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-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

New Delhi, January 23, 2026: The JEE Main 2026 Session 1 examination continued across India on January 23, with the completion of the morning shift (Shift 1). According to feedback from students and experts, the overall difficulty level of the paper ranged from easy to moderate, consistent with the trend observed in the ongoing session. While the exam was well-balanced across subjects, Mathematics emerged as the most challenging and time-consuming section.

**Mathematics Analysis:**

Students reported that the Mathematics section was moderate to difficult, featuring lengthy and calculation-intensive questions. Key topics included Integral Calculus, Conic Sections, and Algebra, which required careful problem-solving and time management. Many candidates spent 80–90 minutes on this section alone, reflecting the high level of conceptual application required rather than simple formula recall.

**Physics and Chemistry Analysis:**

The Physics section was rated moderate, primarily formula-based, with higher weightage given to Magnetism. Additional questions appeared from Thermodynamics and Modern Physics, demanding analytical thinking and conceptual clarity. Chemistry, on the other hand, was considered the most scoring section, largely NCERT-based, and comprised statement-type questions and simple numericals, especially in Organic and Physical Chemistry. This allowed students to secure maximum marks if they had thoroughly revised the NCERT syllabus.

**Expert Observations:**

Experts noted that the exam emphasized conceptual understanding over rote memorization, favouring candidates with strong fundamentals. The distribution of questions aligned closely with the official syllabus, and no major out-of-syllabus surprises were reported. Coaching institutes anticipate that, based on the difficulty level, the cut-off percentile for this shift may remain similar to, or slightly higher than, the previous session. Students who managed time efficiently in Mathematics and maximized scores in Chemistry are expected to achieve higher overall percentiles.

**Advice for Upcoming Shifts:**

Candidates are now advised to analyze their performance, identify weak areas, and plan strategically for the remaining shifts. With several sessions still pending, experts recommend focusing on high-weightage topics, revising core concepts, and practicing mock tests to improve speed, accuracy, and time management.

Overall, the morning shift of JEE Main 2026 on January 23 maintained the trend of a balanced and fair examination, testing not just knowledge, but also problem-solving ability and conceptual clarity, setting the stage for students to perform optimally in the upcoming shifts.

**Maharashtra Board Releases SSC Hall Ticket 2026 Ahead of February Exams**

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The Maharashtra State Board of Secondary and Higher Secondary Education (MSBSHSE) has officially released the SSC (Class 10) Hall Ticket 2026 on January 19, 2026. This marks a crucial step for thousands of students across the state who are preparing to appear for their board examinations scheduled for early 2026.

**How Students Can Collect Their Hall Tickets**

Students appearing for the Maharashtra SSC examinations are required to collect their admit cards from their respective schools. Schools affiliated with MSBSHSE are responsible for downloading the hall tickets from the official portals:

- [mahahsscboard.in](http://mahahsscboard.in)
- [mahahsscboard.maharashtra.gov.in](http://mahahsscboard.maharashtra.gov.in)

Using their official login credentials, schools can access and print the hall tickets, ensuring they are distributed to students well before the exams begin.

**Exam Schedule and Mode**

The Maharashtra SSC board exams 2026 will be conducted in offline mode (pen-and-paper), spanning from February 20 to March 18, 2026. Exams will be held across various designated exam centres in the state, providing students with a standardized and secure testing environment.

**Important Details on the Hall Ticket**

The SSC hall ticket is an essential document and contains the following information:

- Student's Name
- Roll Number
- Subject-wise Exam Dates
- Exam Centre Address
- Instructions for Exam Day

It serves as an identity proof for students on the day of the examination and ensures smooth entry to the exam centre.

**Guidelines for Students**

Students are strongly advised to carefully check all the details printed on the hall ticket. In case of any discrepancy or error in the information (such as incorrect name, roll number, or exam centre), students should immediately inform their school authorities so that corrections can be made before the start of the examinations.

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### What the Channel Offers

Subscribers to the official channel will receive real-time notifications regarding:

**Curriculum & Textbooks:** Updates on the latest editions and changes in the National Curriculum Framework (NCF).

**Teacher Training:** Information on upcoming workshops and professional development modules.

**Educational Initiatives:** Announcements on workshops, research findings, and programs promoting holistic education.

**AI Integration:** Updates on interactive programs, such as the recently launched AI-powered Mathematics learning module.

### How to Join

Students and educators can follow the channel by clicking the official link: [Join NCERT Official WhatsApp Channel](http://www.whatsapp.com/channel/NCERT_Official)

### Institutional Upgrade: Deemed-to-be-University Status

In a significant shift, NCERT is poised to receive Deemed-to-be-University status by the end of January 2026. This elevation in status under the "de novo" category will transform the council from an advisory body to a full-fledged academic institution.

### Key Changes Post-Upgrade:

**Degree Granting Power:** NCERT will be able to award its own Undergraduate (UG), Postgraduate (PG), and Doctoral (PhD) degrees.

**Advanced Research:** The move will allow for independent, in-house research programs beyond school-level curriculum development.

**Global Collaboration:** As a university, NCERT can enter into formal academic partnerships and faculty exchange programs with international institutions.

### AI in Education: Recent Highlights

Prior to the WhatsApp launch, NCERT conducted a four-day AI-powered Mathematics Learning Programme (Jan 12–15, 2026). The sessions focused on:

Using AI to identify common student errors.

Creating diagnostic assessments to find learning gaps.

Developing visual learning models to simplify abstract mathematical concepts.

### Would you like me to find the schedule for the next session of the AI-powered training or help you find the latest NCERT textbook PDFs for the 2026-27 academic year?

NCERT Deemed University Status Explained This video features the NCERT Director discussing the transition to a research university and how it will impact the future of education and degree-granting in India

## JEE Mains 2026 Expected Cutoff and Results Update

-VidyaarthiMitra News Desk

The National Testing Agency (NTA) is currently conducting the JEE Main 2026 Session 1 examinations from January 21 to 29, 2026. Based on initial student feedback and previous year trends, coaching institutes have released tentative cutoff percentiles for qualifying JEE Advanced 2026.

As per early estimates, the expected qualifying cutoff for the General category may range between 93.3 and 95 percentile, slightly higher than last year's 93.10. For Gen-EWS, the cutoff is likely to be around 80.5–82.5 percentile, while OBC-NCL candidates may need 79.5–81.5 percentile. The expected cutoffs for SC and ST categories are 61–63 percentile and 47.5–50 percentile, respectively.

Experts report that Mathematics continues to be the toughest section, acting as the main rank-deciding subject, while Physics and Chemistry remain easy to moderate and largely NCERT-based. With nearly 15 lakh candidates appearing this year, competition is expected to remain intense.

The provisional answer key is expected in the first week of February, while the Session 1 results will be declared by February 12, 2026. The official qualifying cutoff will be announced by NTA after the completion of Session 2 in April 2026.

## CBSE Board Exams 2026: Smart Preparation Tips to Score Above 90%

-VidyaarthiMitra News Desk

The CBSE Class 10 and 12 Board Examinations are scheduled to begin on February 17, 2026. With limited time left, students must follow a disciplined and well-structured study plan to achieve high scores. Success in board exams depends on consistency, conceptual clarity, and smart revision strategies rather than last-minute cramming.

Experts advise students to maintain an error notebook where they record mistakes made in sample papers, mock tests, and pre-board exams. Regularly revising these errors helps improve accuracy and boosts confidence during the final examination.

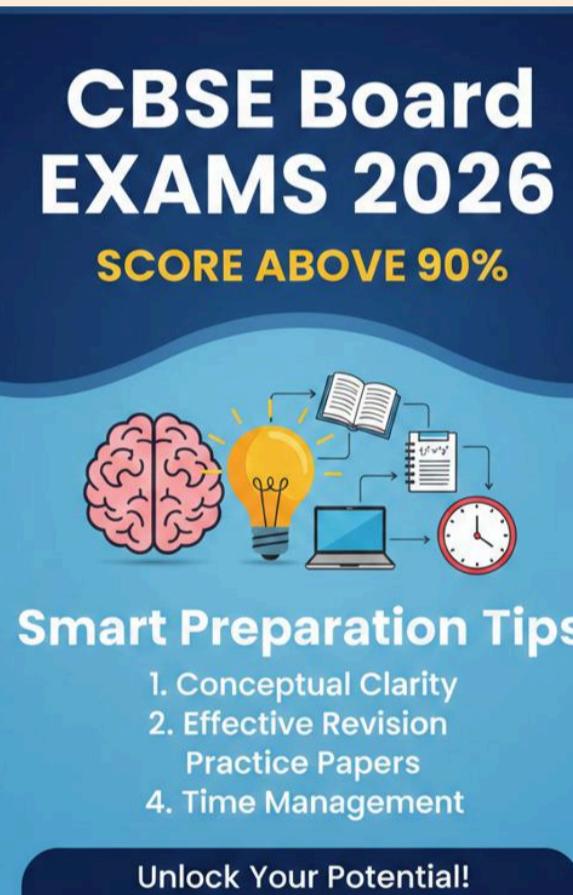
A balanced preparation approach is essential, as CBSE does not follow a fixed chapter-wise weightage. Students are encouraged to study the entire syllabus thoroughly instead of skipping chapters, even if some topics appear less important.

Teachers also stress the importance of concept-based learning over rote memorisation. Students should revise class notes daily, practise numerical and competency-based questions, and focus on case-study-based problems, which have become an important part of the CBSE paper pattern.

Solving previous years' question papers, attempting three to five full-length mock tests, and getting them evaluated by teachers can help students identify weak areas and improve time management. Proper presentation, neat handwriting, and writing clear, well-structured answers can further increase scores.

Additionally, students should maintain a healthy routine, including proper sleep, short study breaks, and a balanced diet, to stay focused and stress-free during exam preparation. Avoiding last-minute panic and staying positive can make a significant difference in performance.

With disciplined preparation, strong fundamentals, and a positive mindset, scoring above 90 per cent in CBSE Board Exams 2026 is well within reach.





## Maharashtra Board Strengthens Anti-Malpractice Measures Ahead of HSC Exams 2026

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

The Maharashtra State Board of Secondary and Higher Secondary Education (MSBSHSE) has introduced stringent measures to ensure fair and secure HSC (Class 12) exams 2026, scheduled to begin on February 10. This comes as part of the board's ongoing efforts to maintain the credibility and integrity of the examination process.

In a major step, the board has cancelled 107 examination centres across the state, including 76 HSC centres, which were previously found involved in malpractice. To prevent cheating, authorities will implement drone and CCTV surveillance at exam centres, use government vehicles for transporting confidential question papers, and strictly enforce anti-cheating laws. These measures aim to create a safe and transparent environment for students.

The board has urged school authorities, teachers, and students to cooperate fully with the rules and procedures. The exams will continue until March 11, 2026, covering subjects across Science, Commerce, and Arts streams. With these strengthened security measures, MSBSHSE aims to ensure that the results reflect true student merit and uphold the standards of Maharashtra's board examinations.

## CBSE Revises Affiliation Norms to Strengthen Student Counselling and Well-Being

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) has updated its affiliation norms to further strengthen students' mental health, socio-emotional development, and career guidance in schools. The revised norms were approved during the CBSE meeting held on November 26, 2025.

