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Approximately, One Lakh Twenty Thousand Advocates are going to appear for All India Bar Exam-XV to be held on 24th January, 2021. The examination is to be held in about 154 centers in 52 cities of the country.

During the last exam, around 9 centers had been cancelled owing to report of usage of unfair means. This time, the candidates who had appeared and given the exam on such centers, have been mostly shifted to other centers. No fee has been charged from such candidates this time.

Though usage of mobile phones, electronic gadgets are/is not allowed during the exam, however as an additional measure, signal Jammers shall also be used at approximately 50 centers in order to further ensure that no one in the vicinity is able to use phones or gadgets

It is further made clear that the period from 24th March, 2020 to 31st March, 2021 had been exempted owing to the pandemic Covid-19 from being counted within the period of two years (*with effect from enrolment as an Advocate)* for clearing/passing the All India Bar Exam. Therefore, candidates who have shown/expressed their inability to appear in this exam within prescribed period, owing to pandemic related reasons or otherwise can appear in the next exam, which is slated to be held in the month of March/April, 2021.

It is to be noted that though a candidate has filed a writ case W. P. (C) No.25 of 2021 challenging the All India Bar Exam, however, his prayer for ad-interim stay on AIBE-XV (scheduled for 24th January, 2021) has not been allowed by the Hon'ble Court. The Hon'ble Apex Court has been pleased to issue notice in the matter of Stay of AIBE and has tagged the matter with SLP No.22337/2008 to be heard by a constitution Bench.

The Bar Council of India wishes all the candidates the very best for the exam and for their career ahead.

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