1.0	Introduction:
	The West Bengal Joint Entrance Examinations Board
	The West Bengal Joint Entrance Examinations Board (WBJEEB) was established in 1962 by Government of West Bengal in exercise of the powers conferred under article 162 of the Constitution of India in pursuant to No. 828-Edn(T), dated 02.03.1962. Subsequently, the Board was recognised as a Statutory Body vide West Bengal Act XIV of 2014 and was authorised for conducting the Joint Entrance Examination (WBJEE) in respect to admission to various institutions in West Bengal imparting education in Medical, Engineering and Technological courses.
	The Board is empowered to conduct Common Entrance Examinations for admission to Undergraduate and Postgraduate Professional and Vocational Courses.
	WBJEEB has been instrumental in the admission process based on online application and allotment through e-Counselling since 2012. It advocates fairness and transparency, ensures no-error, and adopts state-of-the-art technology.
2.0	JEPBN-2021
2.1	<b>The Examination:</b> For the academic session 2021-22, the Board will conduct common entrance examinations titled <b>JEPBN-2021</b> for admission in <b>Post Basic Nursing (PBN)</b> course in Colleges/ Institutes in the State of West Bengal.
2.2	Schedule of JEPBN-2021:
	The examination will be conducted on 14 <sup>th</sup> August (Saturday) from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM.
	The examination will be held only once and there shall be no further examination under any circumstances for those who are unable to appear on the above date and time.
2.3	Pattern of Question Papers.
	The paper will contain 100 questions. All questions will be of <b>Multiple-Choice Question (MCQ)</b> type, with four answer options. Time for the paper is 90 minutes. The questions will be in <b>English language only.</b>
2.4	<b>Syllabus:</b> The paper will be based on GNM syllabus and will have two parts as follows. The topics and number of questions of the two parts are given below.
	<ul> <li>a) Anatomy, Physiology, Sociology, Psychology, Pharmacology, Microbiology, Nutrition, Pathology – 40 Q</li> <li>b) Foundation of Nursing, Medical Surgical Nursing, Paediatric Nursing, Psychiatric Nursing, Obstetrical Nursing, Community Health Nursing – 60 Q</li> </ul>
2.5	Mode of answering in the examination.
	a) Questions are to be answered on specially designed optical machine-readable response <b>(OMR)</b> sheet, which will be evaluated by Optical Mark Recognition method. Thus, it is very important to follow the correct method of marking.
	b) There will be four alternative answers for each question. Candidates will indicate his/her response to the questions by <b>completely darkening the appropriate circle with blue/black ball point pen</b> .

	c) Any other kind of marking e.g., filling the bubble incompletely, filling with pencil, cross mark, tick mark, dot mark, circular mark, over writing, scratching, erasing, white ink, marking outside the bubble etc. may lead to wrong/partial/ambiguous reading of the response. <b>WBJEEB will be, in no way, responsible for such eventuality</b> .
	d) Response marking cannot be edited/changed/erased/modified.
2.6	Scoring Methodology
	a) All questions will have four answer options
	b) Only one option is correct.
	c) Correct response will yield 1 (one) mark.
	d) Incorrect response will yield -1/4 (25% negative) marks.
	<ul> <li>For any combination of response with more than one option, the said answer will be treated as incorrect and will yield -1/4 (25% negative) marks.</li> </ul>
	f) No response will yield zero mark.
2.7	Ranking Methodology and publication of Merit Lists
	WBJEEB will prepare merit ranks based on the candidates' <b>score in the entrance tests.</b> Individual candidates will be able to view and download his/her Rank Card, which will contain score and rank. <b>WBJEEB does not publish any ranks/score list for public</b> .
	a) The rank shall be in the name and style of <b>'GMR'</b> (General Merit Rank)
	b) Ranking shall be done in the descending order of marks scored in the entrance test.
	c) However, there may be ties and the tie-breaking rule given in section 2.8 below shall be applicable for determining the merit rank.
	d) Separate reserved category merit position will also be indicated for respective category of students e.g., SC Rank, ST Rank, OBC-A Rank, OBC-B Rank, PwD Rank, <b>as applicable</b> .
	e) <b>Counselling/allotment of seat/admission will be done based on GMR only</b> (not on category ranks). Category ranks are only for information to candidates.
	f) Category ranks are generated based on the birth category information given by the candidates during online application. If during verification, any candidate's claim is found invalid, his/her category rank will be cancelled and the candidate will be reconsidered in general category with his/her GMR. <b>Category ranks of other candidates will not be revised</b> .
2.8	Tie-breaking Methodology in Merit Rank:
	1. Higher marks in part b
	2. Less negative marks in total
	<ol> <li>Less negative marks in part b</li> <li>Less negative marks in part a</li> </ol>