Under the existing regulations, as per Clause 2.4.12, every CBSE-affiliated Secondary and Senior Secondary school is required to appoint a Counselling and Wellness Teacher on a full-time basis. The eligible qualification for the post includes a Graduate or Postgraduate degree in Psychology, a Postgraduate degree in Child Development, or a Graduate/Postgraduate degree with a Diploma in Career

Guidance and Counselling. Schools with an enrolment of fewer than 300 students in Classes 9 to 12 are permitted to appoint such professionals on a part-time basis.

### Amended Norms

With the revised guidelines, CBSE has made it mandatory for all affiliated Secondary and Senior Secondary schools to appoint qualified counselling professionals to support students' overall well-being and career planning. As per the amended clause:

- Schools must appoint a Counselling and Wellness Teacher (Socio-Emotional Counsellor) at a ratio of one counsellor for every 500 students enrolled.
- In addition, schools are required to appoint Career Counsellors to guide students in academic choices and career planning.

The updated norms aim to ensure a structured support system for students, promoting mental health awareness, emotional resilience, holistic development, and informed decision-making. CBSE has emphasised that the presence of trained counsellors in schools is essential to address the growing academic pressure and emotional challenges faced by students.

The move is expected to significantly enhance student well-being and create a more supportive and guidance-oriented school environment across CBSE-affiliated institutions.



## Turn Your Physics Struggles Into Strengths: Learn the Core Concepts

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

Students facing difficulty in understanding core Physics topics such as Kinematics, Laws of Motion, Thermodynamics, and Oscillations and Waves can now improve their conceptual clarity through a free online Physics course offered by NCERT on the SWAYAM portal.

Primarily designed for Class 11 students, the course focuses on building a strong foundation in fundamental Physics concepts. It explains motion in one and two dimensions, forces, work and energy, gravitation, properties of matter, and the behaviour of gases. Special emphasis is placed on understanding physical laws and applying them to real-life situations within defined limits.

The programme also highlights the importance of measurements, scientific terminology, and mathematical tools such as vector algebra, differentiation, and integration. Numerical problem-solving is taught using multiple examples to help students gain confidence and accuracy.

### Course Structure

The first part of the course consists of six units, spread across 41 modules:

- Physical World and Measurement
- Kinematics
- Laws of Motion
- Work, Energy and Power
- Motion of Systems of Particles and Rigid Body
- Gravitation

The second course, aligned with the Class 11 Physics Part 2 textbook, includes four units delivered through 42 modules:

- Properties of Bulk Matter
- Thermodynamics
- Kinetic Theory of Gases
- Oscillations and Waves

Both courses provide video lectures, e-texts, animations, practice questions, assignments, and tests, enabling students to monitor their learning progress in a structured manner.

### Course Certificate

The final assessment will be conducted in the last week of the course, from March 3 to March 6. Participants who score 60 per cent or above in the final assessment will receive a course completion certificate.



## India Post Launches "Gyan Post" to Promote Education and Reading Across India

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

New Delhi, January 23, 2026: India Post has launched "Gyan Post", a new initiative aimed at making educational resources more accessible to students nationwide. The service, focusing on the safe and secure delivery of books, supports the vision of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Minister for Communications Jyotiraditya M. Scindia to strengthen education and reading habits among children.

The initiative allows the shipment of academic books, literature, and competitive exam materials to students, including those in remote regions of India. Shipments must be labelled "Gyan Post" and adhere to guidelines such as excluding advertisements, commercial publications, and periodicals. Optional services like registration, insurance, and proof of delivery are also available, with weight limits ranging from 300 grams to 5 kilograms.

As part of the programme, India Post conducted special educational sessions on Vasant Panchami for students of Classes IV and V. Children received books on philately, moral stories, and postcards featuring inspirational messages from Minister Scindia. Interactive sessions introduced them to the postal system, reading habits, and cultural significance of stamps.

The programme also aims to encourage creativity and curiosity among students, inspiring them to explore areas such as history, culture, and philately. By connecting learning with interactive experiences, Gyan Post seeks to make education more engaging and enjoyable, particularly for children in rural and underserved areas.

According to India Post, Gyan Post aims to foster literacy, moral values, and a lifelong love of reading, ensuring that learning resources reach students safely and efficiently across the country.



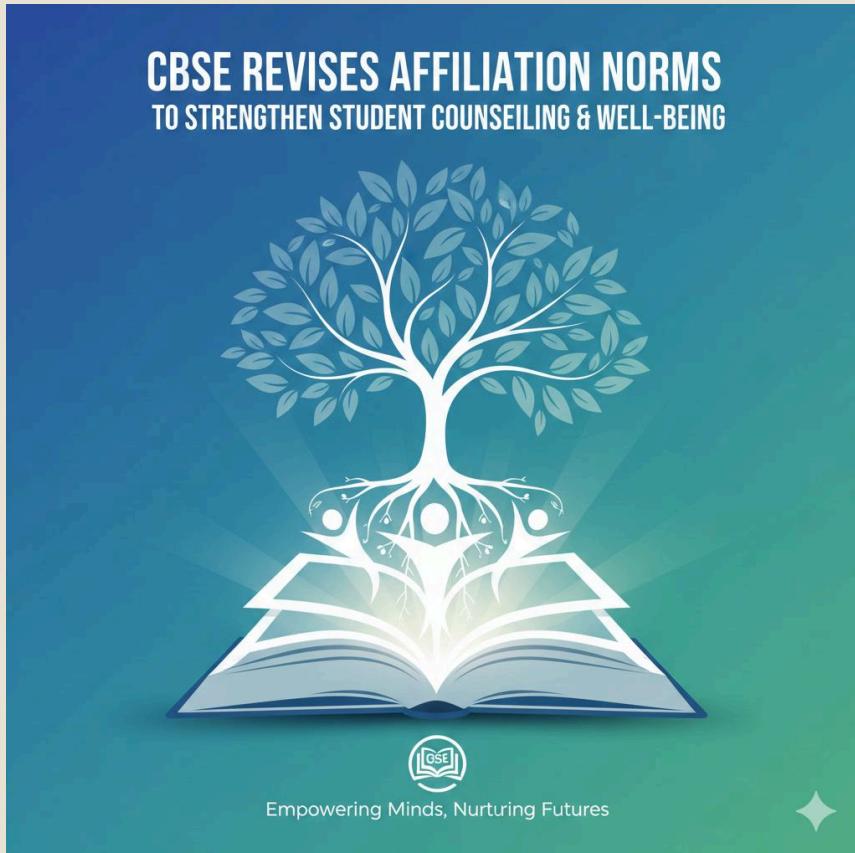


## IIT Delhi Launches Advanced Professional Certificate Programme in FinTech

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Delhi has announced the launch of its Advanced Professional Certificate Programme in Financial Technology (FinTech), aimed at addressing the growing demand for skilled professionals in the rapidly evolving digital finance ecosystem. The six-month programme is offered under IIT Delhi's Continuing Education Programme (CEP) and is designed for working professionals, entrepreneurs, and recent graduates seeking to upskill in finance-driven technologies.

The programme offers a total of 118 hours of structured learning, including 60 hours of live interactive sessions conducted by IIT Delhi faculty and industry experts. Additional learning components include recorded video lectures, hands-on assignments, quizzes, case studies, and an industry-focused capstone project. The course will be delivered through a Direct-to-Device (D2D) online learning platform, providing participants with flexibility while maintaining academic rigour. An optional on-campus immersion at the IIT Delhi campus will offer networking opportunities and real-world exposure.



The curriculum is designed around the “ABCDs” of FinTech — Artificial Intelligence, Blockchain, Cloud Computing, and Big Data, ensuring strong alignment with current industry requirements. Key modules include blockchain technology and cryptocurrencies, digital lending and payments, algorithmic and high-frequency trading, generative AI applications in finance, financial data analytics, cybersecurity and fraud detection, regulatory frameworks (RegTech), and innovation and entrepreneurship in FinTech.

A major highlight of the programme is the capstone project, where participants will work on real-world financial problems, applying technical and analytical skills to practical use cases. This project aims to bridge the gap between academic learning and industry application.

Upon successful completion of the programme and meeting attendance and evaluation criteria, participants will be awarded an e-certificate by CEP, IIT Delhi. The certification is expected to enhance career prospects and prepare learners for roles such as FinTech Product Manager, Financial Analyst, Compliance and Risk Expert, Data Scientist, Blockchain Consultant, and Digital Payments Specialist.

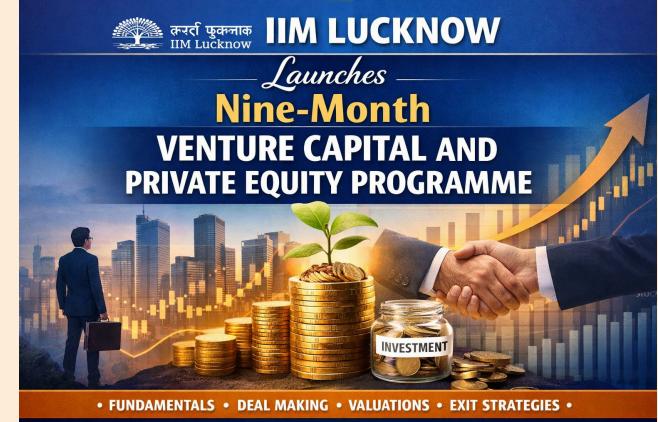
With the FinTech sector witnessing rapid growth in India and globally, the programme seeks to create a future-ready workforce capable of driving innovation, ensuring regulatory compliance, and supporting digital financial inclusion.

## IIM Lucknow Launches Nine-Month Venture Capital and Private Equity Programme

VidyarthiMitra News Desk

The Indian Institute of Management Lucknow (IIM Lucknow), in collaboration with Emeritus, has announced the launch of a nine-month programme in Venture Capital and Private Equity (VCPE). The programme is aimed at developing skilled professionals to meet the growing demand in the investment and finance sector.

The course is scheduled to commence on March 31, 2026, and will be delivered primarily through live online sessions, along with a three-day on-campus immersion at IIM Lucknow. The programme fee is ₹3,20,000 plus GST.



According to IIM Lucknow, India's venture capital and private equity market is expected to reach USD 232 billion by 2030, highlighting the increasing need for trained professionals in this domain. The programme is designed to provide both strategic understanding and practical exposure to the VCPE ecosystem.

The curriculum covers the complete investment lifecycle, including market assessment, deal sourcing, valuation techniques, portfolio management, and exit strategies. It combines faculty-led sessions with hands-on workshops and a guided capstone project, enabling participants to apply theoretical concepts to real-world scenarios.

### Key Features of the Programme:

- Comprehensive VCPE Curriculum:** A 10-module structure covering venture capital, private equity, fund structuring, due diligence, AI in investing, and impact capital.
- Practical Learning Approach:** Interactive workshops on valuation, deal structuring, fundraising, and negotiation strategies.
- Capstone Project:** A team-based fund simulation to gain real-world investment experience.
- Campus Immersion:** A three-day in-person residency at IIM Lucknow focused on leadership development, collaboration, and networking.
- Expert Faculty:** Instruction from IIM Lucknow professors along with experienced industry practitioners.
- Recognised Certification:** Participants will receive a certificate of completion from IIM Lucknow, with the option to obtain Executive Alumni status.

The programme is expected to benefit finance professionals, entrepreneurs, and aspiring investors looking to build or advance their careers in India's rapidly evolving venture capital and private equity landscape.

### Who Should Attend

This programme is ideal for finance professionals, entrepreneurs, business owners, and aspiring investors seeking to deepen their understanding of investment strategy, capital allocation, and fund management. It is also valuable for consultants, bankers, and corporate finance executives who wish to pivot toward or enhance their presence in the VCPE ecosystem.

