NATA 2013



NATIONAL APTITUDE TEST IN ARCHITECTURE (NATA)

Aptitude test required for admissions to 1st year of 5 year B.Arch. degree course at all institutes / schools / colleges of Architecture in India (including Govt., Govt-aided, Private Unaided, University Depts., Deemed Universities, etc.), offering courses, leading to Bachelor's degree in Architecture

INFORMATION BROCHURE & REGISTRATION FORM

COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTURE

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NATA at a Glance

QUESTION	ANSWER	
What is NATA?	The national aptitude test in architecture (NATA) measures the aptitude of the applicant for specific field of study, i.e. Architecture	
Who should take NATA?	Prospective applicants desirous of taking admission to First year of undergraduate course in Architecture (Bachelor of Architecture) in India	
Where to appear for NATA?	At designated Test Centres located at centres/colleges / schools of architecture in India. Updated list of Test centres is available at the website http://www.nata.in	
When to appear for NATA?	NATA can be given on any working day from 20th March, 2013 and until further communication at the designated Test centres.	
How to register for NATA?	 Purchase NATA 2013 Information Brochure & Registration form by payment of NATA fees of Rs. 1000.00 at selected bank branches of "ICICI Bank Ltd.". 	
	Fill up the Registration form and procure the necessary registration documents.	
	3. Select a Test Centre (from the website http://www.nata.in) at a location convenient to the candidate.	
	4. Approach the Test Centre with the filled up form and the documents.5. Select convenient date for appearing for NATA.	
	 Request Test Centre to register the candidate on the selected date. Procure Receipt cum Appointment voucher from the Test Centre. Appear for NATA on the registered date at the selected Test Centre. 	
How to appear for NATA?	Report to the test centre at least 30 minutes before scheduled time of test with Receipt cum Appointment voucher, valid photo ID and drawing material required for the test. Test Centre personnel will guide you regarding the further process.	
When & where is the score card available?	The score cards will be available on NATA website in e-format, usually, on the fourth working day after the test.	
What is the passing score at NATA?	As per Council of Architecture admission guidelines, a candidate applying to any school / college of architecture in India should have achieved 40% score in NATA, i.e. at least 80/200, for consideration of admission into first year B.Arch.	
Where can a candidate seek admission on the basis of NATA?	A candidate may apply for admission to any of the participating institutions as per the time schedule specified by the respective appropriate admission authority, along with all the documents desired by it.	
FOR MORE DETAILS ABOUT NATA READ THE ENTIRE NATA 2013 BROCHURE CAREFULLY		

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1. INTRODUCTION

National Aptitude Test in Architecture (NATA) is being conducted by the Council of Architecture, being the competent & final authority for the purpose of fixing norms and standards for architectural institutions and having the necessary expertise to hold a Common Aptitude Test in Architecture, at national level to provide a single window system for appearing in aptitude test and to facilitate institutions, students and public at large for admission to First year of 5 year B.Arch Degree Course at all recognized Institutions all over country.

NATA is being conducted in terms of the provisions laid down under CoA (Minimum Standards of Architectural Education) Regulations, 1983 [published in the Gazette of India in Part III, Section 4 on 26th March, 1983 and 27th August, 1983] and the Revised Guidelines on Admission to 1st year of Five-year Degree Course in Architecture approved by the Council at its 45th Meeting held on 28.04.2006. These Guidelines stipulate that a separate aptitude test in Architecture should be conducted and such test should not be combined with the tests for admissions to Engineering, Pharmacy, Medicine and other disciplines. The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, in the matter of P.A.Inamdar & Ors. Vs. State of Maharashtra & Ors. [Appeal (Civil) 5041 of 2005], in its Judgement dated 12.08.2005 also emphasised on the need for a common entrance test followed by a single window system.

The purpose of conducting NATA is to provide a single scheme of examination for holding aptitude test and to facilitate prospective students all over the country to apply for admissions in architecture seats in institutions spread across the country while the actual admissions shall be carried out only by the concerned designated authorities of the respective states/institutions based on NATA. The NATA also ensures that the eligibility criteria for admission to five-year Bachelor of Architecture (B.Arch.) degree course, as prescribed by CoA and duly approved by the Central Government, are strictly adhered to and followed all over the country in Architectural Institutions.

1.1 What Is NATA?

The National Aptitude Test in Architecture (NATA) measures the aptitude of the applicant for specific field of study, i.e. **Architecture.** The test measures **drawing and observation skills, sense of proportion, aesthetic sensitivity** and **critical thinking ability,** that have been acquired over a long period of time, and that are related to specific field of study, i.e. Architecture.

2. ELIGIBILITY

Any person having passed SSC (Std X) or equivalent examination can appear for NATA, however, candidates having minimum 50% marks in 10+2 or equivalent examination with mathematics as one of the subject, only are eligible for admission to B.Arch. Course.

2.1 Who should take NATA and Why?

Prospective applicants desirous of taking admission to First year of undergraduate course in Architecture (Bachelor of Architecture) in India take NATA. NATA scores are used by admissions authorities of different Government, Govt. Aided & unaided schools / colleges of Architecture, to provide common measure for comparing the qualifications of applicants, for admission **in addition to** their scholastic performance in 10+2 or equivalent examination.

3. WHERE TO APPEAR FOR NATA?

NATA is offered over major part of admission season at designated Test Centres located at centres / schools and colleges / schools of architecture in India. Updated list of Test centres is available at the website http://www.nata.in

4. TEST FEES

The NATA Information Brochure (including Registration Form) is available for sale at a price of **Rs.1000.00**, which includes Nata Test fees, at the designated branches of **"ICICI Bank Ltd."** given in the brochure.

