VISVESVARAYA TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY, BELAGAVI Visvesvaraya Technological University – Eligibility Test for Research (VTU-ETR) Programmes Ph.D and M.Sc Engineering (by Research) - March 2020

General Instructions to Candidates:

(1) The VTU-ETR shall be conducted through multiple choice questions. Each question may be in the form of either a question or an incomplete statement or any other type. Each question comprises four responses, with one of them being the correct.

(2) There shall be no negative marking for wrong answers.

(3) The examinees shall select the response which they want to mark/indicate on the OMR sheet and shade/darken/blacken completely the inside area of the corresponding checkbox bubble.

(4) Candidates should use black ball point pen only to shade the checkbox bubble so that it is fully dark. Shading should be limited to the checkbox bubble only.

(5) Shading of multiple checkbox bubbles shall be treated as invalid answer.

(6) Partial or Incomplete shading of the bubble is to be avoided.

(7) Checkbox bubbles should not be filled by a tick ($\sqrt{}$) mark, cross (\times) mark or by hatching \bigcirc .

(8) Use of whiteners/correction fluid to change the shaded checkbox bubble to fill another is prohibited.

(9) Erasing of filled checkbox bubble/s to fill another is prohibited.

(10) Folding/crushing/ mutilating of OMR sheet is not permitted.

(11) Any type of writing, scribbling etc., on the question paper and ticking the response of a question/s are prohibited. Violation of this condition shall lead to disciplinary action like debar from the examination. Also, the OMR answer sheet shall not be considered for evaluation process.

(12) Only nonprogrammable scientific calculator is permitted for use in the examination hall. Violation of this condition shall lead to disciplinary action like debar from the examination. Also, the OMR answer sheet shall not be considered for evaluation process.

(13) Hall ticket along with the identity card with photo of the candidate (College identity card, Aadhaar Card, Driving Licence, Passport, Voter Identification Card etc.) who is appearing for the VTU - ETR be shown to enter the examination hall.

(14) Candidates to enter the examination hall 20 minutes before the scheduled commencement of the examination.

(15) Candidates will not be admitted to examination if they report 10 minutes after the scheduled commencement of the examination.

(16) Candidates shall be permitted to leave the examination hall, only after half an hour from the commencement time of the examination.

(17) Mobile phone, (even in switched off mode), pager or any electronic equipment or programmable device or storage media like pen drive, smart watches etc., or camera, bluetooth devices, microphone, microchip, electronic pen/scanner, health band, or any other equipment or related accessories capable of being used as a communication device, either in switched on or off mode, are banned inside the Examination Hall. Violation of this condition shall lead to disciplinary action like debar from the examination. Also, the OMR answer sheet shall not be considered for evaluation process.

(18) Smart watches and all types of digital watches fitted with or without accessories are strictly prohibited and the candidates are not allowed to take such watches into the Examination Hall. Violation of this condition shall lead to disciplinary action like debar from the examination. Also, the OMR answer sheet shall not be considered for evaluation process.

Use of simple analog (mechanical) wristwatches by candidates shall be allowed inside the Examination Hall.

(19) Candidates are advised not to bring any valuables/costly items and bags to the examination hall, as safekeeping of the same cannot be assured. The examination centres will not be responsible for any loss in this regard.

(20) Except Hall ticket and identification proof no other material such as wallets, handbags/bags, goggles, keys, textual material (printed or written), bits of papers, Geometry/Pencil Box, Plastic Pouch, Writing Pad, Eraser, packed or opened eatables, water bottle, etc., shall be allowed into the examination hall.

(21) Before answering, ensure that the question paper booklet issued to you is of your opted discipline.

(22) Handover the OMR sheet and the question paper booklet to the Room Invigilator while leaving the examination hall.

