

**SPECIAL NOTICE –
EXTERNAL PHARMACISTS’ EXAMINATION**

Instructions for Answering

1. The written paper consists of two parts. Part 1 contains 50 Multiple Choice Questions (True or False type) and Part 2 contains 5 Structured Essay Questions (SEQs). The MCQ answer sheets and the MCQ question paper will be collected immediately after the completion of the allocated 2 hours and 30 minutes for the MCQ component. The 2½-hour duration will be counted from the official start time of the paper at 1:30 p.m., and therefore, the collection time will be at 4:00 p.m. The SEQ answer scripts will be collected at 4:30p.m..
2. You are allowed to take only the NIC, Signature Form, pens, pencils, erasers, pencil sharpeners, and any other stationery required to answer the question papers. You must hand over the Signature Form to the Invigilator before leaving the examination hall. No one is allowed to take any examination material i.e. Question Papers, Answer Sheets, or rough papers provided by the Invigilators out of the examination hall.

You must bring the Indenture Form (candidates sitting the examination for the first time should submit the original Indenture Form; other candidates should submit a photocopy of the Indenture Form) and the original payment slip stapled together, with your index number written on the top right corner.

3. Answers for the MCQs should be clearly marked on the MCQ Answer Sheet provided. Ensure all responses are legible and accurately filled. Fill the circles using the ball point pen (black/blue).
4. Each MCQ is independently marked, and marks are allocated question-wise, independently. Each correct answer will be awarded a positive mark. Each negative answer will be awarded a negative mark. If no answer is offered, no marks will be awarded. Each of the 50 questions carried 0 to +5 marks. Please note that negative marks from one question **will not** be carried to other questions.
5. Answers for SEQs should be legible and clearly written in the space provided in the question paper. Ensure that all responses are clear and concise.
6. Smart watches, mobile communication devices, or any other electronic devices are not allowed in the examination hall.