admission in the manner prescribed by the Admission Committee, within the prescribed time limit and who are found eligible for admission under these rules, shall be prepared in the following manner, namely:-

(1) For the candidates who have passed the Qualifying Examination (10+2 scheme or 10+3 Diploma) from the Boards or Universities mentioned in eligibility criteria as prescribed in rule 5 and whose schools or Universities are located in the State of Gujarat; Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu (U.T.), a common merit list shall be prepared in the following manner namely:

- (a) sum of fifty percent (50%) weightage of the aggregate marks of all subjects of the Qualifying Examination and fifty percent (50%) weightage of the obtained valid score in the aptitude test in architecture conducted either by NTA (i.e. JEE) or "NATA" conducted by the Council of Architecture of the corresponding

year shall be the merit marks for the Bachelor of Architecture course;

- (2) For the candidates who have passed the Qualifying Examination from the Boards mentioned in eligibility criteria as prescribed in rule 5 and whose schools/Universities are located in India (including Gujarat), a separate common merit list shall be prepared in the following manner, namely: -

(a) sum of fifty percent (50%) weightage of the aggregate marks of all subjects of the Qualifying Examination and fifty percent (50%) weightage of the obtained valid score in the aptitude test in architecture conducted either by NTA (i.e. JEE) or "NATA" conducted by the Council of Architecture of the corresponding year shall be the merit marks for the Bachelor of Architecture course;

- (3) For Bachelor of Architecture Course:

(a) The criteria for deciding merit order in case of candidates who have passed the Qualifying Examination from the Gujarat Board or any other Board having equal merit marks shall be in the following sequence, namely:-

- (i) Valid 'NATA' or 'JEE' Score of the corresponding year,
- (ii) Marks obtained in Mathematics subject in Qualifying Examination,
- (iii) Marks obtained in English subject in Qualifying Examination,
- (iv) Date of Birth (candidate, who is older in age shall be given priority).

(b) The criteria for deciding merit order in case of candidates who have passed Diploma in Engineering from Technical Examination Board (TEB) of any State having equal merit marks shall be in the following sequence, namely:-

- (i) Valid 'NATA' or 'JEE' Score of the corresponding year,
- (ii) Aggregate marks of Diploma Engineering examination,
- (iii) Date of Birth (Candidate who is older in age shall be given priority).

- (c) The criteria for deciding merit order in case of one student has passed Diploma in Engineering from Technical Examination Board of any State and second student has passed HSC as Qualifying Examination having equal merit marks shall be in the following sequence, namely:-
- (i) Valid 'NATA' or 'JEE' Score of the corresponding year,
  - (ii) Date of Birth (Candidate who is older in age shall be given priority).
- (4) The merit list shall be displayed, on the notice board of the office of the Admission Committee, its official website and by such other means, as the Admission Committee may consider convenient.
- (5) The merit list shall be revised and shall be included in immediate next online round of admission after declaration of the result of the Improvement Examination by the respective Board. In such case, all candidates shall be placed at an appropriate order in the merit list for consecutive online rounds of Government Seats.

**B. Management Seats:-**

The merit list for candidates who have passed the Qualifying Examination from schools located in India (Including Gujarat State) and have obtained valid NATA or JEE score as prescribed by the Council shall be based on sum of fifty percent (50%) weightage of the aggregate marks of all subjects of the Qualifying Examination and fifty percent (50%) weightage of the valid NATA or JEE score as prescribed by the Council of the corresponding year.

**C. Government Seats of "Centre of Excellence"**

Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules, the admission process for Government Seats of CoE shall be carried in the following manner, namely: -

- I. The registration shall be carried out separately among all CoE, if the merit method or common entrance test relevant credibility at the National or State level is not as per the merit mentioned in sub-rule (1) of para A of this rule.

