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1. Please make use of information on the FET 2019 **website www.nbe.edu.in** and this information bulletin to guide you through the entire process and help to answer most of your queries.
2. In case you are still facing issues, then the NBE Candidate Care Support is available by phone and email.
3. Phone support will be available during these times:
 - **10th July, 2019 to 15th September, 2019 : 9:30AM to 6:00 PM from Monday to Friday**
 - **27th August, 2019 (Examination Day) : 7:00AM to 7:00PM**

NBE Candidate Care will be closed on Saturdays, Sundays & Gazetted holidays.

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I. IMPORTANT DATES

1	Availability of Information Bulletin at website	10 th July, 2019 (3:00PM onwards)
2	Online submission of application form	10 th July (03:00PM)- 31 st July, 2019 (11:55PM)
3	Last date submission of application form	31 st July, 2019, 11:55PM
4	Deficiency in application form will be communicated to the candidates	By 7 th August, 2019
5	Last date of submission of deficient documents	12 th August, 2019
6	Date of Issue of Admit card	20 th August, 2019
7	Examination Date	27 th August, 2019
8	Declaration of Result	By 15 th September, 2019

NOTE: Candidates are advised to read the Information Bulletin and instructions for online submission of application form carefully before starting online submission of application form and ensure that no mandatory column in the online application form is left blank. In the event of rejection of the application form, no correspondence/request for re-consideration will be entertained. Candidates may note that deficiency, if any, in the application form shall be communicated to them by 7th August, 2019. Candidate will have to rectify their deficiency by 12th August, 2019. Admit cards to provisionally eligible candidates will be issued on 20th August, 2019.

Applicants candidate will be able to download them from the website using their login ID and Password.

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ii) IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Submission of application for appearing in **FET- 2019** is to be undertaken online at the website **www.nbe.edu.in**

Application forms **CANNOT** be submitted in offline mode

The prescribed exam fee of **Rs. 3750/-** should be remitted through payment gateway provided using a Credit Card or a Debit Card issued by banks in India or through Internet banking. For more information, please visit the website **www.nbe.edu.in**

The cutoff date for qualifying MD/MS/DNB/DM/MCh & obtaining the Pass certificate towards determination of eligibility for appearing in **FET- 2019** shall be **15th July, 2019** i.e. the candidates who qualify their MD/MS/DNB/DM/MCh after **15th July, 2019** shall not be eligible to appear in the test or participate in the seat allotment process.

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iii) DISCLAIMER

- a) Candidates are advised to read the Information Bulletin carefully and go through the instructions regarding submission of online application form given on FET-2019 website www.nbe.edu.in before starting online submission of application form.
- b) Candidate should ensure that all the information entered during the online submission of application form is correct.
- c) Information such as personal details, educational qualification etc. provided by the candidates in the online application form shall be treated as correct and NBE will not entertain, under any circumstances, any request for change in the information provided by the candidates.

The option of changing certain information entered in the application form shall be available after the last date of online submission of application form for a period of 3-5 days.

Candidates may note that the following fields in the application form are non-editable:

- Name of the candidate
 - Mobile No.
 - Email address
 - Testing City
- d) NBE disclaims any liability that may arise to candidate(s) due to incorrect information provided by the candidate during online submission application form.
 - e) NBE does not edit /modify/alter any information entered by the candidate at the time of online submission of application form under any circumstances.

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1. INTRODUCTION

2. The National Board of Examinations (NBE) was established in 1975 by the Government of India with the prime objective of improving the quality of the Medical Education by establishing high and uniform standards of postgraduate examinations in modern medicine on an all India basis.
3. NBE conducts postgraduate and postdoctoral examinations in approved disciplines leading to the award of Diplomate of National Board (DNB).
4. The setting up of a National Body to conduct postgraduate medical examination and training has provided common standards and mechanism of evaluation of minimum level of desired knowledge and competencies and fulfillment of the objectives for which postgraduate courses has been started in medical institutions. Moreover, intra country and international comparison is facilitated with the availability of commonly accepted evaluation mechanism like the DNB. The Diplomate of National Board (DNB) final examinations are conducted on all India basis on standardized format and multiple assessment tools are used for assessing the candidate.

5. POST-DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM IN SUB-SPECIALITIES

Well-equipped Centres have been identified and accredited by NBE in the concerned sub-specialties. Candidates with DNB/MD/MS/MCh/DM qualification in the concerned specialty are eligible for fellowship programme. Selection to the fellowship programme is based on an entrance test and admission to the courses will be through centralized merit-based counseling. The trainee will go through a structured training programme, maintain a performance record book and undergo an examination at the end of the training. Candidates will be awarded Fellow of National Board of Examinations (FNB) at the annual convocation of NBE.

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OBJECTIVES :

NBE offers Post-doctoral fellowship courses with following objectives:

1. To facilitate and encourage post-graduates aspiring to learn skills and competencies in their area of interest.
2. To provide highest quality of specialty services comparable to any country in the world.
3. To recognize “Centre(s) of Excellence” and to identify experts in various sub-specialties and allied sciences.
4. To create a forum for high level scientific interaction between expert groups.
5. To facilitate and encourage our young post-graduates aspiring to provide for higher level of specialized services in own country.
6. To prevent brain drain of qualified medical professionals leaving our country for further academic achievements.
7. To improve and promote the existing medical institutions in India to perform high professional services in various fields.
8. To promote medical research and Innovations adaptable to the socio-economic status and culture of our country.
9. To conduct evaluation by appropriate mechanism for assessment of training programme examination before certification as specialist by the National Board of Examinations.

