

UPTET Syllabus 2026

Uttar Pradesh Basic Education Board — Uttar Pradesh Teacher Eligibility Test

Vacancies	Not post-specific — UPTET is an eligibility test for teaching posts in Uttar Pradesh government and government-aided schools
Age Limit	No upper age limit specified for appearing in UPTET itself (age limits apply separately to specific recruitment exams like Super TET)
Qualification	Broadly mirrors CTET's NCTE-prescribed qualification norms — Paper I requires Senior Secondary plus a Diploma in Elementary Education (or equivalent); Paper II requires Graduation with B.Ed (or equivalent), per NCTE guidelines
Application Fee	Approximately ₹600 (Paper I or II) / ₹700 (both papers) for General/OBC candidates, with reductions for SC/ST/PwD as per the notification
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Overview

UPTET is Uttar Pradesh's state-level teacher eligibility test, conducted by the UP Basic Education Board and structurally very similar to CTET — offering Paper I for Primary level (Classes I–V) and Paper II for Upper Primary level (Classes VI–VIII). Clearing UPTET is a prerequisite for applying to UP's own teacher recruitment exams, such as Super TET, for Basic Shiksha Parishad schools. Given Uttar Pradesh's large number of government schools and teacher vacancies, UPTET attracts a very high volume of candidates each cycle, even though — like CTET — it is itself only an eligibility test, not a direct recruitment exam.

What's New in the 2026 Cycle

- Mirrors CTET's two-paper structure (Primary and Upper Primary) but is specific to Uttar Pradesh's teacher eligibility requirements.
- Clearing UPTET is typically a prerequisite for UP's own recruitment exams like Super TET.
- Attracts an extremely high applicant volume given Uttar Pradesh's large number of government school vacancies.
- Question paper is available in Hindi and English (and Urdu/Sanskrit for specific language-teacher categories, where applicable).

Exam Pattern

Paper I (Classes I–V, Primary Level)

Mode: Offline, OMR-based objective MCQ | Duration: 2 hours 30 minutes

Section	Questions	Marks
Child Development & Pedagogy	30	30
Language I (Hindi, compulsory)	30	30

Language II (Sanskrit/English/Urdu, as chosen)	30	30
Mathematics	30	30
Environmental Studies	30	30

Negative marking: No negative marking (mirrors CTET's marking scheme) | **Nature:** Minimum 60% required to qualify (General category; relaxation for reserved categories as per notification).

Paper II (Classes VI–VIII, Upper Primary Level)

Mode: Offline, OMR-based objective MCQ | Duration: 2 hours 30 minutes

Section	Questions	Marks
Child Development & Pedagogy	30	30
Language I (Hindi, compulsory)	30	30
Language II (Sanskrit/English/Urdu, as chosen)	30	30
Mathematics & Science OR Social Studies (subject-dependent)	60	60

Negative marking: No negative marking | **Nature:** Minimum 60% required to qualify (General category; relaxation for reserved categories as per notification).

UPTET — Detailed Subject-Wise Syllabus

Child Development & Pedagogy

Shares CTET's theoretical framework — cross-preparation between the two exams is efficient if attempting both.

- Concept of development & its relationship with learning
- Principles of child development
- Individual differences & inclusive education
- Learning theories & pedagogy
- Assessment for learning vs assessment of learning

Language I (Hindi)

Compulsory for all UPTET candidates — dedicated Hindi grammar revision is non-negotiable regardless of your other language strengths.

- Hindi grammar — sandhi, samas, alankar
- Comprehension of unseen passages
- Pedagogy of Hindi language teaching

Language II (Sanskrit/English/Urdu)

Choose based on genuine comfort — this is a scoring section when matched to your actual strongest second language.

- Grammar & comprehension in the chosen second language
- Pedagogy of second-language teaching

Mathematics (Paper I)

Elementary-level content with a pedagogical lens — UP Board and NCERT textbooks both serve as good preparation sources.

- Geometry, shapes & spatial understanding
- Numbers & basic operations
- Measurement & data handling
- Pedagogical issues in teaching Maths

Environmental Studies (Paper I)

Practical, everyday-life topics — NCERT/UP Board EVS textbooks are the most direct preparation source.

- Family, food, shelter, water, travel
- Concept & scope of EVS
- Teaching materials & CCE in EVS

Mathematics & Science / Social Studies (Paper II)

Content overlaps significantly with CTET Paper II — prior CTET preparation transfers well here.

- Class 6–8 NCERT/UP Board-level Maths & Science, or History/Geography/Civics depending on the chosen stream
- Pedagogical issues specific to the chosen subject

Selection Process

- 1 Paper I and/or Paper II — offline objective examination.
- 2 Candidates who meet the minimum qualifying percentage receive a UPTET certificate.
- 3 The certificate is a prerequisite for applying to UP's teacher recruitment exams (e.g. Super TET), not a job offer by itself.

Salary & Job Profile

UPTET itself doesn't carry a salary since it's an eligibility test. Teaching posts recruited via subsequent UP exams (like Super TET) carry their own state pay scales, typically comparable to Pay Level 6–7 depending on the specific post.

Best Books for Preparation

- NCERT & UP Board textbooks (Class 1–8)
- UPTET Child Development & Pedagogy — Arihant/Disha Publications
- UPTET Previous Year Solved Papers — various publishers
- UPTET Hindi & EVS/Science Guide — Youth Competition Times

Previous Cut-off Trends (Approximate)

Like CTET, UPTET uses a fixed minimum qualifying percentage (typically 60% for General category, with relaxation for reserved categories) rather than a competitive rank-based cut-off. Always check the specific relaxed percentage for your category in the current notification.

Preparation Tips

- Base your preparation on NCERT and UP Board textbooks (Class 1–8), since UPTET questions closely track this content.
- Hindi is compulsory as Language I — build strong grammar fundamentals specifically for this section.
- Since there's no negative marking, attempt every question rather than leaving any blank.
- If planning to also attempt Super TET, note that UPTET clearance is typically a prerequisite, so sequence your preparation accordingly.

Exam Day Guidelines

- Carry the Admit Card and a valid original photo ID to the exam centre.
- Since it's an offline OMR-based exam, carry a black ballpoint pen as specified in the notification.
- Arrive well before reporting time given the very high candidate volume typical of UPTET.
- No electronic devices are allowed inside the exam hall.

Frequently Asked Questions

Is UPTET the same as CTET?

No, UPTET is Uttar Pradesh's own state-level teacher eligibility test, though it closely mirrors CTET's two-paper structure and NCTE-based eligibility norms.

Is Hindi compulsory in UPTET?

Yes, Hindi is the compulsory Language I in both Paper I and Paper II, with candidates choosing a second language (Sanskrit/English/Urdu) as Language II.

Is there negative marking in UPTET?

No, UPTET follows the same no-negative-marking scheme as CTET.

Do I need UPTET to apply for Super TET?

Yes, clearing UPTET (or an equivalent recognised TET) is typically a prerequisite for applying to UP's Super TET recruitment exam for Basic Shiksha Parishad schools.