With India's investment landscape evolving rapidly, the IIM Lucknow VCPE Programme serves as a springboard for professionals looking to build, scale, or transform their careers in one of the country's most dynamic financial sectors.

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## Employability Crisis and Skill Gap: The Role of AI-Focused Education

A widening gap between university education and industry expectations has sparked concerns over a looming employability crisis. Experts caution that without immediate and meaningful reforms in higher education, graduates may continue to fall short of meeting the evolving demands of the job market.

### Urgent Need to Reform University Education

To improve graduate employability, India's university system requires a comprehensive structural revamp. Academic programmes must move beyond theory-heavy instruction and place greater emphasis on future-ready skills by aligning curricula with real-world industry requirements.

### AI Transforming Key Industries

Artificial intelligence is rapidly reshaping sectors such as healthcare, finance, and manufacturing. Technologies including automation, data analytics, and machine learning are increasingly becoming integral to daily business operations and decision-making processes.

"The gap between what employers expect and how universities prepare students continues to widen," said Manish Mohta, Founder of Learning Spiral. "Industries such as healthcare, finance, and manufacturing are evolving quickly as AI-driven automation, data analytics, and machine learning become embedded in their workflows and business models."

### Growing Demand for AI Skills

As AI adoption accelerates across sectors, the demand for AI-related competencies is expected to increase significantly. However, many academic institutions have been slow to modernise their offerings.

"The need for AI skills will only grow," Mohta added. "Yet many classroom-based courses remain outdated and fail to address the pace of technological change. Educators in colleges and universities must now evolve into facilitators of artificial intelligence learning as well."

## Breaking: Mumbai University Revises Winter Exam Dates 2025 Again

-Vidyaarthi Mitra News Desk

Mumbai University has once again revised the schedule for its Winter Examinations 2025, marking the second postponement of the exams. The latest rescheduling has been necessitated by the Maharashtra Zilla Parishad elections, following an earlier deferment due to the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) elections.

In a circular issued on January 20, the university stated that the Winter 2025 examinations, which were earlier postponed because of municipal elections, have now been further revised owing to the Zilla Parishad polls. The notification was addressed to heads of university departments, directors of the Thane and Kalyan sub-centres, the Director of the Centre for Distance and Online Education (CDOE), and principals of all affiliated colleges across faculties.

The university has instructed college authorities and departmental heads to promptly inform students and staff about the updated examination schedule. Exams that were originally planned for mid-January will now be conducted according to the revised dates announced by the university.

## Access and Equity Concerns

Despite its potential benefits, AI-driven education is not a complete solution on its own. Access remains a critical challenge, particularly for students from rural areas and economically weaker backgrounds.

"Without sufficient government support, AI-focused education risks being limited to elite and private institutions," Mohta noted. "Moreover, an overemphasis on technical skills without nurturing critical thinking, communication, and ethical values could result in a workforce that is skilled but lacks adaptability."

## AI Education Should Complement Traditional Degrees

Experts stress that AI-based learning should enhance—not replace—traditional degree programmes. A balanced educational approach is essential to ensure sustainable employability in the long term.

## Making AI-Focused Education Effective

For AI-driven education to deliver meaningful outcomes, it must integrate strong subject fundamentals with AI competencies, provide hands-on exposure through internships, and foster close collaboration with industry partners.

AI-focused learning is emerging as a possible bridge between India's growing demand for skilled professionals and the employability of graduates, offering a promising pathway to address the widening skills gap.

## IIT Delhi Introduces Executive Programme In Healthcare Entrepreneurship

-Vidyaarthi Mitra News Desk

IIT Delhi has announced the launch of an Executive Programme in Healthcare Entrepreneurship and Management, offered through its Continuing Education Programme (CEP), a statutory body of the institute. The programme is designed to develop leadership capabilities for India's rapidly evolving healthcare ecosystem.

India's healthcare sector is witnessing a major transformation driven by digital health adoption, medical device innovation, AI-powered diagnostics, wearable technologies, and other emerging advancements. This programme aims to equip professionals with the skills and knowledge required to navigate and lead within this changing landscape.

### Eligibility

Applicants must hold a bachelor's degree and have prior work experience or project-based exposure.

### Programme Structure

The five-month programme will be delivered through live online weekend sessions, complemented by dedicated project work.

### Programme Fee

The total fee for the programme is ₹1,30,000 plus applicable GST.

### Programme Highlights

The curriculum offers a comprehensive and hands-on learning experience, covering:

- Identifying unmet healthcare needs using empathy-driven approaches, data analysis, and clinical insights
- Applying design thinking principles to develop impactful healthcare products and services
- Prototyping solutions using 3D printing, digital tools, wireframing, and medical app development
- Testing concepts through usability assessments, simulated market testing, and clinical evaluations
- Understanding healthcare regulations, intellectual property frameworks, and quality standards
- Developing branding strategies, pricing models, sales plans, and distribution channels

## Johns Hopkins Introduces Fellowship Program For Women Scientists At IISc Bengaluru

-Vidyaarthi Mitra News Desk

Johns Hopkins University has launched the India RISE (Research & Innovation STEMM Empowerment) Fellowship at the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru, aimed at supporting early-career women scientists in health and medicine research across India.

The fellowship has commenced with its first cohort at IISc and is designed to help women researchers sustain and advance their careers in STEMM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, and Medicine) fields. The initiative is spearheaded by the Gupta-Klinsky India Institute at Johns Hopkins University under the US-India Alliance for Women's Economic Empowerment.

Offered as a one-year, part-time programme, the India RISE Fellowship brings together academic leaders, policymakers, industry experts, and women scientists from across the country to foster research excellence and professional growth.

The inaugural cohort comprises 41 women scientists from 16 states and union territories, representing 30 leading academic and research institutions.

These include IISc, multiple Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), AIIMS campuses, institutes under the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), and prominent government universities.

### Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must hold a PhD or a postgraduate professional degree such as MTech, MD, MS, DNB, or an equivalent qualification from a government-recognised research or educational institution, completed within the last seven years. Eligible candidates should be actively engaged in health or medical research in India.

The fellowship is open to early-career STEMM researchers who demonstrate a strong commitment to advancing women's participation in STEMM through their work or mentorship. Applicants are also required to identify a technical research advisor at their host institution or organisation to support innovative research projects throughout the 12-month fellowship period.

For more details, applicants can visit the official website.



## CSEET January 2026 Results Announced; Scorecards Now Available at [icsi.edu](https://icsi.edu)

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

NEW DELHI, JAN 20, 2026: The Institute of Company Secretaries of India (ICSI) has officially declared the results for the Company Secretary Executive Entrance Test (CSEET) conducted in January 2026. Candidates who appeared for the exam on January 10 and 12 can now access their formal e-Result-cum-Marks Statement online.

The results were made live on the official portal at 2:00 PM IST today. ICSI has emphasized that no physical copies of the mark sheets will be issued to candidates; the digital version available for download will serve as the official record.

### Core News & Key Details

- Result Date: January 20, 2026 (Released at 2:00 PM)
- Examination Dates: January 10 and 12, 2026
- Official Website: [icsi.edu](https://icsi.edu)

### How to Download the Scorecard

To view the results, candidates must follow these steps:

- Visit the official ICSI website or the direct result link.
- Enter the Unique ID (Registration Number) and Date of Birth.
- The scorecard will display a subject-wise break-up of marks and the overall qualifying status.

### Qualifying Criteria

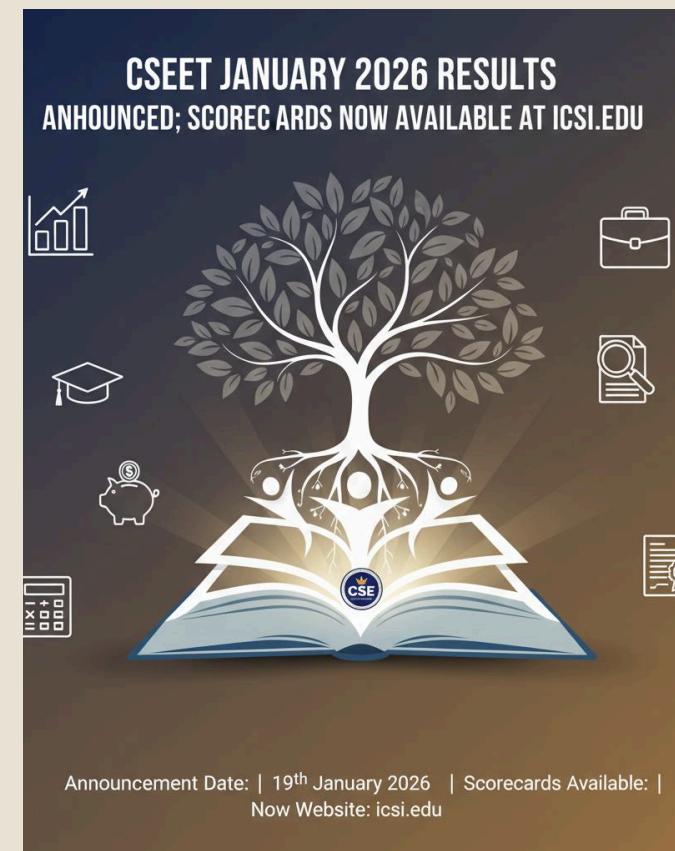
To pass the CSEET, a candidate must meet two conditions simultaneously:

- Subject-wise:** Minimum of 40% marks in each of the four papers.
  - Aggregate:** Minimum of 50% marks in total.
- Exemptions and Next Steps

**Direct Admission:** Certain categories, including Graduates (50% marks), Postgraduates, and candidates who have passed the final levels of ICAI (Chartered Accountants) or ICMAI (Cost Accountants), are exempted from CSEET and can directly enroll in the CS Executive Programme.

**Validity:** The CSEET result is valid for one year from the date of declaration for admission to the Executive Programme.

**Next Session:** CSEET is held four times a year (January, May, July, and November). The next session is expected in May 2026



## AIBE Exam To Be Held Twice A Year, Final-Year LLB Students Eligible To Appear

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

The All India Bar Examination (AIBE) will now be conducted twice a year, and final-semester LLB students will be allowed to appear for the exam. The decision comes after the Bar Council of India (BCI) informed the Supreme Court about changes made to the examination rules.

A bench comprising Justices Vikram Nath and Sandeep Mehta recorded the development while hearing a writ petition filed in 2024 seeking permission for final-year law students to take the AIBE. Following the submission by the BCI, the court disposed of the plea.

During the hearing, BCI's counsel stated that the AIBE will be held twice annually and final-semester students can appear subject to clearing their final LLB examinations. To implement this, the BCI has framed new regulations titled BCI Rules, 2026.

Earlier, the Supreme Court had passed interim orders in 2024 allowing final-year students to appear in the AIBE. In 2023, the apex court had directed the BCI to frame formal rules on the matter, noting that students should not lose a year of their professional careers due to procedural restrictions.

### Background And Supreme Court Observations

The issue gained prominence after several law students approached the Supreme Court in 2023 and 2024, challenging a BCI notification that barred final-year students from appearing in the AIBE. The petitioners argued that the restriction caused an unnecessary delay of one full year in starting their legal careers.

Earlier, in February 2023, the Supreme Court had upheld the constitutional validity of the AIBE and confirmed BCI's authority to conduct the exam. The court had also accepted the recommendation of an amicus curiae to allow final-semester students to appear upon producing proof of eligibility.