RECOGNITION OF FNB QUALIFICATIONS

The Nomenclature of the FNB qualification awarded by the National Board of Examinations is “Fellow of National Board”. The list of recognized qualifications awarded by the NBE in various fellowship programme as approved by the Government of India and included in the First Schedule of IMC Act 1956 is as at **Annexure-I**.

The list of fellowship courses offered is at **Annexure-II**

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2. INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- 2.1 Fellowship Entrance Test (FET) is the entrance examination for admission to Post-Doctoral FNB programme.
- 2.2 Online submission of application form begins on 10th July, 2019 from 3:00 PM onwards. Online submission of application form for the examination must be completed by 31st July, 2019 (by 11:55PM).
- 2.3 Candidates must go through the information bulletin carefully for eligibility criteria, scheme, and pattern of examination etc. before contacting NBE for any queries. Queries pertaining to eligibility and other issues will only be entertained if the information requested is not given in the Information bulletin or on website **www.nbe.edu.in**.
- 2.4 Instructions in the information-bulletin are liable to change based on decisions taken by the NBE from time to time. There is no equity or any rights that are /or deemed to be arising in favor of candidate.
- 2.5 Each candidate can submit FET 2019 application form once only. Any candidate found to submit more than one application form for FET 2019 shall be automatically debarred from FET, his/her candidature shall be cancelled and further action as deemed appropriate by NBE shall be taken.
- 2.6 Incomplete applications or applications not in accordance with instructions will not be considered and are liable to be rejected. The examination fee will not be refunded under any circumstances.
- 2.7 Applications of candidates producing false or fabricated information will not be considered and candidates may be further debarred from appearing in any future examinations conducted by NBE.
- 2.8 Candidates' eligibility is purely provisional & is subject to the fulfillment of eligibility criteria as prescribed in the FET information bulletin or by the NBE.

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- 2.9 In case of any ambiguity in interpretation of any of the instructions/terms/rules/criteria regarding the determination of eligibility/conduct of examinations/registration of candidates/information contained herein, the interpretation of the National Board of Examinations will be final and binding.
- 2.10 NBE reserves the right to withdraw permission, if any, granted inadvertently to any candidate who is not eligible to appear in the FET 2019 even though admit card/roll number has been issued or name/roll number is displayed on the website.
- 2.11 Fee will neither be carried forward to a future date nor refunded under any circumstances. Online applications and/or their acknowledgment of submission received after the due date will not be entertained and exam fee will not be returned in such cases. Application once submitted cannot be withdrawn.
- 2.12 The existing schedule, pattern, policy and guidelines are for ready reference only but in no way they are or are ought to be treated as representative or acknowledgment of fact that NBE is bound to follow the same in future.
- 2.13 FET 2019 shall be conducted by NBE at exam centres engaged for the purpose. Candidates have the option of choosing the city where they will take the test at the time of submission of application form. The choice of city will be available on first come first serve basis. Candidates will be informed about their Testing Centre in the chosen city approximately 7 days prior to the examination day through the admit card.
- 2.14 Requests shall not be entertained for change in date/ examination centre. Candidates are advised not to canvass for or submit such representations.
- 2.15 Candidates are advised to familiarize themselves with the route and location of the exam centre at least one day prior to the examination day.

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2.16 Candidates MUST bring to the test centre the following documents Printed copy of Admit Card with photo pasted on it, AND

- Photocopy of Permanent and Provisional SMC/MCI registration, to be retained at the test Centre , AND
- Any one of the authorized photo IDs* (must be original and non expired) - PAN Card/Voter ID/Driving License/Passport/ Aadhaar Card In case, any candidate reports to the test Centre with e-Aadhaar card as proof of identity, the e-Aadhaar card should be a good quality colourprint out with clearly visible photograph.

The photograph should not have kinks, scratches and stains, and should definitely match with the candidate presenting the e-Aadhaar card. The colour print out of e Aadhaar card will be retained at the test centre. Decision of NBE in this regard shall be final.

*The name on the photo identification must match with the name as shown on the Admit Card. If the name has been changed due to events such as marriage, candidate must show the relevant document mentioned at the time of exam (Marriage Certificate /Divorcee Decree / Legal Name Change Document) The examination test centre staff on duty is authorized to verify the identity of candidates and may take steps to verify and record the identity of candidates. Candidates are required to extend requisite cooperation.

2.17 Possession/Use of mobile phones /Electronic devices is strictly prohibited in the premises of NBE test centres. Candidates shall be liable for penal action for Possession /Use of Mobile phones /Electronic devices.

2.18 Candidates are cautioned not to indulge in unfair means of any kind during the examination process. Strict action shall be taken against the defaulters.

2.19 Absentees from the examination will forfeit their examination fee.

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- 2.20 Kindly note that by registering for the FET, candidates are covered by Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA). NBE explicitly prohibits the candidates from publishing, reproducing or transmitting any or some contents of this test, in whole or in part, in any form or by any means verbal or written, electronic or mechanical or for any purpose. No content of this test must be shared with friends, acquaintances or third parties including sharing through online means or via social media. Social media includes but not limited to SMS, Whatsapp, Facebook, Twitter, Hangouts, Blogs etc. using either one's own account or proxy account(s).
- 2.21 Result for FET 2019 shall be available on the website www.nbe.edu.in by 15 September, 2019.
- 2.22 Candidates are advised to check www.nbe.edu.in regularly for various information and notices pertaining to FET 2019.
- 2.23 Candidate may kindly note that appearance in FET 2019 does not confer any automatic rights to secure a Fellowship seat. The selection and admission to Fellowship seats in any NBE accredited Institution recognized for running Fellowship courses is subject to fulfilling the admission criteria, eligibility, medical fitness and such criteria as may be prescribed by the NBE.
- 2.24 Candidates are deemed to have read, agreed and accepted the Information Bulletin and the terms and conditions in the information bulletin for FET 2019 on completing the online submission of application form.
- 2.25 The jurisdiction for court cases/disputes shall be within the exclusive jurisdiction of competent courts at Delhi/New Delhi only.

