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Business Rules for Admission 2020-2021

(All Junior Research Fellowship programmes)

Indian Statistical Institute (ISI) offers several academic programmes for which admission is on the basis of the written test(s) and interview.

The Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) programmes offered by the institute and intake capacity can be found on the online portal:

http://www.isical.ac.in/~admission/

The total number of seats in a JRF programme is shared by different programme codes under the programme.

The business rules stated herein will be followed in the academic year 2020-21 for allocating seats for the Junior Research Fellowship programmes.

A candidate chooses and applies to an academic programme of the Institute.

A seat to the chosen academic programme is allocated to the candidate considering the following factors:

  i. The category [GEN, OBC-NCL, SC, ST, PwD] of the candidate.
  ii. The position of the candidate in merit list(s).
 iii. Availability of seats at different centres of the Institute.
 iv. Other business rules as mentioned in this document.

1 Categories of Candidates

For the purpose of admission, all candidates who qualify after Interview should be partitioned into different categories based on (birth) categories, presence or absence of disability and nationality.

On the basis of such a partition, each candidate is assigned a category tag as given below:

GEN: This tag is assigned to OCI/PIO or Indian nationals who do NOT belong to OBC-NCL, SC or ST category (or who fail to produce valid OBC-NCL, SC or ST certificate) and are NOT Persons with Disabilities.

GEN-PwD: This tag is assigned to OCI or PIO or Indian nationals who do NOT belong to OBC-NCL, SC or ST category (or who fail to produce valid OBC-NCL, SC or ST certificate) and are Persons with Disabilities. Candidates must produce a valid PwD certificate to be assigned this tag.

OBC-NCL: This tag is assigned to Indian nationals who belong to the Non-Creamy Layer of Other Backward Classes and are NOT Persons with Disabilities. Candidates must produce a valid OBC-NCL certificate to be assigned this tag. The backward class must be in the Central List of OBCs.

OBC-NCL-PwD: This tag is assigned to Indian nationals who belong to the Non-Creamy Layer of Other Backward Classes and are Persons with Disabilities. Candidates must produce valid OBC-NCL and PwD certificates to be assigned this tag. The backward class must be in the Central List of OBCs. Thus, candidates belonging to the Non-Creamy Layer of Other Backward Classes are divided into two mutually exclusive categories and are assigned either one of the tags OBC-NCL or OBC-NCL-PwD.

SC: This tag is assigned to Indian nationals who belong to Scheduled Castes and are NOT Persons with Disabilities. Candidates must produce a valid SC certificate to be assigned this tag.

SC-PwD: This tag is assigned to Indian nationals who belong to Scheduled Castes and are Persons with Disabilities. Candidates must produce valid SC and PwD certificates to be assigned this tag. Thus, candidates belonging to the scheduled castes are divided into two mutually exclusive categories and are assigned either one of the tags SC or SC-PwD.

ST: This tag is assigned to Indian nationals who belong to Scheduled Tribes and are NOT Persons with Disabilities. Candidates must produce a valid ST certificate to be assigned this tag.

ST-PwD: This tag is assigned to Indian nationals who belong to Scheduled Tribes and are Persons with Disabilities. Candidates must produce valid ST and PwD certificates to be assigned this tag. Thus, candidates belonging to the scheduled tribes are divided into two mutually exclusive categories and are assigned either one of the tags ST or ST-PwD.

Foreign: This is assigned to candidates who are NOT Indian nationals or OCI/PIO.

2 Preparation of Merit lists

Merit lists for admission to JRF programmes will be prepared based on the qualifying score of candidates in Written test I, Written Test II and Interview. This will also take into account the categories of the candidates.

One single Merit List will be generated for each programme from the **Final Score Sheet** of scores obtained by the candidates shortlisted after the interview (see Selection Policy document).

Each candidate appearing in the Final Score Sheet will get a place in the Merit List. The position of the candidate in the Merit List will be determined by his/her score in the Final Score Sheet and the category tags are described below.

The score of a candidate will be multiplied by an appropriate factor before the candidate is placed in the merit list (see the table below for the multiplying factor).

