



## INDIAN INSTITUTES OF MANAGEMENT (IIMs)

Ahmedabad, Amritsar, Bangalore, Bodh Gaya, Calcutta, Indore, Jammu, Kashipur, Kozhikode, Lucknow, Nagpur, Raipur, Ranchi, Rohtak, Sambalpur, Shillong, Sirmour, Tiruchirappalli, Udaipur, Visakhapatnam

### COMMON ADMISSION TEST (CAT) 2016

The Indian Institutes of Management will conduct Common Admission Test 2016 (CAT 2016) on **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2016** in two sessions. CAT 2016 will be conducted by IIMs as a pre-requisite for admission to various management programmes of IIMs. These programmes are:

#### A. Post Graduate Programmes in Management:

		<b>Website Addresses:</b>
IIM Ahmedabad	PGP, PGP-FABM	<a href="http://www.iima.ac.in">www.iima.ac.in</a>
IIM Amritsar	PGP	<a href="http://www.iimamritsar.ac.in">www.iimamritsar.ac.in</a>
IIM Bangalore	PGP, PGPEM, PGPPM	<a href="http://www.iimb.ernet.in">www.iimb.ernet.in</a>
IIM Bodh Gaya	PGP	<a href="http://www.iimbgy.ac.in">www.iimbgy.ac.in</a>
IIM Calcutta	PGP-PGDM	<a href="http://www.iimcal.ac.in">www.iimcal.ac.in</a>
IIM Indore	PGP (Indore, Mumbai), EPGP	<a href="http://www.iimdr.ac.in">www.iimdr.ac.in</a>
IIM Jammu	PGP	<a href="http://www.iiml.ac.in/jammu">www.iiml.ac.in/jammu</a>
IIM Kashipur	PGP, EPGPM	<a href="http://www.iimkashipur.ac.in">www.iimkashipur.ac.in</a>
IIM Kozhikode	PGP	<a href="http://www.iimkg.ac.in">www.iimkg.ac.in</a>
IIM Lucknow	PGP, PGP-ABM, PGPSM	<a href="http://www.iiml.ac.in">www.iiml.ac.in</a>
IIM Nagpur	PGP	<a href="http://www.iimnagpur.ac.in">www.iimnagpur.ac.in</a>
IIM Raipur	PGP, PGPWE	<a href="http://www.iimraipur.ac.in">www.iimraipur.ac.in</a>
IIM Ranchi	PGDM, PGDHRM	<a href="http://www.iimranchi.ac.in">www.iimranchi.ac.in</a>
IIM Rohtak	PGP, EPGP	<a href="http://www.iimrohtak.ac.in">www.iimrohtak.ac.in</a>
IIM Sambalpur	PGP	<a href="http://www.iimsambalpur.ac.in">www.iimsambalpur.ac.in</a>
RGIIM Shillong	PGP, PGPEX	<a href="http://www.iimshillong.in">www.iimshillong.in</a>
IIM Sirmour	PGP	<a href="http://www.iiml.ac.in/iimsirmour">www.iiml.ac.in/iimsirmour</a>
IIM Tiruchirappalli	PGP, PGPEM	<a href="http://www.iimtrichy.ac.in">www.iimtrichy.ac.in</a>
IIM Udaipur	PGP	<a href="http://www.iimu.ac.in">www.iimu.ac.in</a>
IIM Visakhapatnam	PGP	<a href="http://www.iimv.ac.in">www.iimv.ac.in</a>

#### B. Fellow Programmes in Management (FPM) [equivalent to Ph.D.] of IIM Ahmedabad, IIM Bangalore, IIM Calcutta, IIM Indore, IIM Kashipur, IIM Kozhikode, IIM Lucknow, IIM Raipur, IIM Ranchi, IIM Rohtak, RGIIM Shillong, IIM Tiruchirappalli, IIM Udaipur and EPPM Programmes of IIM Kashipur & IIM Raipur.

Separate advertisements will appear for the Fellow Programme of each institute as well as for PGP-FABM of IIM Ahmedabad, PGPEM & PGPPM Programmes of IIM Bangalore, EPGP of IIM Indore, EPPM & EPGPM of IIM Kashipur, PGP-ABM & PGPSM of IIM Lucknow, PGPWE of IIM Raipur, PGDHRM of IIM Ranchi, EPGP of IIM Rohtak, PGPEX of RGIIM Shillong and PGPBM of IIM Tiruchirappalli. Before a prospective candidate makes a decision to appear for CAT 2016, he/she must visit the websites and/or read programme advertisements of the concerned IIM and specific programmes to ensure accurate and updated information on which programmes they want to apply for, eligibility requirements and admission processes.

List of non-IIM member institutions that have registered to avail the CAT 2016 scores is provided at [www.iimcat.ac.in](http://www.iimcat.ac.in). The CAT 2016 Scores are allowed to be used by the listed non-IIM member institutions. Please note that IIMs have no role in the selection process of non-IIM Institutions.