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3. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- 3.1 Candidates who are or will be in possession of Post Graduate Medical Degree/ Provisional Pass Certificate (MD/MS/DM/DNB/MCh) by 15th July, 2019 in the eligible* specialties and their Medical qualifications are recognized as per the provisions of IMC Act (1956) may apply for **FET- 2019** Admission Session.
- 3.2 Candidate should possess permanent registration certificate of MBBS qualification and their additional medical qualification should be recognized as per provision of IMC Act.
- 3.3 Candidates found to be ineligible at any stage of FET will not be permitted to appear in the examination. In an unlikely event of any ineligible candidate appearing and/or being successful in the FET, the results/candidature of such candidate shall be cancelled and/or are deemed to be cancelled.
- 3.4 Requests for appearing in FET from candidates who are qualifying and getting their results of the basic eligibility qualification after **15th July, 2019** shall be summarily rejected.

Candidate who are qualifying or likely to qualify and getting their results after **15th July, 2019** need not apply in the FET as they shall be ineligible to participate at any stage of the admission process.

- 3.5 Registration and /or appearance in FET do not confer any automatic rights upon the candidate for admission at NBE accredited hospital /institute.

*For list of eligible qualification required for entry to FNB (Fellowship of National Board) courses, candidates are advised to refer to schedule at **Annexure-II**.

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4. EXAMINATION FEE

- 4.1 Fellowship Entrance Examination Fee: Rs. 3750/- excluding GST and other charges as may be applicable by various banks.
- 4.2 Applications forms once submitted cannot be withdrawn. Any claim for refund, adjustment or carrying forward of Application fee will not be entertained.
- 4.3 **How to pay**

The prescribed exam fee should be remitted through payment gateway provided using a Credit Card or a Debit Card issued by banks in India or other modes as may be made available and have been provided on the web page. For more information, please visit the website (www.exam.natboard.edu.in).
- 4.4 Examination fees in respect of candidates who are absent or have been declared ineligible due to any reason will result in forfeiture of their examination fees. Candidates are advised to read the rule position carefully and satisfy the terms and conditions for fulfillment of eligibility criteria before proceeding for payment of fees.

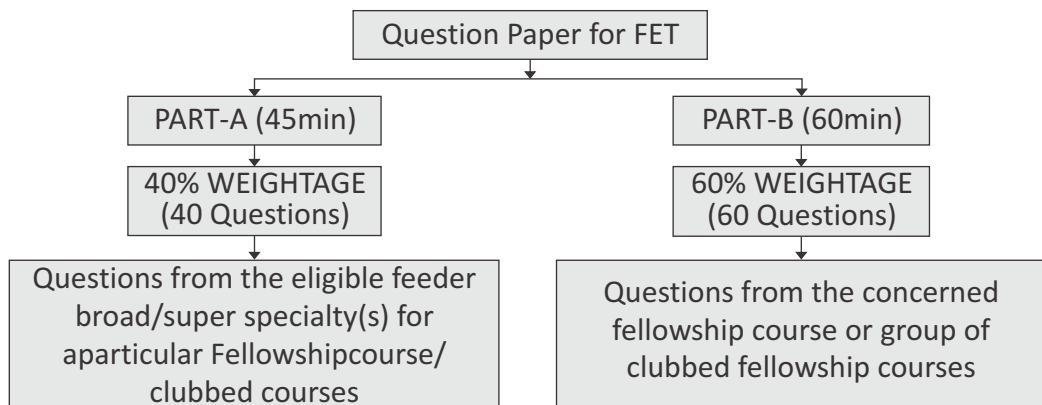
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5. SCHEME OF EXAMINATION

1. Fellowship Entrance Test (FET) shall be conducted in a single day as a computer based examination on 27th August, 2019.
2. The list of Fellowship courses for which FET 2019 shall be conducted can be seen at Annexure II along with prior entry qualifications i.e. feeder broad/Super specialty qualifications eligible for a particular Fellowship course.
3. The scheme of FET 2019 is as follows:
 - A candidate can choose only one Fellowship course/clubbed course for which his/her broad or super specialty qualification is eligible, at the time of online submission of the application form.
 - Pattern of examination: 40% of the questions shall be from all the eligible feeder broad or specialty course(s) and the remaining 60% shall be from the Fellowship course selected by the candidate at the time of online submission of application form.
 - NBE will club certain Fellowship Courses in FET 2019 i.e. these Fellowship Courses will have the same question paper.
 - The total duration of the question paper will be 105 minutes (Part A-45 minutes and Part B-60 minutes).
4. Question Paper: There shall be a separate question paper for each Fellowship course /clubbed group. Total number of questions in each question paper shall be 100 which shall be divided into two Parts; Part A & Part B.

Schematic representation of FET question paper:



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Part - A of the question paper:

Part-A of the question paper for any Fellowship course/clubbed group shall comprise of MCQs from the eligible feeder broad/super specialty course(s). In case, there is only a single feeder broad specialty course for a particular super specialty, Part A in such a case will comprise of questions from only one eligible specialty. For eg. MD/DNB Radiodiagnosis is the only feeder broad specialty for Fellowship Courses in Body MR Imaging, Cross Sectional Body Imaging and Breast Imaging. Therefore, Part A of clubbed group in Body MR Imaging, Cross Sectional Body Imaging and Breast Imaging question paper will comprise of questions from Radiodiagnosis at PG exit level.

