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**ADMISSION NOTICE FOR DIRECT SECOND YEAR (LATERAL ENTRY)
OF FULL TIME POST GRADUATE DEGREE COURSE IN MANAGEMENT
(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, Applying for Institute level seats, Paying seat acceptance fees in online mode for confirmation of admission by candidates aspiring for admissions to Direct Second Year (Lateral Entry) Of Full Time Post Graduate Degree Course In Management (MBA/MMS) in the Government, Government Aided, University Managed Institutes, University Managed Departments and Unaided private professional educational institutes 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 **Physical Scrutiny Centre**.

Eligibility Criteria for various types of candidature for Admission.

Maharashtra State Candidature Candidates and All India Candidature Candidates.-

Eligibility for Admission

The candidate, -

- (i) should be a citizen of India;
- (ii) should have passed B. E. or B. Tech or BBA or BMS (4 Years);
- (iii) Any other eligibility criteria and requirement declared from time to time by the appropriate authority as defined under the Act

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 Online mode. Fees paid is non-refundable. (No other mode of payment shall be permitted.)

General Category Candidates from Maharashtra State, Outside Maharashtra State (OMS)	₹ 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 (OMS))	21-07-2026	*30-07-2026 up to 05.00 PM.
2.	Documents verification and confirmation of Application Form for Admission by online mode. 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: 1. 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.	21-07-2026	*31-07-2026 up to 05.00 PM

	2. 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. 3. 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 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.		
3.	Display of eligible candidate's list (provisional) - for Maharashtra State/ All India candidates on website.	05-08-2026	
4.	Display of distribution of seats available for the admission Post Graduate course for second year (Lateral Entry)	08-08-2026	
5.	Institutional Admission Round (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	08-08-2026 to 14-08-2026	

	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)	
6.	Cut-off Date for all type of admissions for the Academic Year 2026-27	14-08-2026 upto 5.00 PM
7.	For Institutes: Last date of uploading the data (details of admitted candidates)	14-08-2026 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. Candidate can avail the IT facilities which is available at Physical Scrutiny free of cost for submission, scanning uploading documents, confirmation of Application form. The List of Scrutiny Center is available on website
2. Eligibility, Rules & regulations for admission are made available on the website.
3. 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.
4. 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)

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**Commissioner and Competent Authority
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