5. CANCELLATION, RESCHEDULING THE TEST APPOINTMENT & REFUND

Appointment once scheduled cannot be cancelled or rescheduled. There will be no refund of NATA test fees under any conditions.

6. REGISTER FOR THE NATA

The Registration Form duly filled in should be submitted to test centre where you wish to take the test and seek registration and appointment.

Appointments are scheduled on a first-come, first-serve basis. Register well in advance to get the candidate's preferred test date.

7. REGISTRATION PROCESS

Approach the Test centre located at centres / schools and college / school of Architecture at a location convenient to the candidate with the filled up form and the documents listed below.

7.1 Documents required for Registration

- Std. X or equivalent exam marklist attested copy
- One recent passport size colour photograph, to be pasted on the registration form.
- Any valid document of identification bearing photograph and signature of the candidate - attested copy
- Valid email address. (In case you do not possess one, we suggest you to open email account on one of the free service providers such as yahoo, hotmail, rediffmail, gmail, etc. PLEASE DO NOT REVEAL YOUR PASSWORD TO ANY ONE.)

7.2 The Appointment voucher

- On successful registration and granting of appointment, an Appointment voucher is issued to the candidate by the Test centre.
- The candidate at the time of Registration shall ensure that correct data is entered by the Test Centre employee. The candidate should check it carefully to make sure the Name, identifying information and address are correct and are spelt correctly before going to step 2 of registration and also on receiving the appointment voucher.
- Once registered, <u>no corrections</u> are possible. Candidate will have to purchase fresh registration form and get registered again.
- The Appointment voucher also shows Candidate ID, Appointment Number and Exam
 Key. The Appointment Number and Exam Key are used by the candidate to log in
 at the time of the test.
- There are two counterfoils on the appointment voucher. The applicant has to sign the counterfoil in presence of the Hall supervisor at the time of the test, and hand over the same to him / her.
- Please do not sign the counterfoil in advance. Sign the counterfoil only when the hall supervisor asks you to. If the hall supervisor finds the counterfoil already signed, he / she may disallow the candidate to proceed with the test and his / her candidature will get forfeited.
- The candidate will be required to sign the Test Centre attendance register before and after the test session and any time the candidate leaves or enter the test room.
- Insist on appointment voucher to be handed over to you. In case any test centre refuses issuing of appointment voucher or asks for any additional fees or puts in conditions of any sort, please report to Council of Architecture or its academic unit NIASA immediately on the email "support@nata.in".

7.3 Important Things to Remember When Registering

- Register well in advance. During the peak admission season, Test Centres fill up quickly.
- Take the test as soon as possible to ensure that the candidate's score card / Mark list will be ready in time to be submitted at the time of applying for admission.
- When registering, be sure that the spelling of the candidate's name matches with the name printed on the identification document(s) the candidate will present at the Test Centre. If this information does not match, the candidate will not be permitted to appear in test and his / her test fee will be forfeited. See Identification Requirements (11).
- Information regarding Test Centre availability is subject to change. The most current information regarding Test Centres and other registration information is available on the NATA website (http://www.nata.in).

8. REPEATING NATA

NATA can be given as many number of times as desired by the candidate. For every attempt, however, a new form will have to be purchased from the designated branches of the ICICI Bank Ltd. The mark list will show the average of marks scored by the candidate in his last attempt and his previous valid score.

- Data on such Tests shows that repeaters on an average show a slight score gain.
 However, this finding is tempered by the observation that repeaters are typically a self-selected group who believe that repeating the test will increase their scores.
- Unless the scores seem unusually low compared to the other indicators of the candidate's ability, taking a NATA again is not likely to result in a substantial score increase. In fact, there is some chance that the candidate's scores may drop.
- Do not register for repeat attempt unless you receive score card for previous attempt.
- Candidate, while seeking the repeat test appointment <u>must inform</u> the test centre of the previous attempts and present copy of previous Appointment voucher/ Score card. If any candidate is found registering afresh despite earlier appearance for NATA, he/ she will forfeit his/her candidature, his/her all previous scores will be cancelled and he/she will be barred from appearing for NATA again.

9. NATA DATES

- Nata Test shall commence from 20th March, 2013 and can be given on any working day until further communication at the designated Test Centres. However, some test centres may open late or stop conducting tests even before this date. Please check with the centre before you go for registration.
- Appointments are scheduled on a first-come, first-serve basis.

To register, contact the appropriate Test Centre. **REGISTER WELL IN ADVANCE TO GET PREFERRED TEST DATE.**

10. INFORMATION FOR ALL CANDIDATES

- The candidate must have an acceptable and valid Identification Document (ID) details of which are mentioned on the appointment voucher, with signature, and appointment voucher to be admitted to a Test Centre. ID requirements are strictly enforced. It is the candidate's responsibility to read and understand the instructions and requirements.
- In case of loss of appointment voucher, a candidate can request for a duplicate voucher by making an application to The Registrar, Council of Architecture, with all supporting documents along with a payment of Rs. 500/- by demand draft, in the name of "Council of Architecture", payable at New Delhi.
- Report to the test centre at least 30 minutes before scheduled time of test.

