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केन्द्रीय उच्च तिब्बती शिक्षा संस्थान, सारनाथ, वाराणसी, उ.प्र., भारत

Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies, Sarnath, Varanasi, UP, India

(A Central-Government Funded 'Deemed to be University' Under Section 3 of UGC Act 1956)

Entrance Examination Notification for Admission to Academic Session 2026-27

Date: 27.04.2026

The Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies (CIHTS), Sarnath, Varanasi, a premier institution established through the collaborative vision of His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama and the Government of India, announces its Entrance Examination for admission to the academic session 2026–27. Recognised as a 'Deemed to be University' under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956, and accredited with an 'A' grade by NAAC, CIHTS integrates the profound traditions of Tibetan and Buddhist studies with contemporary academic disciplines.

Date of Entrance Examination: Sunday, 28th June 2026

Time: Morning Session (09:00 AM – 12:00 Noon)

Afternoon Session (02:00 PM – 05:00 PM)

Programmes Offered:

Purva Madhayama (P.M.)	Acharya (equivalent to M.A.)
Uttara Madhayama (U.M.)	Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A.)
Shastri (equivalent to B.A.)	B.Ed.
Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.)	Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.)

Application Process: Interested candidates may apply through the prescribed application form available on the Institute's official website: www.cihts.ac.in

Career Opportunities: Graduates of CIHTS pursue successful careers internationally and nationally as educators, translators, medical practitioners, researchers, and cultural ambassadors in universities, research centres, NGOs, and governmental institutions. Many alumni also contribute within CIHTS itself in academic and research capacities.

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Name of the Programme	Seats	Eligibility Conditions	Exam Pattern
Purva Madhayama Baudh Darshan (Buddhist Philosophy)	47	Eligibility Candidates who have passed or are currently appearing for the Class VIII examination from a recognized institution are eligible to apply. They must have proficiency in Tibetan language at the Class VIII level, along with basic knowledge of either English or Hindi at the same level.	Examination Pattern There will be two papers – (a) Tibetan Language (100 marks) (b) Hindi or English (100 marks) The level of paper shall be equivalent to class VIII.
Uttar Madhayama Traditional Fine Arts	10	Eligibility Candidates who have passed or are currently appearing for the Class X examination from a recognized institution are eligible to apply. They must have proficiency in Tibetan language at the Class X level, along with basic knowledge of either English or Hindi at the same level.	Examination Pattern There will be three papers – (a) Tibetan Language (100 marks) (b) English or Hindi (50 marks) (c) General Knowledge (50marks) The level of paper shall be equivalent to class X.
Uttar Madhayama Bhot Jyotish	7	Eligibility Candidates who have passed or are currently appearing for the Class X examination from a recognized institution are eligible to apply. They must have proficiency in Tibetan language at the Class X level, along with basic knowledge of either English or Hindi at the same level.	Examination Pattern There will be three papers – (a) Tibetan Language (100 marks) (b) Hindi or English (50 marks) (c) General Knowledge (50 marks) The level of paper shall be equivalent to class X.