### Why This Change Is Important

The move to conduct the AIBE twice a year is expected to:

- Reduce waiting time for law graduates to begin practice
- Provide greater flexibility and opportunities for candidates
- Align the Indian legal system with international professional standards
- Address long-standing concerns raised by law students and institutions

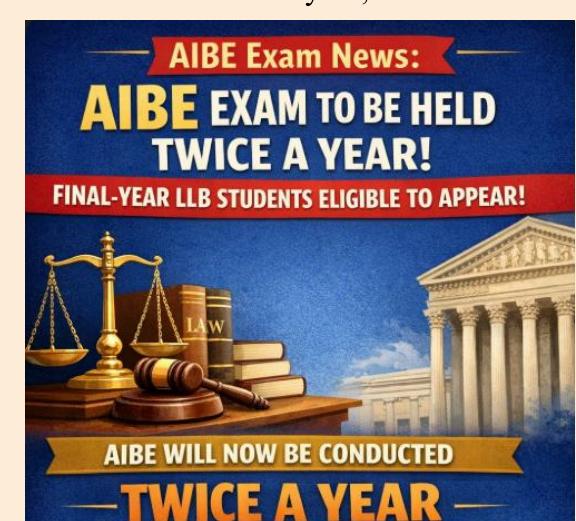
Legal education experts believe the reform will streamline the transition from academic study to professional practice and help address delays in enrolment across State Bar Councils.

The court had also upheld BCI's authority to conduct the AIBE and accepted recommendations allowing final-semester students to appear upon submitting valid proof of eligibility.

Clearing the AIBE is mandatory for law graduates to enrol as advocates with their respective State Bar Councils.

### AIBE XXI (2026) Important Dates

- Exam Date: June 7, 2026
- Registration Starts: February 21, 2026
- Last Date to Apply: April 30, 2026
- Fee Payment Last Date: May 1, 2026
- Application Correction Window: Till May 3, 2026
- Admit Card Release: May 22, 2026





## UPSC Reschedules Civil Services 2025 Personality Test; 2026 Notifications Delayed

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

NEW DELHI, JAN 20, 2026: The Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) has issued a critical update regarding the ongoing Civil Services Examination (CSE) 2025 personality tests and the upcoming 2026 recruitment cycle. Due to the Full Dress Rehearsal for the Republic Day Parade 2026, the Commission has rescheduled interview dates for a specific batch of candidates and postponed the release of next year's notifications. The adjustments come as logistical and security measures in the national capital intensify ahead of the January 26 celebrations

### Core News & Key Details

#### 1. Rescheduled Personality Test (CSE 2025)

The Commission has cancelled the afternoon session previously set for later this week and provided a new date in late February.

- Original Schedule: January 22, 2026 (Afternoon Session)
- Revised Schedule: February 27, 2026 (Forenoon Session)
- Reason: Early closure of government offices in New Delhi for Republic Day Parade rehearsals.
- Note:** This change applies only to candidates originally allotted the Jan 22 afternoon slot. All other interview dates remain unchanged.

#### 2. Postponement of CSE & IFS 2026 Notifications

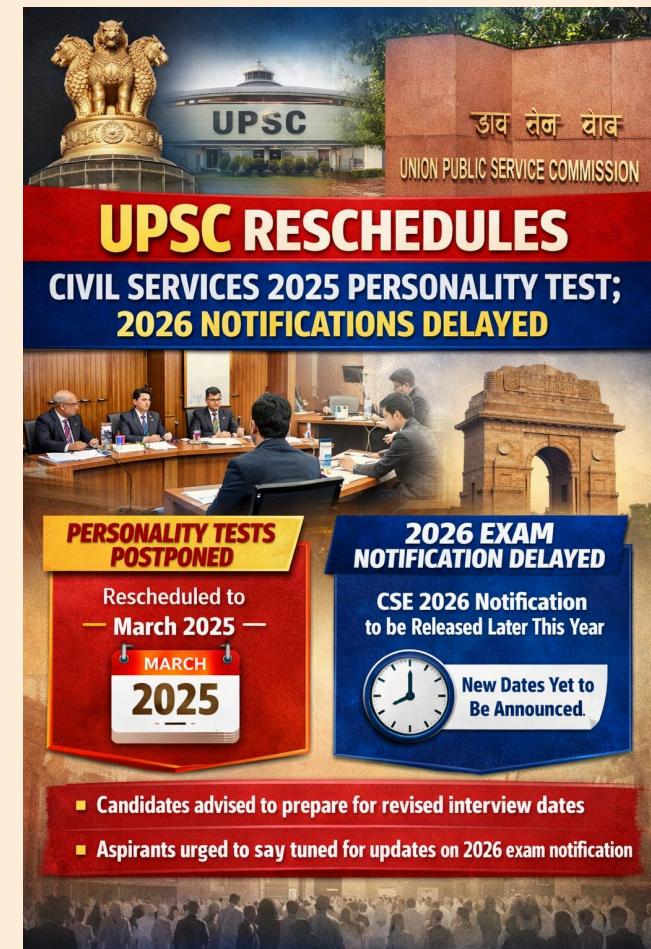
In a rare move, the UPSC has deferred the official recruitment notices for the 2026 cycle.

- Original Release Date:** January 14, 2026
- Current Status:** Postponed until further notice.
- Affected Exams:** Civil Services Examination (CSE) 2026 and Indian Forest Service (IFS) Examination 2026.
- Reason:** Cited as "administrative reasons." A fresh date for the notification and the commencement of the online application process will be announced "in due course."

#### 3. Mandatory Interview Requirements

Candidates appearing for the remaining personality tests at Dholpur House must carry:

- Original certificates for age, educational qualification, and community status (SC/ST/OBC/EWS/PwBD).
- A printed copy of the e-Summon Letter.
- Two sets of the prescribed Travel Allowance (TA) form for reimbursement.



## ICAI CA Intermediate Exams 2026: Revised Date Announced for Auditing and Ethics Paper

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) has officially announced the revised examination date for the postponed CA Intermediate Group II – Paper 5 (Auditing and Ethics) examination for the January 2026 session. Candidates appearing for the CA Intermediate exams are advised to carefully note the updated schedule and related instructions issued by the institute.

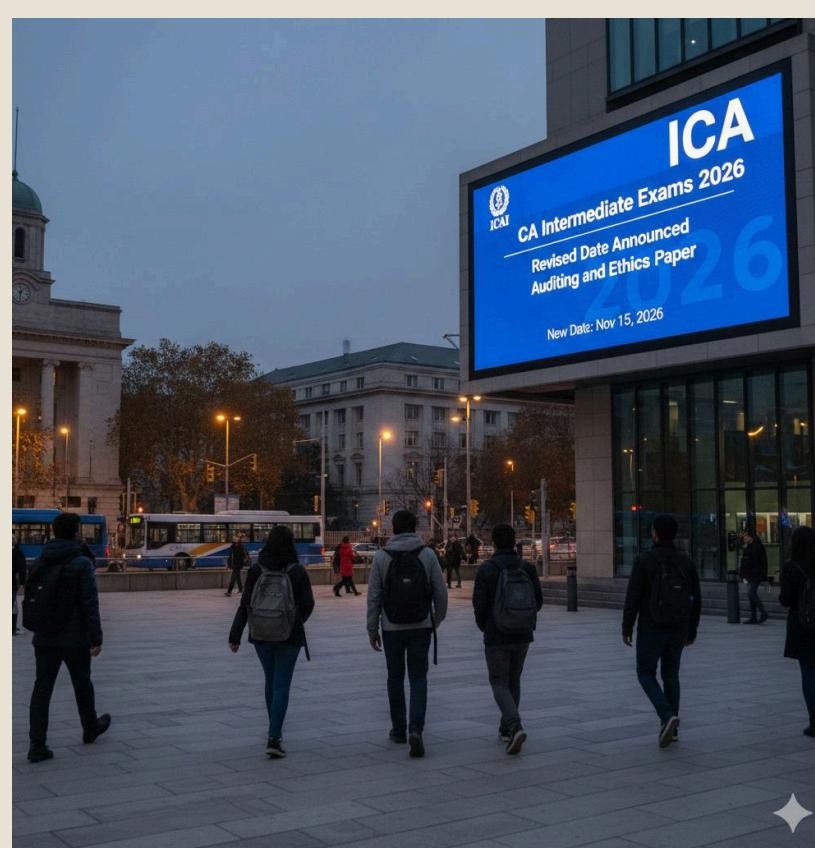
### Revised Exam Date Details

- Exam Name: CA Intermediate – Group II, Paper 5 (Auditing and Ethics)
- Original Date: January 19, 2026
- Revised Date: January 31, 2026 (Saturday)
- Exam Timing: 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM
- Exam Centres: Same centres as previously allotted
- Admit Card: No change; earlier admit cards remain valid

ICAI clarified that the examination will be conducted strictly as per the revised schedule, even if the new exam date coincides with a public holiday declared by the government.

### Important Instructions for Candidates

- Candidates do not need to download a new admit card, as the previously issued admit card will remain valid for the revised date.
- All examination rules, reporting time, and guidelines mentioned in the original admit card will continue to apply.
- Students are advised to reach the examination centre well in advance to avoid any last-minute inconvenience.



### How to Download the Revised Schedule

Candidates can download the official revised exam notice by following the steps below:

- Visit the official ICAI website: [icai.org](http://icai.org)
- Go to the "Announcements" section on the homepage.
- Click on "Revised schedule of postponed examination".
- The revised schedule PDF for the Auditing and Ethics exam will open.
- Download and save the document for future reference.

### Official Advisory

ICAI has urged all candidates to regularly check the official website for the latest updates and notifications related to the CA examinations. Any further announcements, if applicable, will be communicated only through ICAI's official platforms.

### Download Link

Candidates can access the revised schedule through the "ICAI CA Inter Auditing and Ethics Exam Revised Schedule" link available on the official website.

## Admissions Open for MBA Programmes at IITs; CAT Score Used for Shortlisting

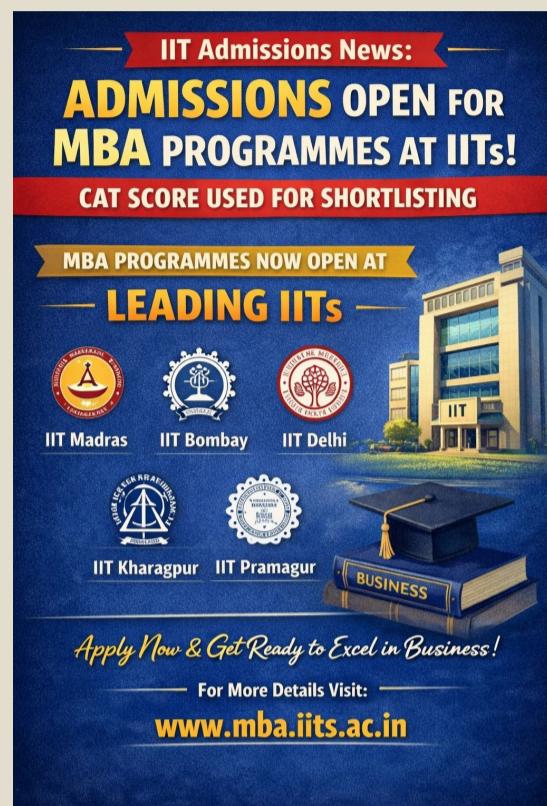
The Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) have announced the opening of admissions for their two-year full-time MBA programmes for the upcoming academic session. IIT MBA programmes are gaining increasing popularity among management aspirants due to their strong blend of technology, analytics, innovation, and managerial education.

