



**SMART STUDY PROGRAM 2016**  
APTITUDE TEST  
Guidance Booklet

## SMART STUDY PROGRAM 2016

Smart Study Program is premised on the practice where the promising school and college students from rural areas are selected and trained over the period of few weeks by accomplished graduates of renowned universities. Participants engage in a rigorous process receiving career guidance as well as practice tests to apply for top universities in Pakistan and abroad.

### 1. Definitions

- 1.1. **SSP 2016:** The Smart Study Program, for the further reference in this rule book, will be pronounced as SSP 2016.
- 1.2. **Aptitude Test:** Entrance Test for Smart Study Program shall be termed as SSP Aptitude Test.
- 1.3. **Entrance Pass:** It is an authorized ticket issued by RETO Foundation to each participant sitting in the Entrance Test.
- 1.4. **Test Center:** Venue where Aptitude Test is conducted shall be termed as Test Center.

### 2. Rules & Regulations

- 2.1. All the candidates are implied to follow the set rules of SSP 2016. Under any circumstance, no candidate can change, amend or customize the rules mentioned in this rule book.
- 2.2. All the rules mentioned in Rule Book are subject to change upon the discretion of the RETO Executive Team.

### 3. Timeline

- 3.1. Following is the tentative timeline for SSP 2016:
  - 3.1.1. Registration Date: 22nd May 2016 (Friday)
  - 3.1.2. Test Date: 29th May 2016 (Sunday)
  - 3.1.3. Result Announcement Date: 31st May 2016 (Tuesday)
  - 3.1.4. Interview Date: 3rd & 4th June 2016 (Friday & Saturday)
  - 3.1.5. Deposit Submission Date: 5th June 2016 (Sunday)
  - 3.1.6. Orientation Session: 6th June 2016 (Monday)
  - 3.1.7. SSP Course Duration: 11th July 2016 (Monday) to 30th July 2016 (Saturday)
  - 3.1.8. Closing Ceremony: 13th August 2016 Night (Saturday)

### 4. Registration Fee

- 4.1. Registration Fee to appear in SSP 2016 is **PKR 200/-**.

### 5. Instructions

- 5.1. No student shall be allowed to enter the Test Center without Entrance Pass with its picture on it.
- 5.2. Late Comers will not be entertained.
- 5.3. Any kind of electronic device (calculator, mobile etc.) is not allowed.
- 5.4. Please take care of your own belongings while taking the test in the Test Hall. RETO Foundation and its subsidiary Shades Student Council shall not be responsible in case of loss or theft.

5.5. If any student is found guilty of cheating or sitting with fraudulent identity, he or she shall be dealt with strict disciplinary actions.

## 6. Eligibility & Reserved Seats

6.1. Students who have recently given board examination of grade IX, X, and XI are eligible to study in SSP 2016.

6.2. Students who are able to qualify the SSP Aptitude Test, interview along with the submission of deposit shall only be considered for SSP 2016.

6.3. RETO Foundation shall ensure equal participation for males and females respectively.

6.4. Students who have passed SSP 2015 are eligible to attend SSP 2016 without any prerequisite.

## 7. Syllabus for SSP Aptitude Test

7.1. Following are the details of SSP Aptitude Test 2016:

7.1.1. There shall be seventy Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) to be done in ninety minutes.

7.1.2. The Aptitude Test shall be divided into two portions with equal proportion in marks i.e. General Portion and Science Portion.

7.1.2.1. General Portion shall include English and IQ test. All the students, irrespective of their class, need to attempt this portion.

7.1.2.2. Science portion shall have four areas i.e. Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Mathematics. Students are required to attempt all portions.

7.1.3. Sample paper can be downloaded from the official Facebook page of Shades Pakistan or through website [www.retofoundation.org](http://www.retofoundation.org).

7.1.4. Syllabus includes:

Subjects	Marks	Explanation
<b>General Portion</b>		<i>Mandatory to attempt</i>
1. English	15	Tenses, Parts of Speech, Comprehension Passage, Sentence Correction, Vocabulary, Spellings
2. IQ and GK	15	Patterns, Number Sequence, Basic Math, commonly used abbreviations, General Knowledge, Scientific Reasoning
<b>Science Portion</b>		<i>Mandatory to attempt</i>
1. Chemistry	10	Text Book Class 9th
2. Physics	10	Text Book Class 10th
3. Mathematics	10	Text Book Class 10 <sup>th</sup>
4. Biology	10	Text Book Class 9th

## 8. Marking Criteria and Result

8.1. The SSP shall follow the following marking criteria.

8.1.1. One Mark shall be allocated for each MCQ.

8.1.2. No negative marking shall be done.

8.2. Answers shall be marked on the separate sheet attached.

8.3. Result shall be published on the official Facebook page of **Shades Pakistan**.

8.4. Top thirty to fifty students shall be invited to study in SSP 2016. Result, therefore, shall be based on relative grading.

## 9. Appeals

9.1. Any Students shall appeal to recheck their marks in SSP Aptitude Test by submitting an application in writing to the RETO Management Team duly signed by the parents or guardian. The amount for the appeal is PKR 500, which is non-refundable.

9.2. Time for appeal is within three days from the date the result shall be announced.