Part- B of the question paper:

It shall comprise of 60 questions pertaining to the concerned Fellowship Course. The questions shall cover topics from clinical practice and basic sciences as applied to the concerned Fellowship course at entrance/entry level.

Clubbing:

Certain Fellowship Courses have been clubbed together and each clubbed group of Fellowship Courses shall be treated as one for the purpose of online submission of the application form and generation of the question paper. For eg. Spine Surgery, Sports Medicine and Arthroplasty Fellowship Courses have been clubbed together and all these clubbed Fellowship courses will be treated as a single unit for the purpose of online submission of application form and examination. Therefore, part A of the question paper for the clubbed super specialties shall comprise of questions from the eligible feeder broad/super specialty(s) and the part B shall comprise questions from all the clubbed Fellowship Courses.

A candidate can opt for only one Fellowship course/clubbed group at the time of online submission of the application form based on his/her eligibility for the concerned Fellowship course.

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S.NO.	NAME OF THE FELLOWSHIP COURSES WHICH HAVE BEEN CLUBBED TOGETHER
1.	a) Spine Surgery b) Sports Medicine c) Arthroplasty
2.	a) Body MR Imaging b) Cross Sectional Body Imaging c) Breast Imaging

Allocation of Time Fellowship Entrance Test 2019 shall be as follows:

Activities	Time
Allow Candidates to enter the examination centre and commence Biometric Registration	09:00AM
Entry closes at Examination Centre	10:30AM
Grant access for Candidate Login	10:45AM
Candidates log in to read instructions	10:50AM
Exam Start Time	11:00AM
Exam End Time	12:45PM

Marking Scheme: Allocation of marks for each MCQ shall be as follows:

S.No.	Response	Marks
1	Correct Response	4
2	Incorrect Response	1 mark shall be deducted
3	Unattempted Question	Zero

There shall be 25% negative marking for incorrect answers. No marks will be deducted for unattempted questions.

During the examination candidates are given an option to mark any question, whether attempted or not, for review which means that candidate has been given an option to go through these questions again before the examination time ends. Candidates may note that “Questions Attempted and Marked For Review” are considered as attempted for evaluation.

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6. ADMIT CARD & TEST DAY DOCUMENTARY REQUIREMENTS

- 6.1 The examination shall be conducted on 27th August, 2019.
- 6.2 At the time of submission of online application form, candidate will be required to choose the city in which he/she wants to take the test. The choice of city will depend on availability of the test Centres in a particular city and the allotment shall be done on first come first serve basis. During the submission of online application form, candidate will be able to see only those cities where testing seats are available. While the city will be chosen by the candidate himself/herself at the time of online submission of application form, allotment of test centre/venue in the chosen city shall be done by NBE.

Candidates will be informed regarding their test venue approximately 7 days before the examination day through the admit card.

- 6.3 Requests for change of testing centre/city shall not be entertained. Candidates are advised not to canvass for the same.
- 6.4 At the end of online submission of application form, the candidate will get a computer-generated acknowledgment at the registered email id of the candidate. Admit card will be issued to the candidate once testing venue has been allotted to the candidate by NBE in the city chosen by the candidate during online submission of online application form. Candidates will be informed through SMS alerts and Public Notice regarding downloading of the admit card from the website from 20th August, 2019.

Candidates are required to download their admit cards from the website and affix their latest passport size photograph in the space provided on the admit card. Admit card will not be sent to the candidates by Post.

The photograph should have the following specifications:

- Size of photograph: minimum 35x45 mm with at least 75% coverage of face & head of the candidate.

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- A caption indicating the name of the candidate and date of capturing the photograph should be there at the bottom of the photograph.
- Background of the Photograph: white.
- The photograph needs to display full front view of the face. Please look directly into the camera with a neutral expression. Please avoid photograph with reflection or shadow on the face with red eyes.
- The photograph needs to be printed on a high-quality paper with at least 600 dpi Resolutions.
- The photograph must not have kinks, scratches and stains.

6.5 Candidates MUST bring to the test centre the following documents: (Unfair means case shall be registered against the candidates submitting false/ forged documents.)

- Printed copy of the Admit Card with Photo of the candidate pasted on it; &
- Photocopy of Permanent/Provisional SMC/MCI registration, to be retained by the test centre &
- Any one of the authorized photo IDs* (must be original, valid and non-expired)
 - i. PAN card
 - ii. Driving License
 - iii. Voter ID
 - iv. Passport
 - v. Aadhar Card (with photograph)

"In case, any candidate reports to the test Centre with e-Aadhaar card with Aadhaar number printed on it as proof of identity, the e-Aadhaar card should be a good quality colour print out with clearly visible photograph. The photograph should not have kinks, scratches and stains, and should definitely match with the candidate presenting the e-Aadhaar card. Decision of NBE in this regard shall be final".

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- 6.6 Candidates may kindly note that they have to report by the time as indicated in the admit card and Information Bulletin. Candidates reporting late or beyond the prescribed time shall not be allowed to appear in the exam under any circumstances. Candidates are advised to acquaint themselves with the test centre location one day prior to the testing day and ensure that they report to the test centre within the prescribed time.

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7. TEST CENTRES FOR FET 2019, REPORTING AT TEST CENTRE & TEST DAY PROCEDURE

7.1 The provisional / tentative list of various theory Centres is given below:

Sl. No.	City
1.	Delhi
2.	Mumbai
3.	Kolkata
4.	Chennai

7.2 At the time of submission of online application form candidate will be required to choose the city in which he/she wants to take the test. The choice of city will depend on availability of the test centres in a particular city and the allotment shall be done first cum first serve basis.

