Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering (GATE) is a national level examination that tests the comprehensive understanding of the candidates in various undergraduate subjects in Engineering/Technology/Architecture and post-graduate level subjects in Science. The GATE score is used for admissions to post-graduate programs (e.g., M.E., M.Tech., direct Ph.D.) in Indian institutes of higher education with financial assistance provided by MHRD and other Government agencies. The score is also used by many Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) for employment screening purposes.

The Indian Institute of Science (IISc) and seven Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs at Bombay, Delhi, Guwahati, Kanpur, Kharagpur, Madras and Roorkee) jointly administer the conduct of GATE.

Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur was the Organizing Institute for GATE 2015. The GATE 2015 results have been released on 12\textsuperscript{th} March 2015. The candidates can access the results by logging onto the GATE Online Application Processing System (GOAPS) website.

A total of 927580 candidates had registered for GATE 2015 and 804463 candidates have appeared for the examination. Out of the total registered candidates, 567111 of the Male and 237235 of the Female registrants appeared for the examination. In terms of the number of candidates appeared, the five largest papers are: Electronics and Communication Engineering (172714), Mechanical Engineering (185758), Computer Science and Information Technology (115425), Electrical Engineering (125851) and Civil Engineering (101429).

Each of the 22 papers for GATE 2015 was an examination of 3 hour duration each and entire examination for all the papers was conducted in computer-based ONLINE mode. The examination for all the 22 papers was conducted in 8 sessions spread over 2 weekends, starting from 31\textsuperscript{st} February 2015 and ending on 8\textsuperscript{th} February 2015. The examination was conducted in over 680 centres spread over 26 states and union territories of the country.

Examination for all these papers was conducted in multi-session mode. A suitable normalization method has been followed for these papers.

In GATE 2015, based on the qualified marks criterion, 121060 (15.05\%) candidates will be receiving the online score cards who are considered to be qualified. There are 13874 General Category candidates who have scored above the OBC category cut off marks but below the
General Category cut off marks. Those candidates, although not qualified in General Category, have been issued score cards. They will be considered qualified in OBC category in case their category status changes to OBC at a later stage. In terms of the category as declared by the candidates (General, OBC(NCL), SC, ST and PwD), 61450 General, 39538 OBC(NCL), 15861 SC, 4211 ST and 947 PwD candidates will be receiving the scorecards. The number of female candidates receiving the scorecards is 24545 (18.19% of the total). GATE 2015 Score Cards can be downloaded from the GOAPS site from 27th March 2015 till 29th May 2015. Hard copy of the score cards will not be sent to the candidates by post.

This year 15 PSUs have signed MoUs with IIT Kanpur to receive the GATE 2015 results across various papers.

The candidates need to apply separately to each of the IITs, IISc, NITs and other institutes/universities to seek admission to various post-graduate and doctoral programmes. The candidates have to visit the websites of the respective institutes/universities for details regarding the admission.

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