

# State Universities Ready to Host SNMPTN and SBMPTN

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Every year there are thousands of students wanting to go to state universities around Indonesia. This year, there are three selections in place to get the best students from the National Selection for State University (SNMPTN) through academic records, Joint Entrance Test for State Universities (SBMPTN) through written test, and Independent Selection (SM) that is stipulated by respective state universities.

Registration for SNMPTN are done by schools through a data base of schools and students (PDSS). There were a number of schools, however, not filling out their data last year.

“If schools fail to fill out the data base, their students lose the chance to go to university through the SNMPTN mechanism. Thus, I hope this year no school fails to register their students,” said Head of Yogyakarta Education Agency, Drs. R. Kadaranto Baskara Aji, during an event to socialise the SNMPTN and SBMPTN 2016 on Wednesday (20/1) in Grha Sabha Pramana Hall of Universitas Gadjah Mada, attended by headmasters or representatives from high schools, madrassas and vocational schools in the province.

In terms of selections, some changes have been made. The percentage of students to be selected through the SNMPTN decreases to 40%, the written test will not only be paper-based test, but also computer-based test (CBT). “For the CBT, there will be requirements from the central government to meet, and we’re ready for this,” said UGM Director of Education and Teaching, Dr. Agr. Ir. Sri Peni Wastutiningsih.



Peni regretted the information saying that there were certain people guaranteeing they were able to get someone admitted at the university of their choice. She denied this information, saying, "Nobody can make a promise that someone will be admitted at a state university," she said.

For the province of Yogyakarta Special Region, four state universities will conduct the SNMPTN and SBMPTN, being UGM, Universitas Negeri Yogyakarta, Universitas Islam Negeri Sunan Kalijaga, and Universitas Pembangunan Nasional Yogyakarta. For UGM, there are 66 study programmes on offer with a total quota of 6,622 students. Of this figure, some 2,649 are selected through the SNMPTN, while the SBMPTN and SM 1,987. The other three universities, UNY, UIN, and UPN, each admits 5,055; 3,390; and 2,650 new students.

The SNMPTN starts from 18 January - 20 February with data fill-out and verifications on the PDSS, registration from 29 February - 12 March 2016. Registration for SBMPTN starts 25 April 2016.

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