

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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NATIONAL ELIGIBILITY TEST
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of candidates qualified in National Eligibility Test (NET) during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including SC/ST/OBC candidates qualified the NET during the said period;
- (c) whether the procedure of giving up negative marking in the NET has any positive impact in the process of selection of candidates; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(DR. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a)& (b): According to the information furnished by University Grants Commission (UGC), the total number of candidates qualified in National Eligibility Test (NET) during last three years are 45722. The details are as under:

Exam. Year	General	OBC	SC/ST	Total
June, 2008	2329	969	2977	6275
Decembr, 2008	2473	1001	3095	6569
June, 2009	2789	2833	3906	9528
December. 2009	948	1318	924	3190
June, 2010	2005	2765	2463	7233
December 2010	4288	4340	4299	12927

(C) & (d): According to the information furnished by University Grants Commission (UGC), the procedure of negative marking for NET was introduced in December, 2009 only. Due to introduction of the negative marking, the number of qualified candidates had declined sharply. The negative marking was therefore withdrawn from 2010 onwards. Consequently, the number of qualified candidates has gone up.