



# SIKKIM NATIONAL LAW UNIVERSITY

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## CLARIFICATION REGARDING SNLU ENTRANCE TEST, 2026

### A. ELIGIBILITY & EXEMPTIONS

#### 1. Eligibility to Appear for the SNLU Entrance Test:

All candidates seeking admission to SNLU programmes are eligible to appear for the Entrance Test, subject to fulfilment of the prescribed academic qualifications as notified separately in the University Website.

#### 2. CLAT-Based Exemption [*Only for candidates applying for B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) & LL.M.*]:

Candidates who have secured 55% or above in CLAT 2026 shall be exempted from appearing in the SNLU Entrance Test. Such candidates may apply for admission on the basis of their CLAT score. Kindly note that such exemption shall not be applicable for 3-year LL.B. Course.

#### 3. Optional Appearance for Exempted Candidates [*Only for candidates applying for B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) & LL.M.*]:

Candidates eligible for exemption (i.e., those with 55% or above in CLAT 2026) shall be given the option to appear in the SNLU Entrance Test if they so desire. However, in such cases, the candidate's CLAT score shall not be considered for admission. The candidate shall be evaluated solely on the basis of their performance in the SNLU Entrance Test.

The choice of evaluation once exercised by the candidate (CLAT-based or SNLU Entrance Test-based) shall be final, binding, and irrevocable, and no request for change, reconsideration, or dual consideration shall be entertained under any circumstances.

#### 4. Treatment of CLAT Score (For Non-Appearing Candidates) [*Only for candidates applying for B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) & LL.M.*]:

In the case of candidates who are eligible for exemption and opt not to appear in the SNLU Entrance Test, the marks obtained in CLAT 2026 shall be deemed to be the marks obtained in the SNLU Entrance Test, for all purposes including preparation of merit. No further scaling, moderation, or normalization shall be applied.

Candidates shall have no right claim parity, equivalence of difficulty level, or standardization between CLAT 2026 and the SNLU Entrance Test. The University expressly disclaims any obligation to equate, moderate, or standardize scores across the two modes of evaluation.



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## 5. Mode of Evaluation:

Admission to B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) & LL.M. courses shall be granted strictly on the basis of merit, to be prepared considering:

- EITHER candidate's performance in CLAT 2026,
- OR candidate's performance in the SNLU Entrance Test,

as per the option exercised by the candidate in accordance with the Admission Guidelines. Under no circumstances shall both scores be combined or considered simultaneously.

Admission to 3-Year LL.B. Course shall be granted strictly on the basis of merit, to be prepared considering the candidate's performance in the SNLU Entrance Test.

## 6. University's Discretion:

The University reserves the right to modify or amend these guidelines, if necessary, in accordance with academic or administrative requirements. The University also reserves the right to determine, interpret, and apply the admission criteria and evaluation methodology, and its decision in all such matters shall be final and binding.

## B. SYLLABUS & QUESTION PAPER PATTERN

5 Year B.A. LL.B. (Hons.)	1 Year LL.M.	3 Year LL.B.
<p><b>PART A: OBJECTIVE SECTION</b></p> <p>a) 80 Multiple Choice Questions b) 1 mark each c) Total: 80 Marks</p> <p><b>Sections Covered:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ English Language &amp; Comprehension</li><li>✓ Current Affairs &amp; General Knowledge</li><li>✓ Legal Reasoning</li><li>✓ Logical Reasoning</li></ul>	<p><b>PART A: OBJECTIVE SECTION</b></p> <p>a) 80 Multiple Choice Questions b) 1 mark each c) Total: 80 Marks</p> <p><b>Sections Covered:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Constitutional Law</li><li>✓ Jurisprudence</li><li>✓ Administrative Law</li><li>✓ Public International Law</li><li>✓ Contemporary Legal Issues</li></ul>	<p><b>PART A: OBJECTIVE SECTION</b></p> <p>a) 80 Multiple Choice Questions b) 1 mark each c) Total: 80 Marks</p> <p><b>Sections Covered:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ English Language &amp; Comprehension</li><li>✓ Current Affairs &amp; General Knowledge</li><li>✓ Legal Reasoning</li><li>✓ Logical Reasoning</li></ul>



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PART B: SUBJECTIVE SECTION	PART B: SUBJECTIVE SECTION	PART B: SUBJECTIVE SECTION
<p>a) 4 Questions to be attempted out of 6</p> <p>b) 10 marks each</p> <p>c) Total: 40 Marks</p> <p><b>Focus Areas:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Legal aptitude and reasoning.</li><li>✓ Reading comprehension and analysis.</li><li>✓ Short analytical/legal essays.</li></ul>	<p>a) 4 Questions to be attempted out of 6</p> <p>b) 10 marks each</p> <p>c) Total: 40 Marks</p> <p><b>Focus Areas:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Problem-based questions</li><li>✓ Short essays</li><li>✓ Case-law based analysis</li></ul>	<p>a) 4 Questions to be attempted out of 6</p> <p>b) 10 marks each</p> <p>c) Total: 40 Marks</p> <p><b>Focus Areas:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Legal aptitude and reasoning.</li><li>✓ Reading comprehension and analysis.</li><li>✓ Short analytical/legal essays.</li></ul>

## C. MARKING SCHEME

- 1. Structure of the Examination:** The Entrance Test shall carry a total of 120 marks, comprising two components: an Objective Section of 80 marks and a Subjective Section of 40 marks.
- 2. Objective Section:** The Objective Section shall consist of 80 multiple choice questions, each carrying one mark. One mark shall be awarded for every correct answer, and no marks shall be deducted for incorrect or unanswered questions, as there shall be no negative marking.
- 3. Subjective Section:** The Subjective Section shall require candidates to attempt any four questions out of six, with each question carrying ten marks. Evaluation of answers shall be based on the candidate's understanding of the question, clarity of expression, logical reasoning, and overall structure of the response.
- 4. Calculation of Total Marks:** The final score shall be computed out of 120 marks by aggregating the marks obtained in both the Objective and Subjective Sections.
- 5. Tie-Breaking Criteria:** In the event of a tie, preference shall be given to the candidate securing higher marks in the Subjective Section, followed by higher marks in the Objective Section, and thereafter by Higher Secondary or Graduation marks.
- 6. Finality of Evaluation:** No request for re-evaluation of answer scripts shall be entertained, and the marks awarded shall be treated as final and binding. The decision of the University in all matters relating to evaluation and preparation of merit shall be final.



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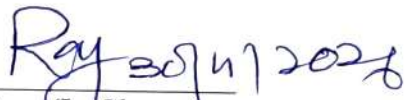
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## D. EXAM MODE AND CENTRES

The Sikkim National Law University (SNLU) Entrance Test shall be conducted in offline mode (pen-and-paper based examination). The test will be held at designated examination centres in the cities of *Gangtok* and *Siliguri* only. Candidates are required to appear for the examination at the centre allotted to them as per the details provided in their admit card.



  
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