

Terms and Conditions for Candidates of CENTA TPO 2019

1. The decisions of Centre for Teacher Accreditation (CENTA) Pvt. Ltd. (referred to hereafter as “CENTA”) and any appointed panel of judges/advisors will be final and binding, with respect to TPO 2019. The candidate accepts and certifies that he/she will not dispute any decision by CENTA with respect to the question paper or winners or awarding of prizes. The format and syllabus provided are indicative and CENTA reserves the right to make refinements in the same as needed.
2. TPO is not open to employees, consultants, advisors, expert council members, content developers, reviewers and test administrators, of or associated with CENTA.
3. There is no provision for on-the-spot registration in TPO 2019. Candidates have to register within the registration closing date and time, which will be intimated on the website.
4. Details provided during registration (e.g. full name, school name) will be used exactly as-is on TPO Certificates in case the candidate is a winner. Candidate may also be asked to verify these and other details provided through relevant documents, including for availing of prizes.
5. All costs with respect to participating in TPO – including but not limited to travelling to the test city or venue, food, stationery, hall ticket print-out, etc. – will have to be borne by candidates.
6. While the candidate will get the test city chosen by him/her, location within the city and time slot are at CENTA’s discretion. The candidate accepts that he/she will not dispute the same.
7. Communication with candidates will be only through email and/or SMS. Candidates are advised to ensure that both the email address and the mobile number they have provided are functioning and in use. Candidates are also advised to check any spam folders. CENTA shall not be held responsible for non-delivery of email or SMS, due to technical problems.
8. Candidates need to download and print their hall tickets from MyCENTA portal. Hall tickets will not be sent physically. A valid hall ticket and a valid identity card are needed for the test. Candidates need to follow instructions on the hall ticket.
9. Every attempt will be made to ensure that the test centres are comfortable and that the test computers are functioning well. However, these being third party centres, in the rare event that there is some discomfort in the centre or some malfunction in the computer, CENTA will not hold any responsibility for the same. CENTA shall also not be held responsible for any accident at test venues, including but not restricted to acts of God, terrorism, and other forms of violence, fire or unforeseen incidents. The candidate accepts that he/she will hold CENTA harmless and not raise any dispute in these regards.
10. The registration fee for TPO is non-refundable. Even in the event that a particular candidate is unable to participate in the competition for any reason, the registration fee will not be refunded.
11. CENTA can cancel, defer or postpone TPO for any reason, at the national level or in specific cities. In case of full cancellation of TPO (not change), the registration fee will be refunded.
12. CENTA may add to, modify, or delete from the list of prizes announced, at any stage before or after TPO.
13. Each winner is solely responsible for all taxes associated with the prizes, and any costs that may be incurred in availing of the prizes. Cash awards will be given after deducting applicable TDS. For any international conference prize, while airfare, accommodation and basic visa expense reimbursement will be taken care of by CENTA/sponsors, the candidate needs to take care of all other expenses including local transportation, food and others; the candidate also needs to ensure that he or she has a valid passport on time (as per the deadline given by CENTA) and obtain his/her own visa.
14. The candidate accepts that his/her contact details may be used by CENTA for limited outreach/marketing purposes, including sharing information about future initiatives, sharing educational material, etc.
15. CENTA reserves the right to disqualify a candidate at any point before or after TPO, due to non-compliance with eligibility requirements, provision of wrong information, non-compliance with other rules, or inappropriate behaviour at the test venue. There will be no refund of fee in case of disqualification.
16. To give opportunity for recognition to a large number of teachers, there are restrictions on specific prizes:
 - a. In case a person wins two cash awards for the same subject track (e.g. through a national rank and a subject rank), only the higher of the two will be given.
 - b. Those who have won cash awards from Rs. 25,000 to Rs. 1 lakh, international conference sponsorship and profiling in The Hindu publications, in the previous two editions of TPO cannot win the same again. Those who contributed to ‘Chalk and Challenges’ published in 2017 cannot contribute to the next edition in 2020-21.
 - c. ‘Trainee teacher’ prizes are restricted to those doing a teacher education degree/diploma recognized by NCTE (e.g. B.Ed., B.El.Ed., D.El.Ed.) as on the date of TPO. A confirmation letter from the college will be needed for the prize.
 - d. In all other categories of prizes, at least 80% of prizes will be for those who are in a full-time teaching or academic role at school level (i.e. preschool to senior secondary) as on the date of TPO. A maximum of 20% of prizes of that category can be won by those who are not currently in such a role. Each cash prize amount (e.g. Rs. 1 lakh, Rs. 50,000, etc.) is defined as a ‘category’ for this purpose. Given the diversity of roles in teaching, CENTA reserves the right to apply appropriate judgment in this regard.