

## **HANDS-ON COURSE (HOC) ASSESSMENT FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

**1. What is the frequency at which Hands-on Course (HOC) assessment is conducted?**

HOC assessment is conducted on a quarterly basis, in the month of January, April, July and October.

**2. Can I take the HOC assessment in both center-based and remote proctoring environment?**

You can take HOC assessment in center-based environment only.

**3. Where can I find the practice test link?**

The practice test for the HOC along with the relevant guidelines can be accessed using the following link:

<https://icap.org.pk/students/study-resources/hands-on-courses/>

**4. Is there any limitation on the number of attempts allowed for the HOC assessment?**

There is no limitation on the number of attempts to pass the HOC assessment.

**5. Will a paper sheet for rough work be provided during the HOC assessment?**

No.

**6. Can examinees bring and use their calculators during assessment?**

Yes, they can use the calculators allowed by ICAP. For the list of permissible calculators, please visit the following link:

<https://icap.org.pk/students/examination/important-notices/permissible-calculators/>

**7. Can the examinees bring their own laptop for taking the assessment?**

No.

**8. When will the HOC assessment be conducted according to the revised syllabus?**

From October 2024 onwards, the HOC assessment will be conducted as per the revised syllabus.

**9. If any Student pass HOC assessment before September 2024, can he/she appear in MSA examination after June 2024 session?**

Yes, those students remain eligible to appear in the MSA examination after June 2024 session.

**10. If some students enroll in the HOC assessment and the MSA examination simultaneously, fail in the HOC assessment then what would be the status of their fee paid for the MSA examination?**

The MSA examination fee paid by them will be carried forward to the next attempt. However, they would need to pass their HOC assessment before the next attempt and submit their examination form the MSA Examination afresh.