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The National Testing Agency (NTA) conducted National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (UG) – 2020 throughout the country on 13 September, 2020 and 14 October, 2020 (COVID-19 cases) in 155 Cities and 3862 Centres and 110 Cities and 110 Centres respectively on the direction of the *Hon'ble Supreme Court of India* with the approval of the *Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare* and *Ministry of Education*, Government of India.

NTA declared the result of National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (UG) – 2020 on 16.10.2020.

The Candidates and their parents started approaching NTA through Email and on media/social media on the following issues:

> OMR Answer Sheets being changed

> Variation in Score Card declared on 16.10.2020 and available now.

The NTA has declared the result after thorough scrutiny and assured all aspirants that the result declared by NTA is correct.

However, it has been revealed on some news channels in social media that shockingly some unscrupulous elements are claiming that the results declared by NTA are incorrect.

For example, **Master XYZ** (Name withheld), 123456789 (Roll No withheld) has claimed that he has 650 marks whereas he has obtained only 329 marks. This is even being broadcast at local news channels in some cities. The news is totally fake, fabricated and one sided only. The news channel should have confirmed from NTA before broadcasting this fake news. In the instant case, a complaint is being filed by the NTA with the cyber security cell under the IT Act at Noida, Uttar Pradesh.

In this context, it is clarified that all genuine grievances will be entertained by the NTA. However, manipulated and fabricated cases will be viewed seriously and NTA will be forced to take legal action as per laws of the land against such candidates including cancellation of their candidature or other unscrupulous agents representing such candidates.

Candidates in their own interest, are once again advised not to fall prey to any unscrupulous person/agent/spokesperson promising them any favorable changes in their OMRs/results, else legal and punitive action, will be initiated against any/all such persons involved in spreading fake news and maligning the image and prestige of the National Testing Agency.

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