- If the candidate arrives at the Test Centre without the required identification:
 - The Test Centre in-charge will not admit the candidate
 - The candidate will not be allowed to take the test
 - The candidate will forfeit the test fee.
- NAME CHANGES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES. If the
 candidate's name has changed for any reason, including marriage, the candidate still
 must present primary identification in the name under which he / she made the
 appointment, otherwise the candidate will not be permitted to appear in test. Marriage
 certificates and divorce decrees cannot be used to confirm name differences.
- If the Test Centre in-charge questions the ID proof the candidate presents, the candidate will be required to present additional proof of identity. If positive confirmation cannot be made, the candidate may be refused admission to the Test Centre and the candidate will forfeit the test fee paid.
- Test Centre personnel will check the candidate's identification before assigning the candidate a seat at the Test Centre. The administrator will check to verify that the candidate is the person in his/her photo identification. The test centre in-charge will repeat this procedure before and after all breaks.
- Admittance to the Test Centre does not imply that the candidate's form of identification
 is valid or that the candidate's scores will be reported. All reported cases of
 questionable identification are subject to review and approval by the Competent
 Authority of Testing Integrity.

11. ACCEPTABLE PRIMARY IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS

- A government-issued identification document that has not expired (including but not limited to passport, permanent driver's license, state ID cards, national identification, UID card) in original. There are some exceptions: see Unacceptable Identification Documents (11.2).
- Std XII exam admit card with photo and signature (in original) for candidates awaiting 10+2 or equivalent exam results
- Student ID card from the institute where he / she is currently enrolled AND Confirmation of identity letter from the candidate's educational institution (in original).

11.1 Acceptable Supplemental Identification Documents

If the candidate's primary identification is missing either a photo or a signature, he / she must present one of the following supplemental IDs in addition to the primary ID. Supplemental IDs that can be used to meet the photo and/or signature requirements are:

- A government-issued identification document that has not expired (including but not limited to passport, driver's license, state ID cards, national identification). There are some exceptions: see Unacceptable Identification Documents (11.2).
- Confirmation of identity letter from the candidate's educational institution

The confirmation of identity letter must contain the candidate's date of birth; a recent, recognizable photo; the candidate's signature; and the date issued.

The confirmation of identity letter must be typed on the original letterhead of the educational institution the candidate attend(ed), and the signature of the school official and the school seal must overlap the candidate's photo. A letter of identity is valid for only one year from the date of issue.

11.2 Unacceptable Identification Documents

- Any expired ID
- Credit card of any kind
- Learner's driving license or any temporary identification document.
- Notary-prepared letter or document
- Employee identification card
- Photocopies (Attested / unattested) of the acceptable identification documents

12. WHAT TO BRING WITH YOU TO THE TEST

- Official identification document mentioned on the appointment voucher
- The appointment voucher The appointment voucher is issued to the candidate at the time of registration. The appointment voucher confirms the candidate's test date, time of test and Test Centre. The voucher will also show Candidate ID and Appointment Number with Exam Key.
- Three or four sharpened soft-lead (2B & HB) pencils and a good eraser (Pencils and erasers will **not** be supplied at the Test Centre). Mechanical pencils are not permitted.
- Set of colours (Water/ Poster colours, crayons, pastels) with appropriate instruments (Brushes, dish, etc.).
- Geometry instrument box
- Blue ink pen / Blue ink ball point pen

13. TEST CENTRE PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS FOR BOTH PAPER-BASED AND COMPUTER-BASED TESTS

- Dress so that you can adapt to any room temperature.
- Friends or relatives who accompany the candidate to the Test Centre will not be permitted to wait in the Test Centre or be in contact with the candidate while he / she is taking the test.
- Except for COA-authorized observers, visitors are not allowed in the testing room while test is in progress.
- ID verification at the Test Centre may include thumb printing, iris scan, photographing, videotaping, or other form of electronic ID confirmation. If the candidate refuses to participate, he / she will not be permitted to appear for the test and the candidate will forfeit the test fee. This is in addition to the requirement that the candidate must present acceptable and valid identification.
- Other than ID, personal items are not allowed in the testing room. Before the test, the candidate will receive instructions from Test Centre staff regarding where the candidate must deposit items such as mobile phones, PDAs, digital music players, MP3 players, calculators, or any other electronic devices with memory, handbags, and study materials. The candidate may also be asked to empty his/ her pockets. The candidate may not have access to his/ her personal items during the test or break.
- Test Centres assume no responsibility for personal belongings.
- The test administrator will assign the candidate a seat.
- Electrical supply failure, internet connectivity failure, weather conditions or other circumstances beyond the test administrator's or COA's control may require a delayed start or the rescheduling of the test appointment. In the event that it is then necessary to cancel the test session, or if it is later determined that the candidate's marks could not be reported, the candidate will be offered the opportunity to schedule another test appointment free of charge. No candidate will be admitted after test materials have been distributed.
- On reporting for the test and establishing the candidate's identity, he/ she will be asked to log on into the computer system and request test.
- A question paper consisting of two questions free hand drawing and memory sketch, will be generated and printed for the candidate. Test Centre supervisor will hand over the print out along with drawing paper (Answer sheet) with preprinted barcode to the candidate and lead him / her to the testing room.
- Paper of any kind, other than officially distributed, is not permitted in the testing room.

