

## Degree exams begin today

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The Degree (Pass and Certificate) Examinations, 1999 under National University (NU) begin today at 588 centres across the country.

A total of 2,68,379 candidates are to sit for the examinations. Of them, 1,84,067 are male while 84,312 female, officials said last night.

Meanwhile, many candidates were seen collecting their admit cards even yesterday.

According to press reports yesterday, there was uncertainty over holding of the examinations as per schedule as admit cards of a large number of candidates were not distributed till Friday.

A press release of the NU yesterday said all preparation has been taken for holding examinations smoothly and fairly. An information desk has been opened in the capital to make available any information regarding the exams, the release added.

People seeking assistance regarding the exams have been requested to call: 9800656,

011868794, 9800655,

017538008, 017538009,

0175380010, 9800651, 9800652,

9110261, 9800678, 8110290,

8110261, 9010894 and 9800658-

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High-powered vigilance teams have also been formed with the teachers and officials of affiliated colleges to check unwanted activities during the exams, the release added.

The NU authorities have sought cooperation of all for holding of the examinations smoothly.

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