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Mumbai University Opens Online Applications for MMS and MCA Programs

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The Centre for Distance and Online Education (CDOE) at Mumbai University has formally opened its admissions portal for the Master of Management Studies (MMS) and Master of Computer Applications (MCA), two well-liked postgraduate programs. Specifically designed for working professionals and students looking for flexible learning options, these courses will be offered entirely online for the 2025–2026 academic year.

July 1 marked the start of the application process, which will run through July 17, 2025. One of the selection criteria is that candidates must finish an online entrance exam. According to the university, students can anticipate an entirely digital

educational experience that includes recorded materials, live interactions, video lectures, and e-resources.

For graduates who want to improve their skills without jeopardizing their current job, these programs are perfect. The university guarantees that the degrees it offers will be just as valuable as those earned through conventional offline courses. For information on exam dates, application requirements, and fee schedules, students must frequently check the CDOE website.

In order to increase accessibility for students in Maharashtra and beyond, Mumbai University has underlined its dedication to growing digital education. To prevent last-minute technical difficulties, interested candidates are urged to register as soon as possible and make sure all necessary documents are uploaded. Additionally, CDOE has stated that a help desk will be open to help applicants throughout the procedure, guaranteeing a seamless admissions system experience. Regular updates and important notifications will be shared on the official university website for applicants' convenience

According to the Directorate, colleges must now admit students without an APAAR ID

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The Maharashtra Directorate of Education has announced a significant policy shift ensuring that no student will be denied college admission due to the absence of an APAAR ID (Automated Permanent Academic Account Registry ID). This decision comes in the wake of a growing number of complaints from students and parents who reported difficulties in securing admissions within strict deadlines because of technical delays in generating APAAR IDs through the national portal.

Previously, possession of an APAAR ID was mandatory for completing the admission process. However, the large volume of applicants overwhelmed the central system, leading to widespread delays in ID generation. This situation posed a serious challenge, especially for students seeking admission during the narrow and competitive counseling windows. Acknowledging the urgency of the matter, the Directorate has now relaxed the requirement, instructing colleges to accept alternate valid identification documents during admission.

Under the revised guidelines, colleges have been authorized to proceed with provisional admissions as long as all other required documentation—such as academic transcripts, certificates, and residence proofs—is submitted. The APAAR ID, once successfully generated, can be added later

to the student's academic record without causing any disruption or delay to their enrollment status. Importantly, the authorities have confirmed that this temporary measure will not interfere with institutional obligations tied to the Central Admission Portal or other regulatory systems.

This move is seen as a proactive effort to ease administrative burdens on educational institutions and ensure that no deserving student is denied the opportunity to pursue higher education due to backend technological shortcomings. Education officials have also stressed the importance of maintaining a smooth and inclusive admission process, especially during such critical academic periods.

The policy was widely praised as student-friendly, with the Directorate lauded for its prompt response. Colleges must clearly display the update, while efforts continue to resolve APAAR ID generation issues.



Additional Entrance Exam for BA, BSc, and BED Programs

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Announced by Maharashtra CET Cell For students hoping to pursue undergraduate degrees in education, science, or the arts, the Maharashtra CET Cell has issued a significant update. On July 19 and 20, 2025, Maharashtra will host an additional Common Entrance Test (CET) for BA, BSc, and BEd programs.

This decision comes after numerous student and parent representations to the education authorities, as well as increased demand for these programs. The purpose of the extra CET is to fill the more than one lakh open seats in different colleges throughout the state. Students who either missed the first exam window or were unable to gain admission because of the limited intake in previous rounds now have another chance.

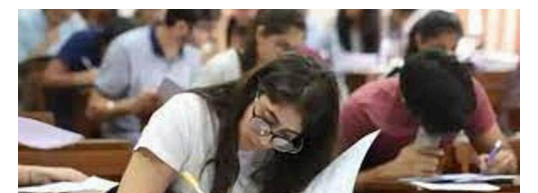
On the official Maharashtra CET Cell website, the registration window for this CET is anticipated to open soon. Students need to remain informed about exam locations, syllabus, and eligibility requirements. In the near future, the CET Cell will release comprehensive instructions on how to apply and get ready. Since it increases access to higher education and relieves pressure on the current admissions processes, this move is

widely praised. The format and evaluation standards of the test will be identical to those of the first round. Following the exam, final results and dates for counseling will be disclosed. Additional preparatory resources and mock tests are also expected to be made available online.

Students are advised to keep their documents and academic records ready for the application process.

Regularly checking the CET Cell's website will ensure that no important updates are missed

Thousands of students will be able to realign their academic goals and avoid seat waste thanks to this second chance, according to education experts. To ensure a seamless registration and exam process, students are encouraged to start preparing early and gather the required paperwork beforehand.



BBA and pharmacy schedules are pending, but admissions for nine professional courses have started.

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The admissions process for nine professional courses, including engineering, law, MBA, MMS, physical education, and more, has been launched by the Maharashtra CET Cell. Students are actively applying through the CET portal as online registration for these courses has started. This admissions round is a component of the centralized procedure designed to streamline college admissions for both public and private institutions.

However, many students are worried about their admission plans because the schedules for some highly sought-after courses, such as BBA, BCA, pharmacy, architecture, and nursing, have not yet been announced. Given that counseling schedules for other streams have already been set, the delay has raised

questions from parents and applicants alike.

For students seeking postgraduate dental education, the NEET-MDS admissions process is currently in progress. Registration was open until July 3 and the provisional merit lists were scheduled to be released on July 4. The first round of MDS seat distribution will take place on July 8. According to CET Cell officials, the remaining course schedules will be made public shortly. It is recommended that candidates keep a close eye on the official website in case there are any updates.

Intake limits are being finalized; students should stay ready for updates, especially in low-seat courses.



CUET UG 2025 Result Today: NTA to Announce Scorecards on Official Website

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The National Testing Agency (NTA) is all set to announce the CUET UG 2025 results today, July 4, marking a significant milestone for lakhs of students across India. The Common University Entrance Test (Undergraduate) is a gateway for admission to various undergraduate programs in central universities and other participating institutions nationwide. As anticipation builds, students and parents alike are anxiously awaiting the outcome, which will shape the next phase of many academic journeys.

Where and How to Check Results

Once the results are officially declared, candidates who appeared for the exam can access their scorecards online at cuet.nta.nic.in. To download their results, students will need their application number and date of birth or login credentials used during the registration process. The NTA confirmed the July 4 result date via its official handle on X (formerly Twitter), although it has not specified an exact time for the result release.

Students are advised to remain calm and patient, as heavy web traffic may temporarily slow down the website once the results go live. Keeping multiple devices or internet sources ready and refreshing the portal periodically could help avoid delays in accessing the scorecard.

What the Results Mean for Students

The CUET UG result is more than just a set of marks—it plays a crucial role in determining college admissions and cut-off ranks for various undergraduate courses such as B.A., B.Sc., B.Com, and professional programs in affiliated institutions. The scores will be used by central universities and other participating institutions as a standard metric for evaluating applications.

For students who have performed well, this result could open doors to prestigious institutions like Delhi University, Banaras Hindu University, Jawaharlal Nehru University, and several others. It is important to note that each university will soon release its individual cut-offs, counselling schedules, and admission procedures based on CUET UG scores.

What's Next?

After downloading their scorecards, students should check subject-wise scores, percentile, and eligibility details. For any errors, they must contact the NTA helpdesk. With university admissions and counselling starting soon, applicants should monitor college websites and keep all required documents ready.



KDMC Officials Assess Student Learning Levels to Enhance Education Quality in Civic Schools

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In a focused effort to enhance the quality of education in its municipal schools, the Kalyan Dombivli Municipal Corporation (KDMC) has launched a comprehensive student assessment initiative aimed at evaluating the academic performance and learning levels of students across its civic-run institutions.

This large-scale assessment drive is being carried out by KDMC's education department to gain a clear understanding of the strengths and challenges faced by students in various grades. By conducting subject-wise and skill-based evaluations, officials aim to generate actionable insights that will inform the development of targeted remedial teaching plans and student-specific interventions.

A senior official from the education department explained that KDMC currently operates more than 120 civic schools, serving thousands of students, many of whom belong to financially disadvantaged households. These children often lack access to private tutoring or advanced educational resources, making school support even more critical. The official further emphasized that the goal is not just to test students but to identify learning gaps and provide focused academic support to those who need it most.

Education experts and child development advocates have praised the move, noting that such assessments are vital, particularly in the wake of learning disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. During extended school closures, many students in municipal schools experienced a decline in foundational learning due to the digital divide and limited access to structured

learning environments. This initiative is seen as a necessary step in bridging that gap and ensuring students can catch up effectively.

Teachers in KDMC schools have also expressed strong support for the initiative. Many believe the results will help them plan their lessons more strategically, allowing them to better address the specific needs of individual students or groups. They hope it will also encourage a culture of data-driven teaching within municipal schools.

As the assessments are completed, KDMC plans to roll out remedial classes, bridge courses, and skill-based learning modules tailored to the needs of students identified as requiring additional support. These efforts aim to not only improve academic outcomes but also boost students' confidence and engagement in the learning process.

The initiative highlights KDMC's commitment to equity in education, ensuring that students from all backgrounds have the opportunity to achieve academic success. If implemented effectively, it could serve as a model for other urban municipalities seeking to improve the quality of education in civic-run schools.



Maharashtra to Retain Schools, Expand Upper Primary in 6,553 Villages

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In a major shift aimed at strengthening rural education, the Maharashtra government has officially decided not to shut down schools with low student enrolment, reversing earlier proposals that had recommended closures to optimise administrative and financial resources. This change reflects a broader commitment to inclusive and equitable access to education across the state, particularly in underserved rural areas.

Instead of cutting back, the government is now focusing on expanding educational infrastructure, especially in villages that currently do not have upper primary schools (classes 6 to 8). According to data from the Education Department, nearly 6,553 villages in Maharashtra lack upper primary school facilities, forcing lakhs of children to discontinue their formal education after class 5. Many of these children are unable to travel long distances due to poor connectivity, economic hardships, or familial constraints.