Admission to MBA programmes at IITs is primarily based on Common Admission Test (CAT) scores, which are used to shortlist candidates for further selection rounds. However, aspirants should note that the Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) are not involved in the selection process or conduct of MBA programmes at IITs. Each IIT follows its own admission criteria, which may include group discussions, personal interviews, written ability tests, and academic or work-experience weightage.

Several IITs across India offer MBA or management programmes through their specialised management schools and departments. These include SJMSOM at IIT Bombay, Department of Management Studies (DMS) at IIT Delhi, IIT Madras, IIT Roorkee, IIT Kanpur, IIT Kharagpur, IIT Guwahati, IIT Jodhpur, IIT Mandi, and IIT Dhanbad (ISM). Each institute publishes its own cut-off scores, application timelines, and selection procedures on its official website.

IIT MBA programmes focus on data-driven decision-making, operations, finance, marketing, and entrepreneurship, with a strong emphasis on real-world problem-solving. Students benefit from industry interactions, live projects, internships, and exposure to cutting-edge research, supported by IITs' strong technical ecosystem.

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk



Graduates from IIT MBA programmes are highly valued across sectors such as consulting, analytics, technology management, finance, operations, and product management. Strong placement records, robust alumni networks, and collaborations with leading global companies further enhance the appeal of IIT MBA courses.

Candidates aspiring to pursue an MBA from IITs are advised to regularly check the official websites of their preferred institutes for updates on admission schedules, eligibility conditions, and selection stages.

Admissions for MBA programmes at several Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) for the 2026–28 batch have officially opened. Top institutes like IIT Delhi and IIT Bombay have started their application process, and candidates who appeared for CAT 2025 can apply with their CAT scores for shortlisting in the next stages of selection.

## SP Jain Global Opens Admissions for February 2026 MBA Programs; Global MBA and Executive MBA Applications Now Live

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

SP Jain School of Global Management has announced the opening of admissions for its February 2026 intake for both the Global MBA (Full-time) and Executive MBA (Part-time) programs. The institution, which operates campuses in Dubai, Mumbai, Singapore, and Sydney, is inviting applications from professionals seeking international exposure and advanced management education.

The Global MBA (Full-time) program is ranked #16 in the world for MBA by the Financial Times and Africa (QS Full-time MBA – International Trade Rankings 2025). It is designed for professionals with 2+ years of work experience who aim to enhance their global perspective and build strong international networks. According to SP Jain, the average pre-program salary of students is ₹9.5 lakhs, while the average post-program salary reaches ₹36.2 lakhs, with an average salary increase of 4-fold. Around 71% of graduates secure international jobs, while the remaining placements are in top domestic companies.

The program structure includes studying on multiple campuses—students begin in Singapore and Dubai, with opportunities to transfer to London at SP Jain London School of Management. Participants receive personalized career support across global campuses and graduate with an Australian degree.

Meanwhile, the Executive MBA (Part-time) program is ranked #23 globally (QS Executive MBA – International Trade Rankings 2025) and targets senior professionals with 3+ years of managerial experience. The program emphasizes leadership development without interrupting ongoing careers. SP Jain reports that the average in-class work experience is 13.5 years, with 65% of students being senior management executives. The cohort also reflects strong global diversity, representing 13 nationalities.

The Executive MBA is delivered through Engaged Learning Online (ELO) technology, combined with immersion weeks in Dubai and Singapore. Students learn from an international faculty and graduate with an Australian degree. Major recruiters and companies associated with SP Jain graduates include Accenture, American Express, BHP, Singapore Airlines, Deloitte, Emirates, IBM, JPMorgan Chase, PwC, Tata Group, Shell, and Wells Fargo.

The admission day for both programs is scheduled for Sunday, 25th January 2026, with the application deadline set for Friday, 23rd January 2026. SP Jain has advised interested candidates to apply early due to limited seats and high competition for global placements.

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**EXECUTIVE MBA** #23 QS Executive MBA Rankings 2025

**Global MBA (Full-time)**

- Ranked #16 in QS Global MBA Rankings 2025
- For professionals with 2+ years of work experience
- Average salary increase 4-FOLD (from ₹9.5 L to ₹36.2 L)
- Study on campuses in Dubai, Singapore, London (optional), and graduate with an Australian degree

**Executive MBA (Part-time)**

- Ranked #23 in QS Executive MBA Rankings 2025
- For senior professionals with 3+ years of managerial experience
- Average in-class experience: 13.5 years, 65% senior management
- Study via ELO technology + global campus immersion and graduate with an Australian degree

**ADMISSION DAY: SUNDAY, 25<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2026**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, 23<sup>RD</sup> JANUARY 2026**

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## KIIT Announces KIITEE 2026 Admissions; Applications Open for UG, PG and Integrated Programmes

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

The Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT), Bhubaneswar, has announced the commencement of the KIIT Entrance Examination (KIITEE) 2026 for admission to its undergraduate, postgraduate, and integrated academic programmes. KIIT, which is deemed to be a university, is inviting applications from eligible candidates through its official online platforms.

As per the admission notification, applications for KIITEE 2026 can be submitted through the official KIIT websites, and the entrance examination will be conducted in computer-based test (CBT) mode. The university has stated that no application fee is required for appearing in the examination.

**Courses Offered**

KIITEE 2026 covers a wide range of academic disciplines across engineering, science, management, law, humanities, and allied fields.

Undergraduate (3–4 years) and Integrated (5 years)

**Programmes include:**

- Engineering (B.Tech) across multiple specialisations
- Computer Science & Information Technology
- Electronics, Electrical, Mechanical, Civil, and Biotechnology
- Law, Management, Humanities, and Basic Sciences
- Integrated programmes with honours and research components

**Postgraduate (1–2 years) and Integrated (5 years) Programmes include:**

- M.Tech and other engineering specialisations
- MBA and management programmes
- MSc and MA programmes
- MCA and applied technology courses

All academic programmes are offered with an emphasis on research, innovation, and industry relevance.

**Admission Process**

Admissions will be conducted through KIITEE 2026, which will be held online. Eligible candidates can apply and access detailed admission information via:

- kiitee.ac.in
- www.kiit.ac.in

The university has advised applicants to regularly check official platforms for updates related to exam schedules, admit cards, and result announcements.

**Accreditations and Rankings****KIIT has received multiple national and international recognitions, including:**

- NAAC A++ Grade
- Ranking among top universities in India by NIRF
- Tier-1 NBA accreditation for several programmes
- Recognition by leading global ranking agencies

**Placement Highlights**

According to the university, KIIT continues to demonstrate strong placement outcomes, with:

- Over 750+ recruiting companies
- Highest package reported at ₹53 LPA
- Average packages reaching up to ₹8.5 LPA
- Thousands of students securing placements annually across leading national and multinational companies

**Campus and Infrastructure**

KIIT is located in Bhubaneswar, Odisha, and operates as a fully residential campus with advanced academic infrastructure, research facilities, and student support services.

**Important Advisory**

Candidates are advised to rely only on official KIIT websites for authentic information regarding KIITEE 2026. Admission schedules, eligibility criteria, and programme details are subject to updates as per university norms.

## Thumbay International Pathway Program Opens Admissions for MD 2026–27 Across Multiple Countries Through Gulf Medical University

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

Thumbay International has announced the opening of admissions for the 2026–27 batch of its International Pathway Program for the Doctor of Medicine (MD). The program is offered through Gulf Medical University (GMU), UAE, and provides aspiring medical students with an opportunity to pursue their medical education across multiple international destinations.

Under this pathway, students will complete the first three years of study at Gulf Medical University in Ajman, UAE, followed by three years at selected international partner universities. The partner countries include Poland, Italy, Malaysia, the UK, the Americas, Uzbekistan, Romania, Ghana, and St. Kitts & Nevis.

The program is designed to offer global exposure and internationally recognized medical education at affordable costs. According to the poster, fees start from approximately ₹16 lakh onwards. The initiative aims to make quality medical education accessible while allowing students to study in globally reputed institutions such as the Medical University of Lublin (Poland), University of Lancashire (UK), Vita-Salute San Raffaele University (Italy), International Islamic University Malaysia, University of Ghana, and others.



According to Thumbay International, the pathway program has been designed to make global medical education more accessible and affordable. The total fees are highly competitive, starting from approximately ₹16 lakh onwards, making it an attractive option for students seeking overseas medical degrees at comparatively lower costs.

The initiative also focuses on preparing students for international medical careers by exposing them to diverse healthcare systems, teaching methodologies, and multicultural learning environments. Graduates of the program will be eligible to pursue medical licensing and further studies in various countries, depending on the regulations of the respective medical councils.

With admissions now open for the 2026–27 batch, Gulf Medical University and Thumbay International have invited applications from students who wish to build a global career in medicine through a structured, internationally recognized MD pathway program.



## Times Higher Education Releases Subject-Wise World University Rankings 2026

-VidyaarthiMitra News Desk

Times Higher Education (THE) has released the World University Rankings by Subject 2026, highlighting the world's leading universities across major academic disciplines. The rankings follow the same methodology as the overall World University Rankings 2026, using 18 performance indicators covering teaching, research, knowledge transfer, and international outlook.

Universities from the United States and the United Kingdom continue to dominate the subject-wise rankings. According to THE, Harvard University has emerged as the top institution in Engineering and Life Sciences, while the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) leads in Arts and Humanities, Business and Economics, and Social Sciences.

The University of Oxford has been ranked the best in Medical and Health and Computer Science, whereas Stanford University tops Education Studies and Law. The California Institute of Technology (Caltech) secured the top position in Physical Sciences, and the University of Cambridge leads in Psychology.

THE also noted that Asian universities continue to make rapid progress, particularly in STEM fields, and are improving faster than European and North American institutions in areas such as the arts.

### Top Universities by Subject – THE Rankings 2026:

- Business & Economics: MIT (USA)
- Arts & Humanities: MIT (USA)
- Medical & Health: University of Oxford (UK)
- Computer Science: University of Oxford (UK)
- Psychology: University of Cambridge (UK)
- Education Studies: Stanford University (USA)
- Engineering: Harvard University (USA)
- Law: Stanford University (USA)
- Life Sciences: Harvard University (USA)
- Physical Sciences: California Institute of Technology (USA)
- Social Sciences: MIT (USA)

The latest rankings reinforce the continued leadership of established global universities while highlighting the rising influence of Asian institutions in the international academic landscape.

The 2026 subject-wise rankings also reflect the growing presence of Asian universities, particularly from China, Singapore, South Korea, and India, showing significant improvements in research output and international collaborations. This trend indicates a shift towards a more globally balanced academic landscape.

For students planning higher education, the subject-wise rankings serve as an important guide for choosing universities based on specific fields of study. Academic experts believe these rankings will influence international student mobility, research funding, institutional partnerships, and global education policies in the coming years.

The release of the Times Higher Education Subject-Wise World University Rankings 2026 is expected to play a key role in shaping academic decisions for students, educators, and policymakers worldwide.



## What Makes Canada a Preferred Study Destination in 2026?

-VidyaarthiMitra News Desk

Canada continues to remain one of the most preferred destinations for international students in 2026, especially among students from India. With its globally recognized education system, flexible admission policies, and strong post-study employment opportunities, Canada has reinforced its position as a leading international education hub. Official data shows that over 427,000 Indian students were studying in Canada in 2024, and this number has continued to rise steadily, supported by improving diplomatic and academic relations between the two countries.

