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Admission: Jamia simplifies entrance test process

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NEW DELHI: For students planning to apply for multiple undergraduate courses in Jamia Millia Islamia, (JMI), there is good news. The university has simplified its entrance process this year by considerably bringing down the number of entrance tests.

Instead of individual tests for each subject, students will now have to sit for one common entrance test in each discipline. From over 50 entrance tests last year, the varsity will only have a total of eight entrance tests for undergraduate and post-graduate courses.

In social sciences group I, for example BBS, B.Com, economics, BA with computer application and hotel management will have to sit for only one examination. Similarly, in group II, there will be just one test for subjects like BA (Hons.) sociology, political science, social work and Bachelor of Arts.

"We get a lot of outstation students, who have to keep waiting for the entrances to get over. So we decided to go for common entrance tests, which will save both time and effort on the students' part," said Najeeb Jung, vice-chancellor, JMI.

PARADIGM SHIFT

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Group - 1: BBS, B.Com, economics, BACA, hotel management, travel and tourism

Group - 2: B.A.(Hons.) in sociology, political science, psychology, geography, history, social work, and Bachelor of Arts

HUMANITIES & LANGUAGES

B.A. (Hons.) in Arabic, English, Hindi, Islamic Studies, Mass Media Hindi, Persian, Urdu

NATURAL SCIENCES

Group -1: B.Sc., B.Sc (Instrumentation), B.Sc. (Hons.) physics, chemistry, BA/B.

Sc.(Hons.) Mathematics.

Group - 2: B. Sc. in Biosciences and Biotechnology.

POST-GRADUATE COMMON ENTRANCE TESTS

1. Master of Arts in social exclusion and inclusive; MA in conflict analysis & peace building; MA in comparative religions & civilisations; MA in media governance, and MA in early childhood development

2. MCA and PGDCA

3. PG Diploma in Digital Cartography, and Remote Sensing & GIS Applications

NEW COURSES

The new academic session will also see introduction of some new courses. The BA programme, which was scrapped last year, will be reintroduced. The course structure has been revamped based on the tripose programme of the Oxford and Cambridge universities.

"The course was been recast and the syllabus is much better and relevant now. The number of seats has also been reduced," said Jung. From 190, the strength of the class has been brought down to about 50.

Students applying for the

programme will have to choose three subjects out of history, geography, economics, public administration and political science and one out of professional courses. "These students will have more options to choose from at the Master's level as they will study more than one subject," Jung added.

Apart from this, the university will also have a few new courses like M.Phil in Latin American studies, European studies, MA in early childhood development, M.Tech in earthquake engineering, M.Arch in urban regeneration.