A senior official from the education department emphasized the government's new direction, stating, "We want to ensure that no child is denied their right to education simply because a school is not available nearby. The focus is now on bringing schools closer to children, rather than expecting children to travel far

distances."

Education experts and child rights activists have welcomed the move, warning that shutting down low-enrolment schools would have had detrimental effects on learning outcomes, especially in rural Maharashtra where issues like seasonal migration, poverty, and lack of public transport already impact school attendance. According to them, closing such schools would have further widened the education gap between urban and rural populations.

The state government has now committed to formulating a comprehensive implementation plan aimed at upgrading existing primary schools to include upper primary sections. This includes identifying infrastructure needs, deploying qualified teachers, and ensuring adequate learning resources. The plan is expected to be rolled out in a phased manner to effectively address logistical challenges and ensure smooth execution.

The move aligns with NEP 2020 and aims to boost rural enrolment and learning, setting an example for other states.

FYJC Round 1: High Cut-Offs in Science, Commerce; Arts Sees Low Demand

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The first round of admissions for Maharashtra's First Year Junior College (FYJC) has intensified the competition among students, particularly those seeking seats in the Science and Commerce streams. With the Round 1 allotment results released on June 30, a clear trend has emerged: cut-off percentages have soared, especially in top junior colleges in Mumbai, Pune, Nagpur, and other urban centers, leaving many students on edge.

In prestigious institutions such as Dr. Ambedkar College, the Science stream recorded a staggering cut-off of 93.2%, while Commerce followed closely at 90.6%. This year's numbers continue a trend seen in recent years—where high-scoring students, especially in Science and Commerce, are clustering in select top-tier colleges, leading to tight availability and rising merit thresholds.

In contrast, the Arts stream has seen a drop in demand, with many colleges reporting significantly lower cut-offs and several vacant seats still up for grabs. This growing imbalance between streams reflects evolving student preferences, where professional and STEM-oriented courses—often associated with Science and Commerce—are prioritized over Arts and humanities. Educationists fear that such disparities may further marginalize Arts education and limit the diversity of academic pursuits at the junior college level.

Policy Concerns and Reservation Discrepancies

Another issue that has sparked widespread debate is the discrepancy in cut-off marks among reserved categories. In several cases, students applying under the girls' reserved category were required to score up to 20 marks more than their peers in the general category to get the same seats. This unexpected reversal has raised concerns among parents, students, and education policy experts, who argue that the

current reservation framework and seat matrix need urgent review and recalibration. Experts are calling for better balancing mechanisms to prevent overlaps and unintended consequences in the allotment process.

Next Steps for Students

Despite the challenges, students who have been allotted seats in Round 1 must confirm their admissions by July 7 by reporting to the assigned college and completing the formalities. Those who are unsatisfied with their allotment, or who have not been allotted a seat, will have the opportunity to participate in subsequent admission rounds, where some movement in cut-offs is expected.

Authorities have acknowledged the issues and assured students and parents that steps are being taken to improve the admission process in the next rounds. Officials have promised greater transparency, review of algorithmic procedures, and more responsive support for students experiencing technical or policy-related difficulties.

In summary, the FYJC Round 1 admission process has highlighted both the intense academic pressure on students and the structural inefficiencies within the current system. While top-performing students compete for limited seats in coveted streams, others struggle with unexpected system flaws and inconsistent reservation policies—revealing a need for urgent reforms and better planning in future admission cycles.





Maharashtra Polytechnic Merit List 2025 Out, CAP Round 1 Begins July 7

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The Directorate of Technical Education (DTE), Maharashtra has taken a major step forward in the Polytechnic Diploma Admission Process for 2025–26 by releasing the Provisional Merit List today, July 2, 2025. This list is now live on the official admission portal: poly25.dtemaharashtra.gov.in, bringing both anticipation and relief to thousands of aspiring diploma students across the state.

Candidates who registered for Maharashtra Polytechnic admissions can now log in using their credentials to check their provisional merit rank, course preferences, and application status. This provisional list gives students a first glimpse into where they stand in the highly competitive admissions landscape for various diploma courses across Maharashtra's technical institutes.

What Students Should Do Next

This is a crucial phase in the Centralised Admission Process (CAP), and students are urged to carefully verify all details—including their name, category, marks, preferences, and rank. Any discrepancy should be reported immediately, as corrections must be addressed before the final merit list is published on July 7.

Once the final merit list is released, the much-awaited CAP Round 1 seat allotment will begin, marking the official start of college allocations based on merit and preference.

Important Reminders

Students are advised to regularly check the official websites —

- dte.maharashtra.gov.in
- poly25.dtemaharashtra.gov.in — for timely updates on counselling rounds, document verification schedules, and admission-related announcements.

In the meantime, applicants should gather and verify all required documents such as mark

sheets, caste certificates (if applicable), domicile certificates, and passport-size photos—as missing or incorrect documentation can lead to disqualification or delays.

A Step Closer to Career Goals

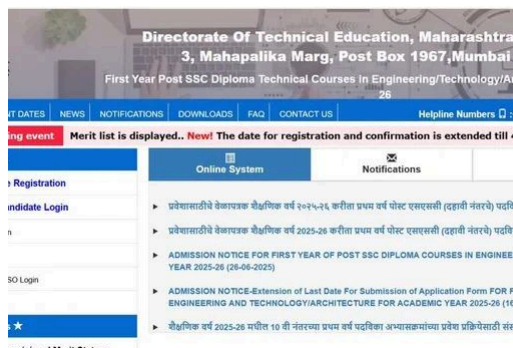
For many students, especially those from rural or economically weaker backgrounds, this merit list represents a gateway to quality technical education and future job opportunities. With courses ranging from engineering technology to vocational diplomas, the polytechnic path is a practical and accessible route to a professional career.

As the admission process moves ahead, students and families are encouraged to stay informed, act promptly, and prepare thoroughly for the upcoming stages. The DTE has assured that the process will remain transparent, fair, and student-friendly throughout the CAP rounds.

Applicants should keep an eye on official notifications to avoid missing key deadlines.

It's important to regularly review the admission portal for updates on document verification and seat allotment.

Seeking timely help from helplines or facilitation centers can also ease the process and clear doubts.



FYJC Maharashtra 2025 Round 2 Admissions: Everything Students Need to Know

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The Round 2 of Maharashtra's FYJC (Class 11) admissions for 2025 is an important opportunity for students who either didn't receive a seat in Round 1, failed to confirm their allotted seat, or want to explore better college or stream options. The Directorate of Education is expected to activate the Round 2 application window soon on the official admission portal. Students must be proactive in checking for updates, as this round can be critical in securing a desired college or course.

Who Can Apply in Round 2?

Round 2 is open to:

- Students who didn't get a seat in Round 1
- Those who got a seat but did not confirm admission
- Candidates who want to edit or rearrange their preference list
- Students who missed Round 1 entirely

Applicants will need to log in to the official portal, review their application, and make necessary changes to stream or college preferences before submitting the form. It's also important to verify personal details, reservation category (if any), and uploaded documents to avoid disqualification.

Documents and Verification

Candidates should prepare a complete set of documents, including:

- SSC mark sheet

- School leaving certificate
- Domicile certificate (if applicable)
- Caste certificate (for reserved category students)
- Non-creamy layer certificate (for applicable categories)

These documents may need to be uploaded online or presented during physical verification, depending on the assigned procedure for the region.

Important Advice for Students

- Stay updated with the admission schedule published by your respective division (Mumbai, Pune, Nagpur, etc.)
- Check if document re-verification is required before the final merit list for Round 2
- Submit the application well before the deadline to avoid last-minute technical issues

What Happens After Round 2?

After completing application and verification, the Round 2 allotment list will show each student's assigned college and stream based on merit and preferences. Students must confirm their seats by the deadline. With high competition in Science and Commerce and Arts seats still open, this round is crucial—especially in cities like Mumbai and Pune. Students should act promptly and make informed choices.

Mumbai University CDOE Opens MMS & MCA Online Admission for 2025–26

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

Mumbai, 2025 – The Centre for Distance and Online Education (CDOE) at the University of Mumbai has officially launched its online application process for the Master of Management Studies (MMS) and Master of Computer Applications (MCA) programmes. These fully online courses are tailored for working professionals and learners seeking remote education.

The programs offer flexible schedules and industry-relevant curriculum designed to meet current market demands.

Interested candidates can apply through the university's official CDOE portal within the specified application window.

Key Details at a Glance

- Application deadline: July 17, 2025
- Entrance test: Scheduled to occur soon after the deadline
- Programme mode: Entirely online—no campus visits required.
- Application fee: ₹500 per programme

Why This Matters

1. Flexibility for professionals: You can earn a postgraduate degree while continuing to work, with no need to commute.
2. Accessible format: Study materials, lectures, and the entrance process are all managed online—great for remote learners.
3. Aligned with NEP goals: Mumbai University's ongoing expansion of its online portfolio reflects a broader push for distance education under India's National Education Policy.

How to Apply — Step-by-Step Guide

1. Visit the official CDOE portal: Accessible via the University of Mumbai website.
2. Fill out the online form with accurate personal and academic details.
3. Pay ₹500 application fee per programme—confirm payment before July 17.
4. Await entrance exam notification. Details will be shared shortly after registration ends.
5. Take the entrance test, followed by result-based admissions.

What Happens Next

- Entrance exam: Expected to be announced soon—likely mid-late July.
- Result declaration: Typically a few weeks post-exam.
- Programme commencement: Likely in late July or early August. Online format allows immediate access to the virtual classroom.

Tips for Applicants

- Prepare in advance: Entrance tests usually cover GMAT-equivalent management topics for MMS and core computer science for MCA.
- Tech readiness: Ensure a stable internet connection and access to a computer for seamless online learning.
- Supporting documents: Keep academic transcripts and ID proof scanned and ready for upload.

