

SYLLABUS FOR NTSE EXAM

There is no Prescribed syllabus for the NTSE examination. However, the standard of items conforms to the level of CBSE Class 8 Public Examinations. There are also many prescribed books and websites like NTSE Coaching, NTSE Online that aid students appearing for this examination.

Scheme of Testing for NTSE

There are three phases of NTSE :

1. Mental Ability Test (MAT)
2. Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT)
3. Interview

Mental Ability Test (MAT) has 100 questions of 1 mark each. Duration of the test is 90 minutes and qualifying marks for unreserved category students is 40 marks (generally). For reserved category students (SC/ST) it is generally 32 marks.

Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) has 100 questions of 1 mark each. Duration of the test is 90 minutes and qualifying marks for unreserved category students is 40 marks (generally). For reserved category students (SC/ST) it is generally 32 marks.

Interview takes approx 15-20 minutes and it carries 25 marks.

However, in the 2008 examination, the maximum marks obtainable were 90 in both the MAT and the SAT. The passing marks are 40% (36 marks).

The 90 marks in the SAT were split as follows: -

Mathematics: 20 marks

Science: 35 marks

Social Sciences: 35 marks