During the submission of application form, candidate will be able to see only those cities where seats are available. While the city will be chosen by the candidate himself/herself at the time of online submission of application form, allotment of test centre/venue in the chosen city shall be done by NBE.

Candidates will be informed regarding their test venue approximately 7 days before the examination day through the admit card.

7.3 Test Centre Location: Exact address and location of the test centre shall be indicated in the admit card. Candidates are advised to familiarize themselves with the test centre locations at least one day prior to the examination day and ensure that they report for the test as per scheduled time only. Candidates are required to plan their travel accordingly.

7.4 Candidates are advised to familiarize themselves with the location of test centre and plan travel time accordingly. Candidates have to reach the test centres on or before the reporting time. Candidates may note that late entry to the examination premises is not permitted under any circumstances. NBE shall not be responsible for any delayed arrival of the candidate in reaching the test centre due to any reason.

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- 7.5 All candidates at the centre shall be frisked by security guards and biometric information shall be captured.
- 7.6 Identity checks will be made upon arrival at the test centre to ensure that there are no unauthorized candidates appearing for the test. Candidates are required to cooperate with the security checks.
- 7.7 Please note that only the candidates who have been issued admit card will be allowed at the examination centre subject to fulfillment of documentary requirements.
- 7.8 Friends or relatives accompanying the candidates will not be allowed entry in the test centre under any circumstances and will not be allowed to contact the candidate while the examination process is ongoing.

7.9 REPORTING OF CANDIDATES TO THE TEST CENTRE

Candidates may note that the reporting time refers to the time at which the candidate reaches the Reporting counter at the test centre. Candidate who fails to report to the reporting counter by the stipulated time as indicated above shall not be allowed to enter the examination premises that is Reporting counter and beyond. The candidate should arrive at the Reporting counter at least two hours before the commencement of exam i.e. 09:00AM. This allows for security checks, identity verification, image capture, biometric capture etc. The reporting counter will close 30 minutes prior to the exam start time. The following shall be undertaken upon reporting at the counter:

- I. ID verification-The original documents as has been indicated in Para 6.5 will be checked in original. All candidates at the centre shall be frisked by security guards.
- II. Capture of left/right thumb prints-The left/right thumb prints of all candidates shall be captured electronically and candidates are requested to cooperate with the on-duty staff with this process.

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- III. Capturing of digital image as a security measure, digital image of the reporting candidates shall be captured and taken on record.
- IV. The invigilator/on duty staff shall guide the candidate to the assigned work station.
- V. Kindly note that the reporting time has been indicated to timely complete the foregoing activities as well as to familiarize the candidate with the process.
- VI. Candidates may note that they will not be allowed entry to the test centre after 10:30AM.
- VII. Candidates are also advised to check the requirement for mandatory documents on Testing Day and comply with the same.
- VIII. NBE/ Test centre/Designated Agency /Staff on duty shall not be liable under any circumstances for delayed reporting and /or non-presentation of mandatory documents.

7.10 SECURITY AT THE TEST CENTRE

- 1 **Candidates will not be allowed to take the following items inside the examination Centre under any circumstances. All the candidates will be subjected to compulsory frisking before entering the examination Centre:**
 - (a) Any stationery item like textual material (printed or written), notes, Plastic Pouch, Calculator, Pen, Writing Pad, Pen Drives, Eraser, etc.
 - (b) Any electronic device like Mobile Phone, Bluetooth, Earphones, Microphone, Pager, wrist watch/Health Band, Calculator, Electronic Pen/Scanner etc.
 - (c) All ornaments like bracelets, Ring, Earrings, Nose-pin, Chain/Necklace, Pendants, Necklace with pendants, Badge, Brooch etc.
 - (d) Other items like Wallet, Goggles, Handbags, Belt, Cap etc.
 - (e) Any eatable item opened or packed, soft drinks, water bottle etc.

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(f) Any other item which could be used for unfair means, for hiding communication devices like wireless/Bluetooth device, spy camera etc.

- 2 No arrangement will be made at the centres for keeping any articles/items belonging to the candidates. In case any candidate is found in possession of any of the barred items inside the centre, it will be considered as use of unfair means and action will be taken against the candidate in accordance with the relevant provisions. To avoid any hardship candidates are advised not to bring such items along with them at the test Centre.
- 3 Left/right thumb prints and photographs of all the candidates will be captured and candidates are requested to cooperate with this essential activity to avoid any cases of impersonation. This is a security feature which will ensure that only genuine and bonafide candidate appear for the exam and allowed to join an institute for training.
- 4 ID verification-The original documents as has been indicated in Para 6.5 will be checked in original. All candidates at the centre shall be frisked by security guards.

N.B. All candidates are required to cooperate with the above mentioned security measures at the test centre. This will help in preventing any use of unfair means and will be instrumental in maintaining the sanctity of the examination. Any candidate not adhering to the aforementioned security measures will not be allowed to take the test.

7.11 TEST DAY PROCEDURES

- a) After verification of Identity and biometrics, candidates will be escorted to the designated computer terminal at the examination centre and an invigilator will check in the candidate.
- b) Candidates are required to keep their admit card and photo identification at all times during the conduct of examination.

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- c) Candidates are required to listen to the invigilator's instructions to begin the test.
- d) Each workstation will be blocked on three sides- front, left and right. Candidates are advised not to look around at other candidates as peeping into the computer monitor screen of the other candidate(s) will be considered as use of unfair means and may lead to cancellation of candidature. Please also note that there will be surveillance cameras that record both video.
- e) Any suspicious or disruptive behaviour on part of the candidate may lead to cancellation of candidature.
- f) For any issues during the test, candidate may raise his or her hand to notify invigilator.
- g) In case of any disruption, rest assured that a registered candidate will get to test again within the testing/examination window.