2. The merit list of the Government seats of notified "CoE" shall be prepared on the basis of the details of merit based on common entrance test relevant credibility at the National or State level or merit mentioned in sub-rule (1) of para A of this rule provided by respective Institute or University.
3. These seats shall be allotted to candidates who have passed the Qualifying Examination from eligible Board or University located in the State of Gujarat as per provisions of rule 5. The candidates who have passed the Qualifying Examination as per provisions of rule 5 from the eligible Board and University located outside the State of Gujarat and possess domicile of the State of Gujarat shall also be eligible for the admission.
- (4) After completion of online round, the Committee shall declare the remaining vacancy on website. The vacancy due to non-allotment and non-reporting shall be converted into vacant seats whose admission shall be carried out at institute level as mentioned in rule 20.

## **12. Correction of Marks.-**

- (1) In case of change in marks of a candidate in the Qualifying Examination, such candidate shall write a letter to that effect issued by the competent authority or the corrected mark sheet issued by the Board, within seven days of the issuance of letter or corrected mark-sheet to the Admission Committee at least one day before the commencement of admission process counseling program. In such case, he shall be placed at an appropriate order in the merit list.
- (2) The candidate who has declared failed initially in the Qualifying Examination, but later on declared passed after rechecking of marks by the respective Board, such candidate shall be allowed to apply in immediate next round of the admission process, provided the counseling for academic year is not over. The candidate shall produce the rechecking and revised marks letter to that effect issued by the competent authorities of corrected mark-sheet to the Admission Committee, within seven days of the issuance of letter. In such case, the candidate shall be placed at an appropriate order in the merit list.

**13. Registration for Admission (Government Seats).-**

- (1) A candidate seeking admission shall apply online, for the registration of his candidature, on the website, within the time limit specified by the Admission Committee.
- (2) The Admission Committee shall, by an advertisement in the prominent newspapers widely circulated in the State, by website and by such other means, as it may consider convenient, publish the date of registration, the list of Help Centres, the last date for submission of registration form, courses offered and such other information as may be necessary in this behalf.
- (3) For the purpose of registration in any mode of admission either through the Admission Committee or at the college or institute level, the candidate shall be required to make payment of such sum towards the Registration fee, etc. as determined by the Admission Committee.
- (4) Where a candidate has made more than one registration, the registration made at the later stage shall be taken into consideration for admission purpose and the other registration shall be treated as cancelled.
- (5) After successful completion of registration, the candidate shall be required to upload the necessary documents on the website. At the time of admission, the candidate shall have to produce the original certificates and testimonials of the documents attached with the registration form for verification. Pending verification of original documents, the admission shall be treated as provisional only.
- (6) The candidate who is unable to produce original certificates and testimonials necessary for the purpose of admission at the time of admission within the time-limit prescribed in these rules, may be registered for admission. In the event of failure to submit original certificates and testimonials within the time limit as prescribed, the registration/ admission shall be cancelled by the concerned college or institution.

**14. Admission Procedure.-****A. Government Seats:-**

The admission procedure shall be online in the following manner, namely:-

- (1) The Admission Committee shall prepare merit list of the eligible candidates as per these rules, after verification of the documents submitted online by the candidates.
- (2) The merit lists shall be displayed on the website of the Admission Committee and by such other means, as it may consider convenient.
- (3) The Admission Committee shall publish the Schedule of online counseling program on its website, by an advertisement in the prominent newspapers widely circulated in the State, and by such other means, as it may consider convenient.
- (4) The candidate shall be required to indicate his order of choices of courses and colleges or institutions, online. Allotment of seats shall be made on the basis of merit, category of the candidate and availability of seats. The allotment of seats shall be published on the website of the Admission Committee. The candidates are required to obtain the print out of the Information letter and bank receipt copies from the website.
- (5) The candidate shall be required to pay such fee, as may be determined by the Admission Committee.
- (6) On payment of token tuition fee as required, either online payment or in the branches of banks as specified, the admission allotted to the candidate shall get confirmed. The candidate shall be required to login to his account to get the print out of the Admissions Slip. In case, the candidate fails to pay the token tuition fees within the prescribed time limit as aforesaid, the admission offered to him shall be treated as cancelled. Such candidate shall not be eligible to get admission on same course and same shift in the same college or institute in subsequent round of counseling.