Sl. No.	Candidate's category tag	Multiplying factor
1	GEN	1
2	GEN-PwD	1.43
3	OBC-NCL	1.1
4	OBC-NCL-PwD	1.43
5	SC	1.43
6	SC-PwD	1.43
7	ST	1.43
8	ST-PwD	1.43

For an example, if the score of a candidate in the Final Score Sheet is s and the candidate has the tag Gen-PwD, then the multiplying factor applicable to the candidate would be 1.43. The candidate would be assigned a score of (1.43 * s) and will be placed in the Merit List accordingly.

The process laid out in Section 3 and Section 4 will be carried out to complete the admission process.

3 Allocation of Seats

Candidates seeking admission to a Junior Research Fellowship programme will be offered seats sequentially from the prepared Merit List.

1. If there are less number of seats available under a particular category in an academic programme than the number of candidates with the same rank seeking admission to the programme, then all those candidates will be offered seats by creating requisite number of supernumerary seats.

2. **Seat Allocation for candidates with Foreign Tag**

   For consideration for seat allocation, foreign tag candidates should satisfy all the eligibility requirements meant for a GEN category candidate.

   a) A seat to a foreign tag candidate will be allotted if he/she is able to obtain a qualifying score as a GEN category candidate.

   b) Seats to be allocated to foreign tag candidates will be supernumerary.

   c) The number of supernumerary seats allotted in each programme to foreign tag candidates is limited to 10% of the total number of seats of the programme.

4 Merit list to Admission for Academic Programmes

4.1 Provisional allocation of Seats

1. From the merit list(s) and the sequencing order specified in Sections 2 and 3 respectively, provisional allocation of seats will be given to eligible candidates for each degree programme. In each round, each candidate on the merit list(s) will either be allocated a provisional seat in the respective degree programme or put on the wait list.

2. Candidates are given a 2-3 day window in each round to fill-in their options:

   a. If a candidate is offered a provisional seat then the candidate has the option of accepting or declining the provisional seat.

   b. While accepting the provisional seat offer, a candidate will be required to pay a 'Seat Acceptance Deposit' (refundable).

   c. If a candidate is offered a position on wait list for a seat then the candidate has the option of accepting or declining to remain on the wait list.

   d. Any candidate on the merit list(s) who does not fill in the option by the 2-3 day window will be assumed to have declined the respective option.

e. In the first round of seat allocation, while accepting the provisional seat or accepting a wait list offer the candidate will have to complete registration formalities for confirmation of choice. In subsequent rounds, a candidate will have to accept/decline the option if the offer changes.

f. Option of a candidate who has declined a provisional seat offer or wait list offer at any round is locked for the rest of the admission process. Candidates will NOT be able to change this option.

4.2 Provisional Seats to Confirmation of Admission

1. A candidate who accepts a provisional seat offer will be able to download a *Provisional Seat Allocation Letter* which will specify date of reporting, reporting centre and financial fee details.

2. Candidates who have accepted a provisional seat or wait list offer should report at a Reporting Center for document verification on the specified date.

3. If candidate has accepted a provisional seat then the candidate's admission will be confirmed by the Reporting Centre after verification of the original documents and ensuring that the candidate meets all the eligibility norms. Failure to report in person for seat acceptance will be considered as if the candidate has declined the provisonal seat offer. This seat will be assigned to the next eligible person on the wait list.

4. If candidate has accepted a wait list offer then at the Reporting Centre verification of the original documents will be done to ensure that the candidate meets all the eligibility norms. At the final round if the candidate is eligible for a seat as per the sequencing order then the candidate will be offered admission to the programme. Failure to report in person will be considered as if the candidate has declined the wait list offer.

5 Miscellaneous

1. Only those candidates who appear for Written Test(s) and Interview (unless otherwise mentioned in the document: **Selection Policy – 2020,** *uploaded in ISI Admission portal*) will be considered for merit list ranking.

2. Filling-in of options on the online portal for waitlisted candidates is free of cost, i.e., candidates who are waitlisted are NOT required to pay any deposit while accepting the offer.

3. Candidates will NOT be able to change their options once submitted.

4. Delays or disruptions in service due to breakdown of admission portals computer servers [due to reasons beyond the control] shall be rectified as early as possible and notified on the web

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The decisions taken in this regard shall be final and binding.

5. The Admission process for a programme will close on the date of reporting at the reporting centre when either all the seats are filled or the entire merit list(s) have been exhausted.