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8. INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILLING APPLICATION FORM

- 8.1 The online registration process and submission of application form for FET 2019 for admission to fellowship courses for 2019 academic session is available at website www.nbe.edu.in.
- 8.2 Online submission of application form begins on 10th July 2019 from 03.00PM onwards. The last date for submission of application form is 31st July, 2019 (by 11:55PM)
- 8.3 Candidate may note that there is no option for submitting the form other than the online mode, offline applications or printed copies will not be accepted.
- 8.4 Candidates are advised to go through the instructions given and overview of the application before proceeding to fill up the online application form. At the end of online submission of application form, the candidate will get a computer-generated acknowledgement. This acknowledgment shall also be sent at the registered e-mail iD of the candidate. All fields marked* in the online application form are mandatory
- 8.5 Applications of candidates producing false or fabricated information will not be considered and candidates may be further debarred from appearing in any future examinations.
- 8.6 Candidates must preserve a hard copy of application form for future reference.

Information such as personal details, educational qualification etc. provided by the candidates in the online application form shall be treated as correct and NBE will not entertain, under any circumstances, any request for change in the information provided by the candidates.

The option of changing certain information entered in the application form shall be available after the last date of online submission of application form for a period of 3-5 days.

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Candidates may note that the following fields of the application form are non-editable:

- Name of the candidate
- Mobile No.
- Email address
- Testing City

NBE disclaims any liability that may arise to candidate(s) due to incorrect information provided by the candidate during online submission of application form. NBE does not edit /modify/alter any information entered by the candidates at the time of online submission of application form under any circumstances.

8.7 Steps in online submission of application form:

- a) Fill the registration form for obtaining User ID and Password.
- b) User ID and Password will be sent through SMS and Email ID.
- c) Fill the application form and Upload your photograph & signature.
- d) Choose your Test City.
- e) Submission of Fees.
- f) Take a print out of the filled Application form with Transaction ID printed on it.

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9. CAUTION NOTICE, NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT, UNFAIR MEANS & DISCLAIMER

9.1 Caution Notice

- a. Candidates are advised to refer to website and Information Bulletin for authentic information and periodic updates about the FET and conduct of counseling thereafter.
- b. Candidates are advised not to be allured by claims of any party or person or institute for qualifying FET examination or securing seat as per the regulations.
- c. Candidates are advised to bring any such information to the notice of NBE by e-mail: mail@natboard.edu.in or fax 011-45593009.

9.2 Non-Disclosure Agreement

The FET is a proprietary examination and is conducted by National Board of Examinations. The contents of this test are confidential, proprietary and are owned by National Board of Examinations. NBE explicitly prohibits the candidate from publishing, reproducing or transmitting any or some contents of this test, in whole or in part, in any form or by any means verbal or written, electronic or mechanical or for any purpose.

No content of this test must be shared with friends, acquaintances or third parties including sharing through online means or via social media. Social media includes but not limited to SMS, Whatsapp, Facebook, Twitter, Hangouts, Blogs etc using either one's own account or proxy account(s).

By registering for and /or appearing in FET the candidate explicitly agrees to the above Non-Disclosure Agreement and general terms of use for FET as contained in this Information Bulletin, and NBE website.

Violation of any act or breach of the same shall be liable for penal action and cancellation of the candidature at the bare threshold.

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10. UNFAIR MEANS

10.1 NBE reserves its absolute rights to take penal action under applicable civil/criminal procedure/guideline or any other action deemed appropriate against candidates found using unfair means.

10.2 Unfair means includes:

Candidate undergoing DNB/FNB training if by himself or in connivance with the accredited Institute authorities tries to abstain himself from DNB/FNB training or submits false/ forged certificate towards DNB/FNB training.

Maintaining incomplete/incorrect log book, attendance records, training schedule, thesis work etc.

- 1) Submission of DNB/FNB training certificate with wrong dates of joining and completion of training.
- 2) Candidate misbehaving or using abusive language with other DNB/FNB trainees or patients or staff of accredited institute or with the faculty of the accredited institute.
- 3) Candidate who has resigned from DNB/FNB course (after joining the DNB/FNB course) if appears for DNB/FNB entrance during the scheduled duration of training.
- 4) If a candidate is found to have made a wrong statement in his/her application form for admission to the examinations / counseling /training or has attempted to secure or has secured admission to any of the examinations of NBE by making a false statement or by production of a false document
- 5) If at any stage a candidate has tampered with any entry in the certificate or statement of marks or any certificate issued by any governmental or non-governmental body or any other document that has been issued to him/ her by the Board.

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- 6) In the answer book, a candidate is not permitted to write his/her name or put his/her signature or put any sign or mark (except the jacket of the answer sheet) which may disclose his/her identity to the examiner.
- 7) Use/possession of any kind of electronic gadgets including mobile phones with or without internet (whether the gadgets are actually used or not).
- 8) Having in possession of any note-book(s) or notes or chits or any other unauthorized material concerning the subject pertaining to the examination paper.
- 9) Anything written on any part of clothing, body, desk, table or any instrument such as setsquare, protractor, blotting paper and question paper etc.
- 10) Giving or receiving assistance directly or indirectly of any kind or attempting to do so.
- 11) Change of seat without the permission of Examination Superintendent/In charge Computer Laboratory.
- 12) Writing questions or answers on any material other than the answer book given by the Centre Superintendent for writing answers.
- 13) Tearing of any page of the answer book or supplementary answer book etc.
- 14) Contacting or communicating or trying to do so with any person, other than the Examination Staff, during the examination time in the examination Centre Computer Laboratory.
- 15) Consulting notes, books or any other material or outside person while going out of the examination hall/Computer Laboratory to toilet or to any other place.
- 16) Taking away the answer book out of the examination hall/room.
- 17) Impersonation.
- 18) Candidate appearing multiple times with same or different identity in different sessions of same examination conducted on Computer Based Testing platform/paper pen based.