- The candidate must have the supervisor's permission to leave the room during the test. Any time lost cannot be made up.
- The candidate may wish to pace himself / herself with his / her own watch, but the supervisor is the official timekeeper. The candidate will not be permitted to continue the test or any part of it beyond the established time limit. Watch alarms and clocks on mobile phones are not permitted.
- At the conclusion of the test the candidate will be required to return the answer sheet (drawing paper) and question paper to the test supervisor. These materials are the property of COA.
- The candidate shall attempt the question on the drawing paper supplied by the test centre on the side where barcode is printed. The Appointment number, Candidate ID and test centre stamp with supervisor's signature shall be on the reverse side of the paper. Under no circumstances the candidate will write anything on the barcode side of answer sheet.
- Computer based test will be given after completing the Paper based test. It begins at log-in and ends at log-out.
- The Test centre in-charge will provide the candidate with rough paper that may be replaced after the candidate have used all pages of the rough paper initially given to the candidate. The candidate may not take his/ her own rough paper to the test, nor may the candidate remove rough paper from the testing room at any time. Rough paper is provided to assist the candidate in working out problems and for appropriate note taking during timed sections of the test.
- If the candidate needs to leave his / her seat at any time, he / she must raise his / her hand for permission; **timing of the section will not stop.**
- If at any time during the test the candidate has a problem with his / her computer, or for any reason needs the attention of the administrator, the candidate shall raise his/ her hand.
- Test centre premises are subject to videotaping and/ or any other type of electronic surveillance.
- NATA includes an optional 10-minute break after the Drawing section. This break time cannot be exceeded.
- When the test gets disrupted because of failure of internet connectivity or electricity supply failure, candidate can resume the test from the point of disruption onwards if resumed within four hours. In case disruption lasts for more than four hours the candidate may have to give entire test again.

14. DISMISSAL FROM A TEST CENTRE

A test centre in-charge/supervisor is authorized to dismiss the candidate from a test session and/or the candidate's marks may be cancelled by COA for actions such as, but not limited to

- Attempting to take the test for someone else or having someone else take the test for the candidate.
- Failing to provide acceptable identification.
- Obtaining improper access to the test, a part of the test, or information about the test.
- Using a telephone or mobile phone, personal digital assistants (pda), digital music players, mp3 players, or any other electronic device having memory during the test session or during breaks.
- Using any aids in connection with the test, such as: mechanical pencils, pagers, beepers, calculators, watch calculators, books, pamphlets, notes, rulers, highlighter pens, stereos or radios with headphones/ earphones, telephones, cell phones, watch alarms (including those with flashing lights or alarm sounds), stop watches, dictionaries, translators, and any hand-held electronic or photographic devices.
- Creating a disturbance (disruptive behavior in any form will not be tolerated; the test administrator has sole discretion in determining what constitutes disruptive behavior).
- Attempting to give or receive assistance or otherwise communicate in any manner with another person about the content of the test during the administration, during breaks or after the test.
- Removing or attempting to remove test content from the Test Centre. Under no circumstances may test content or any part of the test content be removed, reproduced, and/or disclosed by any means (e.g., hard copy, verbally, electronically) to any person or entity
- Tampering with a computer.
- Attempting to remove rough paper from the computer-based testing room.
- Bringing a weapon or firearm into the Test Centre.
- Bringing food, drink, or tobacco into the testing room.
- Leaving the Test Centre vicinity during the test session or during breaks.
- Leaving the testing room without permission.

- Taking excessive or extended unscheduled breaks during the test session. Test
 Centre supervisors are required to strictly monitor unscheduled breaks and report the
 candidates who take excessive or extended breaks.
- Referring to, looking through, or working on any test, or test section, when not authorized to do so, or working after time has been called
- Failing to follow any of the test administration regulations contained in this bulletin, given by the test administrator or specified in any test materials.
- If the counterfoils of the appointment voucher is already signed.

COA reserves the right to take all action - including, but not limited to, asking the candidate to appear again at same or different test centre, barring the candidate from future testing and/or canceling the candidate's scores/ marks - for failure to comply with test administration regulations or the test administrator's directions. If the candidate's scores/ marks are cancelled, they will not be reported and the candidate's fees will not be refunded.

Candidates may report any irregularities under strict confidence to COA/NIASA by sending an email to support@nata.in. It is mandatory to provide Name of the Candidate, Candidate ID and Appointment Number in the complaint. Anonymous complaints will not be entertained. All disputes pertaining to conduct of NATA shall fall within the jurisdiction of Courts in Delhi only.

15. TEST CONTENT

The test is in two parts. A paper based drawing test and computer based online aesthetic sensitivity test.

The test measures aptitude of the candidate through two sections - a paper based section for drawing and computer based section for aesthetic sensitivity.

15.1 Drawing Test

This is a two hour paper where candidate has to attempt three questions. The drawing aptitude is judged on the following aspects -

- Ability to sketch a given object proportionately and rendering the same in visually appealing manner.
- Visualising and drawing the effects of light on the object and shadows cast on surroundings.
- Sense of perspective drawing.
- Combining and composing given three dimensional elements to form a building or structural form.

- Creating interesting two dimensional composition using given shapes and forms.
- Creating visual harmony using colours in given composition.
- Understanding of scale and proportions.
- Drawing from memory through pencil sketch on themes from day to day experiences.

15.2 Aesthetic Sensitivity Test

This is computer based test where candidate has to answer 40 multiple choice questions.

The aesthetic sensitivity test measures perception, imagination and observation, creativity and communication along with architectural awareness and comprises of-

- Visualising three dimensional objects from two dimensional drawings.
- Visualising different sides of three dimensional objects.
- Identifying commonly used materials and objects based on their textural qualities.
- Analytical reasoning.
- Mental Ability.
- Imaginative comprehension and expression.
- Architectural awareness.

16. SCORING PROCESS

The Answer to each question in the 'drawing' paper will be examined by a panel of three examiners independently and the marks are averaged. It may be further subject to moderation.

