



**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

**Regarding this examination**

There are three components of this examination.

COMPONENTS	TIME ALLOWED	MAX. MARKS	PASS MARKS
<b>A. i) OSPE</b> (10 stations)	<b>30 minutes</b> 2-4 minutes at each station	40	24
<b>ii) Viva Voce</b> (at two stations)	<b>60 minutes</b> 30 minutes at each station	60 (30 at each station)	36
<b>B. i) Thesis evaluation</b>	Prior to the defence	100	60
<b>ii) Thesis defence</b>	60 minutes	100	60

**OSPE (40 marks)**

Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSPE) will be held on the first day of the examination at the same time (11:00 am), at all centres, for all the candidates declared eligible for viva voce part of the relevant examination. Candidates will be sent information regarding the schedule of OSPE by the Examination Department.

In the OSPE the candidates will rotate through 10 stations arranged in the examination hall. In addition to the detailed instructions enclosed, the candidates will also receive verbal instructions at the time of the examination.

**VIVA VOCE (60 marks ..... 60 minutes)**

The viva voce examination will last for 60 minutes and will be conducted at two stations by a pair of examiners (30 minutes at each station). This part of the examination will assess the candidate's ability of the knowledge of Physiological principles and their application. The topics covered will be blood physiology, C.V.S. physiology, respiratory physiology, renal physiology, G.I.T physiology, Cell/Nerves and Muscle physiology, Nervous system physiology, Special senses physiology, endocrine physiology and reproduction physiology.

**THESIS DEFENCE (100 marks ..... 60 minutes)**

This component will last for 60 minutes and will be conducted at one station by a panel of four examiners. This part of the examination will be pertinent to the contents of Thesis.

**THESIS EVALUATION (100 marks)**

This thesis is sent prior to the clinical examination by four assessors.

## **DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Entry with admit card only.  
The candidates must display their admit cards on their white coats throughout the examination.
2. Response sheet:
  - Prior to entering the examination hall each candidate will be provided with a response sheet. Candidates must write their **roll number** on the response sheet before starting OSPE examinations.
  - Each candidate will only carry his/her response sheet while rotating through the stations. No other papers will be allowed in the examination hall.
3. The candidate is not supposed to remove any document or material from any station.
4. Each station will carry equal weighting. Every station must be attempted.
5. **A specified time will be allotted at each station which will be signaled by a bell.**

### **Conduct of Examination**

1. The examination is in the form of a circuit. At the start the candidates would occupy the stations allocated to them according to their roll numbers, and will move to the next station when the bell rings.
2. At these stations clear instructions would be written for performance of a task. The candidate is expected to read the instructions and act accordingly.
3. The performance of each candidate will be assessed by the examiners on a pre determined assessment form and the candidates will have to submit written responses to one-best / short answer questions in the response sheet.
4. Candidates will rotate through the stations in this way till they have completed the circuit. They will move only in one direction as displayed in the hall by arrow marks and will not be allowed to go back to the previous station.