

2.1 Mode of Examination

The JEE (Main) - 2026 is being conducted in the following modes:

- Paper 1 (B.E. /B. Tech.) in "Computer Based Test (CBT)" mode.
- Paper 2A (B. Arch): Mathematics (Part-I) and Aptitude Test (Part-II) in "Computer Based Test (CBT)" mode and Drawing Test (Part-III) in pen and paper (offline) mode, to be attempted on a drawing sheet of A4 size.
- Paper 2B (B. Planning): Mathematics (Part-I), Aptitude Test (Part-II), and Planning-Based Questions (Part-III) in Computer-Based Test (CBT) mode.

2.2 Choice of Medium of Question Papers

Drawing from the National Education Policy (NEP), the JEE (Main) - 2026 will be conducted in thirteen languages i.e. English, Hindi, Assamese, Bengali, Gujarati, Kannada, Malayalam, Marathi, Odia, Punjabi, Tamil, Telugu and Urdu the details are given below:

Sr. No.	Language	Examination Centres
1	English	All Examination Centres in India and Abroad
2	English and Hindi	All Examination Centres in India
3	English and Assamese	Examination Centres in Assam
4	English and Bengali	Examination Centres in West Bengal, Tripura, and Andaman & Nicobar Islands
5	English and Gujarati	Examination Centres in Gujarat, Daman & Diu, Dadra & Nagar Haveli
6	English and Kannada	Examination Centres in Karnataka
7	English and Malayalam	Examination Centres in Kerala and Lakshadweep
8	English and Marathi	Examination Centres in Maharashtra
9	English and Odia	Examination Centres in Odisha
10	English and Punjabi	Based on present and permanent address in Punjab, Chandigarh, and Delhi/New Delhi (including Faridabad, Ghaziabad, Gurugram, Noida/ Greater Noida)
11	English and Tamil	Examination Centres in Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, and Andaman & Nicobar Islands
12	English and Telugu	Examination Centres in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana
13	English and Urdu	All Examination Centres in India

Note - 2.2:

- The option of language for Question Paper should be exercised carefully while filling up the online Application Form and it cannot be changed at a later stage. Candidates while attempting the QP must choose the same medium as opted while registering in the Application form.
- The Question Paper will be in both English and the language opted by the candidate. **English version will prevail in the event of any difference of opinion.**

2.3 Scheme of Examination

Subject combinations for each paper, type of questions in each paper and mode of examination are given in the table below:

PAPER	SUBJECTS	TYPE OF QUESTIONS	MODE OF EXAMINATION
Paper 1: B.E. / B. Tech.	Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry	Objective Type - Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) and Questions for which the answer is a numerical value, with equal weightage to Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry	"Computer Based Test (CBT)" mode only
Paper 2A: B. Arch	Part-I: Mathematics	Objective Type - Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) and Questions for which the answer is a numerical value	"Computer Based Test (CBT)" mode only
	Part-II: Aptitude Test	Objective Type - Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs)	
	Part-III: Drawing Test	Questions to test drawing aptitude	"Pen and Paper Based" (offline) mode to be attempted on a Drawing sheet of A4 size.
Paper 2B: B. Planning	Part-I: Mathematics	Objective Type - Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) and Questions for which the answer is a numerical value	"Computer Based Test (CBT)" mode only
	Part-II: Aptitude Test	Objective Type - Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs)	
	Part-III: Planning-Based Questions	Objective Type - Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs)	

2.4 Pattern of Examination

Paper 1: B.E./ B. Tech. in Computer Based Test (CBT) mode:

1	Subject-wise distribution of Questions, Total Number of and Marks Questions,	Subject	Number of Questions		Marks
			Section A	Section B	
		Mathematics	20	05	100
		Physics	20	05	100
		Chemistry	20	05	100
		Total	75		300
<i>Each Subject will have two sections. Section A will be of Multiple-Choice Questions (MCQs) and Section B will contain Questions whose answers are to be filled in as a numerical value. There will be negative marking for incorrect answer in Section A and Section B. For each question in Section B, a candidate has to enter the correct integer value of the answer using the mouse and the on- screen virtual numeric keypad in the place designated to enter the answer. For Section B, the answer should be rounded off to the nearest integer.</i>					