- Entrance exam notification (PDF outline from June 28) mu.ac.in
- Admissions portal and prospectus on MU's IDOL site
- distance.collegeportal.in+4mu.ac.in+4mu.ac.in+4

Gujarat ACPC Admissions 2025: Timeline Extended for Supplementary Result Students

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

In a commendable move aimed at inclusivity, the Admission Committee for Professional Courses (ACPC) has revised the engineering admission schedule for the 2025–26 academic year. The decision acknowledges the genuine concerns of students who recently appeared for supplementary exams and were at risk of missing the second round of admissions due to result delays.

A Fair Chance for All

This updated timeline is not just a technical change—it reflects a student-friendly approach that aims to level the playing field. Students who couldn't apply earlier because their Class 12 or diploma results were pending now have the opportunity to register until July 22, 2025. This is particularly important in a competitive landscape, where even a few days' delay can impact college allotments.

The final merit list for Round 2, which is now set to be released on July 26, 2025, gives applicants time to confirm their details, review their rankings, and make informed decisions about their course and college preferences. It also gives institutions additional time to process documents and ensure merit-based allotment.

Inclusion Across Streams

The revised schedule is applicable to:

- Regular B.E./B.Tech degree admissions
- Diploma-to-degree lateral entry admissions

This inclusion ensures that both fresh Class 12 graduates and diploma holders seeking lateral entry into engineering programs are given equal opportunity.

Benefits of the Revised Timeline

1. Academic Continuity: Students who clear their supplementary exams can directly transition into college without losing a year.
2. Reduced Mental Stress: Earlier timelines created anxiety for students waiting on results; the extension offers breathing space.
3. Wider Participation: More students can now participate in Round 2, leading to higher seat utilization across government and self-financed institutions.

What Applicants Should Do Now

Students must:

- Register on the official ACPC portal before the extended deadline
- Prepare all required documents: mark sheets, result updates, category certificates, etc.
- Stay updated on official announcements regarding choice-filling, document verification, and college allotment

The ACPC's move is being widely seen as a progressive and responsive measure that not only benefits delayed-result students but also strengthens transparency and access in Gujarat's professional education system.

ACPC Gujarat





IBSAT 2025 Registration Now Open: Key Dates, Eligibility, and Admission Details

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

The ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education (IFHE), Hyderabad, has opened registration for IBSAT 2025 from July 1. The exam is a gateway for MBA and PGPM admissions across nine ICFAI Business School (IBS) campuses and will be held in remote proctored mode on December 27–28, 2025.

Exam Structure:

- Duration: 2 hours, computer-based
- Sections: Verbal Ability (50 questions), Reading Comprehension (30), Quantitative Aptitude (30), Data Adequacy & Interpretation (30)
- No negative marking and no sectional time limits

Exemptions:

Candidates with valid CAT, NMAT by GMAC, XAT, or GMAT (from 2023 onwards) scores are exempted from IBSAT but must still fill the application form. However, appearing for IBSAT makes them eligible for a ₹2 lakh scholarship, subject to fulfilling all other admission criteria.

Programs Offered:

- MBA: IBS Hyderabad, Bangalore, Dehradun, Jaipur
- PGPM: IBS Ahmedabad, Gurgaon, Kolkata, Mumbai, Pune

Eligibility:

- Graduation with minimum 50% marks
- English medium or TOEFL/IELTS/NELT scores if not
- 15 years of education (10+2+3 or 10+2+4)
- Final-year students eligible if graduating by May 31, 2026; documents to be submitted by November 1, 2026

PhD Eligibility (for Management stream):

- Graduate degree with 50%, plus postgraduate in management/allied field with 55%, or CA/CS/CFA/CWA
- Non-management postgraduates must complete first-year MBA coursework

Selection Process:

Scheduled to begin in the second week of February 2026 at IBS Hyderabad, comprising:

- Micro Presentation – 1 min prep + 3 min talk on a general topic
- Personal Interview – 5–7 minutes to assess attitude, communication, and general awareness

Important Dates:

- Applications Open: July 1 to 3rd week of December 2025
- IBSAT Exam: December 27–28, 2025
- Results: 1st week of January 2026
- Selection Briefings: 2nd–3rd week of January 2026 (in 70+ cities)
- Selection Process: Begins 2nd week of February 2026

Scholarships:

- IBS is offering ₹10 crore worth of scholarships for the 2026–28 batch
- 500 scholarships of ₹2 lakh each awarded under categories including:
 - Top IBSAT scorers
 - Wards of IBS alumni
 - Physically challenged students
 - Wards of defense personnel (serving or retired)

The scholarship is applied to the first and second term fees and is subject to continuous enrollment and completion of all formalities. Withdrawal results in scholarship amount deduction from any refunds. This comprehensive admission pathway makes IBSAT 2025 an important exam for aspiring management professionals targeting top ICFAI business schools in India.

BITSAT 2025 Admissions: Preference Editing, Results & New Programme Announced

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

The BITS Pilani admission process for BITSAT 2025 has entered a decisive stage with the opening of the preference editing window from July 3 to July 5, 2025. This allows candidates who appeared in Session 1, Session 2, or both to revise their Class 12 marks and update their choices for programs and campuses. These final preferences will determine the course and campus allotment during admission rounds.

This phase is not just procedural—it's critical. Candidates are urged to thoughtfully reorder or modify their campus and program choices based on realistic chances and personal interests. With competition high, clarity in preference setting can be a game-changer. Alongside long-standing popular programs in engineering and sciences, students now have the opportunity to opt for BITS' new program in Environmental and Sustainability Studies, reflecting the institute's expansion into interdisciplinary fields.

Following the edit window, BITS will publish the Iteration-1 admission and waitlist results on July 9, 2025. Those who are allotted seats in this round must accept the offer and complete their fee payment by July 14, 2025, or risk forfeiting the seat. Each iteration offers fresh opportunities for candidates who are waitlisted or seeking better allotments, with a total of six admission iterations planned.

Meanwhile, BITSAT 2025 Session 2, held from June 22 to 26, concluded successfully. Results for Session 2 are expected to be declared by early to mid-July, within 15 days of the final exam date. These scores, along with those from Session 1, are being used to compile final ranks and merit positions for seat allotments.

All candidates were required to complete the BITSAT admission application between June 1 and June 30, where they provided essential details like academic performance, exam scores, and program preferences. The upcoming iterations will build on this data, and students should now focus on making well-informed preference decisions based on availability, competition, and personal career goals. Staying updated on program-specific cut-offs from previous years can help in realistic choice-making. Students should also prioritize preferences based on long-term interests, not just current trends.

To stay updated, candidates must regularly check the official BITS admission portal (bitsadmission.com) for notifications about results, further iteration dates, fee payment windows, and joining instructions. With careful planning and timely action, this stage of the process can pave the way for admission into one of India's most prestigious institutions.

Students should also ensure that their contact details are up to date to receive timely alerts. Missing key deadlines could lead to disqualification from further rounds. It is recommended to track each iteration closely, as seat allotments can shift. Candidates are advised to keep all necessary documents handy for verification and admission formalities. Continuous engagement in the process can maximize chances of securing a preferred program and campus.



NEET-UG 2025 Result Challenge Rejected by Supreme Court: Counselling to Proceed as Scheduled

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

In a significant development for lakhs of NEET aspirants, the Supreme Court of India on July 4, 2025, dismissed a petition that challenged the NEET-UG 2025 results. The plea alleged that a particular question in the NEET-UG 2025 paper was flawed and demanded the re-evaluation of results along with a stay on the ongoing counselling process. However, the apex court declined to interfere, stating that doing so would adversely impact the future of thousands of students who have already received their results and begun the counselling procedures.

A bench comprising Justice P. S. Narasimha and Justice R. Mahadevan heard the matter and firmly rejected the plea. The judges emphasized that the exam was taken by more than 22 lakh candidates, and any intervention at this stage would cause large-scale disruption. They maintained that the petition could not be entertained, especially since a similar plea had already been dismissed just two days earlier. The court made it clear that national-level entrance examinations involving lakhs of students cannot be undone due to individual errors unless there is evidence of systemic failure.

The petitioner had requested the court to invalidate the NEET-UG 2025 result on the basis of an alleged mistake in a single question and demanded a halt to the

admission counselling process. The court,, however, prioritized the stability of the examination system and the ongoing admission schedule. It noted that such interventions would compromise the careers of numerous students and delay the academic calendar nationwide. "We cannot intervene in a matter that would lead to uncertainty and disruption for so many aspirants," the bench observed.

The NEET-UG 2025 exam was conducted on May 4, 2025, and results were declared in June. The National Testing Agency (NTA), which conducts the examination, had already initiated the counselling process by the time the petition was filed. With the court's decision, the result stands valid, and the Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) can continue with the seat allotment process without any hindrance.

This decision provides clarity and relief to lakhs of students and parents who were worried about possible delays or cancellations. The Supreme Court's ruling sends a clear message: while individual grievances are acknowledged, they cannot override the interests of the larger student community. Legal experts and educationists have welcomed the decision, noting that preserving the integrity and timelines of national-level entrance exams is essential for a fair and stable academic process. In conclusion, the Supreme Court's dismissal of the petition reinforces the importance of upholding result timelines and admission procedures in national examinations like NEET.

CUET UG 2025 Results Out: 13.5 Lakh Appear, Five Top Scorers Emerge

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

The National Testing Agency (NTA) announced the much-anticipated CUET UG 2025 results on Friday, marking a significant milestone in the undergraduate admissions process for central and participating universities across India. Candidates who appeared for the examination can now check their scorecards by visiting the official website at cuet.nta.nic.in. The Common University Entrance Test for Undergraduate (CUET UG) was conducted between May 13 and June 4, spread across 19 days and 35 shifts.

