

**examination will be forfeited. The verification of the eligibility of the candidates with respect to the documents submitted by them will be done before the conduct of viva-voce (for ARS) / interview (for STO (T-6)). The Board shall summarily reject the candidature of the candidate, if he/she does not fulfil the eligibility conditions.**

- ii. Candidates seeking reservation/ relaxation benefits available for SC/ST/OBC/EWS/PwBD must ensure that they are entitled to such reservation/ relaxation as per eligibility prescribed in the Rules/ Notice. They should be in possession of all the requisite certificates in the prescribed format in support of their claim as stipulated in the Rules/ Notice for such benefits, and these certificates should be issued earlier than the closing date of the online application for the examination.
- iii. The candidates are not required to attach any certificates/ marksheets with the online application form. **The candidates who qualify the ARS Mains and/or STO (T-6) online CBT examination will be required to submit self-attested copies of documents/ certificates in support of their candidature before the cut-off dates which would be announced at the time of declaration of the results of ARS (Mains) Examination (for ARS Examination) and the online (CBT) examination (for STO (T-6) Examination), failing which they would not be allowed to appear in the viva-voce/ interview. A link will be provided on ASRB's website for the candidates to upload the requisite documents.**
- iv. In cases, where any certificates/documents submitted by the candidates in support of their eligibility as stipulated in the preceding paragraph, are not found as per prescribed formats, such candidates will not be given the opportunity to submit such certificates at a later date and consequently their eligibility will be scrutinized only as per the available documents/certificates. Accordingly, **the candidates are advised to ensure, while submitting the documents, that all the certificates/ documents are in the respective prescribed format as given in the Appendix-I, II, III, IV and V. The documents/certificates in any language other than the Hindi or English will not be accepted.** In such cases, the candidates must submit either the certificates/documents in Hindi/English or its translated copy duly attested by Notary Public.
- v. Candidates already in the Service of Indian Council of Agricultural Research, Central/State Government/Scientific Institutions/Universities, whether in a permanent or a temporary capacity or as a work charged employee, other than a casual or daily rated employee, are required to submit an undertaking that they have informed in writing their Head of Office/ Department that they have applied for the examination. However, a candidate seeking age relaxation on account of being ICAR/ State Agricultural Universities (SAU) Employee must attach a certificate to this effect in the prescribed format as given in **Appendix-V** from the concerned ICAR's Institute/ SAU at the time of submission of documents/ certificates. Candidates should obtain permission/ NOC from his/ her employer immediately while applying and keep it for future requirements.
- vi. **OBC candidates whose caste is not listed in Central List (as available on National Commission for Backward Classes website [www.ncbc.nic.in](http://www.ncbc.nic.in)) and who are not covered under the provisions as applicable to OBC-Non Creamy Layer (NCL) candidates, shall be treated as General Category candidates for all purposes. Accordingly, OBC Candidates not belonging to OBC Non-Creamy Layer shall indicate their category as 'General'.**

- vii. In case the claim of candidates regarding Age, Educational Qualifications, Economically Weaker Section (EWS)/ Scheduled Caste(SC)/ Scheduled Tribe (ST)/ Other Backward Class(OBC)/ Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) / being ICAR /SAU employee is found to be incorrect, it may render them liable to be disqualified by the Board / ICAR and their candidature will stand cancelled.
- viii. No candidate will be allowed to take the examination unless he/she holds a certificate of admission for the examination. After downloading the Admission Certificate, check it carefully and bring discrepancies/errors, if any, to the notice of Controller of Examinations, ASRB, KAB – I, Pusa, New Delhi – 110012 or e-mail to [netarssto@asrb.org.in](mailto:netarssto@asrb.org.in).
- ix. No request for withdrawal of candidature/ application received from a candidate after he/she has submitted his/her application will be entertained.
- x. The Admission Certificates would be made downloadable from the website: <http://www.asrb.org.in> only. Candidates are requested to visit the website: [www.asrb.org.in](http://www.asrb.org.in) regularly for updates. No other form of communication will be used for issue of admission certificates.
- xi. Only such EWS/SC/ST/OBC/ PwBD candidates who are selected on the same general standard as applied to UR candidates shall be treated as own merit candidates. If any EWS/SC/ST/OBC and PwBD candidate qualify after getting any relaxation in age, no. of attempts or qualifying marks than what is prescribed for Unreserved category candidates, then such EWS/ SC / ST / OBC / PwBD candidate shall be considered only against the reserved vacancies for the respective category and they shall not be considered for appointment against an unreserved vacancy.
- xii. The Interview letters for viva-voce of ARS as well as interview of STO (T-6) shall be made available for download at a later date to be intimated separately and all instructions/ information thereof will be indicated therein. No hard copy / letter will be sent for this purpose.
- xiii. The applicants are advised to regularly check the e-mail provided in the Application Form for update(s)/ information/ communication with regard to the Examination. They must check the spam/junk/inbox/trash folders also of their mailbox. They are also advised to save the e-mail [netarssto@asrb.org.in](mailto:netarssto@asrb.org.in) in contacts of their e-mail account so as the e-mails with attachments sent by this e-mail I.D. do not go to the spam folder.