2.	Marking Scheme for MCQs	Correct Answer or the Most Appropriate Answer	Four marks (+4)
		Incorrect Answer	Minus one mark (-1)
		Unanswered / Marked for Review (without selecting any option)	No mark (0)
3.	Marking Scheme for questions for which the answer is a Numerical value	Correct Answer	Four marks (+4)
		Incorrect Answer	Minus one mark (-1)
		Unanswered / Marked for Review (without filling any Numerical value)	No mark (0)
4.	Method of determining merit	Conversion of the raw score in Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry and total into NTA scores.	
		Overall merit shall be prepared by merging NTA scores of all shifts of both sessions.	
5.	Method of resolving ties	Tie between candidates obtaining same Total NTA scores will be resolved in the following order: 1. NTA score in Mathematics, followed by; 2. NTA score in Physics, followed by; 3. NTA score in Chemistry, followed by; 4. Candidate with less proportion of a number of attempted incorrect answers and correct answers in all the subjects in the Test, followed by; 5. Candidate with less proportion of a number of attempted incorrect answers and correct answers in Mathematics in the Test, followed by; 6. Candidate with less proportion of a number of attempted incorrect answers and correct answers in Physics in the Test, followed by; 7. Candidate with less proportion of a number of attempted incorrect answers and correct answers in Chemistry in the Test followed by; 8. If there is a tie even after this, candidates will be assigned the same rank.	

Paper 2A (B. Arch): Mathematics (Part-I) and Aptitude Test (Part-II) in Computer Based Test (CBT) mode and Drawing Test (Part-III) in Pen and Paper Based (offline) mode, to be attempted on a drawing sheet of A4 size.

	Subject	Number of Questions	Marks
1.	Subject-wise distribution of Questions, Total		
	Part I: Mathematics	20 (Section A) and 05 (Section B)	100
	Part II: Aptitude test	50	200
	Part III: Drawing Test	02	100
	Total	77	400
Part -I: In Section A, 20 questions will be MCQs and in Section B, 05 (five) questions will have answers to be filled as a numerical value. There will be negative marking for both Section A and Section B (except Drawing Test). For each question in Section B, a candidate has to enter the correct integer value of the answer using the mouse and the on-screen virtual numeric keypad in the place designated to enter the answer. The answer should be rounded off to the nearest integer.			

2.	Marking Scheme for MCQs	Correct Answer or the most appropriate Answer	Four marks (+4)
		Incorrect Answer/Multiple Answer	Minus one mark (-1)
		Unanswered /Marked for Review (without selecting any option)	No mark (0)
3.	(a) Marking Scheme for questions for which the answer is a Numerical value	Correct Answer or the most appropriate Answer	Four marks (+4)
		Incorrect Answer	Minus one mark (-1)
		Unanswered / Marked for Review (without filling any Numerical value)	No mark (0)
	(b) Marking Scheme for Drawing Test (Part III)	Two questions are to be evaluated out of 100 marks.	
4.	Method of determining merit	Conversion of the raw score in Mathematics, Aptitude Test, Drawing Test, and total into NTA Scores.	
		Overall merit shall be prepared by merging the NTA Scores of both shifts of the two sessions.	
5.	Method of resolving ties	The tie between candidates obtaining the same Total NTA scores will be resolved in the following manner: 1. NTA score in Mathematics, followed by; 2. NTA score in Aptitude Test, followed by; 3. NTA score in Drawing Test, followed by; 4. Candidate with less proportion of a number of attempted incorrect answers and correct answers in all the subjects in the Test, followed by; 5. Candidate with less proportion of a number of attempted incorrect answers and correct answers in Mathematics (Part-I) in the Test, followed by; 6. Candidate with less proportion of a number of attempted incorrect answers and correct answers in Aptitude Test (Part-II) in the Test followed by; 7. If there is a tie even after this, candidates will be assigned the same rank.	

Paper 2B (B. Planning) Part-I: Mathematics, Part-II: Aptitude Test, and Part-III: Planning- Based Questions in Computer-Based Test (CBT) mode.

1.	Subject-wise distribution of Questions, Total	Subject	Number of Questions	Marks
		Part-I: Mathematics	20 (Section A) and 05 (Section B)	100
	Number of Questions, and Marks	Part-II: Aptitude Test	50	200
		Part-III: Planning	25	100
		Total	100	400
	Part –I: In Section A, 20 questions will be MCQs and in Section B, 05 (five) questions will have answers to be filled as a numerical value. There will be negative marking for both Section A and Section B. For each question in Section B, enter the correct integer value of the answer using the mouse and the on-screen virtual numeric keypad in the place designated to enter the answer. The answer should be rounded off to the nearest integer.			