- (7) Where considerable number of seats fall vacant and it appears to the Admission Committee to fill the vacant seats, it may conduct the admission process for readjustment (reshuffling) of seats. The candidate, who opts to participate in reshuffling process, shall be considered for such admission. The candidate may either give option for upgradation of choices already given or submit new choices. If the candidate gets the admission on the basis of upgradation or new choice, then his earlier admission shall be treated as cancelled.

**B. Management Seats:-**

- (1) The admission procedure of the management seats shall be online and managed and finalized by the concerned college or institution. The merit list shall be displayed on the website of the concerned college or institution.
- (2) Each institute shall have to conduct admission process in a fair, transparent and non-exploitative manner and no eligible candidate should be denied issuing or accepting his admission form.

**15. Fee.-**

- (1) A candidate who gets admission in the Government or grant-in-aid colleges or institutions shall have to pay such fees, as may be determined by the State Government, at such stages, as may be determined by the Admission Committee.
- (2) A candidate who gets admission in unaided colleges or institutions shall have to pay such fees, as may be determined by the Fee Regulatory Committee constituted under section 9 of the Act, for unaided colleges or institutions, at such stages, as may be determined by the Admission Committee.
- (3) If a candidate, who has paid the fees after getting admission, gets his admission cancelled, within the time limit specified by the Admission Committee, his fees shall be refunded after completion of the admission process, provided the seat vacated by him is filled by another candidate.
- (4) If a candidate who has paid the fees after getting admission and gets his admission changed in another course and/or college or

institution in the readjustment (reshuffling) process, he shall pay the difference of fees, if any, at the time of getting admission or, as the case may be, fees shall be refunded after the completion of admission process.

**16. Change of College or Institution.-**

Except as provided in these rules, no candidate shall, after getting admission, be allowed to change the college or institution in any circumstances.

**17. Documents to be attached/uploaded.-**

**A. At the time of application:-**

The candidate shall upload or submit the documents with the self-attested copies of the following documents, namely:-

- (i) S.S.C. Examination (Std. X) Mark-sheet,
- (ii) H.S.C. Examination (Std. XI/XII) Mark-sheet,
- (iii) Diploma Examination Mark-sheet, if applicable,
- (iv) Caste or Category certificate for a candidate belonging to Scheduled Castes (SC), Scheduled Tribes (ST), Socially and Educationally Backward Classes (SEBC) or Economically Weaker Sections (EWSs), issued by the authority empowered by the State Government in this behalf,
- (v) Certificate of Physical Disability, issued and duly signed by the Civil Surgeon or competent Medical Authority, in case of the candidate is a Physically Handicapped,
- (vi) Certificate of Ex-Serviceman, duly issued by the Director, Sainik Welfare Board, Gujarat State or by the District Sainik Welfare Officer,
- (vii) A copy of certificate of In-Serviceman duly issued by the Commanding Officer of the respective unit in which he is serving,
- (viii) A copy of valid certificate of income issued by the authority empowered by the State Government in this behalf, if applicable,
- (ix) Photograph of candidate for other State or other than Gujarat Board.

**B. Before declaration of online merit list:-**

The candidate shall upload or submit the documents or submit the self-attested copies of the following documents, namely-

- (i) S.S.C. Examination (Std. X) Mark-sheet,
- (ii) H.S.C. Examination (Std. XII) Mark-sheet,
- (iii) Diploma Examination Mark-sheet, if applicable,
- (iv) National Aptitude Test in Architecture (NATA) or JEE (Main) Mark-sheet, as applicable,
- (v) School Leaving Certificate or Transfer Certificate,
- (vi) Non Creamy Layer (NCL) certificate of the family, valid as per the prevailing rules of the State Government, issued by the authority empowered by the State Government in this behalf,
- (vii) A copy of valid certificate of income issued by the authority empowered by the State Government in this behalf, if applicable, and
- (viii) Such other certificates as the Admission Committee deems necessary.