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- 19) Using or attempting to use any other undesirable method or means in connection with the examination.
- 20) Smuggling out Question Paper or its part; or smuggling out answer book/supplementary answer sheet or part thereof.
- 21) Running away or swallowing or destroying any note or paper or material found with him/her.
- 22) If the answer books show that a candidate has received or given help to any other candidate through copying.
- 23) Threatening any of the officials connected with the conduct of the examinations or threatening of any of the candidates.
- 24) Found exchanging answer book or question paper with solution or copying from unauthorized material.
- 25) Peeping into the computer monitor screen of the other candidate.
- 26) Disclosing his/her identity or making distinctive mark in the answer book for that purpose or fails to deliver his/her answer book/ continuation sheet before leaving the examination hall.
- 27) Hacking or attempting to hack or causing interference with the website of NBE or its Technology Partner(s) or their Information Technology systems.
- 28) Tampering with Information Technology systems of NBE or Technology Partner(s) or Computer Laboratory.
- 29) Damaging the computer systems of computer Laboratory.
- 30) Candidate found to have attempted or trying to attempt personally or through another person to influence or pressurize an examiner, or any officer or official connected with the examinations of the NBE or its technology partner, either at the Board or at the office of technology partner or their respective residence(s), in any matter concerned with the examinations.

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- 31) All candidates appearing or have appeared in examinations conduct by NBE are governed by Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) which prohibits the candidate from publishing, reproducing or transmitting any or some contents of the test, in whole or in part, in any form or by any means verbal or written, electronic or mechanical or for any purpose. Any candidate violating the NDA will be treated as UMC.
- 32) If at any stage if it is found that the candidate has appeared multiple times in the same session of examination or has appeared in same or different examination of NBE with different names, unfair means case shall be registered against such candidate and dealt accordingly.
- 33) Any act of candidate/any person which is detrimental to safe, secure and smooth conduct of examination and the decision of EEC in this regard shall be final.
- 34) Candidate is found talking/peeping to another candidate during the examination hours in the examination room.
- 35) A candidate who refuses to obey the Superintendent of Examination Centre/ Computer Lab and changes his/her seat with another candidate and/or creates disturbance of any kind during the examination and/or otherwise misbehaves in the examination hall.
- 36) A candidate found copying from notes written on any part of his/her clothing, body, desk or table or instrument like setsquares, protractors, scales etc. or who is found guilty of concealing, disfiguring, rendering illegible, swallowing or destroying any notes or papers or material found with him/her or found exchanging answer book or question paper with solution or talking to a person or consulting notes or books outside the Examination Hall, while going to the toilet or in the toilet.
- 37) Any candidate found guilty of having adopted anyone or more of the above Unfair means/misconduct is liable to be penalized with a penalty by the Ethics Committee, which may vary from cancellation of the examination/

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expulsion up to next 14 attempts/7 yrs and/or cancellation of candidature as may be decided by Examinations Ethics Committee after considering each case.

38) The above list is purely indicative. If any act of omission or commission attributed to the candidate/intent by the candidate to vitiate the sanctity of the examination in decision of NBE shall be taken up as unfair means.

10.3 **Disclaimer** – The decision of NBE shall be final and binding for declaration of any person /candidate guilty of foregoing or such offence as shall be classified as Unfair Means Case.

10.4 The candidate by indulging in unfair means, may in addition to rendering himself liable to criminal prosecution, be liable: -

- a) To be disqualified by the NBE from the Examination for which he is a candidate; and/or
- b) To be debarred either permanently or for a specified period: -
 - i). By the NBE, from any examination or selection held by them;
 - ii). By the Central /State Government from any employment under them; and
- c) To disciplinary action under the appropriate rules if he is already in service under Government.

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11. DECLARATION OF RESULTS

11.1 QUALIFYING CRITERIA

Candidates who obtain minimum of 50th Percentile in their respective question paper / specialty shall be declared as “Qualified” in FET 2019 and issued a PASS/QUALIFYING Certificate.

11.2 VALIDITY OF FET RESULT

The validity of the result of the FET 2019 shall be only for the current admission session i.e. 2019 admission session only and cannot be carried forward for the next session of FET.

Result are likely to be declared by **15th September 2019**.

The results will be posted on NBE website **www.nbe.edu.in**

There is no provision for re-totaling/Re-evaluation/Re-checking.

11.3 TIE BREAKER CRITERIA

In the event of candidates obtaining the same score for a particular super specialty course, the following tie-breaking criteria will be applied to determine inter-se merit in descending order of application till a unique inter se merit is determined for all such candidates:

1. Candidate having lesser number of negative responses in the overall paper will be placed at higher merit position.
2. Candidate obtaining higher score in Part B of the question paper will be placed at higher merit position.
3. Candidate having lesser number of negative responses in Part B of the question paper will be placed at higher merit position.
4. Older candidate will be placed at higher merit position

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12. ADMISSION TO FNB (Post Doctoral Fellowship Programme)

- (i) Admission to FNB courses is undertaken only through Centralized Merit based Counseling conducted by NBE.
- (ii) The seats shall be allotted through the merit based centralized counseling conducted by NBE wherein candidates can opt for a seat from the available seats on the basis of Specialty specific merit obtained by them in the examination.
- (iii) Detailed guidelines in this regard shall be uploaded on NBE website www.natboard.edu.in before the counseling.
- (iv) The List of Fellowship Programme offered along with eligible qualifications is mentioned at Annexure II of this booklet.
- (v) Applicants may kindly note that the list of seats available for 2019 session shall be displayed at NBE website www.natboard.edu.in before the counseling starts.