This year, the NTA opted not to release a conventional list of toppers. Instead, in a first-of-its-kind move, it disclosed the application numbers of students who achieved the highest NTA scores in five subjects. According to the official statement, the NTA is in the process of sending individual scores to participating universities, and candidates have been advised to remain in contact with their respective institutions for details on further admission procedures.

The performance data released reveals some remarkable achievements. One candidate secured a 100 percentile score in four out of five chosen subjects, a rare accomplishment. Additionally, 17 students earned a 100 percentile in three of their subjects. The

number of candidates scoring a perfect percentile in two subjects stands at 150, while 2,679 candidates achieved 100 percentile in one subject. These figures highlight the academic excellence and competitive intensity observed in this year's CUET UG.

CUET UG 2025 was conducted in a total of 37 subjects, which included 13 languages, 23 domain-specific subjects, and a General Aptitude Test. Students had the flexibility to choose up to five subjects from this wide array. To accommodate this complexity, the NTA administered an impressive 1,059 total question papers, including 322 unique sets, covering a whopping 57,940 questions. This represents a substantial increase compared to the previous year, where only 99 unique question papers were used. The expanded paper variety reflects the NTA's commitment to increasing inclusivity and subject-specific assessment in national-level entrance testing.

NTA declared CUET UG 2025 results after releasing the final answer key on July 1. Over 13.5 lakh students registered, with 10.7 lakh appearing across 300 cities. This year saw 239 universities participating, down from 283 in 2024. Candidates should now check university sites for counselling and admissions. The exam continues to play a key role in streamlining UG admissions across diverse institutions.



‘The University of Southampton Made Me Resilient and Open-Minded’: Avani Desai on Studying Abroad and Building a Global Career

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Avani Desai, a finance professional at MSD in the UK, credits her transformative journey to the University of Southampton, where she pursued a BSc (Hons) in Business Management.

Raised in Pune, India, Avani always craved more than textbook learning. A university session in India introduced her to Southampton’s practical, career-focused approach and she was sold.

“I didn’t want to just learn from textbooks. I wanted to challenge myself and experience new cultures, teaching styles, and real-world environments,” she says.

At Southampton, Avani gained hands-on experience from tax simulations to interacting with industry leaders and authors. Educational trips, diverse modules, and expert teaching shaped her into a well-rounded professional.

“We weren’t just reading about business we lived it,” she recalls. Living alone abroad built her independence, resilience, and adaptability. “It changed how I see the world and myself,” she reflects.

The Russell Group reputation of Southampton added value to her resume. Her finance modules even earned her exemptions in professional exams, accelerating her career path.

Beyond academics, Avani values the lasting relationships with peers and mentors. “Being curious and showing up made a big difference,” she says.

She believes her international degree gave her a global edge, enhancing her analytical, research, and problem-solving skills.

“My education didn’t just teach me content. It taught me how to think and stay adaptable.” With Southampton now offering the same Business Management course at its Delhi campus, Avani urges Indian students to seize the opportunity.

“It’s the same experience, just closer to home. I know how life-changing this programme can be.”

For Avani, it wasn’t just a degree it was the beginning of a lifelong journey of growth, confidence, and global perspective.

Avani Desai’s journey is a powerful testament to how the right educational environment can reshape one’s future. Her experience at the University of Southampton not only equipped her with practical skills and global exposure but also helped her grow into a confident, adaptable professional. Whether in the UK or now at the new Delhi campus, she believes the Southampton experience offers Indian students a truly world-class opportunity — one that prepares them to succeed anywhere in the world.



Trump Administration Halts Key US Military Aid to Ukraine Amid Escalating Russian Attacks

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In a dramatic shift in U.S. foreign policy, the Pentagon has quietly paused shipments of vital military aid to Ukraine, including Patriot air defense systems, Hellfire missiles, and precision-guided weapons. The freeze, effective since early June, follows a Pentagon review led by policy chief Elbridge Colby and reflects growing concerns about depleting U.S. military reserves.

Despite the Biden administration's earlier commitment to Kyiv, the Trump administration has prioritized domestic defense a move defended by the White House as putting “America’s interests first,” according to Deputy Press Secretary Anna Kelly.

The decision comes as Ukraine faces its largest wave of Russian missile and drone attacks since 2022. Over one weekend alone, Russia launched 477 drones and 60 missiles, straining Ukraine’s defenses. President Zelenskyy met Trump at last week’s NATO summit to request urgent aid, but Trump offered no firm commitments, only saying, “We’ll see if we can make some available.”

Ukrainian officials warn that without timely reinforcements, their air defense systems could soon be overwhelmed. The lack of clarity from Washington has further deepened anxieties in Kyiv and among NATO allies.

The aid freeze, which has alarmed NATO allies and U.S. lawmakers alike, aligns with Trump’s increasingly critical stance toward Ukraine. He recently called Zelenskyy a “dictator” and praised Putin as a “strong leader,” sparking concerns of a growing U.S. strategic withdrawal that could embolden Moscow.

Congressional leaders and defense experts warn the pause could severely weaken Ukraine’s ability to defend itself. Rep. Marcy Kaptur stressed that systems like Patriot missiles are “saving lives every day,” while analysts argue their absence could shift the war’s outcome.

With no new Ukraine aid requests from the Trump administration, and existing funds running out, the future of Western support for Ukraine hangs in the balance — raising fears of a widening security vacuum in Europe.

The U.S. decision to freeze critical military aid to Ukraine marks a significant turning point in its foreign policy and raises urgent questions about the West’s long-term commitment to Ukraine’s defense. As Russian aggression intensifies and frontline needs escalate, the lack of clear support from Washington threatens to undermine Ukraine’s ability to protect itself and risks destabilizing the broader European security order.

India’s Global Education Ambitions: Can It Truly Become a Global Study Hub?

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As India ramps up its “Study in India” campaign, experts emphasize that real success will require more than branding — it demands better infrastructure, international academic ties, and globally accepted benchmarks.

A major step forward is the wider adoption of GRE and TOEFL by Indian institutions. “Welcoming assessments like the GRE opens India up to a larger talent pool,” says Mr. Sachin Jain, Country Manager, ETS India & South Asia. These tests serve as global indicators of academic readiness and English proficiency, vital for attracting international students.

Global student preferences are also shifting. Tighter visa rules in the U.S. have made destinations like Germany, Ireland, and New Zealand more appealing. “This uncertainty has pushed many students to explore alternative countries,” Jain notes, highlighting the changing dynamics of global education.

At home, India is seeing a transformation with top international universities setting up campuses in GIFT City and planning further expansions. “It allows students to earn a globally recognised degree without ever leaving the country,” says Jain, adding that these developments will also draw students from neighbouring regions.

India’s rising presence in the QS World University Rankings — with 54 institutions featured in 2026 — further strengthens its global profile.

Meanwhile, TOEFL is set to introduce adaptive testing and dual scoring from January 2026, aligning more closely with real-world academic scenarios. For working professionals, ETS has launched TOEIC Link in India, a globally trusted, CEFR-aligned English test already used by 18,000 companies.

Looking Ahead:

India stands at a pivotal point. By integrating global standards like GRE, TOEFL, and international academic models, the country is poised to shift from being a talent exporter to a true global education destination. As Jain puts it, “Success depends on how well India balances global benchmarks with student-focused experiences.”

India is steadily transforming from a talent exporter to a global education hub. With the adoption of international assessments like GRE and TOEFL, rising global rankings, and the entry of foreign universities, the country is well-positioned to attract international students. As Mr. Jain notes, embracing global standards while meeting student needs will be key to India’s success on the world education stage.

How UK Degrees Are Powering Indian Students Toward Global Tech Careers

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With the rapid rise of AI, data science, and cybersecurity, Indian students are increasingly turning to the UK as a launchpad for global tech careers. Combining academic excellence with real-world exposure, UK universities offer a clear edge in the evolving tech industry.

firms in North America, Europe, and Asia from Silicon Valley to global startups.

5. Building a Global Mindset

Studying in the UK nurtures adaptability, independence, and cross-cultural collaboration.

Three UK universities rank in the top 10 globally for Engineering and Technology (QS 2025), with over 20 in the top 200 (THE). Enhanced Indo-UK academic ties, mutual qualification recognition, and NEP 2020 alignment further strengthen this opportunity.

STEM scholar Shilpa shared: “I’ve grown in confidence and learned to value learning over grades. Hard work truly pays off.”

A Stepping Stone to Global Success

Supported by British Council scholarships, UK education equips Indian students with both technical and soft skills for thriving international careers. It’s more than a degree it’s a passport to the global tech stage.

1. Access to Future-Focused Tech Courses

UK institutions offer cutting-edge programmes in AI, robotics, quantum computing, and more often developed with industry partners giving students job-ready skills and practical experience.

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2. Real-World Industry Experience

Strong university-industry links provide Indian students with hands-on projects, internships, and expert workshops, leading to valuable global networking and job prospects.

Looking Ahead

As the demand for future-ready tech professionals grows, the UK’s blend of academic rigor, innovation, and practical exposure positions Indian students for long-term success. With increasing collaboration between UK and Indian institutions, this pathway is set to become even more accessible and impactful.

3. Post-Study Work Rights

The UK’s Graduate Route visa allows Indian students to stay for up to two years (three for PhDs) after graduation. Yashodhra, an Indian graduate, says: “It gave me time and flexibility to find the right job — without needing sponsorship upfront.”

4. Globally Respected Degrees

UK degrees are recognised worldwide, boosting employability across top tech

Final Thought

For Indian students with global ambitions in technology, the UK offers not just world-class education but also the tools, confidence, and network to lead in an increasingly digital world. As Yashodhra and Shilpa’s journeys show, the right environment can truly unlock global potential.



6 Surprisingly Unique Courses You Can Study Abroad — That Go Way Beyond Engineering or Business

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When it comes to studying abroad, most students gravitate toward popular courses like engineering, computer science, or business. But if you're someone who dreams of a more unconventional academic path one that mirrors your unique personality and passions you'll be surprised by the fascinating and offbeat programs available across the globe.

