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**Admission to the Professional Education Post Graduate Management Courses For
Working Professionals-MBA/MMS. FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-27**

This notice is being issued for Online Registration, Scanning & uploading of documents, Documents E-Verification and Online Application Form Confirmation, Filling & Confirmation of Option Form, Self-confirmation before seat acceptance, paying seat acceptance fees in online mode for confirmation of admission, reporting to Institutes by candidates aspiring for admissions to the Professional Education Post Graduate Courses For working Professionals - (MBA/MMS) in the Government, Government Aided, University Managed Institutes, University Managed Departments and Unaided private professional educational institutions (Including Minority) for the Academic Year 2026-27 in the Maharashtra State.

For the purpose of document verification, the concept of E-Scrutiny of the documents and Physical Scrutiny of the documents is introduced by the Competent Authority. The candidate shall choose any one mode for document verification during online form filling.

Process of application: The Candidate shall register online, fill & submit online application form and upload the required documents from anywhere through the computer connected to internet and he/she need not have to visit personally for verification and confirmation of the application form in case of **E-Scrutiny** mode selected, his/her application & documents shall be verified and confirmed by the designated E-Scrutiny Center through online mode or if candidate selected **Physical Scrutiny**, he/she need to visit nearest Scrutiny Center(SC) /Facilitation Centre (FC).

Eligibility Criteria for Admission to the Courses for Working Professionals

(Note: - Refer Page No: 48 of Information Brochure for qualification and eligibility of candidate eligible for MBA/MMS Courses)

(A) In addition to qualification and eligibility for candidates eligible for respective Professional Education Post Graduate Courses Candidate shall have following additional requirements for admission to courses for working professionals, namely: -

(i) The candidate shall be working professional in Registered Industry or Organization (Central or State) or Private or Public Limited Company or Micro Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME's) located within fifty kilo meter radial distance from the Institute.

(ii) The candidate shall have Minimum of one Year Full time or Regular working Experience in Registered Industry or Organization (Central or State) or Private or Public Limited Company or Micro Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME's).

(B) The Course Duration shall be as decided by the affiliating university or Autonomous Institute or University.

(C) The timings for conduct of classes normally shall be in the evening hours/any flexible convenient timings in alignment with timings of Industry or Organization (Central or State) or Private or Public Limited Company or Micro Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME's).

(D) The mode of Conduct of Classes shall be as applicable for Regular Programs as defined in

the AICTE Public Notice Vide. No. AICTE/AB/Academic/2020-21, dated 13th August, 2020(In Regular Face to Face Mode).

(E) Minimum admission required to run the course shall be 1/3 of the approved intake in each course.

(F) One seat in every Institute shall be Reserved for Candidates working in the Central Government Organizations or Industries or Companies or Autonomous Organizations purely on MERIT Basis. In absence of any such Candidate, the vacant seat shall be transferred to General Category.

(i) Working Professionals provisionally admitted in a course of the institute where total admissions in a course are less than 1/3 rd of approved intake of the course after pre cut-off date for admissions shall be transferred strictly on merit basis in the nearby institute within 50 kilo meter radial distance from the working industry or organization in the same course or different course in case vacancy exists in nearby institutes on the request of the candidate.

(ii) Provisional Admission of the candidate shall be cancelled automatically if the candidate is not able to secure the admission on merit against vacancy in other institutes.

(iii) This process of transfer shall be carried out between Pre cut-off date and cut-off date for admissions to working professionals.

(iv) Institute having admissions below 1/3 rd admissions after Pre cut-off date has to refund full fees to the candidate in case of cancellation/transfer of admission immediately within two days of cancellation or transfer of admission

G] Any other eligibility criteria or requirements declared from time to time by the appropriate authority and AICTE as defined under the Act.

Note :-

Candidates who have appeared in should have obtained non zero positive score in any one of the following examinations, namely:- CET conducted by the Competent Authority or Common Admission Test(CAT) conducted by Indian Institute of Management or Common Management Aptitude Test (CMAT) Conducted by National Testing Agency or Xavier Aptitude Test (XAT)conducted by Xavier School of Management Jamshedpur or Entrance Test for Management Admissions (ATMA) conducted by the Association of Indian Management Schools or Management Aptitude Test (MAT) Conducted by All India Management Association or Graduate Management Aptitude Test(GMAT) Conducted by Graduate Management Admission Council, United States of America and having score which is valid for 2026-27 (as mentioned on the scorecard) are eligible for admission through CAP.

Online Registration for Admission:

1.1 The candidates should apply online on **www.mahacet.org** as per schedule.

1.2 Candidates are required to pay fee as given below only by **Credit Card/ Debit Card/ Net Banking/UPI etc.** through On-line mode. Fees paid is non-refundable. (No other mode of payment shall be permitted.)

General Category Candidates from Maharashtra State, Outside Maharashtra State (OMS) candidates & children of Indian workers in Gulf countries (CIWGC).	₹ 1500/-
1. Reserved Category Candidates of Backward Class Categories [SC, ST, VJ/DT- NT(A), NT(B), NT(C), NT(D), OBC, SBC, *SEBC, EWS] & Persons with Disability Candidates belonging to Maharashtra State only. 2. Orphan and Transgender (Other) Candidates.	₹ 1300/-

*** In case of SEBC Candidates reservation policy will be subject to the decision of Hon' ble High Court in related Writ Petitions.**

The activities and scheduled dates for Maharashtra State/All India/ candidates are as follows.

