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N O T I C E

MicrobioRead · Reading & comprehension
Rules and Guidelines · National Level MicrobiOlympiad 2026–27

To: The Heads of Departments, College Coordinators and all participants registered for **MicrobioRead**.

MicrobioRead tests scientific reading and comprehension. Participants read a published research paper in microbiology, shown on screen during an online test, and answer questions on it. No preparation of a particular paper is required.

Test details

Date and time	**7 January 2027**. The test window (timing) will be shared with all registered participants by e-mail on **5 January 2027** and published on **microbiolympiad.org**.
Duration	**60 minutes** from the moment the participant opens the test.
Paper	**Section A:** 20 multiple-choice questions, 1 mark each, marked automatically, no negative marking. **Section B:** 4 short written answers, 5 marks each, marked by the MicrobioRead panel. **Total: 40 marks.**
Login and venue	A separate MicrobioRead login (Login ID beginning **MR-**) is e-mailed to every registered participant before the test. The test is taken at **microbiolympiad.org/test**, at the participant's college under the supervision of the College Coordinator.

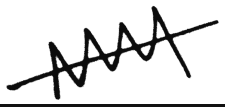
Test rules

1. Answers are saved automatically, and the test is submitted automatically when the time ends.
2. Copying, pasting and right-click are disabled. Switching to another tab, window or application is recorded; the test is **submitted automatically on the third such instance**.
3. Mobile phones, books, notes, other websites and AI tools may not be used during the test.
4. Written answers must be in the participant's own words; answers copied word for word from the paper receive reduced marks.

General rules

1. Open to regular FY, SY, TY and PG students of Microbiology, Biotechnology, Biochemistry, Zoology, Botany and allied Life Sciences, registered for MicrobioRead by their College Coordinator for 2026–27 (fee ₹125 per participant; not refundable).
2. Every participant receives a Certificate of Participation; top performers receive certificates of merit. The decision of the panel is final. Results are announced on **microbiolympiad.org**.

Heads of Departments and College Coordinators are requested to bring this notice to the attention of the registered participants. Participants may direct their queries to their College Coordinator.



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