During the computer based test, with adaptive testing, an examinee is administered a set of questions with a difficulty level that is specifically designed to match the examinee's ability level. The mathematical process for calculating a score in this situation incorporates the statistical properties of the questions, the examinee's performance on the questions, and the number of questions that are answered.

16.1 How the Sections of the Test Are Scored

Drawing Section

 The primary emphasis in scoring the drawing section is on the candidate's drawing, imagination and observation skills. The candidate's sense of proportion & perspective is also evaluated together with sense for colour and composition.

Aesthetic Sensitivity Section

- The candidate's score will depend on his / her performance on the questions given and on the number of questions answered in the time allotted.
- This section is computer adaptive, meaning that the computer selects questions based on the candidate's performance on preceding questions (When correct answer is given, next question will be of higher difficulty level whereas, if wrong answer is given next question is of lower difficulty level) and on the requirements of the test design. Test design factors that influence which questions are presented to the candidate include:
 - The statistical characteristics (including difficulty level) of the questions already answered.
 - The required variety of question types.
 - O The appropriate coverage of content.
 - The final score depends on average difficulty level of all questions and of those questions answered correctly. E.g. person with correct answer for less number of questions of higher difficulty level may score higher marks than someone who answers more number of questions correctly but of lower difficulty level.
 - Time allotted to answer the question is between 60 and 90 seconds depending upon the question. The time remaining to answer the question is displayed on the screen. The "per second" countdown begins 30 seconds before the allotted time for that question ends. In case no answer is offered till the time ends, the question is skipped and next question appears.
 - O There is no Negative marking in this test.

NO REVALUATION IS POSSIBLE FOR EITHER OF THE TESTS.

17. SCORE CARD / MARK LIST

The score cards will be available on NATA website in e-format. Usually, the score cards will be posted on the website on the fourth working day after the test.

The candidate, after fourth day may check his / her score directly from website giving his / her candidate ID. However, print out taken by the candidate of such score card will be only for reference and information. Candidate, however, may use print out of this score card while applying for the admission if the admission authority calls for the same. Original score card will be retrieved and verified by the admission authority directly from NATA server. Only the score card stored on NATA server is valid and no print/ hard copy will be considered valid.

NOTE: Occasionally, delays in processing may occur. Some scores will not be available on the dates specified. Please check again. Only if the score card is still not seen after 7 days, we suggest the candidate to follow the process mentioned on the website www.nata.in.

17.1 Cumulative Reporting (Score Retention)

NATA score reporting is cumulative. Current NATA policy states that the candidate's scores are retained for the two years from the date of last test taken.

18. APPLYING TO INSTITUTIONS FOR ADMISSION

As per Council of Architecture regulations, a candidate applying to any school / college of architecture in India should have minimum 50% marks in 10+2 or equivalent examination with mathematics as one of the subject and as per admission guidelines prescribed by CoA and have achieved 40% score in NATA, i.e. at least 80/200, for consideration of admission into first year of 5-year B.Arch. Degree Course.

19. COMPETENT AUTHORITY FOR ADMISSION

The admissions shall be carried out by the Competent Authority i.e. Government or University, or such Authorities/Institutions Concerned (School/College of Architecture)/ Association or federation of Institutions (Schools/College of Architecture) as approved by the Government/University, based on the marks obtained in NATA and the qualifying examinations in the ratio of 50:50. The reservation policy for admission as applicable from time to time by the Central/State Government shall be followed.

After receiving score card / Mark list and HSC / std XII results, the candidate may apply for admission to any of the participating institutions as per the time schedule specified by the appropriate admission authority, along with all the documents desired by it.

Council of Architecture and NIASA, does not guarantee any admissions and is not involved with the admission procedure. Appearing at a particular centre for the test does not imply that the candidate could be given any priority for admission to that institute.

20. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)

1. By giving NATA, do I get automatic admission into any Architectural College in India?

Ans: No. NATA is just an Aptitude Test. On receiving the Score Card, the candidate will have to contact various admission authorities with NATA Score Card and other details (as prescribed by the respective Admission Authorities). Admission in India lies with the State (usually under Directorate of Technical Education for that state). Usually around summer, Admission Authorities will bring out admission notices in National & Regional newspapers. The candidate may contact schools of architecture directly for information as to when the admission process is scheduled to begin.

What is the last date for giving NATA?

Ans: NATA will be conducted continuously from 20th March 2013 and until further communication at the designated Test Centres on working days. The dates on which NATA is available depends on the Test Centre. Candidates may request Test Centres for the preferred dates. If the candidate is available for NATA only on a particular date (or range of dates) that a particular Test Centre is not able to give, the candidate may register at any other Test Centre throughout India that is able to administer NATA on that date / time. TEST CENTRE LOCATION HAS NO BEARING ON CHOICE OF ADMISSION AND APPEARING AT A PARTICULAR CENTRE FOR THE TEST DOES NOT IMPLY THAT THE CANDIDATE COULD BE GIVEN ANY PRIORITY FOR ADMISSION TO THAT INSTITUTE. The logical last date for giving NATA for candidates seeking admission this year itself would be 5 days before the last date for submitting application for admission under a particular Admission Authority. This varies from authority to authority.

3. What is the meaning of Admission Authority?

Ans: Admission Authority is a body, authorised by the Central/State Govt. / University to conduct and monitor admissions in that area. This may vary from the Directorate of Technical Education itself, a major University, Institution(s), a body created by an association of Architectural Schools in that State (eg. MASA), or any other Admission Authority recognised by the state. The candidate may be advised to check up in advance with Schools of Architecture where he / she is applying for the details of the admission authority and other information on the exact admission process.