B.Ed.	25	<p>Eligibility</p> <p>1. The admission shall be open to students who have graduated with a minimum 50% marks in any discipline viz. Shastri or equivalent from a University recognized by the Government of India/U.G.C. Final year (appearing) students may also apply; subjected to fulfilment of eligibility at the time of counselling.</p> <p>2. The applicant must possess the class X certificate with the Tibetan language as a subject.</p>	<p>Examination Pattern</p> <p>There will be three papers – (a) Teaching Aptitude, General Knowledge and Current Affairs (100 marks) (Objective) (b) Tibetan Language and Literature (50 marks) (Subjective) (c) English Language and Literature or Hindi Language and Literature (50 marks) (Subjective)</p> <p>Note: The level of paper for both languages shall be class X</p>
Shastri Bauddh Darshan (Buddhist Philosophy)	*	<p>Eligibility</p> <p>Admission to the Shastri Bauddh Darshan (Buddhist Philosophy) programme is open to candidates who have completed or are currently appearing for the 10+2/Uttar Madhyama (or its equivalent) with Tibetan language from a recognized school, university or Institution.</p>	<p>Examination Pattern</p> <p>There will be four papers – (a) Buddhist Philosophy (100 marks) (b) Tibetan Language (50 marks) (c) Sanskrit (50 Marks) (d) Hindi /English (50 marks)</p> <p>The level of paper shall be of class XII.</p> <p>The medium of language for papers (a) & (b) shall be only in Tibetan.</p>
Shastri Bon Darshan (Bon Philosophy)	*	<p>Eligibility</p> <p>Admission to the Shastri Bon Darshan (Bon Philosophy) programme is open to candidates who have completed or are currently appearing for the 10+2/Uttar Madhyama (or its equivalent) with Tibetan language from a recognized school, university or Institution.</p>	<p>Examination Pattern</p> <p>There will be four papers – (a) Bon Philosophy (100 marks) (b) Tibetan Language (50 marks) (c) Sanskrit (50 Marks) (d) Hindi /English (50 marks)</p> <p>The level of paper shall be of class XII.</p> <p>The medium of language for papers (a) & (b) shall be only in Tibetan.</p>
Shastri Bhot Jyotish	*	<p>Eligibility</p> <p>Admission to the Shastri Bhot Jyotish programme is open to candidates who have completed or are currently appearing for the 10+2/Uttar Madhyama in Bhot Jyotish with Tibetan language from a recognized school, university or Institution.</p>	<p>Examination Pattern</p> <p>There will be four papers – (a) Bhot Jyotish (100 marks) (b) Tibetan Language (50 marks) (c) Sanskrit (50 Marks) (d) Hindi /English (50 marks)</p> <p>The level of paper shall be of class XII.</p> <p>The medium of language for papers (a) & (b) shall be only in Tibetan.</p>
Bachelor of Fine Arts (B.F.A.)	*	<p>Eligibility</p> <p>Admission to the B.F.A. programme is open to candidates who have completed or are currently appearing for the 10+2/Uttar Madhyama in Thangka Painting/ Wood Craft with Tibetan language from a recognized school, university or Institution.</p>	<p>Examination Pattern</p> <p>There will be three papers – (a) History of Arts & Aesthetics (100 marks) (b) Tibetan Language (50 marks) (c) English/Hindi (50 marks).</p> <p>The level of paper shall be of class XII.</p> <p>The medium of language for the paper (a) shall be Tibetan/English.</p>

Acharya Baudh Darshan (Buddhist Philosophy)	*	<p>Eligibility Admission to the Acharya Baudh Darshan (Buddhist Philosophy) programme is open to candidates who have completed or are currently pursuing Shastri (B.A.) (or its equivalent) with Tibetan Language from a recognized university or Institution.</p>	<p>Examination Pattern There will be three papers – (a) Buddhist Philosophy (100 marks) (b) Tibetan Language (50 marks) (c) Hindi/English/Pali/Sanskrit (50 marks)</p> <p>The level of paper shall be of Shastri (B.A.)</p> <p>The medium of language for papers (a) &(b) shall be only in Tibetan.</p>
Acharya Bon Darshan (Bon Philosophy)	*	<p>Eligibility Admission to the Acharya Bon Darshan (Bon Philosophy) programme is open to candidates who have completed or are currently pursuing Shastri (B.A.) (or its equivalent) with Tibetan Language from a recognized university or Institution.</p>	<p>Examination Pattern There will be three papers – (a) Bon Philosophy (100 marks) (b) Tibetan Language (50 marks) (c) Hindi/English/Pali/Sanskrit (50 marks)</p> <p>The level of paper shall be of Shastri (B.A.)</p> <p>The medium of language for papers (a) & (b) shall be only in Tibetan.</p>
Acharya Tibetan Language & Literature	*	<p>Eligibility Admission to the Acharya Tibetan Language & Literature programme is open to candidates who have completed or are currently pursuing Shastri (B.A.)/B.A. B.Ed. 4th Year programme (or its equivalent) with Tibetan Language from a recognized university or Institution.</p>	<p>Examination Pattern There will be three papers – (a) Tibetan Literature (100 marks) (b) Tibetan Language (50 marks) (c) Hindi/English/Pali/Sanskrit (50 marks)</p> <p>The level of paper shall be of Shastri (B.A.)</p> <p>The medium of language for papers (a) & (b) shall be only in Tibetan.</p>
Acharya Tibetan History & Culture	*	<p>Eligibility Admission to the Acharya Tibetan History & Culture programme is open to candidates who have completed or are currently pursuing Shastri (B.A.)/B.A. B.Ed. 4th Year programme (or its equivalent) with Tibetan Language from a recognized university or Institution.</p>	<p>Examination Pattern There will be three papers – (a) Tibetan History & Culture (100 marks) (b) Tibetan Language (50 marks) (c) Hindi/English/Pali/Sanskrit (50 marks)</p> <p>The level of paper shall be of Shastri (B.A.)</p> <p>The medium of language for papers (a) &(b) shall be only in Tibetan.</p>
Acharya Bhot Jyotish	*	<p>Eligibility Admission to the Acharya Bhot Jyotish programme is open to candidates who have completed or are currently pursuing Shastri Bhot Jyotish (or its equivalent) with Tibetan Language from a recognized university or Institution.</p>	<p>Examination Pattern There will be three papers – (a) Bhot Jyotish (100 marks) (b) Tibetan Language (50 marks) (b) Hindi/English/Pali/Sanskrit (50 marks)</p> <p>The level of paper shall be of Shastri (B.A.)</p> <p>The medium of language for papers (a) & (b) shall be only in Tibetan</p>
Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A.)	*	<p>Eligibility Admission to the M.F.A. programme is open to candidates who have completed or are currently pursuing B.F.A. in Thanka Painting/ Wood Craft (or its equivalent) with Tibetan Language from a recognized university or Institution</p>	<p>Examination Pattern There will be two papers – (a) History of Arts & Aesthetics (100 marks) (b) Tibetan Language (100 marks)</p> <p>The level of paper shall be of class B.F.A.</p> <p>The medium of language for the paper (a) shall be Tibetan/English.</p>