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13. OVERVIEW OF COMPUTER BASED TESTING

Online submission of application form for FET



Issue of admit cards to eligible candidates



Reporting of candidates at the exam centre



Security Check in Process



Actual test/examination



Ending the test

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14. AN OVERVIEW OF FET 2019

(For admission to NB Fellowship courses 2019 session)

1	Purpose of Examination	Qualifying cum Ranking Examination for admission to NB Fellowship Courses
2	Periodicity	Annual
3	Pattern of examination	MCQ based with single correct response
4	No.of items (questions)	100 for a question paper in a particular specialty
5	Negative marking	Yes, 1 marks shall be deducted for incorrect response. 4Marks shall be awarded for correct response
6	Mode of Conduct	Computer Based Test
7.	Criteria for passing	50 percentile & above
8	Seat Allotment	By NBE
9	Reservation of seat	NO
10	Last date of Online application	31 st July, 2019 (11:55 PM)
11	Test Date	27 th August, 2019
12	Declaration of Result	By 15 th September, 2019

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MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(Department of Health and Family Welfare)

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 3rd August, 2016

S.O. 2672(E).—In exercise of the power conferred by sub-section (2) of section 11 of the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 (102 of 1956), the Central Government after consulting the Medical Council of India, hereby makes the following further amendments in the First Schedule of the Act, namely;

The following Fellowship National Board (FNB), Courses (two years courses at the Post MD/MS level) shall be inserted, namely.

Fellowship National Board (Cardiac Anaesthesia)	This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after January 2001.
Fellowship National Board (Hand & Micro Surgery)	This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after February 2002.
Fellowship National Board (High risk Pregnancy & Perinatology)	This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after January 2001.
Fellowship National Board (Interventional Cardiology)	This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after February 2002.

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Fellowship National Board (Infectious Disease)	This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after February 2008.
Fellowship National Board (Laboratory Medicine)	This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after December 2006.
Fellowship National Board (Minimal Access Surgery)	This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after December 2000.
Fellowship National Board (Pediatric Hemato Oncology)	This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after December 2006.
Fellowship National Board (Pediatric Cardiology)	This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after March 2001.
Fellowship National Board (Pediatric Intensive Care)	This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after December 2006.
Fellowship National Board (Reproductive Medicine)	This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after May 2003.

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Fellowship National Board (Spine Surgery)	This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after February 2001.
Fellowship National Board (Trauma Care)	This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after May 2001.
Fellowship National Board (Vitreo Retinal Surgery)	This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after March 2001.
Fellowship National Board (Paediatric Gastroenterology)	This shall be recognised medical qualification when granted by National Board of Examinations, New Delhi on or after January 2014.

Note:- The FNB qualifications shall not be treated as a recognised medical qualification for the purpose of teaching faculty.

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Annexure -II

List of Fellowship Programme run by NBE and corresponding eligible qualification(s) for seeking admission through Fellowship Entrance Test (FET) 2019.

S. No.	Specialty	Eligibility Criteria
1.	Interventional Cardiology	DNB/DM (Cardiology)
2.	Liver Transplantation	DNB/MCh (G I Surgery)
3.	Spine Surgery	DNB/MS (Orthopedics) DNB/MCh (Neuro Surgery)
4.	Sports Medicine	DNB/MS (Orthopedics)
5.	Vitreoretinal Surgery	DNB/MS (Ophthalmology)
6.	Trauma Care	DNB/MS (General Surgery) DNB/MS (Orthopedics) DNB/MCh (Neuro Surgery) DNB/MD (Anesthesiology)
7.	Arthroplasty	DNB/MS (Orthopedics)
8.	Body MR Imaging	DNB/MD (Radio Diagnosis)
9.	Cross Sectional Body Imaging	DNB/MD (Radio Diagnosis)
10.	Breast Imaging	DNB/MD (Radio Diagnosis)
11.	Neurovascular Intervention	DNB/MCh (Neurology) or DNB/MCh (Neuro Surgery) or DM (Neuroradiology) MD (Radio Diagnosis)

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The admission to following courses shall be undertaken by NBE by utilizing the NEET-SS 2019 merit list.

Sl. No.	Name of Fellowship Course	Prior entry eligible qualifications	Super specialty Course the merit list of which shall be utilized for allotment of seats
1.	Paediatric Hemato Oncology	DNB/MD Paediatrics	Clubbed group for DM Paediatric Cardiology/ Neonatology/Paediatric Gastroenterology/Paediatric Hepatology/Paediatric Nephrology/Paediatric Oncology
2.	Pediatric Gastroenterology	DNB/MD Paediatrics	
3.	Pediatric Nephrology	DNB/MD Paediatrics	
4.	Reproductive Medicine	DNB/MD/MS Obst. & Gynaecology	Reproductive Medicine & Surgery
5.	High Risk Pregnancy & Perinatology	DNB/MD/MSO bst. & Gynaecology	
6.	Minimal Access Surgery	DNB/MS General Surgery	GI Surgery
7.	Hand & Micro Surgery	DNB/MCh Plastic Surgery DNB/MS Orthopaedics DNB/MS General Surgery	Hand Surgery
8.	Infectious Disease	DNB/MD General Medicine MD Tropical Medicine	Infectious Disease

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