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### **RRB NTPC 2016 exam: Updated answer key in September or October**

The Railway Recruitment Board (RRB) has said that it will release the updated answer keys and candidates' response for Non-Technical Popular Category (NTPC) examination 2016 on its websites in September or October.

In a notification issued on Tuesday, the RRB said that the updated answer keys will take into consideration the objections raised by candidates to questions/answer keys that were released on August 12.

Results of the examination may be declared after the release of the updated answer keys.

The notification further said that the board will conduct a second stage computer based test (CBT) for various NTPC (graduate) category. Only those candidates who cleared the first stage of the exam held between March 28 and May will be called for the second stage of the exam.

The number of candidates called for the second stage of the exam will be 15 times the number of vacancies.

The final selection for the posts will be based on merit position obtained by the candidates in the second stage and/or the result of Aptitude Test/Typing Skill Test wherever applicable. Normalisation of marks will be done as per extant rules in first and the second stage of the exam.

The second stage of the exam is likely to have questions about general awareness, mathematics, general intelligence and reasoning. The test will have 120 multiple choice objective questions and candidates will get 90 minutes to solve them.

The date of the second stage will be announced on RRB's website after it is finalised.

The online written exams to fill 18,252 vacancies in various technical and non-technical posts of RRB were held across the country between March-May 2016. About 92 lakh aspirants applied for the NTPC exam and about 56 lakh finally took the paper.

The advertisement (CEN 03/2015) regarding the exam, published in December 2015, sought to recruit people for various posts, including assistant station master, clerk, goods guard, typist, apprentice and junior accounts assistant.

**Notice for the candidates of NTPC (Graduate) Exam.**  
**against CEN No. 03/2015**

Objections, if any, were invited from the candidates on questions/answer keys from 12.08.2016 to 21.08.2016. After consideration of these objections the **Question Papers** (indicating finally deleted questions, if any), **updated final Answer Keys & Candidates' Response** shall again be made available on RRBs website in September/October 2016.

As informed vide earlier notice dated 10.08.2016, RRBs will hold a 2nd stage Computer Based Test (CBT) for various NTPC (Graduate) category posts, in terms of Para 8.12 and 14.03 of CEN No. 03/2015. Candidates equal to 15 times of vacancies shall be called for 2nd stage CBT based on the merit position in the CBT held during 28/03/2016 to 03/05/2016 (hereinafter called 1st Stage CBT).

Final selection of candidates will be based on merit position obtained in the 2nd stage CBT and/or result of Aptitude Test/Typing Skill Test wherever applicable. Normalisation of marks will be done as per extant rules in 1st and 2nd stage CBT.

2nd stage CBT is likely to include questions pertaining to General Awareness, Arithmetic, General Intelligence and Reasoning. The duration of 2nd stage CBT will be of 90 minutes covering 120 multiple choice objective questions.

The date(s) of 2nd stage CBT shall be published on RRB's website in due course.

Please note and keep visiting RRB websites regularly for the updates in this regard.

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