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PRESS RELEASE

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NLAT 2020 Examination Process Completed

The National Law Aptitude Test for admissions to NLSIU for the 5-year B.A. LL.B Undergraduate Programme and the 1-year Postgraduate LL.M. Programme was conducted on September 12, 2020.

The UG NLAT exam was conducted across three sessions while the PG NLAT exam was conducted in a single session. 27, 538 candidates had registered for the exam of which 26, 071 candidates appeared for the NLAT 2020.

Despite these overall numbers, we received reports that some candidates may have faced technical difficulties during the examination.

Response to candidates who faced technical difficulties:

On September 12, 2020, a notification was put up on the website and on social media informing candidates to login to the admissions.nls.ac.in portal and raise a query by 12 noon on September 13, 2020. Communication was also sent to all NLAT 2020 candidates with these instructions. Upon raising the query, it was communicated to the candidates on the portal that they would receive a response within 48 hours.

The University constituted a Technical Review Committee and a thorough technical review was carried out on the queries raised only on the portal. Several candidates who appeared for the NLAT 2020 raised queries.

Upon reviewing the queries, the Technical Review Committee recommended out of abundant caution that most candidates be offered the opportunity to appear for

another examination slot on September 14, 2020 in order to ensure that no candidate was affected adversely.

It was made clear to all candidates that the additional examination was not mandatory. Candidates who chose to take up the additional slot were informed that their previous exam score and answers would be erased. For candidates who chose not to appear for the exam, the examination score of NLAT conducted on September 12, 2020 will be retained as the Final Score.

All candidates who raised technical queries received exam details on the admissions.nls.ac.in portal as well as an email/SMS informing them about the exam on September 13, 2020. Nearly 80% of the candidates who were offered an additional slot appeared for the exam on Monday, September 14, 2020.

The examination commenced at 12:30 PM and was completed for both UG NLAT Batch 4 and PG NLAT Batch 2 candidates at the allotted time. Provisional answer keys for UG NLAT Batch 4 and PG NLAT Batch 2 have been released on the University website admissions.nls.ac.in. Candidates may raise objections if any by sending an email to nlat2020key@nls.ac.in on or before midnight, September 14, 2020.

Next Steps:

The final answer key for all papers shall be released on Tuesday, September 15, 2020.

The University and its technology partners are carefully scrutinising the digital records of the NLAT 2020 examination to accurately identify malpractice and disbar these candidates from consideration for admission to NLSIU.

The release of admission results will be subject to further orders of the Supreme Court on September 16, 2020 in WP (Civil) 1030/2020.