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We published 4 free NEET 2026 prediction papers in the weeks before the exam. The paper is now out. Here is exactly how we did – full disclosure, including where we missed.

The honest version, before any spin: we predicted 65 of the 180 questions on the official NEET 2026 paper at near-or-exact level. That is 36%. Not 95%, not “blockbuster,” not “we cracked the paper.” Coaching institutes will publish bigger numbers this week. We are publishing the real ones, with the methodology, so you can decide for yourself whether our prep work is worth your time for NEET 2027.

The verdict (NEET 2026 vs our 4 prediction papers):

- **65 of 180** official questions matched our predictions at near-or-exact level – **36%**.
- **18 of those 65** were essentially identical questions – **10%** exact-match rate.
- **144 of 180** questions came from chapters and sub-topics we covered – **80% topical hit rate**.
- **Set 4** was our strongest single set: it alone predicted **33 of 180** NEET 2026 questions.

Two numbers, two different claims. The 36% is what we actually predicted – same concept, same testing intent, sometimes the same numbers. The 80% is chapter-level coverage – we put a question on that NCERT sub-topic, even if we missed the specific factoid the official paper tested. We are reporting both because conflating them is how aspirant blogs get to “97%.”

How we measured

We compared the full text of the official NEET 2026 Code 11 paper (180 questions across Physics, Chemistry, Botany, Zoology) against all 740 questions in our 4 published prediction sets. Every official question went into one of four buckets:

Bucket	What it means	Counts as a prediction win?
EXACT	Essentially the same question – same concept, same numbers or same NCERT statement.	Yes
NEAR	Same concept and same testing intent, different specifics (e.g., different numbers in a kinematics problem).	Yes
TOPIC-ONLY	Same NCERT sub-topic, but a different factoid was tested.	No
MISS	That sub-topic did not appear in any of our 4 sets.	No

Borderline calls were downgraded, not upgraded. If we were not sure whether something was NEAR or TOPIC-ONLY, it went to TOPIC-ONLY. If we were not sure whether it was EXACT or NEAR, it went to NEAR. The 36% number is the floor, not the ceiling.

Subject-wise scorecard

Each subject in NEET has 45 questions. Here is how the 65 near-or-exact predictions split:

Subject	EXACT	NEAR	Total predicted (out of 45)	Hit rate
Physics	5	14	19	42%
Chemistry	5	13	18	40%
Botany	4	11	15	33%
Zoology	4	9	13	29%
Total	18	47	65 / 180	36%

Physics was our strongest subject and Zoology was our weakest. The reason is not chapter coverage – we covered the right chapters. The reason is question shape. The official paper leaned heavily on “select the correct statements from A–E” multi-statement questions in Botany and Zoology. Our papers used single-stem questions more often. Same chapter, same topic, different format. We will fix this for our NEET 2027 sets.

Per-set scorecard

One official question can be predicted by more than one of our sets – so the per-set totals below do not sum to 65. They show how much each individual set contributed.

Set	Length	EXACT	NEAR	Total NEET 2026 Qs predicted
Set 1	200 Qs	6	21	27
Set 2	180 Qs	5	22	27
Set 3	180 Qs	4	16	20
Set 4	180 Qs	9	24	33

Set 4 was the strongest single contributor. It was also the most recent, written closest to the exam, with the most refined chapter-weight assumptions. If you are picking one to revise from, start there.

Standout matches

Six questions where the prediction landed cleanly. We are showing the rough question text from the official paper next to the matching question from our sets. Read them side by side and judge for yourself.

Official Q117 – “ATP and NADPH required to fix one molecule of glucose in the Calvin cycle.”

Our Set 2 Q135 / Set 3 Q93 – “ATP and NADPH required for fixation of 6 CO₂ via Calvin cycle = 18 ATP + 12 NADPH.”

Why this counts: same numbers, same NCERT statement (Class 11 Photosynthesis). One CO₂ fixed = 3 ATP + 2 NADPH; six CO₂ make one glucose.

Official Q116 – “The enzyme that fixes CO₂ in the Calvin cycle is RuBisCO.”

Our Set 1 Q112 – Same statement, almost word-for-word.