Sr. No.	Activity	Schedule	
		First Date	Last Date
1.	Online registration of application and uploading of required documents by the Candidate for admission on website (For Maharashtra State/All India/ candidates).	21-07-2026	01*-08-2026 up to 05.00 PM
2.	Documents verification and confirmation of Application Form for Admission by online mode. <i>a)</i> By Maharashtra State/All India Candidates shall fill online application form and upload the required documents from any computer connected to internet from anywhere. Process for E-Scrutiny Mode selected candidates: - Such candidate shall fill online application form and scan original document and upload the required documents from any computer/ smartphone connected to internet from anywhere. - Such candidate need not have to visit to E- Scrutiny Center for verification and confirmation of the application form. His/her application & documents shall be verified and confirmed by the E Scrutiny Center through e-Scrutiny Mode. - During e-Scrutiny of Application Form of such candidate: - If no error is found: the status of verification & confirmation of the application form shall be available in candidates Login along with receipt cum Acknowledgement. - If error is found: the details of errors shall be intimated to candidates by reverting back	22-07-2026	02*-08-2026 up to 05.00 PM

	his/her Application for its rectification through candidates Login. • Candidate shall edit the reverted Application form and re-submit the application for e-Scrutiny through his/her login. Process for Physical Scrutiny Mode selected Candidates • Such candidate shall visit the Physical Scrutiny Center online selected by himself/herself, along with the required documents as per the allotted time slot for online filling, scanning & uploading of required documents, verification and confirmation of application form. • After verification & Confirmation of application form, Physical Scrutiny Center shall issue the receipt cum Acknowledgement.		
*Facility of Online Registration & Documents verification, confirmation of Application Form for Admission to Seats other than CAP Seats shall be continued till Pre-cut Off date upto 2.00 PM for all type of admissions for the Academic Year 2026-27, at online E- Verification by Scrutiny Centre or Physical Verification at Physical Scrutiny Centre.			
3.	Display of the provisional merit list for Maharashtra State/All India candidates on website.	04-08-2026	
4.	Submission of grievances if any, for all type of Candidates: • Candidate shall raise the Grievance about correction required in the data displayed in provisional merit list through his/her Login. • The application of such candidates shall be reverted back to the candidate in his/her Login for rectification. • Candidate shall upload the requisite documents to substantiate the claim for any correction/concession. • The status of acceptance/rejection of Grievance raised by candidate shall be available in candidates Login along with latest receipt cum Acknowledgement.	05-08-2026	07-08-2026 Up to 5.00PM

	• Those Candidate who selected physical scrutiny mode shall visit SC for resolving the grievances.		
5.	Display of the Final Merit lists of Maharashtra State/All India candidates on website.	10-08-2026	
6.	Display of Provisional Category wise Seats (Seat Matrix) for CAP Round I	10-08-2026	

CAP Round I

7.	Online Submission & Confirmation of Option Form of CAP Round-I through candidate's Login by the Candidate.	11-08-2026	13-08-2026
8.	Display of Provisional Allotment of CAP Round-I	16-08-2026	
9.	Accepting to the offered seat by candidate through his/her login as per Allotment of CAP Round I.	17-08-2026	19-08-2026 Up to 03.00 PM
10.	Reporting to the Allotted Institute and Confirmation of Admission by submitting required documents and payment of fee after CAP Round I.	17-08-2026	19-08-2026 Up to 05.00 PM

CAP Round-II

11.	Display of Provisional Vacant Seats for CAP Round-II	21-08-2026	
12.	Online Submission & Confirmation of Option Form of CAP Round-II through candidate's Login by the Candidate.	22-08-2026	24-08-2026
13.	Display of Provisional Allotment of CAP Round-II	26-08-2026	
14.	Accepting to the offered seat by candidate through his/her login as per Allotment of CAP Round II.	27-08-2026	29-08-2026 up to 03.00 PM
15.	Reporting to the Allotted Institute and Confirmation of Admission by submitting required documents and payment of fee after CAP Round II.	27-08-2026	29-08-2026 up to 05.00 PM
16.	For Vacant seats if any at institute the respective institute will complete the admission activity in the following manner - • Display of vacant seats on institute website and giving appropriate advertisement in the News Paper. • Invite applications from registered candidates. • Prepare and display Merit List on college website and Institute Notice Board. • Carry out/ Complete Admission Process by following Government Admission Rules.(As per Rule No:13 of information brochure AY 2026-2027)	30-08-2026	06-09-2026

17.	Pre-Cut-off Date for all types of admissions for the Academic year 2026-27	06-09-2026 Upto 5.00 PM
18.	For Institutes: Last date of uploading the data (details of admitted candidates)	06-09-2026 Upto 6.00 PM

(\\$ - The schedule displayed above is provisional and may change under unavoidable circumstances. The revised schedule, if any, will be notified on website)