1. Viking and Old Norse Studies — University of Iceland

For fans of Norse mythology and medieval history, the University of Iceland offers a deep dive into the Viking age. This program immerses students in Old Norse language, literature, and culture, with opportunities to work directly with ancient runes and manuscripts.

2. Brewing and Distilling — Heriot-Watt University, UK

Yes, you can actually study beer and spirits scientifically. Heriot-Watt's Brewing and Distilling program, accredited by the Institute of Brewing and Distilling, covers fermentation, chemistry, production, and even business aspects preparing students for a career in the global beverage industry.

3. Puppet Arts — University of Connecticut, USA

This unique course blends theatre, sculpture, and performance. Students learn to design and animate puppets, combining

creativity and storytelling in a program that's perfect for performers and theatre educators.

4. Parapsychology — University of Edinburgh, UK

A real academic program, Parapsychology explores phenomena like telepathy, out-of-body experiences, and psychokinesis. It offers a scientific approach to studying the unexplained and appeals to those with curious and questioning minds.

5. Adventure Education — Plymouth State University, USA

If you love the outdoors, this program is for you. Adventure Education focuses on leadership, wilderness survival, physical endurance, and psychology. It's ideal for careers in outdoor leadership, education, or wilderness therapy.

6. Peace and Conflict Studies — Uppsala University, Sweden

Uppsala's Master's program examines the causes of conflict, peacebuilding strategies, and international diplomacy. It's a great fit for those interested in human rights, global relations, and making a real-world impact.

Choosing Beyond the Obvious
Studying abroad isn't just about the most popular programs — it's about discovering what excites you. Whether it's Viking lore, puppetry, or parapsychology, the world of education is full of unexpected and inspiring possibilities.

Canada Updates PGWP Eligibility List for Non-Degree Graduates: What Students Need to Know

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In a significant move affecting international students in Canada, the government has revised the list of fields that qualify non-degree graduates for a Post-Graduation Work Permit (PGWP). The update aims to better align education pathways with Canada's long-term labour market needs.

As part of the changes, 119 new fields of study have been added to the PGWP-eligible list, while 178 have been removed. The updated list now includes 920 qualifying fields in total. The newly included areas focus heavily on healthcare and education, reflecting Canada's ongoing efforts to fill critical worker shortages in these sectors. On the other hand, certain programmes in agriculture and transport have been excluded from the revised list.

What This Means for Students?

These changes are especially important for international students pursuing certificate and diploma programmes rather than full degree courses. PGWP eligibility plays a crucial role in helping graduates gain Canadian work experience — a key step toward permanent residency for many.

However, there's good news for current students and recent applicants. If you applied for a study permit before June 25, 2025, and your chosen field of study is no longer on the PGWP list, you will still be eligible for a post-graduation work permit.

Why the Changes?

The updated PGWP list is part of Canada's strategy to match education and immigration policies with real workforce demands. By prioritising fields where there is a persistent shortage of skilled workers, the government hopes to streamline the transition from

international student to permanent resident — especially in sectors like nursing, teaching, and mental health support.

Applying for a PGWP

Graduates can apply for a PGWP within 180 days of receiving their final marks. To be eligible, they must have completed their programme at a designated learning institution (DLI) and meet other IRCC (Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada) requirements.

For detailed guidance on how to apply, students are advised to visit the official IRCC website or consult their college's international student services.

Planning Ahead

For prospective international students, it's now more important than ever to research program eligibility before applying. Choosing a field that aligns with Canada's updated PGWP list not only increases the chance of gaining relevant work experience but also enhances prospects for long-term immigration and career growth in the country.

Focus on High-Demand Sectors

Students interested in healthcare, education, and community support services will find new opportunities opening up.

These sectors not only offer PGWP eligibility but also reflect growing demand across Canadian provinces, making them smart choices for both employment and immigration goals. With increasing investments in public services, graduates in these fields are likely to benefit from stable job prospects and faster pathways to permanent residency.

Australia Hikes Student Visa Fees to AUD 2,000 Starting Today

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If you're planning to study in Australia, prepare for a costlier visa application process. Starting today, the student visa application fee has increased to AUD 2,000, up from the previous AUD 1,600. This move comes as part of the Australian Labor Party's campaign promise to reform immigration and international education policies.

The revised fee applies to most international students applying to Australian institutions. However, students from Timor-Leste and 12 Pacific Island nations will still benefit from a discounted rate. That said, their reduced fee has also seen a small increase — from AUD 710 to AUD 730.

Why the Increase?

The Australian government says the updated visa pricing reflects efforts to balance the rising administrative and regulatory costs involved in managing international student intake. It also aligns with broader policy reforms to ensure the international education sector remains both sustainable and high-quality.

According to government officials, the changes are designed to support long-term improvements in visa processing, student support services, and compliance monitoring areas that have seen growing attention in recent years.

What Students Should Do?

Prospective students planning to study in Australia are advised to factor in the higher visa fee when budgeting for their education. The application fee is payable when lodging a Student (subclass 500) visa application through the Australian Department of Home Affairs.

To avoid delays, students should ensure they have all required documents in order, including their Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE), proof of financial capacity, health insurance, and English language test scores. For step-by-step guidance, students can visit the official Australian student visa page.

Bottom Line:

With Australia remaining one of the top choices for Indian and international students, the fee hike may pinch pockets, but it also comes with a promise of better service delivery and stricter quality checks. If you're aiming for an Aussie degree, planning your finances just became even more important.

Impact on Indian Students and Families

For Indian students one of the largest groups of international enrollees in Australia the increased visa cost could significantly impact financial planning. Families should consider this added expense alongside tuition, accommodation, and living costs. Education consultants also advise starting the application process early to account for any unexpected documentation or processing delays.

Navigating the New Normal

While the higher fee may be a hurdle, it also signals Australia's continued commitment to improving international student experiences. With better support systems, faster visa processing, and stricter oversight, students can expect a more structured and secure environment. Being informed and well-prepared will help applicants make the most of their Australian education journey despite the added costs.

Applications Now Open for Fully Funded Ireland Fellows Programme 2026-27

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Ireland is now accepting applications for the 2026–27 Ireland Fellows Programme, a fully funded scholarship that allows talented international students from nearly 80 eligible countries across Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Pacific to pursue a one-year master's degree in Ireland completely free of cost.

What the Scholarship Covers

The programme offers comprehensive financial support, including:

- Full tuition fees
- Travel expenses (to and from Ireland)
- Monthly living allowance
- Accommodation and health insurance
- Visa and settling-in costs

Areas of Study

Scholars can choose from a wide range of master's programs in fields aligned with the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), such as:

- Sustainable development and climate action
- Gender equality and human rights
- Public health and policy
- Technology and innovation
- Education and governance

Who Can Apply?

The programme targets early to mid-career professionals with leadership potential who are committed to driving change in their home countries. Applicants must:

- Be a citizen of an eligible country
- Hold a bachelor's degree with at least upper second-class honours or equivalent.

- Not already hold a master's degree
- Be committed to returning home after completing their studies
- Have at least two years of relevant work experience

Female candidates and individuals from underrepresented communities are strongly encouraged to apply.

Application Process

The deadline to apply is July 25, 2025. Applications involve:

- Academic transcripts
- Curriculum vitae
- Proof of work experience
- A personal study plan
- Letters of recommendation
- An interview for shortlisted candidates

Final Word

The Ireland Fellows Programme is more than just a scholarship — it's a chance to learn from some of Ireland's best institutions, grow as a global leader, and return home equipped to make a lasting difference.

Start your application or learn more at: <https://www.irishaidfellowships.ie>

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Extra-Curricular Activities, Yoga Now Mandatory in RBSE Schools from

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In a major move aimed at holistic student development, the Rajasthan Board of Secondary Education (RBSE) has announced that yoga, library periods, and extra-curricular activities are now compulsory for all government and private schools affiliated with the board. The mandate, effective July 1, 2025, aligns with the goals of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, which emphasizes overall physical, emotional, and social development alongside academics.

The new academic calendar released by the board specifies a revised timetable that prioritizes both scholastic and co-scholastic learning. Subjects requiring higher concentration, such as Mathematics and Science, will be conducted during the first six periods of the day, while lighter or skill-based subjects will follow in later periods. This structure is designed to align with students' natural attention spans and reduce cognitive overload.

Mandatory Library & Yoga Sessions

One of the key inclusions is a weekly library period, which aims to cultivate reading habits and improve language skills. Additionally, yoga sessions will now be conducted regularly to enhance physical fitness, reduce stress, and promote mindfulness among students.

According to RBSE officials, these additions are not optional; schools are expected to incorporate them into their weekly schedules and maintain attendance records. Regular

monitoring will be conducted at the district level to ensure proper implementation.

Cultural Clubs and Awareness Drives

The Rajasthan Board of Secondary Education (RBSE) has introduced new reforms mandating the creation of at least one student club in each senior secondary school. Suggested clubs include Science, Child Rights, Environment, Road Safety, and Tourism Awareness. Schools must also appoint a "tobacco monitor" in every class and conduct at least one literary or cultural activity per term for students of Classes 9 and 10.

Bal Sabhas and Cleanliness Campaign

Monthly Bal Sabhas will focus on pressing social topics like child safety, early marriage, and road safety. A special cleanliness campaign will run from September 1 to 15, encouraging students to participate in hygiene and environmental responsibility activities.

Shakti Diwas and Health Initiatives

Health awareness is also a key focus, with the launch of "Shakti Diwas" every Tuesday. On this day, schools will distribute iron and folic acid supplements to tackle anaemia in adolescents, in collaboration with the state's health department.

Holistic Education and Monitoring

An RBSE official emphasized that education now extends beyond textbooks to include moral, physical, and social development. Schools are required to document and report quarterly activities, ensuring alignment with the new framework aimed at producing well-rounded, socially aware citizens.