<p>Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) in Hetu Evam Adhyatma Vidya</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Buddhist Philosophy • Sampradaya Shastra • Bon Sampradaya 	<p>*</p>	<p>Eligibility Admission to the Ph.D. programme is open to candidates who have completed or are currently pursuing the Acharya degree (Master's degree in the Tibetan medium) in the relevant subject, with at least 55% marks or an equivalent grade from a recognized University or Institution. A relaxation of 5% marks or equivalent grade is applicable for candidates belonging to SC, ST, OBC (non-creamy layer), EWS, differently-abled categories, and other groups as per UGC norms. Professionals employed at CIHTS, including researchers, faculty members, and staff, may also apply for the Ph.D. programme, provided they submit a "No Objection Certificate" from their current organization or department.</p>	<p>Examination Pattern For non-NET candidates Written Exam (100 marks) Unit A-Research Methodology, MCQs (20 marks) Unit B-Subject Related 10 short questions of 2 marks each (20 marks) Unit C-Subject related 3 essay type questions of 10 marks each (30 marks) Unit D- Translation of one paragraph from Tibetan to Sanskrit/Hindi/English (30 marks) After clearing the written exam, candidates will have to appear in Interview. JRF qualified students will be given admission based on an interview as per UGC regulation, 2022. NET qualified candidates will be given admission as per the UGC notification dated 27/3/2024</p>
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Note* Admission to Shastri, Acharya & Ph.D. Programmes shall be made on merit and as per availability of the seats.

- 1. Admission Process:** Admission will be granted based on the candidate's performance in the entrance examination.
For programmes from Purva Madhayama to Acharya: Candidates must score at least 35% in each paper.
For Ph.D. Course: A minimum of 50% marks in the entrance test is required to qualify.
- 2. Reservation Policy:** Seat reservations will be provided as per the Government of India norms.
- 3. Examination Centres:** The entrance examination will be conducted at the following centres:
(1) CIHTS, Sarnath, Varanasi (2) Dehradun (3) Siliguri (4) Shimla (5) Bylakuppe, Mysuru (6) Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh (7) Mundgod, Karnataka (8) Kathmandu, Nepal (9) Ladhakh. Candidates should indicate their preferred centre while filling the application form.
- 4. Supernumerary Seats under PM CARES Scheme:** In addition to the regular seats, two supernumerary seats per programme are available under the PM CARES for Children Scheme. Admission to these seats will depend on eligibility and fulfilment of all criteria prescribed by the Government of India under this scheme.
- 5. The Admission Form is available on the Institute website www.cihts.ac.in and can be downloaded from the following links:**
 - <https://cihts.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/ENTRANCE-EXAMINATION-APPLICATION-FORM-FOR-PURVA-MADHAYAMA-UTTAR-MADHAYAMA-2026-27.pdf>
 - <https://cihts.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/ENTRANCE-EXAMINATION-APPLICATION-FORM-FOR-SHASTRI-B.F.A.-B.ED.-2026-27.pdf>
 - <https://cihts.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/ENTRANCE-EXAMINATION-APPLICATION-FORM-FOR-ACHARYA-M.F.A.-2026-27.pdf>
 - <https://cihts.ac.in/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/ENTRANCE-EXAMINATION-APPLICATION-FORM-FOR-Ph.D.-Programme-2026-27.pdf>
- 6. The completed application form, along with self-attested photocopies of all required documents as specified in the form, must be submitted either by registered post, speed post, courier, or email on or before 11 June 2026 by 5:00 PM to the address given below. Incomplete applications or those received after the deadline will not be considered.**
- 7. Tibetan and Hindi versions of this notification will be issued separately and can be accessed on the Institute's website: www.cihts.ac.in.**