**18. Ineligibility for admission on production of false documents:-**

During verification of documents or subsequently, if the Admission Committee finds any certificate or testimonial or information submitted by any candidate, incorrect or false, the candidature of such candidate shall be cancelled for that year.

**19. Cancellation of admission and refund of fee:-**

- (1) In case of cancellation of admission of candidate by the Admission Committee, due to administrative reasons, the college or institution in which the candidate was granted admission shall refund the fee collected by it, to such candidate.
- (2) (a) In case of a candidate withdrawing his candidature before completion of online admission process, for any reason whatsoever, he may login to his account on the website of the Admission Committee for online admission process and put the request for cancellation of admission within the time limit specified by the Admission Committee. In such case, the token

tuition fee collected, if any, by the Admission Committee shall be refunded to such candidate.

- (b) After completion of online admission process and before declaration of the Schedule of admission on vacant seats, if any candidate who has withdrawn his candidature in the manner as stated in clause (a) above, the token tuition fee paid by him shall be refunded, subject to the condition of vacated seat being filled up by the institution, as per the directions of the Admission Committee and prevailing rules of AICTE or Council.
- (c) A candidate desirous to withdraw his candidature after completion of admission on vacant seats, for any reason whatsoever, shall have to request in writing in person to the college or institution in which he is granted admission but he shall not be entitled to get refund of the fees paid by him for getting admission.
- (d) In case of cancellation of admission at college or institute level on the request of the student, he shall liable to pay the fees for the current semester and no college or institution shall demand fees for further semester.

## **20. Vacant Seats.-**

After offering admission to all the candidates whose names appear in the merit list or after completion of the online admission process, if the seats in Government and aided Colleges or Institutions remain vacant due to non-allotment and non-reporting, such seats shall be termed as vacant seats.

Similarly, after offering admission to all the candidates in management seat by an unaided college or institution whose names appear in the merit list of college/institution vacant due to non-allotment and non-reporting, if the seats remain vacant, such seats shall also be termed as vacant seats.

The Admission Committee shall, by an advertisement in the prominent newspapers widely circulated in the State, by web-site and by such other means, as it may consider convenient, display the details of vacant seats and Schedule for vacant seats admission.

- (1) For the Bachelor of Architecture Course, the vacant seats of Government and aided colleges or institutions shall be filled by the Admission Committee through online or offline counseling in the following manner, namely:
- (i) the candidates whose names appear in the merit list of the Admission Committee;
  - (ii) after allotting the seats to the candidates mentioned in sub-clause (i) above, if any seat remains vacant, the Admission Committee shall fill such seats by inviting the application from the candidates who have cleared the Qualifying Examination with minimum eligibility criteria prescribed in rule 5 and shall have cleared NATA or JEE examination of corresponding year but have not registered in current year online or offline admission process. The merit list shall be prepared in accordance with the direction of the Admission Committee as prescribed in sub -rule (1) of para A of rule 11.
  - (iii) after allotting the seats to the candidates mentioned in sub-clauses (i) and (ii) above, if seats remain vacant, the Admission Committee shall fill such seats by inviting the application from the candidates who have cleared the Qualifying Examination with minimum eligibility criteria in Supplementary Examination and shall have cleared NATA or JEE examination of the corresponding year. The merit list shall be prepared in accordance with the direction of the Admission Committee as prescribed in sub- rule (1) of para A of rule 11.
  - (iv) after allotting the seats to the candidates mentioned in sub-clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) if seats remain vacant, the Admission Committee shall fill such seats by inviting the application from the candidates who have cleared the Qualifying Examination with minimum eligibility criteria prescribed in rule 5 and who have passed the Qualifying Examination from outside the Gujarat State and have cleared NATA or JEE examination conducted in the corresponding academic year, giving priority to the candidates of Gujarat origin. The merit list shall be prepared in accordance with the direction of the admission Committee as prescribed in sub- rule (2) of para A of rule 11.