Mumbai University Opens Online Admissions for MMS & MCA via CDOE

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On July 2, 2025, the University of Mumbai officially opened admissions for its Master of Management Studies (MMS) and Master of Computer Applications (MCA) programmes through the Centre for Distance and Online Education (CDOE). This initiative marks a significant step toward expanding the university's digital education infrastructure, catering to the growing demand for flexible and career-oriented postgraduate programs. The application window will remain open until July 17, 2025, and the online entrance examination is scheduled for July 20, 2025, as per the official announcement.

Both MMS and MCA courses are approved by the UGC and AICTE, ensuring they meet national academic and professional standards. The MMS programme, considered equivalent to an MBA, offers specialisations in Human Resources, Finance, and Marketing, with an intake capacity of 720 students. The revamped MCA programme, now structured as a two-year course, has been redesigned to meet dynamic industry requirements, particularly in the field of IT and software development, with a significantly larger capacity of 2,000 seats.

Delivered in a fully online format, these programmes are designed for working professionals and students who require flexibility due to geographical or time constraints. The course delivery includes live virtual lectures, interactive learning sessions, digital study materials, and online assessments, making quality postgraduate education more accessible. University officials have advised applicants to

frequently check the CDOE portal for technical instructions and application requirements, stressing the importance of early submission to avoid delays caused by last-minute server traffic.

This launch is part of the University of Mumbai's broader commitment to expanding distance and online education opportunities, bridging the gap between higher education and workforce needs. By offering accredited, flexible programmes in high-demand fields, the university aims to empower a wider pool of learners to upskill and pursue advanced qualifications without pausing their careers.

In conclusion, the launch of the MMS and MCA programmes through Mumbai University's Centre for Distance and Online Education marks a forward-thinking move toward inclusive, technology-driven learning. By combining academic rigour with digital flexibility, the university is enabling learners from diverse backgrounds—especially working professionals—to access quality postgraduate education. This initiative not only reflects the evolving landscape of higher education in India but also strengthens the university's role in preparing students for the demands of a competitive, global workforce.



Uttar Pradesh to Roll Out 19 Degree Colleges under PMJVK

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On July 4, 2025, the Uttar Pradesh government officially announced the establishment of 19 new government degree colleges under the Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK)—a central initiative aimed at uplifting regions with significant minority populations. This step is part of a broader strategy to bridge regional and social disparities in access to higher education. The announcement closely follows the recent operational readiness of 69 government degree colleges, which were scheduled to begin academic sessions by July 1, 2025, marking the start of the 2025–26 academic year.

The 19 newly sanctioned colleges will be spread across 15 districts, including Meerut, Ghaziabad, Pratapgarh, Unnao, and Sant Kabir Nagar. Two additional colleges are in the construction phase and are expected to be completed by 2026–27. The Ministry of Minority Affairs has approved financial grants to facilitate the development of these institutions, in partnership with various state-level education and infrastructure bodies. The final administrative model for these colleges—whether they will operate fully under government control or through a Public-Private Partnership (PPP)—is currently under evaluation. The state's Higher Education Department is overseeing the entire project to ensure that construction, staffing, and academic activities remain on schedule.

This push for expansion is part of a larger infrastructural overhaul of the state's tertiary education system. Alongside the new colleges, the government has simultaneously inaugurated 71 newly constructed degree

colleges, which also began classes from July 1, 2025. With these developments, all 172 government colleges in Uttar Pradesh will now offer comprehensive academic programmes in science, commerce, and arts streams, aligning with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 and its emphasis on interdisciplinary education and flexible curriculum models.

To support this academic expansion, the state government has also received in-principle approval for 1,562 new teaching positions, including 1,065 assistant professors. While the recruitment process for permanent faculty is underway, the government has arranged for temporary deputation of faculty from existing institutions to ensure that academic operations in the new colleges are not hindered. This proactive approach highlights the administration's intent to prioritize uninterrupted and quality instruction during the transition phase.

In conclusion, this significant scale-up in higher education infrastructure under the PMJVK reflects Uttar Pradesh's strong commitment to educational equity and social inclusion. By establishing colleges in underserved, minority-dominated districts, the government aims to make affordable, high-quality tertiary education accessible to students who might otherwise lack such opportunities. These reforms are poised to not only enhance regional educational outcomes but also strengthen local economies, empower youth, and contribute to the state's long-term socio-economic development.

Maharashtra CET Cell Starts July Admissions Amid Partial Course Delays

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In early July, the Maharashtra CET Cell began processing admissions for the 2025–26 academic cycle, covering nine professional courses including MBA, engineering, law, and physical education. This move has offered much-needed clarity to thousands of aspirants.

Course-by-Course Breakdown

- MBA, Engineering, Law & Physical Education: Registration and counselling are actively underway.
- Postgraduate Dental (NEET MDS): Registrations closed on July 3, provisional merit lists were released July 4, with seat allotments scheduled for July 8.
- BCA, BBA, Pharmacy, Architecture, Nursing, Design: Still awaiting scheduling, prompting concern among aspirants.

Aspirant Feedback & Official Response

Student groups have raised issues about uncertainty resulting from delayed schedules in key professional programs. A BBA aspirant commented, "It's really tricky not knowing when the Counselling will start or when choice filling will happen", reflecting widespread unease. The CET Cell has urged patience, assuring applicants that all schedules will be posted on its official website in the middle of July.

Systemic Challenges

The fragmented rollout highlights complexities in coordinating multiple courses across agencies like CET Cell, AICTE, and statutory councils (PCI, BCI, COA). Streamlining these disparate systems poses significant logistical challenges.

Broader Implications

Delays in admission processes can have ripple effects on student moods, hostel accommodations, and academic planning. Experts stress that stable, annualized scheduling—as recommended under NEP 2020—can reduce stress and improve administrative efficiency. Aspirants are advised to prepare documentation (marksheets, photo IDs, reservation certificates) ahead of deadlines.

What to Watch?

- Mid-July: Expected release of schedules for BBA, BCA, Pharmacy, Architecture, Nursing, and Design.
- July 8: NEET MDS first allotment followed by admissions confirmation.
- July 9–10: MBA/MCA seat allotments and guidance.

Final Analysis

A smoother, more transparent system of admissions is vital to maintaining student confidence and institutional reputation. As Maharashtra CET Cell transitions to a more structured annual calendar, the July admissions season will set important precedents for handling multi-course enrolment challenges effectively.



G.P. Birla Scholarship 2025

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About the Program

The G.P. Birla Scholarship 2025 by the G.P. Birla Educational Foundation supports meritorious students from West Bengal and Jharkhand who passed Class 12 in 2025. It provides up to ₹50,000/year to pursue undergraduate or professional courses in India.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must:

- Be domiciled in West Bengal or Jharkhand
- Have passed Class 12 in 2025 from a recognised board
- Have scored:
 - 85%+ in WBCHSE or JAC
 - 90%+ in ISC or CBSE
- Be enrolled in a recognised undergraduate course
- Have family income below ₹3,00,000/year (Higher income may be considered for exceptional merit)

Benefits

- ₹50,000/year for tuition & hostel fees
- ₹7,000 one-time for books (1st year only)
- Renewable for up to 4 years (based on performance)

Eligible Courses

UG programs in:

- Science, Commerce, Arts
- Engineering, Medicine, Architecture, Law
- Professional courses (CA, CS, CMA with UG)

Required Documents

- Filled application form
- Passport-size photo (JPEG, max 100 KB)
- Admission proof (PDF, max 1 MB)
- Class 12 marksheet (PDF, max 1 MB)
- Income proof (Salary Certificate/Form 16/ITR)

Application Process

Option 1: Online

- Register → Fill form → Upload docs → Submit

- Note your application number

Option 2: Offline

- Download form → Fill & attach docs → Post to: G.P. Birla Educational Foundation 78, Syed Amir Ali Avenue, Kolkata – 700019

(No need to send hard copy if applied online)

Deadline

15th July 2025

Selection Process

Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed by a panel including:

- Prof. Sumanta Basu (IIM Kolkata)
 - Dr. Rajib Das (Jadavpur University)
- Panel's decision is final.

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Nirman Shramik Kalyan Yojana Scholarship Odisha 2024–25

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About

The Nirman Shramik Kalyan Yojana Scholarship 2024–25 by the Labour & ESI Department, Odisha provides financial aid to children of registered building/construction workers from Odisha. Students from Class 6 onwards can receive up to ₹40,000 per year, depending on their level of study.

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be a resident of Odisha
- Be a ward of a registered BOC worker with the OB&OCWW Board
- Study in Class 6 or above
- Belong to General/ST/SC/OBC/SEBC/EBC categories
- Have passed the previous exam with 50% minimum attendance

Benefits (₹/year)

- Class 6–7 (females): ₹2,000
- Class 8: ₹2,000
- Class 9: ₹3,000
- Class 10: ₹4,000 / ₹10,000 (if 90%+)
- Class 11–12: ₹5,000
- UG/PG (B.A., B.Sc., B.Com.): ₹7,000
- Professional (B.Tech., BCA, MBA, etc. – Govt. only): ₹40,000
- B.Ed., CT, Nursing (Govt. only): ₹10,000
- Female students get 20% extra

Documents Required

- Aadhaar of student & parent
- Domicile & BOC ID card
- Parent's bank passbook (DBT-enabled)
- School/college ID & marksheet

How to Apply

- Visit Odisha State Scholarship Portal
- Register & log in
- Fill in the scholarship form
- Upload documents and submit

Deadline: 31st July 2025

Selection: Based on eligibility & document verification

Conditions: Parent must be an active BOC worker; false info leads to rejection

Contact

Labour & ESI Dept., Govt. of Odisha
labsec.or@nic.in | 0674–2536770
5th Floor, Kharavel Bhawan, Bhubaneswar – 751001

Conclusion

The Nirman Shramik Kalyan Yojana Scholarship 2024–25 is a crucial step by the Odisha government to uplift the children of construction workers through education. By offering structured financial support across academic levels, the scheme ensures that deserving students—especially from underprivileged backgrounds—can pursue their studies without economic burden.