One of the key reasons behind Canada's growing popularity is its flexible and student-friendly admission system. Canadian universities have modernized their entry requirements by accepting alternative English language tests such as the

Duolingo English Test, in addition to traditional exams like IELTS and TOEFL. Several top institutions, including those under the U15 Group of Research Universities, now allow digital credentials, online portfolios, and virtual application processes. This shift has significantly reduced logistical barriers and made it easier for international students to apply from anywhere in the world.

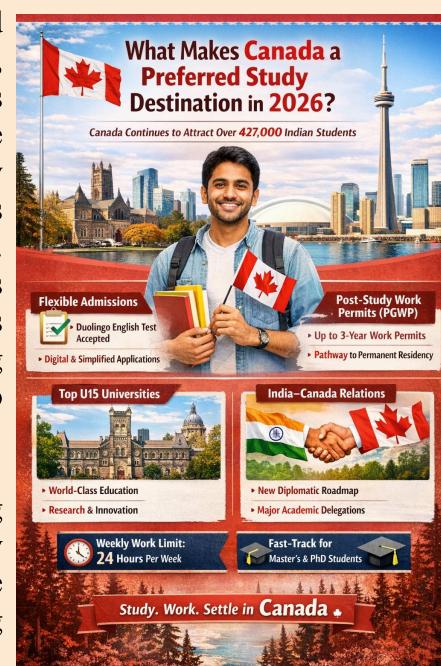
Another major attraction is the Post-Graduation Work Permit (PGWP), which plays a crucial role in shaping students' long-term career and settlement plans. In a major policy update on January 15, 2026, Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) announced a freeze on the list of eligible academic programs, ensuring stability and predictability for students throughout the year. Graduates of bachelor's, master's, and doctoral programs remain eligible for a work permit of up to three years, regardless of their field of study. The PGWP also acts as a vital bridge toward Permanent Residency, as it allows international graduates to gain valuable Canadian work experience required under most PR pathways.

Canada's research-intensive universities continue to attract global attention, particularly the elite U15 institutions. Universities such as the University of Toronto, McGill University, the University of British Columbia, and the University of Waterloo are known for their excellence in areas like artificial intelligence, medicine, sustainability, business, and technology. These institutions offer strong industry connections, high research funding, and globally recognized degrees, making them highly desirable for international students seeking both academic and professional growth.

Strengthening bilateral relations between India and Canada have further boosted educational cooperation. The year 2025 marked a diplomatic reset between the two nations, with education emerging as a key area of collaboration. During the G7 Summit in June 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit led to the announcement of a New Roadmap for Canada-India Relations. As part of this initiative, a major academic delegation consisting of 21 Canadian university presidents is scheduled to visit India from February 2 to 6, 2026, with planned engagements in New Delhi, Goa, and GIFT City to promote research partnerships and student exchange programs.

Recent policy reforms introduced in 2026 have also improved the overall student experience in Canada. International students are now allowed to work up to 24 hours per week during academic sessions, an increase from the earlier limit of 20 hours. This change provides greater financial support and practical exposure to students. Additionally, master's and doctoral students have been exempted from the national study permit cap, ensuring faster visa processing and greater security for postgraduate applicants.

Overall, Canada in 2026 offers a powerful combination of high-quality education, flexible admissions, strong employment prospects, and favorable immigration policies. Supported by elite universities and strengthening India-Canada relations, Canada continues to stand out as one of the most reliable and future-oriented study destinations for international students.



## Education Future International Scholarship 2026

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

**About**

The Education Future International Scholarship 2026 is an opportunity offered by the Education Future organisation. It is offered to meritorious Indian students who are studying overseas at any of the top universities globally. The selected candidates will receive a scholarship ranging between ₹2-10 lakhs each.

**Eligibility**

To be eligible, an applicant must:-

- be an Indian national with a valid passport
- be pursuing an undergraduate/postgraduate course overseas at a recognised university/college outside India
- have secured a minimum of 60% marks in Class 10 and 12
- reflect their lack of means of education funding

Note:- The scholarship is open for all subjects of study.

**Benefits**

The selected candidates will receive a scholarship ranging between ₹2-10 lakhs.

**Documents**

- Statement of Purpose
- Class 10th and 12th marksheets
- A valid passport

**How can you apply?**

Eligible candidates can apply by following these steps:-  
Step 1: Click on the 'Apply Now' button.

Step 2: Click the 'Register' button and fill in the required registration details. (Note - If already registered, log in using Gmail/Mobile number/Email ID.)

Step 3: Navigate to the 'Apply Now' button and click on 'Non-USA applicants'.

Step 4: Fill in the application form, upload the relevant documents and submit.

Note:- The course for the scholarship must start between 1 January to 31 October 2026.

**Selection Criteria**

The candidates will be selected based on academic merit and motivational paragraph submitted by the applicants.

This paragraph will be reviewed by the judges if the applicants surpass the minimum academic criteria, which is 60% marks in Class 10 and 12. After shortlisting, the selected candidates will be called for an interview.

## The CAS-ANSO Scholarship (Degree Program) 2026

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

**About**

A joint initiative by ANSO and the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) supporting international Master's and PhD students at USTC, UCAS, and other CAS institutes. The programme aims to develop young scientists and strengthen global S&T collaboration. Selected scholars receive a monthly stipend of up to CNY 7,000, along with additional benefits.

**Eligibility**

To be eligible, an applicant must:-

- be an international citizen (not hold Chinese citizenship)
- be proficient in English or Chinese
- be born on or after 1 January 1996 (Master's); on or after 1 January 1991 (Ph.D.)
- meet the admission criteria of USTC or UCAS for international students
- not hold another degree in progress at any university in China

**Benefits**

Tuition waiver

Monthly stipend:

- PhD: CNY 6,000–7,000/month (up to 48 months)
- Postgraduate: CNY 3,000/month (up to 36 months)

Health insurance

**Required Documents**

- Completed application form (via USTC/UCAS portal)
- Passport copy
- Academic transcripts and certificates
- Curriculum Vitae (CV)
- Two letters of recommendation
- Research proposal

**How to Apply?**

1. Click Apply Now.
2. Register or log in (Gmail/Mobile/Email).
3. Go to Application Procedure (Part IV) and open the USTC/UCAS admission system.
4. Create an account and log in.
5. Complete the application form and upload required documents.

**Important Dates**

Application Deadline: 31 January 2026

**Selection Criteria**

- Candidates are selected based on:
- Academic excellence
- Research potential and motivation
- Quality of recommendation letters
- Alignment with ANSO's mission to promote sustainable scientific development

## Falmouth University Pathway Awards 2026

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

**About**

The Falmouth University Pathway Awards is an opportunity offered for Bachelor's (undergraduate) applicants. Selected candidates will receive £2,000 towards tuition fees.

Source: falmouth.ac.uk

**Eligibility**

- be an international fee status student
- progress directly from a partner institution to Falmouth University
- be pursuing a full-time bachelor's degree in September 2026

Note: Both on-campus and online bachelor's degrees are eligible.

**Benefits**

Selected candidates will receive a contribution of £2,000 towards tuition fees.

**How can you apply?**

Eligible applicants can apply by following these steps:-

Step 1: Click on the 'Apply Now' button below.

Step 2: Click on the 'Register' button and fill in the required registration details (Note:- If already registered, log in using Gmail/Mobile number/Email ID).

Step 3: No separate application is required. Eligible applicants will be selected via admission.

**Important Dates**

The application deadline is according to the respective course timeline.

**Selection Criteria**

Candidates will be selected based on merit and fulfilment of the eligibility criteria.

**Contact Details**

Falmouth Campus  
Woodlane, Falmouth Cornwall TR11 4RH

Email ID: international@falmouth.ac.uk, online.study@falmouth.ac.uk | Phone Number: 01326 211077



## University of Nottingham, UK International Undergraduate Excellence Scholarships 2026

-VidyarthiMitra News Desk

**About**

The UK International Undergraduate Excellence Scholarships is a scholarship offered by the University of Nottingham to recognise outstanding international students currently studying in the UK. It aims to support high-achieving applicants who will commence full-time undergraduate studies at Nottingham. Selected students will receive an award of GBP 2,000 in the first year of their chosen program.

Source: nottingham.ac.uk

**Eligibility**

To be eligible, an applicant must:-

- be an international, self-funded, fee-payer student
- have achieved AAA grades or international equivalent
- hold an offer to begin a full-time undergraduate (RQF level 4) degree programme for 2026-27 at the University of Nottingham, UK
- not be receiving any other funding.

**Benefits**

The selected student will receive an award of GBP 2,000 toward tuition fees for the first year of study at Nottingham.

**Important Dates**

Application Deadline: 11 March 2026

**Required Documents**

- A duly completed application form
- Admission/offer letter
- Academic transcripts

**How can you apply?**

1. Click Apply Now.
2. Register or log in (Gmail/Mobile/Email).
3. Apply for an undergraduate course at the University of Nottingham via UCAS and receive an offer.
4. Log in and submit the scholarship application.

Note: Applicants must secure a course offer before applying for the scholarship.

**Selection Criteria:**

- Assessed on academic merit and application responses
- Results announced by end of April 2026
- Cannot be combined with other University of Nottingham scholarships (highest-value award applies)
- Externally sponsored applicants are not eligible

## Aryabhatta Post-Doctoral Fellowship (APDF) at ARIES

-VidyaarthiMitra News Desk

Aryabhatta Research Institute of Observational Sciences invites applications for Aryabhatta Post-Doctoral Fellowship (APDF) at ARIES from PhD degree holders in Astronomy and Astrophysics/Atmospheric Sciences. The key objective of the fellowship is to encourage candidates with outstanding academic records to carry out post-doctoral research at ARIES. The fellowship is initially tenable for 2 years which can be further extended to one more year after the successful review.

### Eligibility

An applicant must -

- Hold a PhD degree in Astronomy & Astrophysics/Atmospheric Sciences from a recognised University/Institute
- Not be more than 32 years of age as on the last date of submission.

### Benefits

A total of two fellows will be selected under this fellowship scheme. They will receive -

- A consolidated fellowship of INR 75,000 per month
- A research grant of INR 5 Lakh per annum
- A travel grant of INR 2 Lakh for attending national or international conferences
- Economy class airfare to join the position
- Furnished accommodation at nominal charges in the campus

### Documents

- Application CV
- Summary of the PhD work (in not more than one page)
- A research proposal (in not more than 2 pages)
- Name of five researchers (including one thesis supervisor) who can provide a recommendation letter for the applicant

### How can you apply?

Eligible candidates can apply for the fellowship through following steps -

Step 1: Prepare the application CV along with all supporting documents.

Step 2: Send the completed application by email to [directoraries@aries.res.in](mailto:directoraries@aries.res.in).

### Important Dates

The applications for the fellowship are accepted throughout the year. However, the selection of candidates is made four times in a year that includes -

Cycle 1 - Selection will be made out of applications received till 31 January.

Cycle 2 - Selection will be made out of applications received till 30 April.

Cycle 3 - Selection will be made out of applications received till 31 July.

Cycle 4 - Selection will be made out of application received till 31 October.

### Contact Details

Aryabhatta Research Institute of Observational Sciences (ARIES) Manora Peak Nainital-263002 Uttarakhand (India)

Email: [directoraries@aries.res.in](mailto:directoraries@aries.res.in)

## Green Hub Central India Fellowship 2025-26

-VidyaarthiMitra News Desk

The Green Hub Central India Fellowship 2025-26 is a transformative initiative launched in collaboration with Dusty Foot Foundation (dff) and Mahashakti Seva Kendra (MSK), with the generous support of the Bharat Rural Livelihood Foundation (BRLF). This is a 10-month fellowship that is designed to engage, empower, and digitally equip rural and tribal youth from Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh, and Jharkhand.

