

Rajasthan High Court Notice to NTA | Rajasthan | 25 Jun 2024

Why in News?

The **Rajasthan High Court** issued notices to the <u>National Testing Agency (NTA)</u> and the Centre regarding requests for the **cancellation of** the <u>medical entrance exam NEET-UG</u> due to alleged irregularities.

Key Points

- The National Eligibility and Entrance Test (NEET) Undergraduate exam paper leak has escalated, leading to protests demanding a re-test and a <u>Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) probe</u>.
- The Rajasthan high court set the hearing for 10th July 2024, two days after the Supreme Court is scheduled to hear similar petitions, including those seeking cancellation of the NEET-UG 2024 exam and a court-monitored investigation.

National Testing Agency

- About:
 - The National Testing Agency (NTA) was established as a Society registered under the Indian Societies Registration Act. 1860.
 - It is an **autonomous and self-sustained testing organisation** to conduct entrance examinations for admission in higher educational institutions.
- Governance:
 - NTA is chaired by an eminent educationist appointed by the **Ministry of Human Resource Development.**
 - The **Chief Executive Officer (CEO)** will be the Director-General to be appointed by the Government.
 - There will be a **Board of Governors** comprising members from user institutions.

NEET- UG

- National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (Undergraduate) or NEET, formerly the All India Pre-Medical Test, is an entrance examination for admission in undergraduate medical programs (MBBS and BDS courses) in India.
- It is conducted by the NTA.

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