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## **Notification**

## Facilitation for Blind and Low Vision Candidates - AIBE-XX

In compliance of observation made by Hon'ble Supreme Court in its order dated 13.11.2025 in Writ Petition(s)(Civil) No(s).785/2024 in the matter of YASH DODANI & ORS. Versus UNION OF INDIA & ORS, the following necessary actions were taken to obtain the consent of all eligible registered candidates under the Blind and Low Vision category (disability 40% and above) of AIBE-XX regarding their preferred mode of examination using screen reader software on a Computer/Laptop.

Following facilitation measures for all eligible candidates belonging to Blind and Low Vision Category who opted for Screen reader software are as follows:

- 1. As per the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, JAWS screen reader software will be made available as an additional option to NVDA, a free and open-source screen reader software.
- 2. Candidates will be provided a well-functioning computer or laptop with Windows OS (version 8.1 or later) supporting accessibility software.
- **3.** Candidates will be permitted to bring an installation file of NVDA and soft copies of Bare Acts downloaded from official government websites (e.g., *indiacode.nic.in*), along with an accessible soft copy of the question paper in English (in DOC or non-scanned PDF format) in a Pen Drive.
- **4.** Candidates will be allowed to inspect the computer system and install NVDA a day prior to the examination to ensure smooth functioning.
- **5.** Candidates may either attempt the examination independently using assistive software or avail the services of a scribe, as per their preference.
- **6.** The Scribe shall be permitted in accordance with the guidelines of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment dated 10.08.2022 and shall be arranged by the candidate at their own cost. The scribe should preferably be a student of class 10<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> from a non-humanity (non-civics, non-modern government, non-political science).
- **7.** Candidate shall be allowed 20 minutes extra time per hour i.e., a total of 1 hour extra to finish the 3-hour AIBE.

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