

F. No. HQ-2004/5/2025-ERM
Staff Selection Commission

ADVISORY TO CANDIDATES

Subject: Warning and Advisory against Malpractices in Computer Based Examinations (CBE).

The Staff Selection Commission (SSC) maintains a strict policy of **zero tolerance towards malpractices** in its examinations. Candidates are cautioned that any attempt to indulge in unfair means will invite severe action under the **Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Act, 2024 (PEA Act, 2024)** and administrative measures such as **cancellation of candidature and debarment from present and future examinations**.

Certain Modes of Malpractices in CBE and Detection Measures:

(i) Remote Control of Nodes:

- Advanced technological solutions have been deployed to detect cases where any examination node is taken on remote control.

(ii) Impersonation:

- **At the Registration Stage:** Aadhaar verification, locally captured biometrics, and facial recognition at entry and exit are used to identify impersonators.
- **Swap after Node Allocation:** CCTV surveillance and AI analytics are deployed to flag such cases.

(iii) Passing of Chits/Unfair Assistance in Examination Hall:

- CCTV cameras and AI-based analytics are actively monitoring to detect such activities.

2. Details of debarred candidates have been made public at SSC website and shall continue to be published in the interest of transparency.

3. Candidates are informed that during the course of any exam whenever any such malpractice is detected by technological solutions, it is possible that the candidate's exam may not be interrupted by the invigilators, in order to ensure that such activities do not disturb the other sincere candidates taking the exams honestly. But, subsequently in respect of candidates indulging in such malpractices, based on electronic evidence, **their scores will not be processed and action will be taken to debar them through laid down process.**

Advisory to Candidates:

- (i) **Do not write down answers on rough sheets with the intention of attempting all questions at once at the end.** Such behaviour is detected as “fast answering” by the system and will be suspected as malpractice.
 - (ii) **Do not speak to or peek into other candidates’ computers** during the examination.
 - (iii) **Do not lock Aadhaar biometrics;** biometric verification is mandatory at different stages.
4. **All candidates are once again warned not to indulge in any malpractice. The Commission is committed to ensuring fair and transparent examinations.**

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