



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

EXAMINATIONS

Is there a difference between external and internal exam candidates?

External candidates are those, who have not enrolled for a course at Goethe-Institut/ Max Mueller Bhavan New Delhi but would like to take an examination for Goethe-Zertifikat at the Goethe-Institut. The exam pattern which is available on our website is same for everyone.

Are the examinations conducted online or offline at the Goethe-Institut/ Max Mueller Bhavan?

Goethe-Institut/ Max Mueller Bhavan New Delhi currently offers only paper based examinations.

Where is the examination conducted?

All examinations are conducted at the Goethe-Institut/ Max Mueller Bhavan New Delhi.

Is it safe to take the exam at the Goethe-Institut/ Max Mueller Bhavan New Delhi?

Yes, it is extremely safe to take the exam at the Goethe-Institut/ Max Mueller Bhavan New Delhi. We conduct the exams in accordance with the SOPs laid down by the Indian Health Ministry.

What are the safety precautions taken at the institute while conducting the exam?

The safety of exam candidates is of utmost importance to us. All sanitization, hygiene and social distancing measures are being rigorously followed as prescribed in the SOP of the Indian Health Ministry dated 10.09.2020 - [SOPs on preventive measures MoHFW](#).

How can a candidate register himself / herself for the examination at the Goethe-Institut/ Max Mueller Bhavan New Delhi?

The registration for the examination is to be done online by filling the online application form.

1. Candidates are requested to apply online as per the registration schedule & links mentioned on the website. After applying successfully for the examination, the candidates will receive an E-Mail regarding the payment.

Please Note: Successful online application is not a confirmation of allotment of an examination seat.

2. Once the payment is made and the examination fee is received by the Goethe-Institut, the admit card is sent via E-Mail.
3. The room plan is shared via E-Mail approximately 3 days prior to the examination.

How often are examinations conducted for external students at the Goethe-Institut/ Max Mueller Bhavan New Delhi?

We are pleased to inform you that our examination schedule for the next few weeks is already on our website.

Given the present COVID-19 related situation we cannot, however, plan dates very far ahead and will keep publishing the same on our website as and when new dates can be offered. We are presently operating with very restricted numbers of candidates working in accordance with the latest SOP of the Indian Health Ministry.

Why some candidates are informed that they are on the waiting list of a particular examination?

We are presently operating with very restricted numbers of candidates working in accordance with the latest SOP of the Indian Health Ministry. Due to high demand some candidates are put on waiting list. However, please be assured that we will try and accommodate these candidates for a later examination date. They will receive an information E-Mail for the next available date. For further queries please write to languagecourses-delhi@goethe.de

Can a candidate take a B1 level examination as an external candidate without completing A2 level?

As an external candidate one can take the examination of any level.

If a candidate is below the recommended age, can he/she still take the examination for adults?

Yes, as an external candidate you may take the examination for any level. For the potential exam participants, who are younger than the recommended age or whose age varies considerably from the recommended age above may not appeal their exam results on the grounds of their age, e.g. because the topics are not suitable to their age. One need not have attended a language course or acquired a certificate in order to participate in an exam as an external candidate.

If a candidate has not passed all the modules in B1 and B2 level within 6 months, does he/ she need to repeat all the modules?

No, the candidate may repeat only the modules which he or she has not passed.

Where can one find material for exam preparation?

Practice material for all Goethe examinations is available on our website [German Exams](#). Additionally examination preparation material / books can be obtained from various publishers. Please click on the link for details [List of exam preparation books](#).

Can the examination fee be paid online?

Yes, the external and internal candidates can pay the examination fee via payment link. The payment link is sent via SMS or E-Mail (Visa or Master, credit/debit card)

Can the exam fees be refunded if it has already been paid?

Examination fee is non-refundable. If an exam is not taken for reasons of illness, 75% of the examination fee will be credited only once for the next/following examination date, provided a medical certificate has been furnished prior to the commencement of the examination. Should a participant be excluded from the exam (see Section 11 of the [Exam Guidelines](#) of the Goethe-Institut), the exam fee will not be refunded.

When are the results announced?

The results are announced within 3 weeks from date of examination.

When can the certificates for the examination be collected?

The certificates can be collected within 5 weeks from the date of examination.

How can the candidate apply for viewing?

Based on the examination regulations, the viewing takes place in the presence of an examiner. Please note that due to COVID-19, the report of the viewing request will be shared digitally. You are requested to write at Viewing-GI-Delhi@goethe.de for further details regarding viewing.

Is it possible to get a soft copy or scanned copy of the certificate?

According to the examination guidelines, there is no provision of providing a soft-or a scanned copy of the certificate.

What value does the participation certificate hold?

The participation certificate is a proof stating that a candidate has participated in the examination at Goethe-Institut / Max Mueller Bhavan. However, it clearly states that this is not a certificate and is a computer-generated document.

Is there any provision of sending the certificate via courier?

The certificates can be sent via courier. The candidates are requested to send an E-Mail at nde-certificate@goethe.de with a request to send the certificate via courier.

Can a representative of the candidate collect the certificate on his/ her behalf?

A representative can also collect the certificate of the candidate from the Goethe-Institut/ Max Mueller New Delhi. He/ She must carry the authorization letter handed over by the candidate to him along with the valid Photo ID proof (Class 10th Certificate, Passport and Driving License)

Please Note: You are requested to write an Email at nde-certificate@goethe.de with the request to collect the certificate from the institute. You will be given an appointment to collect the certificate in person.

How can I get a replacement certificate, if my certificate is lost / damaged?

We can only issue a replacement certificate if it is lost within ten years from the date of examination. Please refer §15 of the [Exam Guidelines](#) on the Goethe-Website. There is no provision for re-issuing of a certificate if the certificate is lost or archived. A fee of INR 1000/- is assessed for issuing a replacement certificate.

What is a Level Test?

Prospective students who wish to take a course higher than A1 and have not passed any of the Goethe-Institut examinations within the last six months will have to take the level test, which is conducted at the beginning of each trimester & semester. This will determine the level of their current knowledge of German language. Details pertaining to the same are available on the website shortly before the beginning of the respective courses. Please follow the website for the same.

Can the candidate take the level test online?

Yes, the level test can be taken online.

Can the payment for the level test be made online?

Yes, the payment can be made online via payment link.

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