

21. EXAMINATION OFFENCES AND PUNISHMENTS

21.1 Offences

- 21.1.1 Any candidate who violates Examination Rule 19.5 shall be deemed guilty of the offence of possession of unauthorized documents and shall be liable to cancellation of his/her candidature from the examination and to any further punishment that the Board of Management and/or the University Senate may decide.
- 21.1.2 Candidate who violates Rule 19.7 shall be deemed guilty of the offence of copying and shall be liable to cancellation of his/her candidature from the examination and to be prohibited from sitting any examination of the Institute for a period as may be specified and to any other punishment that may decide by the Board of Management and/or the University Senate.
- 21.1.3 Candidate who violates Rule 19.8 shall be deemed guilty of the offence of having cheated at the examination and shall be liable to cancellation of his/her candidature from the examination and to be prohibited from sitting any examination of the Institute for a period as may be specified and to any other punishment that may decide by the Board of Management and/or the University Senate.
- 21.1.4 Candidate who is detected of removing examination stationary and other material provided for the examination (Rule 19.10) shall be deemed guilty of an examination offence and shall be liable for punishment including cancellation and/or prohibition from sitting any examination of the Institute for a period as may be specified by the Board of Management and/or the University Senate.
- 21.1.5 Candidate who violates any one or more of the rules in 19.6, 19.14, 19.15, 19.16, 19.17 or 19.18 shall be deemed guilty of the offence of disorderly conduct and shall be liable for punishment including cancellation/ or prohibition from any examination of the Institute for a period as may be specified by the Board of Management and/or the University Senate.
- 21.1.6 Candidate who violates Rule 19.19 shall be guilty of the offence of impersonation and shall be liable to cancellation of candidature from the examination and to be prohibited from sitting any examination of the Institute for a period as may be specified by the Board of Management and/or the University Senate. He shall also be liable to any punishment under the Penal Code/Criminal Law.
- 21.1.7 Any candidate who violates Rule 19.20 shall be guilty of an examination offence and shall be liable to cancellation of candidature from the examination and to any further punishment that the Board of Management and/or the University Senate may decide.
- 21.1.8 Any candidate found aiding and abetting in the commission of any of the above examination offences shall be deemed to have committed that offence and shall be liable to the same punishment.
- 21.1.9 Canvassing or attempting to canvass an examiner will disqualify the candidate and his/her candidature at the particular examination will be cancelled and he/she will be prohibited from sitting any examination of the Institute for such period as may be specified by the Board of Management and/or the University Senate.

21.2 Classification of Offences

Examination offences may be broadly classified as follows:-

- 21.2.1 Possession of unauthorized documents or removal of examination stationary.
- 21.2.2 Disorderly conduct of a grave nature.
- 21.2.3 Copying.
- 21.2.4 Attempting to obtain/obtaining improper assistance or cheating.
- 21.2.5 Impersonation.
- 21.2.6 Aiding and abetting in the commission of these offences.

21.3 Punishments

The minimum punishments for examination offences shall be as follows:-

- 21.3.1 Possession of unauthorized documents or removal of examination stationary:
Cancellation of candidature from the examination in which the offence was committed.
- 21.3.2 Disorderly conduct of a grave nature, copying and attempting to obtain or obtaining improper assistance:
Cancellation of candidature for a period as may be specified by the Board of Management and/or the University Senate including the one in which the offence was committed.
- 21.3.3 Impersonation:
Cancellation of candidature for a period as may be specified by the Board of Management and/or the University Senate including the one in which the offence was committed.

The punishment for aiding and abetting or the commission of one or more of the examination offences shall be the same as the punishments for the offence.

The punishments recommended by the respective Board of Study shall be submitted to the Board of Management, and the decision of the University Senate shall be the final and conclusive.