With additional benefits for female students, the program also promotes gender equity in education and contributes to the overall development of skilled, educated youth in the state.



Future Leaders Scholarship 2025

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

About

The Future Leaders Scholarship 2025, offered by the University of Hartford (USA), is designed to support international graduate students who exhibit exceptional leadership potential and align with the university's core values — integrity, curiosity, creativity, and responsibility. This merit-based award aims to recognise students who will become global changemakers and contribute meaningfully to society through their graduate education.

Eligibility Criteria

apply, the applicant must:

- Be an international student
- Have been accepted into a graduate program at the University of Hartford
- Submit a completed scholarship application along with a Future Leaders Statement

Benefits

Selected candidates will receive:

- USD 2,000 per year
- The scholarship is renewable for one additional year

Required Documents

Applicants must upload the following documents:

- Valid passport/visa
- Academic transcripts and certificates
- Future Leaders Statement (outlining leadership vision, values, and potential impact)

How to Apply?

Eligible candidates can apply using the steps below:

- Click on the 'Apply Now' button.
- Click on 'Register' and fill in the registration details.

(Note: If already registered, log in using your email, mobile number, or Gmail account.)

- Complete the application form and upload the required Future Leaders Statement.
- Click 'Submit' to complete the application process.

Important Dates

- Application Deadline: 15 July 2025
- Scholarship Notification Date: 8 August 2025

Selection Criteria

Selection will be based on:

- The quality and depth of the Future Leaders Statement
- Alignment with university values: integrity, creativity, curiosity, and responsibility
- Demonstrated leadership potential and societal impact

Contact Details

University of Hartford
200 Bloomfield Avenue,
West Hartford, CT 06117, USA
Email: brilhart@hartford.edu
Phone: +1 860.768.4999

Conclusion

The Future Leaders Scholarship 2025 by the University of Hartford offers a valuable opportunity for international graduate students to receive recognition and financial support for their leadership potential.

With a focus on integrity, creativity, curiosity, and responsibility, the scholarship aims to empower students who are committed to making a meaningful impact in their communities and beyond. Through this initiative, the university reinforces its dedication to nurturing future global leaders and fostering positive societal change.

Indus Towers Scholarship Program 2024

About

The Indus Towers Scholarship Program 2024, a CSR initiative by Indus Towers Ltd., is implemented by Shishu Sarothi to support youth with disabilities from North-East India. The program offers up to ₹70,000 per year for vocational or skill-building courses.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must:

- Be an Indian citizen from North-Eastern states (Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura)
- Be 18–35 years old as of 1st June 2024
- Have 40%+ benchmark disability (certified)
- Have passed Class 10/HSLC with 45%+ marks
- Belong to BPL or EWS category (income ≤ ₹6,00,000/year)
- Be enrolled in or willing to join a full-time vocational course (e.g., Tally, Cosmetology, Farming, Digital Skills, Hospitality, etc.)

Benefits

- Scholarship up to ₹70,000/year
- Covers course fees (paid directly to institution)
- 70 students will be selected

Documents Required

- Aadhaar & Govt. ID
- Disability certificate
- Class 10 marksheet
- Income proof / BPL card
- Admission receipt (if admitted)
- Course fee structure (if available)

How to Apply

- Register or log in
- Click 'Apply Now' next to eligibility
- Fill form → Upload docs → Submit

Deadline: 24th July 2025

Selection Criteria

- Based on merit and income
- Confirm with Information Release Form
- Delay in submission = disqualification

Terms & Conditions

- Valid till course completion or ₹70,000 limit
- Regular progress report & attendance required
- Misconduct can lead to cancellation

Contact

Shishu Sarothi, Guwahati – 781016
Email: info@sssscholarship.org
Phone: +91 7086268549

Conclusion

The Indus Towers Scholarship Program 2024 is a meaningful initiative dedicated to empowering youth with disabilities from North-East India by supporting their skill development and vocational training.

By providing financial aid, the program not only promotes inclusive education but also helps build sustainable livelihoods for deserving candidates. It reflects Indus Towers' commitment to social equity and the creation of a more empowered and self-reliant future for individuals with disabilities.



Delhi Development Authority Announces Opportunity for Public Relations Professionals

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

The Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has opened applications for one position of Officer (Public Relations) at Level 13 of the 7th CPC Pay Matrix, strictly on a deputation basis. The role offers senior PR professionals from government sectors, PSUs, or reputed media/publicity organizations a chance to lead communication initiatives in a key urban planning body.

Eligible applicants include:

- Government/PSU officers currently holding Level 13 posts or with three years' regular service at Pay Band-III with Grade Pay ₹7600.
- Experienced professionals from news agencies or PR/publicity roles with a proven track record.
- Candidates with a PG degree or diploma in Journalism, Mass Communication, PR, or Advertising from a recognized institute.

The deputation tenure will initially be three years, extendable up to ten years based on performance and institutional needs. Applications must be submitted through proper official channels, including:

- A detailed bio-data
- Vigilance clearance and integrity certificate
- APARs for the last five years
- Statement of movable and immovable property
- Details of financial grants (under ACP/MACP)

- NOC from the parent department

Applications with incomplete documentation or received after the last date—July 14, 2025—will be rejected. Importantly, this is a transfer-only deputation post with no provision for absorption. Eligibility will be determined based on the status as of the application deadline.

Applications should be sent to:

Office of Commissioner (Personnel), Delhi Development Authority, E-1, Vikas Sadan, INA, New Delhi – 110023.

This opportunity enables experienced communicators to contribute significantly to DDA's public engagement and strategic messaging in India's capital. It allows them to shape narratives, manage media relations, and enhance the visibility of major urban development projects. The role also involves crafting communication strategies that reflect DDA's policies and achievements to a wide public audience.



Career Opportunities at ERNET India: Technical, Accounting, and Secretarial Roles Open

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

New Delhi, India – ERNET India, an autonomous scientific society operating under the Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, Government of India, has announced openings for several key positions. The organization is looking to fill these roles on a Regular/Deputation basis, offering a valuable opportunity for professionals seeking to contribute to India's digital infrastructure.

Located at DMRC IT Park in Shastri Park, ERNET India plays a crucial role in the country's internet and network services. These new positions are an excellent chance to join a leading institution at the forefront of technological advancement.

Available Positions:

ERNET India is inviting applications for the following roles:

1. Technical Assistant (01 Vacancy): This position is for a general category (UR) candidate and falls under Level-6 of the 7th CPC pay scale. One post of Technical Assistant (UR) is a future anticipated vacancy, meaning it will be filled when it becomes available.
2. Accountant (01 Vacancy): Also a general category (UR) position, this role is compensated at Level-6 of the 7th CPC.
3. Personal Assistant (01 Vacancy): This general category (UR) secretarial role is also at Level-6 of the 7th CPC.

Important Note on Reservation:

ERNET India is committed to inclusivity. One post out of the three advertised positions is reserved horizontally for a Person with Benchmark Disability (PwBD). This post must be filled by a suitable PwBD candidate. However, if no eligible PwBD candidate is found, the position may be filled by an eligible

candidate from other categories, adhering to existing vertical reservation systems.

Application Process and Deadline:

Candidates interested in these opportunities must ensure their applications reach the undersigned within 30 days from the date of publication of this advertisement in the Employment News/other Newspaper.

For comprehensive details regarding eligibility criteria, the application form, and other relevant information, aspiring candidates are strongly encouraged to visit the official ERNET India website: www.ernet.in. Any future modifications or amendments to this advertisement will also be uploaded exclusively on the ERNET India website. Applicants are advised to check the site regularly for updates. Submissions that do not meet the specified requirements may be rejected. Ensure that the application is complete and submitted before the deadline mentioned in the official notification.

This is a fantastic chance to become a part of ERNET India's mission and contribute to the nation's technological progress. Don't miss the deadline to apply! Take time to review all eligibility requirements and prepare necessary documents in advance. Joining ERNET offers a meaningful career path in shaping India's digital infrastructure.



AS-CFMS Invites Applications for Macro-Economist Role

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

The Assam Society for Comprehensive Financial Management System (AS-CFMS), a registered society under the Finance Department, Government of Assam, has announced an exciting opportunity for a qualified Macro-Economist. The organization is seeking to engage a professional on a contractual basis to contribute to its financial management initiatives.

This is a unique chance for an experienced individual to play a crucial role in the economic development of Assam, offering a blend of offshore and onsite work, and the potential for a truly impactful engagement.

Position Available:

- Macro-Economist (1 Vacancy)

Who Should Apply?

AS-CFMS is looking for candidates with:

- Experience: A minimum of 3 years and above of experience specifically on State Finance. This crucial requirement ensures that the selected candidate possesses a deep understanding of the unique financial dynamics and challenges at the state level.

Work Arrangement and Location:

The selected Macro-Economist will primarily work in a completely offshore role, offering significant flexibility. However, there will be a requirement for a maximum of up to 30 days of onsite attendance within a 12-month period. These onsite visits will be distributed throughout the year based on project requirements and will be fully supported by AS-CFMS, which

will bear the associated costs. Any extension beyond the 30-day period will be subject to mutual agreement.

Compensation:

The remuneration for the selected candidate will be decided based on their expectations, experience, and expertise. AS-CFMS emphasizes that "remuneration is no bar for a deserving candidate," highlighting their commitment to attracting top talent for this vital role.

How to Apply:

Interested candidates are encouraged to visit the AS-CFMS page on the official website for more details: <https://finance.assam.gov.in>

Important Deadline:

The last date for submission of applications is July 10, 2025, till 2400 hours.

This engagement offers a fantastic opportunity for a dedicated Macro-Economist to contribute their skills to a significant government initiative in Assam, working with flexibility and competitive remuneration. Don't miss this chance to make a difference!