Address for Speed post/registered post/courier
To,
Registrar
Examination Wing
Central Institute of Higher Tibetan Studies
Sarnath, Varanasi- 221007,
Uttar Pradesh, India
Email ID -admissions@cihts.ac.in

8. Other information and important Dates:

- (i) Last Date of Submission of forms- 11.06.2026
- (ii) Date of examination -28.06.2026
- (iii) Date of result declaration -03.07.2026
- (iv) Date of Counselling - 08.07.2026 to 12.07.2026

9. **Admit Card:** Admit cards (Hall Tickets) will be sent to candidates via the email ID provided in their application forms, tentatively between 15th June and 20th June 2026.

10. **Documents Required at Counselling:** Candidates must bring the following original documents at the time of counselling:

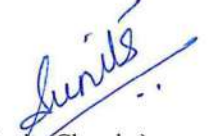
Mark sheet	Proof of Date of Birth
Transfer Certificate	Residential Proof
School Leaving Certificate	Passport/Citizenship Certificate (for foreign nationals)
Character Certificate	Registration Certificate (R.C.) or Green Book (for Tibetan applicants)
Category Certificate (if applicable)	

11. Candidates are advised to regularly visit the Institute's website www.cihts.ac.in and check their registered email for updates and announcements.
12. **Contact for Queries:** For any admission-related queries, applicants may contact the following numbers during office hours (10:00 AM to 05:00 PM on working days):

- Mr. Kowar Ravi Shankar (Exam Wing): 07052267273
- Mr. Penpa Tsering (Exam Wing): 07905899789
- Mr. Abhimanyu Bhandari (Exam Wing): 08894839082

You may also send your queries via email to: admissions@cihts.ac.in

In case of any dispute, the English version will be final.


(Dr. Sunita Chandra)
Registrar

Copy to:

- VC Office, CIHTS for kind information of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor
- Joint Secretary, BTI Section, Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India, Puratatva Bhavan, New Delhi for kind information.
- Vice-Chancellor, Nav Nalanda Mahavihara, Bihar
- Vice-Chancellor, CIBS, Leh
- Director, CIHCS, Dahung, Ar. Pradesh
- Secretary, CTSA, New Delhi, with the request to arrange for circulation of this notice to all the concerned schools
- Secretary, Department of Education, C.T.A., Dharamsala, with the request to arrange for circulation of this notice to all the concerned schools
- Secretary, Department of Religion and Culture, C.T.A., Dharamsala, with the request to arrange for the circulation of this notice to all the concerned monastic schools
- Secretary, Tibetan Homes Foundation, Mussoorie, with the request to arrange for circulation of this notice to all the concerned schools
- Director, S.O.S., T.C.V. (Main) with the request to arrange for circulation of this notice to all the concerned schools
- Director, S.T.S. (Main), with the request to arrange for the circulation of this notice to all the concerned schools
- All the Deans of the Faculties and Heads of the Departments of the CIHTS
- In-Charges (Research Departments) /Director (I/c) CTE / Assistant Registrar / I/c Examination
- President, Alumni Association of CIHTS
- All the Sampradaya In-charges/I/c Library/Deputy Registrar/AR (Adm-II)/ I/c Exam
- Coordinator (IQAC) to upload on the Institute Website.
- Wardens, all hostels/President, S.W.A./Treasurer MMC/ All the notice boards/Record file


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