2.	Marking Scheme for MCQs	Correct Answer or the most appropriate Answer	Four marks (+4)
		Incorrect Answer/Multiple Answer	Minus one mark (-1)
		Unanswered /Marked for Review (without selecting any option)	No mark (0)
3.	Marking Scheme for questions for which the answer is a Numerical value	Correct Answer or the most appropriate Answer	Four marks (+4)
		Incorrect Answer	Minus one mark (-1)
		Unanswered / Marked for Review (without filling any Numerical value)	No mark (0)
4.	Method of determining merit	Conversion of the raw score in Mathematics, Aptitude Test, Planning Based Test, and total into NTA Scores. Overall merit shall be prepared by merging NTA Scores of all shifts of both sessions.	
5.	Method of resolving ties	Tie between candidates obtaining equal Total NTA scores in B. Planning will be resolved in the following manner: 1. NTA score in Mathematics, followed by; 2. NTA score in Aptitude Test, followed by; 3. NTA score in Planning Based Questions, followed by; 4. Candidate with less proportion of a number of attempted incorrect answers and correct answers in all the subjects in the Test, followed by; 5. Candidate with less proportion of a number of attempted incorrect answers and correct answers in Mathematics (Part-I) in the Test, followed by; 6. Candidate with less proportion of a number of attempted incorrect answers and correct answers in Aptitude Test (Part- II) in the Test, followed by; 7. Candidate with less proportion of a number of attempted incorrect answers and correct answers in Planning Based Questions (Part-III) in the Test followed by; 8. If there is a tie even after this, candidates will be assigned the same rank.	

2.4.1 Multiple Choice Questions

While every effort will be made to ensure that each question has only one unique answer, in case, it is found that a question has more than one option, it will be dealt in the following manner:-

1. Correct answer or the most appropriate answer: Four marks (+4)
2. Any incorrect option marked will be given minus one mark (-1)
3. Unanswered/Marked for Review (without selecting any option) will be given no mark (0)
4. If more than one option is found to be correct then Four marks (+4) will be awarded to only those who have marked any of the correct options
5. If all options are found to be correct then Four marks (+4) will be awarded to all those who have attempted the question

Although sufficient care will be taken for the correctness of questions, in the event that a question(s) needs to be dropped, full marks for that question(s) will be awarded to ALL candidates who appear for that particular shift.

2.4.2 Numerical Value Questions

There will be negative marking for Section B. However, if any anomaly or discrepancy is found after the process of challenges of the key verification, it shall be addressed in the following manner:

1. Correct Answer: Four marks (+4)
2. Incorrect Answer: Minus one mark (-1)
3. Unanswered/Marked for Review (without filling any Numerical value): No mark (0).
4. If a question is found to be incorrect or the Question is dropped then Four marks (+4) will be awarded to all Candidates who appeared for that particular shift.
5. Candidates are advised to do the calculations with the constants given (if any) in the questions.
The answer should be rounded off to the nearest integer.

2.5 Duration of Test

The total time duration for Paper 1 (B.E. / B. Tech.) is given in the table below:

Paper	Subjects	Total Time Duration	
		For Non-PwD/PwBD Candidates	*For PwD /PwBD Candidates (who are eligible for scribe)
Paper 1 (B.E. / B. Tech.)	Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics	03 hours	04 hours

Total time duration for Paper 2A (B. Arch), Paper 2B (B. Planning) and Paper 2A (B. Arch) & Paper 2B (B. Planning) both are given in the table below:

Paper	Subjects	Total Time Duration	
		For Non-PwD/PwBD Candidates	*For PwD /PwBD Candidates (who are eligible for scribe)
Paper 2A (B. Arch)	Mathematics, Aptitude Test, and Drawing Test	03 hours	04 hours
Paper 2B (B. Planning)	Mathematics, Aptitude Test, and Planning Based Questions	03 hours	04 hours
Paper 2A (B. Arch) & Paper 2B (B. Planning) both	Mathematics, Aptitude Test, Drawing Test, and Planning Based Questions	03 hours 30 minutes	04 hours 10 minutes

*Note – 2.5: *Compensatory time for PwD/PwBD Candidates of 20 minutes per hour of Examination will be given to those who are eligible for Scribe.*

2.6 Syllabus of Examination

The detailed syllabus for JEE (Main) is available on the website: <https://jeemain.nta.nic.in/>