NCRTC Announces Senior Vacancies for Experienced Professionals

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

The National Capital Region Transport Corporation (NCRTC) has opened applications for several senior-level and executive positions, inviting experienced professionals to contribute to India's transformative rapid transit infrastructure projects. The organization, jointly owned by the Government of India and its partner states, is seeking talent to support roles across design, transit-oriented development, planning, legal counsel, corporate communications, and hospitality.

Key Positions & Details:

- Group General Manager – Design (Civil Structure) (2 UR posts): Pay Scale ₹1,20,000–2,80,000 | Up to 55 years | 20 years' experience in CPSE/PSU/Govt (Level E2/L9+) or 22 years in private sector.
- Group General Manager – TOD & Value Capture Financing Expert (1 UR): Same pay and experience criteria, focusing on sustainable transit development.
- Executive – Transport Planner, Legal, Planning, Corporate Communications, Corporate Hospitality: Multiple UR/OBC posts | Pay Scale ₹30,000–1,20,000 | Max age 35 | 3+ years' relevant experience required.

These roles play a pivotal role in advancing NCRTC's ambitious Regional Rapid Transit System (RTTS) corridor projects, which are designed to revolutionize public transportation across the National Capital Region. With a focus on high-speed, high-capacity commuter transit, these projects aim to decongest roads, reduce pollution, and connect urban centers more efficiently.

Selected candidates will work alongside interdisciplinary teams of planners, engineers, policy experts, and legal professionals to help deliver one of India's most significant transportation infrastructure ventures.

Professionals in these positions will have the opportunity to contribute across a variety of domains—from design and structural planning of critical infrastructure to formulating legal strategies, urban development planning, corporate communication efforts, and hospitality management for key stakeholders. These functions are essential not only to the execution of current RRTS corridors but also to shaping public perception and stakeholder engagement as the projects expand.

Application Process: Complete details—including qualifications, experience, and application formats—are provided in NCRTC's Vacancy Notices 21/2025, 24/2025 & 25/2025, available in the Career section at www.ncrtc.in.

Deadline Reminder: Applicants must apply as per deadlines stated in the official notices. Be sure to review the complete notification to confirm eligibility and submission procedures.

This is not just a job opportunity, but a chance to directly influence the shape of future urban transport in India. It offers unmatched exposure to large-scale public infrastructure development and the satisfaction of being part of a national-level initiative aimed at enhancing connectivity and improving quality of life for millions. Eligible and interested professionals are strongly encouraged to apply within the deadline and join NCRTC's mission of building world-class urban transit systems.

SSC CGL TIER 1 EXAM 2025

The Staff Selection Commission Combined Graduate Level (SSC CGL) Tier 1 is the first stage of the selection process for Group B and C posts in various government departments. It is an objective computer-based exam (CBE).

IMPORTANT POINTS

- Exam Mode: Computer-Based (Online)
- Type of Questions: Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs)
- Total Questions: 100
- Total Marks: 200
- Duration: 60 minutes (80 minutes for PwD candidates)
- Sections:
 - General Intelligence & Reasoning
 - General Awareness
 - Quantitative Aptitude
 - English Comprehension
- Negative Marking:** 0.50 marks for each wrong answer
- Qualifying Nature:** Tier 1 is qualifying; final merit is based on Tier 2 performance

IMPORTANT DATES

- Notification Released: June 9, 2025
- Application Deadline: July 4, 2025
- Tier 1 Exam Dates: August 13 to August 30, 2025
- Tier 2 Exam: Expected in December 2025

20 SAMPLE QUESTIONS

General Intelligence & Reasoning

- If TABLE is coded as UBCMF, how is CHAIR coded?
- Find the odd one out: Circle, Triangle, Square, Rectangle, Cube.
- Arrange: 5432, 5243, 5423, 5324 in ascending order.
- A is B's sister. C is B's father. D is C's mother. How is D related to A?
- Mirror image of the word “ROAD” is?

General Awareness

- Who is the current Chief Election Commissioner of India (as of 2025)?
- Which planet is known as the "Red Planet"?
- What is the chemical symbol of Sodium?
- Who was the first President of India?
- In which year was the Indian Constitution adopted?

Quantitative Aptitude

- Simplify: $(23 \times 13) + (23 \times 7)$
- What is the average of first 10 natural numbers?
- A train 120m long takes 12 seconds to pass a pole. Speed?
- What is the compound interest on ₹10,000 at 5% for 2 years?
- If $2x + 3 = 11$, find x.

English Comprehension

- Synonym of the word “Abandon”.
- Antonym of the word “Hostile”.
- Identify the error: "She don’t know the answer."
- Fill in the blank: He is good ___ playing the piano.
- Choose the correct spelling:
 - Acommodation,
 - Accommodation,
 - Accomodation,
 - Acomodation.

SSC CPO (SI) Tier 1 Exam 2025

The Staff Selection Commission (SSC) conducts the Central Police Organization (CPO) examination to recruit Sub-Inspectors (SI) in Delhi Police and Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs). The Tier 1 examination is the first crucial step for candidates aiming to join these elite forces. With the 2025 cycle underway, aspirants must understand the structure, important dates, and the type of questions they are likely to encounter.

Exam Overview

SSC CPO Tier 1 is a Computer-Based Test (CBT) that assesses a candidate's abilities across four key subjects: General Intelligence and Reasoning, General Knowledge and General Awareness, Quantitative Aptitude, and English Comprehension. Each section carries equal weight, with 50 questions and 50 marks allotted to each. The total paper consists of 200 questions for 200 marks, and the duration is 2 hours. There is a penalty of 0.25 marks for every incorrect answer, making accuracy just as important as speed.

This exam is conducted in a single session and is followed by a Physical Endurance and Standard Test (PET/PST) for those who qualify. Only candidates clearing both Tier 1 and the physical tests are allowed to appear for the Tier 2 examination, which further tests English comprehension skills.

Important Dates for SSC CPO 2025

The official notification for SSC CPO 2025 was released on June 16, 2025. The application process began on the same date and will remain open until July 7, 2025. Candidates must ensure that they submit their forms and fees well within this window. The Tier 1 examination is scheduled to be held from September 1 to 6, 2025, across various centers in India. Admit cards are expected to be available in the last week of August.

Key Points Candidates Must Remember

First, the exam is open to graduates aged between 20 and 25 years, with age relaxations applicable to reserved categories. Second, preparation must focus on both academics and physical fitness, as qualifying the PET/PST is mandatory. Third, understanding the exam pattern and practicing mock tests is essential to gain an edge in the competition. Lastly, candidates should monitor the official SSC website for updates, especially regarding admit cards and exam centers.

20 Sample Questions to Practice

General Intelligence and Reasoning

1. If TRAIN is coded as SQUHM, how will PLANE be coded?
2. Complete the series: A, D, I, P, ?
3. Which number is the odd one out: 17, 23, 29, 35, 41?
4. A boy walks 3 km east, then 4 km north. How far is he from the starting point?
5. Find the missing term: 4, 9, 16, ?, 36

General Knowledge and General Awareness

6. Who is the current Union Home Minister of India?
7. What is the capital of Sri Lanka?
8. In which year was the Constitution of India adopted?
9. What is the chemical symbol for Gold?
10. Which river is called the 'Ganga of the South'?

Quantitative Aptitude

11. Simplify: $(24 \times 13) - (17 \times 8)$
12. What is 25% of 640?
13. The ratio of boys to girls in a class is 3:5. If there are 24 boys, how many girls are there?
14. A shopkeeper sells a product at ₹240 making a 20% profit. What was the cost price?
15. A train 180 m long crosses a pole in 12 seconds. What is the speed in km/h?

English Comprehension

16. Choose the correct spelling: Accommodate, Accomodate, Accommodation, Acomadation
17. Antonym of the word "Expand"
18. Fill in the blank: He has been living here ____ five years.
19. Identify the error: She don't know where he lives.
20. Synonym of "Brilliant"

These questions are designed to reflect the level and structure of the Tier 1 paper. Practicing daily with such sets will improve your speed, comprehension, and accuracy.

Final Thoughts

SSC CPO Tier 1 is a gateway to a respected career in law enforcement. With dedication, discipline, and a focused strategy, candidates can clear this hurdle and move closer to their goal. Ensure your preparation includes regular practice, revision of core subjects, and physical training. Stay updated with official announcements, and never underestimate the power of solving previous year papers and mock tests. The road may be tough, but the reward is well worth it.

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2. Dates of Round 4 Seat Allotment Result and Physical Reporting are now changed. There will be no physical reporting on July 07 and July 08 now.
3. Last Date of Withdrawal with Seat Acceptance Fee Refund has been extended to 12th July 2025 (till 10:30 pm)
4. An additional counselling Round 5 has been introduced after Round 4 before the Upgradation Round. Date of Upgradation Round has therefore changed.
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I house young minds, eager to grow,
With lessons and knowledge, they soon will know.
Desks and chairs, a learning space,
Where am I? Find my place!
Answer: A Classroom

I hold knowledge, page by page,
With stories, facts, and wisdom of age.
Open me up, and you will see,
A world of learning inside of me.
Answer: A Book

I come in numbers, I come in words,
A test of knowledge, skill, and nerves.
You write me down, on paper so neat,
Who am I, where students compete?
Answer: An Exam

I guide you well, through right and wrong,
With lessons that help you grow up strong.
I stand before you, chalk in hand,
In this learning journey, by you I stand.
Answer: A Teacher

I have hands but do not clap,
I tell you time without a nap.
In schools, I help you keep in line,
Tick-tock, what's my sign?
Answer: A Clock

I have seats but I'm not a car,
I take students near and far.
Bright and yellow, I'm easy to see,
What am I, transporting thee?
Answer: A School Bus

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Your Voice Matters!

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By fostering an interactive and supportive environment, the Student Corner ensures that students feel heard, valued, and motivated throughout their academic paths. Whether they seek guidance, wish to contribute insights, or simply want to engage in constructive discussions, this platform provides them with the opportunity to be active participants in shaping the academic discourse. Education is a journey, and through the Student Corner, students can feel assured that they have a dedicated space where their voices truly matter.

Best Regards,
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