Selected fellows will receive a chance to upskill their storytelling skills in telling stories through the medium of videos and make a meaningful environmental impact.

Source: [Dusty Foot Foundation](#) and [Mahashakti Seva Kendra Initiative](#)

### Eligibility

To be eligible, an applicant must:

- be a resident of Madhya Pradesh, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Rajasthan, Gujarat and West Bengal (Uttar Dinajpur and below)
- be aged between 18 to 35 years
- have physical strength (need to submit the fitness certificate)
- be willing to complete a 10-month fellowship

### Important Dates

Application Deadline: 20th May 2025

### Benefits

The selected candidates will receive a

chance to enhance their skills in video making, which engages and empowers them to connect with environment conservation, sustainable farming, livelihoods and social change, using video and storytelling as a medium.

### Documents

- Identity proof
- Photograph
- Educational qualification proof
- Fitness certificate

### How can you apply?

Step 1: Click on the 'Apply Now' button. Step 2: Click the 'Register' button and fill in the required registration details. (Note - If already registered, log in using Gmail/ Mobile number/Email ID)

Step 3: Scroll down and navigate to the 'apply here' button. (Note:- Students can fill the form in Hindi and English.) Step 4: Fill out the essential scholarship information in the Google form. Step 5: Click on the 'Submit' button.

### Selection Criteria

The selection will be based on the following:

- Phone interviews
- Face-to-face interviews

### Terms and Conditions

- The application should mention at least two referees.
- Applicants are required to submit the correct documents.

## Azim Premji Health Equity Fellowship 2025

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### About

The Azim Premji Health Equity Fellowship 2025 is a prestigious opportunity by Azim Premji Foundation for MBBS graduates and postgraduates to undertake an 18-month immersive full-time program and earn hands-on experience in diverse areas of specialisation at hospitals in some of the most remote and resource-scarce parts of India. Selected fellows will receive a monthly payout of ₹ 50,000 as a reward.

### Eligibility

To be eligible, an applicant must:-

- Postgraduate doctor in: Family Medicine, Community Medicine, General Medicine, OBGYN, Paediatrics, General Surgery, Anaesthesia, Ophthalmology, Orthopaedics, or Psychiatry
- Graduation year: 2018–2025
- Proficient in English and Hindi (regional language preferred)
- Willing to relocate to rural/underserved areas for 18 months
- Demonstrated commitment to public health and equity

### Important Dates

Application Deadline: 30 June 2025

### Selection Criteria

Candidates will be selected based on the fulfilment of the eligibility criteria

### Benefits

- ₹50,000/month + ₹1,80,000 every 6 months
- Relocation and travel support
- Mentorship at reputed hospitals
- Network with like-minded physicians
- Exposure to remote regions across India
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Note: The honorarium is for expense coverage only and is not a salary.

### Documents

- Updated CV/Resume
- Medical degree certificates
- Registration with the Medical Council of India
- Statement of Purpose
- Language proficiency (if applicable)
- Government-issued ID

### How can you apply?

Eligible applicants can apply by following these steps:-

Step 1: Click on the 'Apply Now' button.

Step 2: Click the 'Register' button and fill in the required registration details. (Note:- If already registered, log in using Gmail/Mobile number/Email ID)

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## University of Bath GREAT Scholarship India 2025

-VidyaarthiMitra News Desk

### About

University of Bath GREAT Scholarship India 2025 is an opportunity offered by the University of Bath in collaboration with the British Council's Study UK campaign. Under this programme, students from 15 countries including India will receive financial support to pursue postgraduate study in the UK. A selected Indian student will receive a partial tuition fee of £10,000 for one year of study.

Source: [University of Bath, UK](#)

### Eligibility

To be eligible, an applicant must:-

- be an Indian citizen
- be an Indian passport holder
- hold an offer from the University of Bath to pursue a full-time, postgraduate taught master's course starting in 2025
- have an outstanding academic background or relevant work experience
- be classified as an international student for tuition fee purposes

### Benefits

A selected Indian student will receive a partial tuition fee of £10,000 for one year of study.

### Required Documents

- Passport & visa (if applicable)
- CV
- UG/PG degree certificates & transcripts
- Disability certificate (if applicable)
- Application fee receipt (if applicable)
- Personal statement
- English proficiency proof (if applicable)
- Authorized translations (if required)
- One academic/professional reference
- Fee status details (residence, home country, immigration status)

### How to Apply?

1. Click Apply Now.
2. Register (or log in if already registered).
3. Go to Apply for a Course.
4. Select the programme and create an account.
5. Complete the application form and upload required documents.
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### Important Dates

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No.: FTS-15070(XIV)/Deputation/2025

Dated: 27.12.2025

VACANCY NOTICE ON DEPUTATION

Applications are invited in prescribed pro-forma from eligible Officers of Central / State Government / U.T. / Autonomous Bodies / Universities / Public Sector Undertaking / R&D Organization / Police Departments of Central / State / U.T. / Armed Forces including Para Military Forces as applicable for filling up the following Group 'A' posts on Deputation Basis at All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Patna. The essential qualification, experience etc. required for applying for these posts are as under:-

Sl. No.	Name of Posts	Pay Matrix & Level	No. of Posts
1.	Medical Superintendent	Level-14 (Rs. 144200-218200)+NPA	1
2.	Chief Dietician	Level-13 (Rs. 123100-215900)	1
3.	Superintending Engineer	Level-13 (Rs. 123100-215900)	1
4.	Chief Nursing Officer	Level-12 (Rs. 78800 - 208200)	1
5.	Senior Analyst (System Analyst)	Level-12 (Rs. 78800 - 208200)	1
6.	Assistant Controller of Examinations	Level-11 (Rs. 67700-208700)	1
7.	Chief Dietician	Level-11 (Rs. 67700-208700)	1
8.	Chief Medical Social Service Officer	Level-11 (Rs. 67700-208700)	1
9.	CSSD Officer	Level-11 (Rs. 67700-208700)	1
10.	Deputy Chief Security Officer	Level-11 (Rs. 67700-208700)	1
11.	Executive Engineer (AC&R)	Level-11 (Rs. 67700-208700)	1
12.	Executive Engineer (Electrical)	Level-11 (Rs. 67700-208700)	1
13.	Hospital Architect	Level-11 (Rs. 67700-208700)	1
14.	Librarian Selection Grade (Senior Librarian)	Level-11 (Rs. 67700-208700)	1
15.	Nursing Superintendent	Level-11 (Rs. 67700-208700)	3
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21.	Security Officer	Level-10 (Rs. 56100-177500)	1
22.	Supervising Medical Social Service Officer	Level-10 (Rs. 56100-177500)	1

The last date for posting of completed application in the prescribed proforma along with required documents through proper channel is up to 30.01.2026. The format of application and details regarding age, qualifications, experience and other information to the posts are available on the official website of AIIMS Patna i.e. [www.aiimspatna.edu.in](http://www.aiimspatna.edu.in). All further addendum, corrigendum and update if any, will be available only on the institute's website [www.aiimspatna.edu.in](http://www.aiimspatna.edu.in).

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Tiruchirappalli-620015, Tamil Nadu Recruitment for Non-Teaching Positions				
Applications are invited for the following non-teaching positions.				
Sl. No.	Advt. No.	No. of Posts	Name of the Posts	Important Dates
1.	NITT/R/RC/NT/2026/01 dated 02.01.2026	02/02	Junior Assistant, Senior Assistant	Opening date of online applications: 02.01.2026 Last date for submission of online applications: 30.01.2026 Last date for submission of Hardcopy application: 06.02.2026
2.	NITT/R/RC/NT/2026/02 dated 02.01.2026	04	Superintendent	
3.	NITT/R/RC/NT/2026/03 dated 09.01.2026	01	Pharmacist	Opening date of online applications: 09.01.2026 Last date for submission of online applications: 03.02.2026 Last date for submission of Hardcopy application: 10.02.2026
4.	NITT/R/RC/NT/2026/04 dated 13.01.2026	05/03/01	Technical Assistant/Junior Engineer/ Library and Information Assistant	Opening date of online applications: 13.01.2026 Last date for submission of online applications: 10.02.2026 Last date for submission of Hardcopy application: 17.02.2026
5.	NITT/R/RC/NT/2026/05	10/04	Technician, Senior Technician	Check the website for the important Dates.

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Project Associate (PA) - ANRF-PAIR Scheme

Walk-in Interview will be held for engagement of Project Associates (PA) under the ANRF-PAIR Scheme for the project titled "Consortium of Technologies for Sustainable Agriculture, Health, Energy and Environment".

Date & Time : 28.01.2026 at 11:00 AM

Venue : IIIT Bhubaneswar

No. of Posts : 08 (Agriculture - 02, Environment - 01, Healthcare - 02, Renewable Energy - 03)

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WALK IN INTERVIEW

Applications are invited in the prescribed format, from eligible candidate for the following posts.

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		Pediatric Nursing	1	Open
		Obstetric Nursing	1	Open
03	Associate Professor	Pediatric Nursing	1	Open
		Medical Surgical Nursing	1	Open
		Psychiatric Nursing	1	Open
04	Assistant Professor / Lecturer	Medical Surgical Nursing	3	Sc-1, OBC-1, Open-1
		Community Health Nursing	3	Sc-1, OBC-1, Open-1
		Pediatric Nursing	2	Sc-1, Open-1
		Obstetric Nursing	3	Sc-1, OBC-1, Open-1
		Psychiatric Nursing	1	Sc-1
05	Tutor/Clinical Instructor	Nursing	21	SC-4, ST-2, VJNT-3, OBC-3, SEBC-3 EWS-2, OPEN-4

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# Bank of Maharashtra News

## BANK OF MAHARASHTRA APPRENTICE RECRUITMENT 600 VACANCIES OPEN

Pune | January 20, 2026 – The Bank of Maharashtra has officially commenced the registration process for its Apprentice Recrimment 2026 program. The bank is looking to engage 600 apprentices across various branches in India for a period of one year. This engagement is conducted under the **Apprentices Act, 1961**, aimed at providing on-the-job training to young graduates.

### IMPORTANT DATES:

- Application Start Date: January 15, 2026
- Last Date to Apply: January 25, 2026
- Cut-off Date for Eligibility: November 30, 2025

### VACANCY DETAILS:

A total of 600 posts are available with the following category-wise reservation:

Category	Reservation
Unreserved (UR)	302
Other Backward Classes (OBC)	133
Scheduled Caste (SC)	69
Economically Weaker Section (EWS)	50
Scheduled Tribe (ST)	46
<b>Total</b>	<b>600</b>

### COMPENSATION & SELECTION

- Stipend:** Selected candidates will receive a monthly stipend of **₹12,300**.
- Duration:** The training period is strictly for one year.
- Selection Process:** Selection is primarily merit-based (based on marks in 10+2 Diploma/Graduation) verification: follows my guarantee of apprenticeship After and the training period.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for the apprenticeship, candidates must meet the following requirements:

- Age Limit:** Between 20 and 28 years (as of November 30, 2025). Age relaxation applies for reserved categories as per government norms.
- Educational Qualification:** A Bachelor's degree in any discipline from a recognized university.
- Language Proficiency:** Candidates must be

### HOW TO APPLY

- Visit the official website, [bankofmaharashtra.in](http://bankofmaharashtra.in)
- Navigate to this "Careers" Engldement [location](#)
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## NOTIFICATION FOR ENGAGEMENT of TRADE/TECHNICIAN/GRADUATE APPRENTICES AT IOCL (WR)

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### Eligibility Criteria:

- Age Limit:** 18-24 years as of 31.12.2025 (Relaxation for SC/ST/OBC/PwBD as per norms).
- Qualification:** 3-year Diploma, ITI (NCVT/SCVT), Class 12<sup>th</sup> (but below Graduate), or a full-time Graduate Degree in specified disciplines.
- Status:** Candidates who have previously undergone apprenticeship training or have job experience of 1 year or more after graduation are **not** eligible.

