

A frog's entire stomach is spewed out if the amphibian was to vomit something.



Amazingly wild

# Is twice really nice?

## The Dilemma Of Students Who Can Appear For IIT-JEE And NEET Twice In A Year

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IIT-JEE and NEET are two of the most prestigious entrance examinations in India. While the former secures admission for NIT and IIT, the latter is a gateway to all medical colleges except AIIMS and JIPMER. The exams that were earlier conducted on an annual basis, will now be held twice a year. Also, the exams will now be conducted by NTA instead of CBSE, and will be held online. These series of reforms have invited mix reactions. We bring you some.

**Good job 😊**

"Seeing the results of this year and looking at the number of students dropping the year, I think this decision of two different dates is a great move for it gives students two different opportunities to qualify. Now, students do not have to wait a whole year to be able to sit for the exam again. Two chances to give the same exam will surely reduce the number of students dropping a year."

**Sudiksha Gupta,**  
AIS Mayur Vihar, XI C

"I laud the government's decision to conduct the exam twice a year. The first attempt can work as a practice test for the applicants. It will make it easier for them to identify their weak areas, and work on the same, before giving the second attempt and improve their scores."

**Medha Mathur,** AIS PV, Alumnus



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**Maybe, maybe not 🤔**

"Every new system brings with itself new rules, new challenges, and new procedures. Understanding all these things and adapting to a new system, it will always remain a challenge. However, with the course of time, these challenges can easily be overcome. Perhaps, introducing extensive counseling and query resolving sessions to help students understand the new system can help students adjust themselves better to the new examination pattern."

**Atharva Lath,**  
AIS Gur 46, Alumnus

"I think it is only fair to provide the students with two chances. We all study so hard all year round and it feels really unfair that all of the hard work is narrowed down to just one sitting of an exam. As a medical student, I feel unfortunate for not having been provided the same opportunity when it was my time to give the entrance exam. However, the decision to make the procedure completely online is slightly unfair. As Indians, they should be considerate towards the applicants coming from the rural areas who still do not have proper access to technology, but their hard work deserves an equal chance at clearing such exams and having positive results."

**Shreya Arya,** AUUP 🇮🇳

**Not really! 😞**

"While the intentions behind the aim are positive, I doubt that the impact of the same will be as positive, primarily because of the exam timings. Now the first round of tests will be held in the month of January (JEE) and February (NEET). These are the months that the students earlier utilised for preparation of Board exams. A lot of students are mostly concentrating on these competitive exams

rather than their boards. This move will further deviate them away from boards. I really wish that the Government would have given a deeper thought in deciding the timing so that their decision would be more effective and fruitful for the ones they made this change for."

**Aryaman Agrawal,**  
AIS Gur 46, XII A

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