Why this counts: NCERT line item, predicted as a one-liner because it is one of the few enzymes named in bold in the chapter.

Official Q135 – “Sickle cell anaemia is caused by Glu → Val substitution at the 6th position of the β-globin chain.”

Our Set 1 Q170, Set 3 Q162, Set 4 Q162 – Same Glu → Val, same 6th position, same β-globin chain.

Why this counts: this is the highest-frequency Genetics one-liner in NCERT and we predicted it in three sets independently. If it had not appeared, we would have been surprised.

Official Q76 – Match-the-shape question that included ClF₃ → T-shape.

Our Set 4 Q51 – Match-the-shape question that explicitly contained ClF_3 as one of the items.

Why this counts: not just the same molecule – the same question format (match-the-shape) with the same molecule in the matching list.

Official Q66 – “ Ce^{4+} is the most stable +4 oxidation state among lanthanoids because of $4f^0$ configuration.”

Our Set 1 Q81 / Set 3 Q71 – Same explanation, same $4f^0$ reasoning.

Why this counts: lanthanoid stability is one of the most predictable d- and f-block one-liners. Predicted in 2 sets.

Official Q24 – Power required to lift a 1000 kg load through 20 m in 10 s = 19.6 kW (using $P = mgh / t$).

Our Set 1 Q26 / Set 2 Q25 – Pump-lifting-water variant, identical mgh/t structure.

Why this counts: same formula, same plug-and-chug, different cover story. NEAR-match – different specifics, same testing intent.

Where we missed

This is the section coaching institutes do not write. We will.

36 of 180 official questions were complete misses. Sub-topics we did not cover in any of our 4 sets. Some of this is unavoidable noise – NEET pulls from the long tail of NCERT and we have to make choices – but some of it was predictable and we under-weighted it.

79 of 180 questions were “topic-only” matches. We covered the chapter, sometimes even the sub-topic, but we tested a different factoid. These do not count as predictions. They are the next thing we want to fix in NEET 2027 – denser coverage inside each high-yield sub-topic, not just one question per topic.

Specific weak spots from this exam:

- **Match-the-column questions in Botany.** Official paper used this format heavily. Our Bio sets used it sparingly. Format mismatch.
- **Multi-statement “select correct combinations” questions.** The official paper used these as the dominant Bio format. We used single-stem more often. Same content, different shell – and the shell is now testing as much as the content.
- **Specific factoids we did not predict:** Poisson’s ratio in the match-list (Physics), bulliform cell function and the direction of leaf rolling (Botany), Ophrys and bumblebee sexual deceit (Ecology), specific date and order in some of the Plant Kingdom classification statements.

The honest summary: we predicted the chapters well, the sub-topics decently, and the question format poorly. For NEET 2027 we are rebuilding our format mix to match what NEET is actually doing now.

What this means if you are prepping for NEET 2027

Two things to take from this post.

1. Coverage of NCERT chapters beats predicting exact questions. The 80% topical hit rate is the more useful number than the 36% prediction number. Use prediction papers – ours or anyone else's – to stress-test your chapter-level prep, not as a shortcut to the actual paper. If a prediction set covers 80% of the right chapters, treating the whole set as "the leak" is a mistake. Treating it as a chapter-coverage audit is the right move.

2. Match-the-column and multi-statement formats are now NEET's dominant Bio question shapes. Drill these specifically. Open NCERT, take any chapter, and write yourself ten "select the correct combination from A–E" questions. The factual content is not the bottleneck for most aspirants in 2026 – the question shape is.

If you want our chapter-wise NCERT notes, start at the NEET hub. The prediction papers we wrote for 2026 are still useful for revision – every question is tagged to an NCERT line – and you can find all four at the Prediction Papers hub.

For NEET 2027 aspirants:

- Start with our chapter-wise NCERT notes – see the NEET hub.
- Use our 4 NEET 2026 prediction papers as a chapter-coverage audit – Set 4 first.
- We will ship NEET 2027 prediction sets closer to the exam, with a heavier mix of match-the-column and multi-statement formats.

If you are a NEET 2026 aspirant looking at this post on result day – first, breathe. The paper is what it is. If you want to talk strategy for a re-attempt or for a counselling decision, our notes and our future sets will still be here. Good luck.



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