4. How do I practice for NATA? Where can I take tuitions?

Ans: NATA is designed in such a manner that prior tutelage is not required. COA/NIASA is aware that the candidates will have no or minimal knowledge of architecture. NATA measures aptitude of the candidate in his / her aesthetic sensibilities (3D visualisation, logical understanding, etc.) and drawing skills that are in-built in every candidate and developed right from childhood to the present day. There will be certain questions on architectural awareness wherein candidates may be required to identify building of national or international importance. The candidate is expected to know about these structures through General Knowledge. The candidate may also prefer to update his knowledge on this by some reading, internet browsing or even by talking to architectural students, architects and other knowledgeable persons. In all probability, this will not be required. There will be a model NATA interface available on the NATA website to help candidates get acquainted with the visual format of the test. There will be no model questions available as such. The language medium of the test will be English. Minimal computer skills are required (pointing and clicking Mouse buttons).

5. I am a foreign student / NRI. Can I take the test from my country of residence?

Ans: The candidate will have to register in India / UAE and give the test from any of the designated Test centres of his / her choice in India / UAE. The qualification process for giving NATA

stands the same. Admission will be given by the respective admission authorities according to the rules laid down by it for students of such category.

6. If I belong to a particular quota (SC/ST/NT/etc.), do I get score waiver for NATA during admission?

Ans: No.

7. Are there any additional fees payable for training, etc?

Ans: No training/coaching is allowed in Test Centres and no other fees payable for this exam. If any centre indulges is such practice or insists on additional fees or participation in training program, please report such incident to Council of Architecture or NIASA.

8. Do I have to appear for NATA at the college where I aspire to take admission?

Ans: No. You may appear for NATA at any Test centre convenient to you. Based on the score, you may seek admission to any college where you are eligible to seek admission.

9. Whether old question papers are available?

Ans: No. At NATA, question paper is unique of each candidate hence no old question papers can be made available.

For any other questions please register at NATA website (http://www.nata.in) and get into 'Forum' section. You can post your queries here. Please search before you post the query. It may be already raised by some other candidate and already answered.

21. LIST OF DESIGNATED BRANCHES OF ICICI BANK LTD. FOR SALE OF NATA INFORMATION BROCHURE

STATE	NAME OF THE CITY	ADDRESS OF THE BRANCH
ANDHRA PRADESH	Hyderabad	12-2-823/a/4/1&2, Gottipati Towers, Main Road, Mehdipatnam, Hyderabad
	Hyderabad	Office No.101 & 102, Ground Floor, SMR Vinay Technopolis, Kondapur Village, Serilingampally Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Madhapur, Hyderabad
	Hyderabad	4-3-143/a, BPR Towers, Attapur, Rajendranagar, Rangareddy Dist.
	Hyderabad	2-3-8, 9 & 10, M.G. Road, Secunderabad, Hyderabad
	Vijaywada	11-12-1, Bombay Palace, Jhanda Chettu Road, Vijaywada

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	Vishakapatnam	10-50-81 / A & B, Block No.53, Opp Lazarus Hospital, Ram Nagar, Waltair Main Road, Visakhapatnam
	Warangal	Green Square Plaza, Opp. Public Garden, Hanmakonda, Warangal
ASSAM	Guwahati	Ohio Shopping Complex, M.G. Road, Fancy Bazar, Guwahati
BIHAR	Patna	Shahi Bhawan, Ground Floor, Exhibition Road, Patna
	Patna	H-39 Doctors Colony, Kankerbagh, Patna
CHANDIGARH	Chandigarh	127-128,Sector 17-C, Chandigarh
CHATTISGARH	Durg	Station Road, Near Nirankari Furnitures, Durg
	Raipur	Mahavir Suraj Kunj, Plot No.1, South Avenue, Choubey Colony, Raipur
DELHI	Delhi	112, Block T, Dayanand Road, Daryaganj, Delhi
	Delhi	1514, Kashmere Gate, Delhi
	Delhi	B-21, Opp. V 3 S Mall, Maharaja Banquet, Laxminagar, Delhi
	New Delhi	B-78, Defence Colony, New Delhi
	New Delhi	W-57, Greater Kailash , Part-I, New Delhi
	New Delhi	A 1/15, Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi
	New Delhi	Plot no. 5 & 6, LSC - 3, Dwarka, Sec-06, Delhi
	New Delhi	D1A/8A, Janakpuri, New Delhi
GOA	Panjim	Daulat Building, Ground Floor, 18th June Road, Near Calculo Island Campal, Panjim, Goa
GUJARAT	Anand	Ground Floor, Radheshyam Building, Gamdivad, Anand
	Ahmedabad	Ground Floor, Sthapna Complex, Opp GHB Complex, Ankur Road, Naranpura, Ahmedabad
	Patan	32/4, Sardarganj, Patan
	Rajkot	Simaria Mansion, Kalawad Road, Rajkot
	Rajkot	8- Vardhaman Nagar Corner, Palace Road, Rajkot