Important Instructions for candidate:

1. If candidates fail to confirm online filled application by E-Scrutiny center or Physical Scrutiny Center then such applications will be rejected and name of such candidates will not appear in the merit list(s) prepared for the purpose of Admission for both CAP as well as Non CAP process.
2. The candidates belonging to SC, VJ/DT NT (A), NT (B), NT(C), NT (D), OBC, SBC and SEBC categories shall produce "Caste Validity Certificate" and ST category shall submit "Tribe Validity Certificate". All Backward Class candidates excluding SC & ST shall produce **Non Creamy Layer** certificate **valid up to 31st March 2027**. If such candidates fail to produce the original certificate or receipt of Caste/Tribe validity certificate, Non Creamy Layer certificate and EWS certificate issued by competent authority at the time of verification by Scrutiny Center, then such candidates will be treated as GENERAL category candidates for CAP admissions.
3. EWS candidates shall produce the Eligibility Certificate for Economically Weaker Section. (As per the format in Maharashtra State Government Resolution No. राआधो- 4019/P.N.31/16-अ, dated 31/05/2021 only).
4. Candidates who have registered as a reserved category candidate, but unable to produce required certificate for reservation claim during documents verification stage shall have to pay difference of fee of Rs. 200/- through online mode only.
5. Once the candidate confirms his/her Option form online through his/her Login for the respective admission rounds, Candidate will not be allowed to change/cancel the option/preference submitted under any circumstances.
6. A Candidate who has been allotted a seat shall download the "Provisional Seat Allotment Letter".
7. The Seat Acceptance Fee shall be Rs. 1,000/- for all Candidates. The candidate has to pay the Seat Acceptance Fee during first seat acceptance only. This fee shall be treated as non-refundable processing fee. The Seat Acceptance fees is to be paid through His/ Her Own login by ONLINE MODE only.
8. Seat Confirmation Process: Your admission becomes official only after the allotted college verifies your original documents and eligibility within the specified timeline, after which the admission in-charge will issue your Online Receipt of admission confirmation.
9. Candidates belonging to SC, ST, VJ/DT, NT(A), NT(B), NT(C), NT(D), SBC and EWS categories who submitted a receipt for their Caste/Tribe Validity Certificate or Non-Creamy Layer Certificate or EWS Certificate during the CAP registration process must upload and verify their original certificates by visiting a Scrutiny Center. They must then submit these original certificates to the admitted institute on or before the final reporting date of the fourth CAP round. Failure to do so will result in the automatic cancellation of their admission. Consequently, such candidates will be considered under the Open category for subsequent institute-level rounds, provided they fulfill the eligibility criteria for the Open category.
10. Candidates belonging to the OBC and SEBC categories who submitted a receipt for their Caste Validity Certificate must upload and verify their original certificate by visiting a Scrutiny Center, in accordance with the timeline specified in G.R. No.संकिर्ण-2024/प्र.क्र.75(भाग-1)/आरक्षण-5, dated 02/07/2026, issued by the General Administration Department.
11. Candidates belonging to OBC and SEBC categories who submitted a receipt for their Non-Creamy Layer Certificate during the CAP registration process must upload and verify their original Non-Creamy Layer Certificate by visiting a Scrutiny Center. They must then submit this original certificate to the admitted institute on or before the final reporting date of the fourth CAP round. Failure to do so will result in the automatic cancellation of their

admission. Consequently, such candidates will be considered under the Open category for subsequent institute-level rounds, provided they fulfill the eligibility criteria for the Open category.

12. Candidate applying for admission through NRI, OCI, PIO, CIWGC, FN quota should refer to web portal - <https://fn.mahacet.org/>. However for OCI candidates, the directives of the Hon. Supreme Court order WP(C) No. 891/2021 will apply.
13. The Orphan Reservation will apply in accordance with the Government Resolutions issued by the Women and Child Development Department, Government of Maharashtra, from time to time.
14. The Defence Reservation will apply as per the rules of the Government of Maharashtra and Letter No. F.No.6(1)/201/D (Res.II) of the Ministry of Defence, Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare, Government of India, dated May 21, 2018.
15. Institutional Quota & Vacant Seats: To apply for Institutional Quota or post-CAP vacant seats, you must first complete mandatory registration and document verification at a Scrutiny Center; afterward, you must either apply directly to your chosen colleges or fill out the Institute Level Option Form via your candidate login so the colleges can generate and publish their merit lists as per the schedule.

General Notes:

1. The List of Scrutiny Center is available on website.
2. Eligibility, Rules & regulations for admission are made available on the website.
3. The schedule displayed above is provisional and may change under unavoidable circumstances. The revised schedule, if any, will be notified on website www.mahacet.org
4. For queries/enquiry: **Help Line No +91-7669861010 / 18004106363** between 10:00 AM. to 06:00 PM. Also Messaging System/ Ticketing System available inside the candidate login in CAP Portal.
5. All Types of Document Verification Activity remains open all days including Saturday & Sunday between 10:00 AM. to 05:30 PM (Except National holidays on 15th Aug 2026 on the account of Independence Day)

Sd/-

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