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Opening of Online Application: **15.01.2026** (from 10,AM Onwards)
- Last Date to Apply Online: **31.01.2026** (Upto 5 PM)
- Document Verification Date: Will be intimated via registered email ID

### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Opening of Online Application: **15.01.2026**
- Last Date to Apply Online: **31.01.2026** (Upto 5 PM)
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- Dadra & Nagar Haveli
- Daman & Diu

### Duration: 12 Months

- Stipend:** ₹ 12,500 per month\*  
(Amount includes applicable additional stipend.  
\*As prescribed under the Apprentices Act 1961/2/12/2019 rules)

### Selection Process:

- Merit-based shortlisting based on qualifications
- Document Verification
- Pre-engagement Medical Fitness Test

### HOW TO APPLY:

- Visit the official NAPS/NATS portals
- [apprenticeshipindia.gov.in](http://apprenticeshipindia.gov.in)
- [nata.education.gov.in](http://nata.education.gov.in)
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The image is a vibrant yellow advertisement for Orchids The International School. At the top left is the school's logo, which includes a crest with a lion and the text 'ORCHIDS The International School'. To the right of the logo, the word 'ORCHIDS' is written in large, bold, black capital letters, with 'The International School' in a smaller, black, sans-serif font underneath. Below this, the text 'FOR EVERY KIND OF' is followed by a large, bold, red word 'CHAMPION' with a small yellow star above the 'F'. In the center of the image, a young girl wearing a blue and black school uniform is wearing a white VR headset and holding a white VR controller. Behind her, to the left, a boy in a red and black uniform is holding a book and a green VR controller. To the right, a girl in a blue and black uniform is holding a white VR controller and a red boxing glove. The background is a solid yellow color.

 PAGE 1: PRIMARY SCHOOL PAGE  
(Class 1-4)

Theme: Fun • Curiosity • Basic Thinking • Creativity

 Thought of the Week

"Small steps every day make big dreams come true."

 Fun Riddle

I have a face and two hands,  
But no arms or legs.  
I help you know the time.  
Who am I?

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Circle the fruits:

Mango | Car | Apple | Tiger |  
Banana | Book

 Magic Maths

$6 + 4 = ?$

$9 - 3 = ?$

(Parents & teachers can help!)

ANSWERS

 Fun Riddle

Answer: A Clock

 Word Fun

Fruits:

Mango • Apple • Banana

 Creativity Corner

 Draw your favourite festival

 Good Habit of the Week

 Share your toys  
 Wash hands before meals

 Smile Time

Why was the maths book happy?  
Because it had lots of problems to  
solve!

 Magic Maths

$6 + 4 = 10$

$9 - 3 = 6$

 Smile Time

Because it had lots of problems  
to solve!

 PAGE 3: SECONDARY SCHOOL PAGE  
(Class 9-12)

Theme: Thinking • Expression • Career Awareness

 Competitive Exam Corner  
MCQ of the Week:

Which gas is most abundant in  
Earth's atmosphere?

- A) Oxygen
- B) Nitrogen
- C) Carbon Dioxide
- D) Hydrogen

 Science / Maths Challenge

Find the value of y:

$$2y - 6 = 10$$

 Coding Puzzle (Beginner  
Friendly)

Predict the output:

$$a = 10$$

$$a = a - 3$$

`print(a)`

ANSWERS

 Competitive Exam  
(MCQ)

Correct Answer: B) Nitrogen

 Coding Puzzle

Output: 7

 Maths Challenge

$$2y - 6 = 10$$

$$\checkmark y = 8$$

 CAREER GUIDANCE CORNER

Did You Know?

- Science students can choose careers in research, medicine, engineering, data science
- Commerce students can explore CA, CS, management, banking
- Arts students can excel in law, design, journalism, psychology
-  Choose your stream based on interest, not pressure.

 STUDENT CORNER

1 What is the biggest challenge students face today?

2 How do you manage studies and stress?

3 What advice would you give to junior students?

4 Which career are you interested in and why?

5 What change would you like to see in the education system?



**PRIMARY (Class 1-4)**

 Thought of the Week  
 Learning is fun when I try every day!

**MIDDLE (Class 5-8)**

 Brain Booster Puzzle  
What comes next? 3, 6, 12, ... ?

**SECONDARY (Class 9-12)**

 Career Corner  
Thinking about your future?

**Science Explorer**

Did You Know?

- The human brain uses more energy than any other organ
- Sound travels faster in water than air
- The human brain needs oxygen to work

**Good Habit of the Week**

-  Wash hands before eating
-  Keep your classroom clean

**Student Corner:**

What do you like most about your school?  
Tell us your thoughts! Best answers get featured!

**ANSWERS**

- Fun Riddle: A Clock
- Brain Booster Puzzle: 24
- Magic Maths: 4 + 6 = 10
- $9 - 3 = 6 \rightarrow 9 - 3 = 6$

**SMILE TIME**

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 Brain Booster Puzzle

Answer: 32

 Word Power – Meanings

Responsible – Doing duties properly  
Creative – Using imagination  
Confident – Believing in yourself

 India Knowledge (Examples)

National Park: Jim Corbett / Kaziranga  
Freedom Fighter: Mahatma Gandhi / Bhagat Singh  
Scientist: C.V. Raman / A.P.J. Abdul Kalam

ANSWERS

 Science Explorer

Two uses of electricity:

-  Lighting
-  Running fans / charging devices

 Logic Question

Answer: A Shirt

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Sincerely,  
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## Question

1. What is the name of the massive celestial body that sits at the very center of our solar system and provides the necessary light and heat required to sustain all known forms of life on the planet Earth?  
**Answer: Sun**
2. Which specific organ in the human body is primarily responsible for pumping blood through the circulatory system to ensure that oxygen and vital nutrients are delivered to every single cell, tissue, and organ within the entire biological frame?  
**Answer: Heart**
3. In the field of chemistry, what is the specific name of the colorless, odorless, and tasteless liquid compound that is composed of two hydrogen atoms and one oxygen atom, and is absolutely essential for the survival of all living organisms?  
**Answer: Water**
4. What is the term used to describe the natural satellite that orbits the Earth, reflecting the light of the sun and influencing the ocean tides through its gravitational pull while transitioning through various phases like crescent, half, and full?  
**Answer: Moon**

5. Which large, flightless bird native to the continent of Africa is recognized as the largest living species of bird in the world and is well known for its incredible running speed and for laying the largest eggs of any land animal?  
**Answer: Ostrich**
6. What is the name of the invisible force that pulls all objects toward the center of the Earth, preventing them from floating away into space and ensuring that everything remains firmly planted on the ground in our everyday physical environment?  
**Answer: Gravity**

## STUDENT CORNER – YOUR VOICE MATTERS

Your Voice Matters!  
Dear Students,

The Student Corner at epaper.VidyarthiMitra.org is an exclusive space designed to empower students by providing them with a voice to express their thoughts, share their concerns, and seek academic guidance. Navigating the educational landscape can often be challenging, especially with the vast amount of information available on college admissions, entrance exams, reservation policies, syllabus requirements, and studying abroad. This section is tailored to address such concerns, allowing students to ask queries related to education in India and overseas, with a team of experts striving to provide them with accurate, insightful, and well-researched responses.

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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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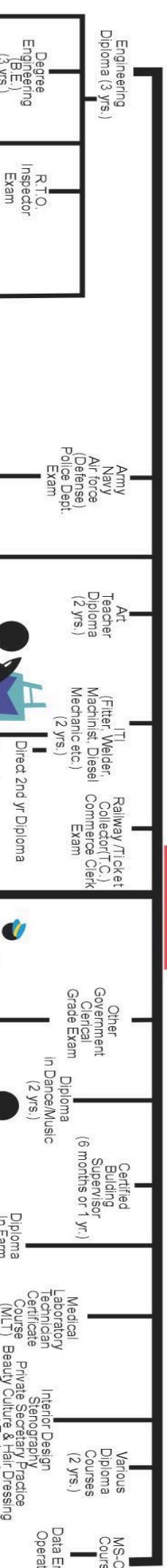
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CAREER PATH FINDER (as per New Education Policy)

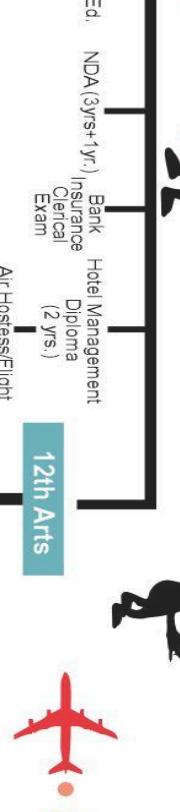
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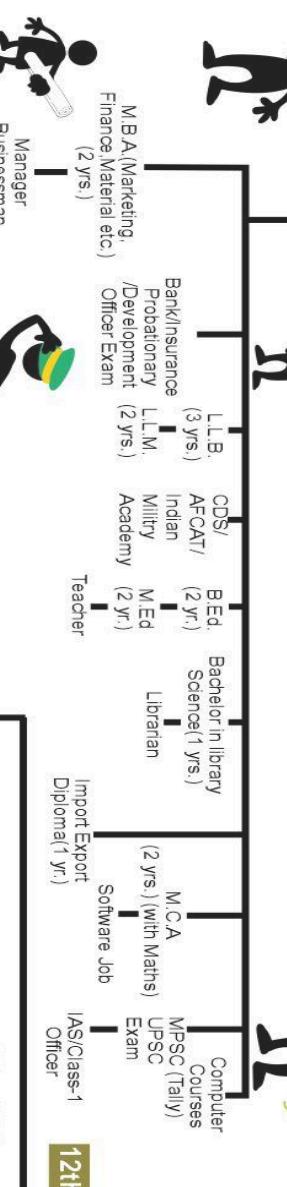
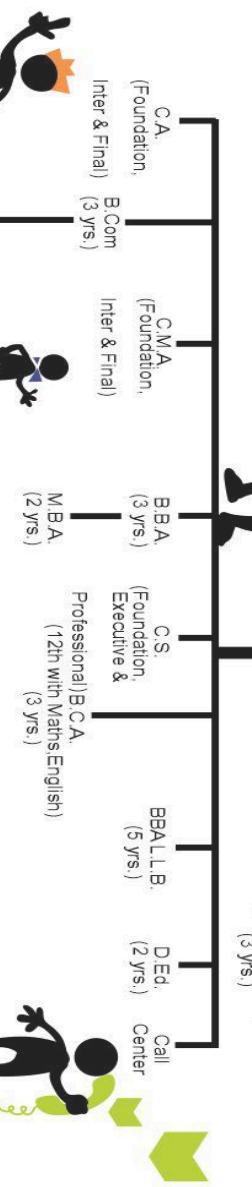
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