	Surat	Platinum Plaza, Opp. V.T. Choksi Law College, Athwalines, Surat
	Vadodara	City Center, Ground Floor, Near Nyay Mandir, Opposite Lal Court, New Lehripura Road, Vadodara
	Vadodara	Plot No 13, Jade Square, Urmi Cross Road, Akota, Vadodara.
	Vadodara	Landmark Building, Race Course Circle, Alkapuri, Vadodara
HARYANA	Ambala	Aggarsain Chowk, Near Rajan Sarees, Ambala City
	Gurgaon	Plot no. B & B1 Vanijaya Nikunj, Enkay Tower, Phase-IV, Udyog Vihar, Gurgaon
	Hisar	Plot No 57-60, Kamla Palace Road, Red Square Market, Hisar
	Karnal	S.C.O 255-256, Sector 12 , City Centre, Urban Estate, Karnal
	Rohtak	SCF 7-8, Huda Commercial Complex, Opp. Palika Bazar, Rohtak
	Sonepat	210-R,Model Town, Atlas Road, Sonepat
JAMMU & KASHMIR	Jammu	Gupta's Tower, 13 Rail Head Complex, Gandhi Nagar, Jammu
JHARKHAND	Ranchi	Opp. RD # 3 Chankya Vihar, Main Road Ashok Nagar, Ranchi
KARNATAKA	Bangalore	No.937/SK/147, Hope Farm, Whitefield, Bangalore
	Bangalore	No.5, 80 Feet Road, Kormangala 7th Block, Bangalore
	Bangalore	80-7, Elephant Rock Road, 3rd Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore
	Bangalore	MPS Towers, NO.515, CMH Road, Indiranagar, 1st Stage, Bangalore
	Bangalore	#75/A, 100 Feet Road, 6th Phase, JP Nagar, Bangalore
	Bangalore	Mytree Centre, 4/10 Ground Floor, Hosur Road Bommanahalli, Next to Oxford College of Engineering, Bangalore.

	Bangalore	208 & 209, Banashankari III Stage,100 Ft. Ring Road, Opp. Sterling Terraces, Bangalore
	Belgaum	Shree Krishna Towers, #14, Khanapur Road, RPD Cross, Tilakwadi, Belgaum
	Bijapur	Ram Mandir Road, P.B.No.6, At & Post. Bijapur
	Gulbarga	Dr. Pramod Itagi Complex, C/S No 761, PI No 1-13/16 A, Khuba Layout, Bramhampur, Court - SB Temple Road Gulbarga
	Hubli	Kalpurgi Katwe Identity, Gokul Road, Hubli
	Mysore	2950, Aishwarya Arcade, 9th Cross, Kalidasa Road, V.V. Mohalla, Mysore.
	Tumkur	33, 2nd Cross, CSI Layout, Off BH Road, Tumkur
	Udupi	Dr. T M A Pai Hospital, Opp Taluk Office, Udupi.
KERALA	Malappuram	Peekey's Arcade, Near Bus Stand, Downhill, Malappuram
	Thiruvananthapuram	TC 20/2649, 2650, Rajalakshmi, Karamana, Thiruvananthapuram
	Thiruvananthapuram	TC.25/2491, M G Road, Pulimoodu, Thiruvananthapuram
	Thrissur	Delma complex, Opp. Co-operative Hospital, Shornur Road, Thrissur
	Thrissur	West Fort Tower, West Fort Junction, Civil Lane Road, Thrissur
MADHYA	Bhopal	Plot No. Z-14 Hira Complex Zone-I, M.P. Nagar, Bhopal
PRADESH	Bhopal	E-7, Arera Colony, Shahpura, Bhopal
	Gwalior	Gwalior Glory School, B- Block Harishankar Puram, Near A.G. Office, Gwalior
	Indore	C.M.Vaishnav Bal Mandir, Girls Higher Secondary School, 177, Jawahar Marg, Indore
	Jabalpur	644 Vijay Nagar, Near SBI Zonal Office, Jabalpur

MAHARASHTRA	Ahmednagar	Shop No. 23-27, Raj Complex, Jamkhed- Daund Road, Shrigonda, DISTAhmednagar
	Akola	Shubha Laxmi Complex, Ratanlal Plots, Infront of Vidyut Bhavan, Akola
	Amravati	Ground Floor, Vimaco Towers, Bus Stand Road, Amravati
	Aurangabad	Ground Floor, Raghuvir Complex, Opp. District Court, Adalat Road, Aurangabad
	Gondia	Satellite Tower, Jaisthambh Square, Gondia
	Jalgaon	Dhake Corporate Center, Opp. Shahu Maharaj Hospital, Dhake Colony, Jalgaon
	Kolhapur	Ground Floor, Vasant Plaza, Rajaram Road, Rajarampuri, Kolhapur
	Mumbai	Plot No. 206-221, Krystal Bldg, Waterfield Road, Bandra (West), Mumbai
	Mumbai	Unit No. 002 A, Ground Floor, Hallmark Business Plaza, Sant Dyaneshwar Marg, Near Gurunanak Hospital, Bandra (E), Mumbai
	Mumbai	Kadamgiri Complex, Hanuman Road, Vile Parle East, Mumbai.
	Mumbai	Nalanda Dance Institute, JVPD Scheme, 10th Road, Juhu, Vile Parle (W), Mumbai
	Mumbai	148, Ground Floor, Bhaveshwar Bldg, Next to City Bakery, A.B. Road, Worli, Mumbai
	Mumbai	Pranashish, Yari Road, Versova, Andheri (W), Mumbai
	Nagpur	Vishnu Vaibhav, 222, Palm Road, Civil Lines, Nagpur
	Nagpur	Plot No. X-262. X-263, MIDC, Wardha Road, Buti Bori, Nagpur
	Nagpur	Plot No. 8-A, Santakrupa, Sneh Nagar, Ring Road, Chhatrapati Square, Nagpur
	Nashik	Shop No. B 1-3 & B 29-31, Opp. to Kalika Devi Mandir, Sethi's City Plaza, Gadkari Chowk, Old Mumbai-Agra Road, Nashik

