



# Pakistan Engineering Council

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## Engineering Accreditation Department

Ataturk Avenue (East),  
G-5/2, Islamabad

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All Vice Chancellors/ Rectors/ Heads  
Universities/ HEIs in Pakistan

### **Subject: Policy Decision – Framework for Entry Test Relating Admission to Engineering Programs**

I am directed to state that in light of decision of 44<sup>th</sup> Governing Body (GB) held on October 18, 2022, the 46<sup>th</sup> Vice Chancellors' Committee (VCC) in its meeting held on February 2, 2023 decided the following on the subject matter:

- i. *The PEC policy of entry test along with designated entities/ testing agencies would be continued and extended for the upcoming admission in engineering programs.*
  - ii. *Meanwhile, PEC with focus of quality intake in engineering programs would launch Centralized/ Unified Entry Test through transparent bidding process as a parallel option to the students and HEIs to opt as facilitation in addition to the designated/ existing entry test entities.*
2. Accordingly, the approved policy regarding entry test for admission to Engineering Programs to be adhered by all HEIs offering engineering programs in Pakistan, as under:

#### **(1) Open competition among FSc/ A-Level and relevant DAE holders for admission to engineering programs**

- a. *To allow admissions to engineering programs through open competition amongst the F.Sc/ A-Level and relevant DAE holders (as per Regulations of Engineering Education) providing a level playing field to ensure quality intake.*

#### **(2) Designated Entity/ Testing Agency to Conduct Entry Test**

- a. *The entry test being conducted would be applicable to all HEIs (both public and private) as:*
  - i. *Entry Test being conducted by UET Lahore*
  - ii. *Entry Test being conducted by NED-UET, Karachi and MUET, Jamshoro*
  - iii. *Entry Test being conducted by NUST Islamabad*
  - iv. *Entry Test being conducted by NTS*
  - v. *Entry Test being conducted by ETEA*
  - vi. *Any other existing recognized entity conducting entry test*



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### **(3) Determination of Merit through Entry Test**

- a. Multiple chances (atleast 2 times) for Entry Test be allowed to facilitate maximum students as best result be taken.
- b. The admissions by all HEIs (both public and private) would only be made based on the result of entry test of the designated Testing HEIs/ entities regardless of provincial/ regional territories. The same lists would also be available through PEC website.
- c. The passing marks in the Entry Test by designated HEIs/ Entities will be minimum 33%.
- d. The weightages of Entry Test for merit determination would be minimum 33%.
- e. The remaining 67% weightage (out of which minimum 50% for FSc/ A-level/ relevant DAE, and rest for matric, interview etc.) would be the prerogative/ domain of concerned HEI subject to have well laid-out and transparent procedure to compute overall merit for admission into an engineering program.

Forwarded for information and compliance as approved by the Competent Authority, please.

With regards

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- a. Convener EAB
- b. PS to Chairman Higher Education Commission (HEC)
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