- (2) The vacant seats of unaided college or institution shall be filled by the respective college or institution by inviting application from the eligible candidates and preparing common inter-se merit-list.

All eligible or meritorious candidates shall have to approach to self-financed institutes of his choice for admission in vacant seats. An acknowledgement shall be given to the candidates by the concerned self-financed institutions. The concerned self-financed institutions shall process the filling up of vacant seats among such eligible candidates who have submitted registration form by preparing common intra-se merit list as per the guidelines issued by the Admission Committee from time to time:

The vacant seats of unaided colleges or institutions shall be filled by unaided colleges or institutions through online or offline counseling in the following manner, namely:

- (i) The candidates whose names appear in the merit list of the Admission Committee:
- (ii) after allotting the seats to candidates mentioned in sub-clause (i) above, if any seat remains vacant, the unaided Colleges or Institutions shall fill such seats by inviting the application from the candidates who have cleared the Qualifying Examination with minimum eligibility criteria prescribed in rule 5 and shall have cleared NATA or JEE examination of corresponding year but have not registered in current year online or offline admission process. The merit list shall be prepared on the basis of the result of the corresponding entrance examination.
- (iii) after allotting the seats to the candidates mentioned in sub-clauses (i) and (ii) above, if seats remain vacant, the unaided Colleges or Institutions shall fill such seats by inviting the application from the candidates who have cleared the Qualifying Examination with minimum eligibility criteria in Supplementary Examination and shall have cleared NATA or JEE examination of corresponding year. The merit list shall be prepared on the basis of the result of the corresponding entrance examination.
- (iv) after allotting the seats to the candidates mentioned in sub-clauses (i), (ii) and (iii) above, if seats remain vacant, the unaided Colleges or Institutions shall fill such seats by inviting the application from the

candidates who have cleared the Qualifying Examination with minimum eligibility criteria prescribed in rule 5 and who have passed the Qualifying Examination from outside the Gujarat State and have cleared NATA or JEE examination conducted in the corresponding academic year, giving priority to the candidates of Gujarat origin. The merit list shall be prepared on the basis on corresponding entrance examination.

**21. Admission to Unaided Colleges or Institutions.-**

- (1) The unaided colleges or institutions shall collect the fees, as may be determined by the Fee Regulatory Committee, constituted under section 9 of the Act and such other fees as provided under the provisions of the Act.
- (2) No college or institution shall retain the original documents or testimonial of the candidate. In case of breach of such provision, the college or institution shall be liable to penalty as provided in the Act.
- (3) Each unaided Colleges or Institutions including awarded "Centre of Excellence" shall submit all the details with necessary documents as prescribed by the Admission Committee after completion of admission as announced by the Admission Committee in stipulated period of time as notified by the Admission Committee. After verification of the admissions, under all quota, the Admission Committee shall issue the final admission list to the respective institute. No admission shall be treated as valid unless the name of the candidate is mentioned in the final admission list issued by the Admission Committee. The University shall not enroll any such candidate except his/her name mentioned in the admission list issued by the Admission Committee.

**22. Penalty.-**

Any breach of any of the provisions of the Act, or these rules or any directions issued by the Government, the Admission Committee or, as the case may be, the Fee Regulatory Committee, by any person, shall be liable to penalty as provided in the Act.

### 23. Interpretation.-

In implementation of the provisions of these rules, if any difficulty or question arises as to the interpretation of any provision, the decision of the State Government shall be final.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Gujarat,

  
(J.T. Bandhaniya)

Under Secretary to Government.

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