	Navi Mumbai	Neel Avenue, Plot No 5,Sector 19, Panvel Matheran Road, New Panvel, Navi Mumbai
	Navi Mumbai	Shop No. 6, 7, 8, Ridhi Siddhi Heritage, Plot 56 & 57, Sector - 19, Airoli, Navi Mumbai
	Pune	902, Near Nagnath Par, Sadashiv Peth, Pune
	Pune	Plot No. 206, Mahakalika Chambers, Railway Station Road, Pimpri Chinchwad, Pune
	Pune	Plot no. 1, S.No. 18/1, Sarthak Terrace, Opp. Gandhi Lawns, Kothrud, Pune
	Pune	Shop No. 5 TO 10, Ganga Bhagyoday, Next To Manikbaug Petrol Pump, Sinhagad Road, Pune
	Sangli	Rajarshi Shahu Arcade, C.S. No. 13501, Sangli- Miraj - Road,Sangli
	Solapur	Near Solapur Municipal Corporation, Park Chowk, Solapur
	Thane	Guru Gobind House, Opp. Purnima Theatre, Murbad Road, Kalyan West, Thane
	Thane	Glenmorgan, Veer Savarkar Marg, Panchpakhadi, Thane
	Wardha	Gandhi Niwas, Shivaji Chowk, Arvi Road, Wardha
ORISSA	Cuttack	Plot No. 1320, Bajrakabati Road, Cuttack
PUDUCHERRY	Puducherry	164 Needarajayapeer Street, Puducherry
PUNJAB	Amritsar	361, M.C International The Mall, Amritsar
	Bathinda	2928E/34, Bibiwla Chowk, Opp. Clock Tower, Bathinda
	Mandi Gobind Garh	Post Office Road, Mandi Gobindgarh
	Mohali	SCF 21-22, Phase VII, SAS Nagar, Mohali
	Phagwara	G.T.Road, (Opp. Bus Stand), Phagwara
	Rajpura	Calibre Market, Near Overbridge, Patiala-Rajpura Road, Rajpura
RAJASTHAN	Jaipur	Bhagwan Mahavir Viklang Sahayta Samiti, Malviya Nagar, Jaipur

	Jaipur	L & B - 2, Shipra Path, Mansarovar Industrial Area, Mansarovar, Jaipur
	Jodhpur	Main Market Bheekamkor, Jodhpur
	Udaipur	644, Geetanjali Mansion, Hiran Magri, Sector No.13, Udaipur
SIKKIM	Gangtok	New Market, Near Star Cinema, M.G.Marg, Gangtok
TAMILNADU	Chennai	NAC Towers, No 85, Dr. R.K.Salai, Mylapore, Chennai
	Chennai	137, LIC Colony Main Road, Velachery, Chennai
	Chennai	#249, R.K. Mutt Road, R.A. Puram, Chennai
	Chennai	8 & 9, Gangadeeswarar Koil Street, Pursawalkam, Chennai
	Chennai	459/1, Anna Salai Road, Teynampet, Chennai
	Coimbatore	Cheran Plaza, 1090, Trichy Road, Coimbatore
	Coimbatore	Premier Instruments and Controls Ltd., (Pricol) Factory Premises, Mettupalayam Road, Perianaickenpalayam, Coimbatore
	Coimbatore	No.744, Trichy Road, Ramanathapuram, Coimbatore
	Hosur	SAI Complex, Ist Floor, 19, M.G.Road, Hosur
	Kancheepuram	No: 225, Senagalu Neerodai Road, Kancheepuram
	Madurai	52-53, South Masi Street, Madurai
	Salem	Swarnambigai Plaza, S. F. No. 6/5, Block No. 7, Ward-C, Omalur Main Road, Near Bus Stand, Salem
	Tanjore	Kauveri Complex, 65-A, Trichy Road, Tanjore
	Tiruchirapalli	86, Raja Complex Madurai Road Bharathiyar Salai Tiruchirapalli
UTTAR PRADESH	Ghaziabad	Plot No.270, Ambedkar Road, Opp. Nehru Yuva Kendra, Choudhary More, Ghaziabad
	Ghaziabad	R- 1/88, Raj Nagar, Ghaziabad
	Lucknow	3/64,Vivek Khand,Gomtinagar, Lucknow

	Lucknow	19/753, Ring Road, Indira Nagar, Lucknow
	Meerut	Rajlok, 4, Civil Lines, Boundary Road, Near BSNL, Telephone Exchange, Meerut
	Meerut	216, Complex No 15, Jain Nagar, Meerut
	Moradabad	Plot No 409, Mohalla Chawani, Near Mahila Police Station, Civil Lines, Moradabad
	Mathura	217/360, Bhuteshwar Road, Mathura
	Noida	K-1, Senior Mall, Sector 18, Noida
	Noida	SG-7 & UBS 1, GF & Basement, Stellar IT Park, C-25, Sector - 62, Noida
	Noida	India Glycols Building Ltd, Plot No. 2 B , Sec-126 , Noida
UTTARAKHAND	Dehradun	NCR, Plaza,24, New Cantt Road, Hathibarkala, Dehradun
WEST BENGAL	Howrah	8/1 Hardatrai Chameria Road, Grd Flr. Howrah
	Howrah	493C/A & 493C/B, G.T Road (South), Shibpur, Howrah
	Jadavpur	26, Raja Subodh Mullick Road, Jadavpur
	Kolkata	AC-4, Sector-1, Salt Lake City, Kolkata
	Kolkata	6, Ganesh Chandra Avenue Gr Fl, Kolkata
	Kolkata	133, M G Road, Kolkata

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