The candidates are advised to regularly visit the ASRB's website: <http://www.asrb.org.in>. All the information related to the examination will be uploaded/ updated on this website only.

- xiv. Syllabus for ARS and NET is available on the Syllabus Link on ASRB's website: <http://www.asrb.org.in>.

ASRB's website: <http://www.asrb.org.in> → NET/ARS Notifications / Other Instructions → Syllabus for various disciplines (<http://asrb.org.in/9-syllabus/27-syllabus> ).

- xv. All communications in respect of an application made for this Examination should be addressed to the Controller of Examinations, ASRB, KAB – I, Pusa, New Delhi – 110012 or e-mail to [netarssto@asrb.org.in](mailto:netarssto@asrb.org.in) and should invariably contain the following particulars:-

1. Name and year of Examination: Combined NET, ARS and Senior Technical Officer (T-6) Examination
2. Name of candidate (In full and in Capital letters)
3. Registration No.
4. Centre of Examination
5. Roll No. (If communicated)
6. E mail id (as indicated in the Application Form)
7. Telephone/Mobile number

**Note:** - Communication not containing the above particulars will not be attended to.

- xvi. Please note that carrying Smart Mobile Phones/ pagers/ smart devices or any other communication device is absolutely prohibited in the Examination Centre premises. Any infringement of this instruction can lead to disqualification of the candidate concerned. Candidates are advised in their own interest not to bring any of these item(s) to the Examination venue since the provision for their safe keeping cannot be assured. The candidates are also advised not to bring any valuable/costly items to the Examination Venue. The Board will not be responsible for any loss incurred due to non-adherence of these instructions.
- xvii. The online examination will be conducted in the designated Centres/cities at single or multiple venues. The questions of the Examination will be available in bilingual form i.e. in Hindi and English medium. The applicants will have to indicate their medium of Examination in the online application form itself. The answers to the questions are to be registered on the Computer itself during the Examination.
- xviii. ARS Mains Examination will be conducted in conventional pen and paper mode. The questions of the examination in the Test Booklet (Question Paper cum Answer Booklet) will be available in bilingual form i.e. in Hindi and English medium. The applicants will have to indicate their medium of Examination in the online application form itself.
- xix. The candidates will be at liberty to communicate in Hindi or English during the viva-voce of ARS Examination as well as Interview for STO (T-6).
- xx. In case of any discrepancy between English and Hindi versions of the Notification/ advertisement / information, the English version as available on the Website of the Board will be treated as final.
- xxi. This notification is available on ASRB's Website: <http://www.asrb.org.in>
- xxii. The candidates are required to bring along with them the original of the Photo Identity Card uploaded in the online application form and two photographs apart from the Admission Certificate to be issued by ASRB while coming for the Examination at all applicable stages (i.e. Preliminary, Mains and Viva-voce/ interview). In case the candidate does not present the original Identity Card at the registration desk at the centre, he/she will not be allowed to take the examination/ Interview/ Viva-voce under any circumstances.
- xxiii. Any attempt on the part of a candidate to obtain support for his candidature by