#### INFORMATION SOURCES:

CAT website: [www.iimcat.ac.in](http://www.iimcat.ac.in) • Help Desk Number: 18002663549

#### CAT 2016 ELIGIBILITY

The candidate must hold a Bachelor's Degree, with at least 50% marks or equivalent CGPA [45% in case of the candidates belonging to Scheduled Caste (SC), Scheduled Tribe (ST) and Persons With Disability (PWD) categories], awarded by any University or educational institution as incorporated by an Act of the Parliament or State legislature in India or declared to be deemed as a University under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956, or possess an equivalent qualification recognized by the Ministry of HRD, Government of India. The percentage of marks obtained by the candidate would be calculated based on the practice as followed by the respective University / Institution. In case of grades / CGPA, the conversion to percentage of marks would be based on the procedure as certified by the respective University / institution. If any University / institution confirms that there is no scheme for converting CGPA into equivalent marks, the equivalence would be established by dividing the candidate's CGPA by the maximum possible CGPA, and multiplying the result with 100. Candidates appearing for the final year of Bachelor's degree / equivalent qualification examination and those who have completed degree requirements and are awaiting results can also apply. However, it may be noted that such candidates, if selected, will be allowed to join the programme provisionally, only if they submit a certificate from the Principal / Registrar of their University / institution (issued on or before the date as stipulated by the respective IIM) stating that they have completed all the requirements for obtaining the Bachelor's degree / equivalent qualification on the date of the issue of the certificate. IIMs may verify eligibility at various stages of the admission process, the details of which are also provided at the website: [www.iimcat.ac.in](http://www.iimcat.ac.in). **Candidates should note that the mere fulfillment of minimum eligibility criteria will not ensure consideration for shortlisting by IIMs.**

**Candidates must declare and maintain a valid and unique email account and a phone number throughout the selection process.**

#### RESERVATIONS

As per the legal requirements, 15% of the seats are reserved for Scheduled Caste (SC), 7.5% for Scheduled Tribe (ST) candidates, 27% of seats for Other Backward Classes candidates belonging to the "Non-Creamy" layer (NC-OBC), and 3% for Persons with Disabilities (PWD). The categories of disability are: a) low vision / blindness, b) hearing impairment, and c) locomotor disability / cerebral palsy. The extent of disability should be not less than 40%, as certified by a medical authority as per the PWD Act, 1995. For the purpose of being considered for reservations, the applicable Central Government list as on the last date of CAT registration shall be binding. **No subsequent changes will be effective for CAT 2016 and any subsequent selection process of the IIMs.**

The candidates belonging to the reserved categories need to also note the eligibility requirements carefully before applying. It should be noted that while it is the endeavor of IIMs that the candidates belonging to SC/ST/PWD/NC-OBC categories join the programme in proportions mandated by the law, they have to meet the minimum eligibility criteria and a certain minimum level of performance to be considered for the admission process. The candidates should read the updated description of selection process followed by each IIM on their respective websites. **No change in the category will be entertained after CAT registration; hence, the applicants are advised to give attention while registering.**

#### PAYMENT OF CAT REGISTRATION FEE

The fee is ₹ 1700 (for General and NC-OBC candidates) and ₹ 850 (for SC / ST / PWD) candidates.

Please note that a candidate needs to pay registration fee only once, irrespective of the number of Institutes he/she is applying for. SC, ST and PWD candidates must upload a copy of their SC / ST / PWD certificates at the time of registration. Fee once paid cannot be refunded under any circumstances.

#### REGISTRATION FOR CAT 2016

The registration window opens on **8<sup>th</sup> August, 2016** and will close at **5:00 p.m. on 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2016**. The details about the registration process will be available on the CAT website [www.iimcat.ac.in](http://www.iimcat.ac.in).

At the time of registration, the candidates have to select any four Test Cities as per their preference from the drop down menu. After the last date of registration, candidates will be allotted one among the 4 preferred cities and either of the two sessions. In the rare case that a candidate is not allotted any of the preferred cities, he/she will be allotted a nearby city. The candidates can download the admit cards from 18<sup>th</sup> October, 2016 till 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2016.

#### TEST CENTRES

There will be around 135 test cities. Details about the test sites in these test cities will be available on [www.iimcat.ac.in](http://www.iimcat.ac.in) from **18<sup>th</sup> October, 2016** and the name of the Test Site will be indicated in the Admit Card.

IIMs reserve the right to change or cancel any test venue / centre and / or change the test time and date at their own discretion.

#### CAT 2016 SCORE

Candidates' CAT 2016 score card will be made accessible at [www.iimcat.ac.in](http://www.iimcat.ac.in). Candidates may also be intimated individually by SMS. The CAT results are likely to be declared by 2<sup>nd</sup> week of January, 2017. CAT 2016 score is valid only till December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017 and will accordingly be accessible on the website. Thereafter, no queries related to issuance of CAT 2016 score cards will be entertained.

#### ADMISSION PROCESS

Please note that each IIM is independent to mandate their own eligibility criteria (including academic cut-offs and relative weights) and follow different selection processes. Performance in CAT 2016 examination is an important component for consideration in the selection process. IIMs may also use previous academic performance of the candidates, relevant work experience and other similar inputs in short-listing and ranking of candidates at various stages of the selection process. For more information candidates must refer to the respective websites of the IIMs.

#### DISCLAIMER

Instances of any incorrect information or process violation detected at any stage of the selection process will lead to immediate disqualification of the candidate from the selection process and he/she will not be allowed to appear for CAT in future. If such instances go undetected during the current selection process but are detected in subsequent years, such disqualification will take place with retrospective effect.

Candidates must retain this advertisement for future reference. Any dispute concerning CAT 2016 would be subject to jurisdiction of the competent courts within the territorial jurisdiction of city of Bangalore only.