

1. EXAMINATIONS

- 1.1 **Mid Semester Examination:** The mid semester examinations are to be conducted in the regular classes. The mid-semester examination mark list should reach the office of the Controller of Examinations within fifteen days from the date of conduct of mid-semester examination.
- 1.2 **Missing Examination:** there will be no missing tests for mid semester examinations from the ensuing semester onwards. If absent for the mid-semester examination, the student will be awarded "0" marks for mid-semester. However, the student is permitted to continue attending the classes and write the final practical and final theory examinations.
- 1.3 **Theory Examination:** The final theory examinations are to be conducted outside the working days of the semester. An examination schedule approved by the Dean and the Controller of Examinations for the mid-semester and final examinations, respectively, shall be final. Mess dues should be cleared before final theory exams and clearance certificate should be produced for receiving hall tickets.

Exam pattern and Duration

Regular

Exam	1+1/2+1 courses	1+0/2+0 courses	0+1/0+2 courses
Duration			
Mid semester	10 (20 marks converted to 10) (1 hour)	40 (1½ hours)	40 (1½ hours)
Practical	40 (2½ hours)	-	60 (2½ hours)
Final theory	50 (2½ hours)	60	-
Total	100	100	100

Reappearance

Exam	1+1/2+1 courses	1+0/2+0 courses	0+1/0+2 courses
Duration			
Theory	60 (2½ hours)	100 (3 hours)	-
Practical	40 (2½ hours)	-	100 (2½ hours)
Total	100	100	100

Mid Semester examination – Paper
Final Theory Examination –Paper

Question pattern

The mid-semester, final theory consists of objective and descriptive type of questions and reappearance examination consists of multiple choice questions

Comprehension type questions, problem based questions, practical theory portions, procedures, short notes and case studies shall be included in disciplines wherever possible in the final examinations.

- 1.4 **Practical Examination:** The practical examination is to be conducted on the last practical class. The Dean of Colleges will announce the schedule of final practical examinations. The Controller of Examinations, based on the proposal sent by the Deans concerned, will nominate and approve the external examiner and the course teacher shall be the internal examiner. In case of affiliated colleges, the external examiners will be nominated by the Controller of Examinations. In the event of external/ internal examiner nominated for practical examination could not conduct the examination, then the Dean concerned shall nominate an alternative examiner to conduct practical examination in anticipation of approval by the Controller of Examinations. Submission of *bona fide* practical records certified by the Course Teacher is a pre-requisite for appearing in the practical examinations failing which 'F' grade will be awarded. The duration of practical examination shall be two and a half hours. The practical marks should be communicated to Controller of Examinations within 10 days of the last working day of the Semester.

Guidelines

Wherever experiments, identification or case studies are not possible as per course curricula, the question pattern may be modified by the Course Teacher (Internal examiner) and the pattern should be well informed to students in advance before exam. The same will be informed to the External Examiner also before the start of practical examination.

- 1.5 If a student fails to write Practical Examination, 'F' grade will be awarded. The student has to appear for the **reappearance practical examination**.
- 1.6 **Postponement of Final Examination:** Whenever the Government declares holidays on the dates of final examinations or under exigencies, the examination that falls on the particular date will be postponed to the date after the last examination of the original examination schedule. Changes, if any, will be notified by the Controller of Examinations, TNAU.

02. Re- Appearance and Improvement:

- 2.1 The students are permitted to write the re-appearance examination as and when conducted with the permission of Deans of Colleges. **Re-appearance fee of Rs.500/- per exam is to be paid online on or before the prescribed date.**

2.1.1. Reappearance Exam

A student is permitted to write either theory or practical examination alone or both in the reappearance examination for the failed subjects. A student is permitted to write

reappearance examination for the failed subjects any number of times within n+4 years duration excluding the regular final examination. The registration for the re-appearance shall be done on the date specified by the Controller of Examinations. Each registration is considered as an attempt even if the student is absent for the examination. Mark obtained in the latest theory / practical examination will be retained for processing of results. Re-appearance exams only with Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ) in OMR mode in the following pattern.

Course details	Question pattern & marks	Mode of exam	Duration
Courses with Theory and Practical	Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ) (60 x 1 = 60 marks)	OMR	75 minutes
Courses with Theory alone	Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ) (100 x 1 = 100 marks)		120 minutes

Reappearance examination will be applicable to industry and institutional educational tours, RAWE, agro industrial tie-up programmes, crop production and non-gradual compulsory courses if the student having hundred per cent attendance.

2.1.2. Improvement exam

A student with an OGPA of less than 6.50 is eligible to write improvement examination. Improvement exam is permitted for both final theory and practical examinations and a student opting for improvement is required to write both final theory and practical examinations. For this course, the original marks secured by the student in the mid-term exam will be retained. **The student has to write the Improvement Examination only along with the final semester exams, both theory and practical as may be applicable, along with the junior batches.** In case a student fails to secure higher grade point in the improvement examination, the higher grade point secured by the student in regular examination will be taken for grading. Improvement examination will not be applicable to industry and institutional educational tours, RAWE, agro industrial tie-up programmes and crop production. Students opting for improvement examination, has to take up the concerned reappearance examination when called for by registering and paying the fee applicable for reappearance examination.

2.2.1 **Skipping of course(s) and semester is not permitted in any case.** If the student fails to accomplish the residential requirement of course(s) in a semester, he is not permitted to continue the subsequent semester(s).

2.2.2. However, **If a student awarded “E” grade only in one course (1+1/2+1/1+0/2+0/1+2)** in the preceding semester, he/she may be permitted to register the course in the next/subsequent semester, when offered for the juniors, along with other courses provided the maximum permissible credit load of 27 should not exceed.

- 2.2.3. The student can be permitted to continue with this pattern till end of fourth semester. At the end of fourth semester he/she has to complete all the pending courses failing which, he/she has to continue studies with his junior only after completion of all pending courses.
- 2.2.4. If the student has pending courses of fifth and sixth semester, he/she may be permitted to continue seventh semester till there is no change in the existing courses of VII semester (RAWE, tour, and project work). The student may be permitted to register the pending courses of fifth and sixth semesters in the VIII semester not exceeding 27 credits, following the 105 working days pattern. For reappearance exams, the rule enforced by the Controller of Examinations from time to time will be applicable.
- 2.3 The minimum **Grade Point** to be secured for a pass in a course is **6.00 out of 10.00**, a total of 60 Marks out of 100.
- 2.4. Students who fail and want to apply for revaluation are permitted to do so only if the required mark falls within 10 % of final theory mark (4 marks for 2+1/1+1 courses and 6 marks for 2+0 /1+0 courses) and if more than 10%, they can apply only for retotaling with same fee.
- 2.5 Only Failed students are eligible to apply for revaluation of final theory answer script. A maximum **grace mark** of 1.0, applicable to both theory and practical, is awarded to students, if required, to pass an examination as under para 8.3 provided the student should have secured 50 % mark in both theory and practical separately.
- 2.5 A student has to maintain a minimum OGPA of 6.50 out of 10.00 and passed all the courses and completed the credit requirements as per the applicable syllabus at the end of final year (8th semester) to become eligible for the award of degree.