



CAT 2025 Cut Off (Updated): Check Expected Cutoff for IIMs and Top MBA Colleges for Admission 2026

Latest Update: CAT 2025 Answer Key is out on December 4, 2025. Read updated CAT 2025 Cut Offs for IIMs, IIFT, MDI, SPJIMR, IMI Delhi, FORE Delhi, GIM Goa, Others below. CAT 2025 Exam Analysis reveals that this year's exam was more difficulty than last year, accordingly, the required CAT 2025 Cut Off (Marks) will fall - check details below. CAT 2025 Cut Off are minimum percentile required to get shortlisted for the MBA Admission 2026 process at IIMs and other top MBA colleges. This year, **IIM Ahmedabad** CAT 2025 Cutoff is 95%. **IIM Calcutta** and **IIM Bangalore** have much lower cutoffs (details in article). Also check Minimum CAT Cut Offs for **MDI, SPJIMR, IMI Delhi, FORE Delhi, GIM Goa, TAPMI Manipal** and others. You can also download **CAT 2025 Cut Off PDF** from the link below. Also check required [CAT Cut Offs 2025](#) percentiles for IIMs and top B-schools and required score using [CAT Score vs Percentile 2025](#).

What is CAT 2025 Cut Offs?

CAT Cut Off 2025 is the required CAT percentage for admission into IIMs and other top MBA colleges. CAT 2025 Cut Offs varies by the ranking and placements of an MBA college.

- CAT Exam Cut Off 2025 for IIM vary significantly for general, EWS, SC, ST categories. See details on the article below.
- Remember, CAT Qualifying Cut Offs are much lower (75-90 %) than actual CAT Cut Offs (95-100 %)
- CAT Exam Cut Off 2025 for top non-IIM MBA colleges like SPJIMR and MDI is 90-95 percentile.
- CAT Cut Off 2025 for other best MBA colleges like IMI Delhi, FORE, GIM Goa vary from 85-94 percentile.

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Qualifying and Final CAT 2025 Cutoffs: Key Difference

IIMs release two different types of CAT Cut Offs: Qualifying CAT Cut Off and Final CAT Cut Off.

Qualifying CAT Cut off 2025: The minimum qualifying CAT cut offs are officially released by the B-schools before the CAT exam. This CAT cut off is the threshold criteria to screen the eligibility of applicants. If the candidates do not clear these CAT cut off, they will not be considered for next admission round. But it does not give any assurance that the candidate will be shortlisted based on qualifying cut off. Qualifying CAT Cut Offs are between 75-90 percent and used only to shortlist candidates for Personal Interview (PI) Round.

Final CAT Cut Offs 2025 for IIM admission: The final admission CAT cut off is much higher than qualifying cut off. For example, in its Admission Policy 2026, IIM Bangalore has announced qualifying CAT cut off as 85 percentile, but the actual CAT cut off is expected to go up as high as 98-99 percentile. Final Cut Offs for IIM admission is much higher and between 95-100 percentile.

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IIM Cut Off 2025 Category Wise (Minimum for Shortlisting)

The CAT 2025 cut-offs for IIM admissions vary by category and differ across IIMs. IIM Ahmedabad sets one of the highest qualifying thresholds, with General candidates requiring 95 overall percentile. IIM Bangalore and IIM Calcutta have minimum CAT percentiles requirement of 85 percent for general candidates. Check details tables from the official IIM admission 2026 policy documents. Table also includes CAT Sectional Cut Offs 2025 and Cat cut off 2025 for OBC. It is important to note that these figures represent minimum eligibility cut-offs only. In practice, the percentiles of candidates who are actually shortlisted are often higher.

Table 1: IIM Ahmedabad CAT 2025 Minimum Cut-offs (Qualifying Percentile Requirements)

Category	Non-PwD Overall Percentile (PT)	Non-PwD Sectional Percentile (VARC / DILR / QA)	PwD Overall Percentile (PT)	PwD Sectional Percentile (VARC / DILR / QA)
General / EWS	95	85	85	75
NC-OBC	90	80	80	70
SC	85	75	75	65
ST	75	65	65	55

Note: PwD stands for Persons with Disabilities

Table 2: IIM Bangalore CAT 2025 Cut Offs (Minimum Percentile Requirements for First Shortlist)

Category	VARC (Section 1)	DILR (Section 2)	QA (Section 3)	Overall Aggregate Percentile
General	80	75	75	85
NC-OBC	70	65	65	75
EWS	70	65	65	75
SC	65	60	60	70
ST	55	55	55	65
PwD	50	50	50	60

Note: These are the *minimum percentile cut-offs* used for shortlisting candidates for the first stage. The actual percentiles of candidates who received interview calls were higher.

Table 3: IIM Calcutta CAT 2025 Cut Offs (Minimum CAT Percentile Requirements for Stage I Shortlisting)

Category	VARC (Section I)	DILR (Section II)	QA (Section III)	Overall Percentile
OPEN (General)	≥80	≥80	≥75	≥85
EWS	≥70	≥65	≥65	≥75
NC-OBC	≥70	≥65	≥65	≥75
SC	≥65	≥60	≥60	≥70
ST	≥55	≥55	≥55	≥65
PwD	≥45	≥45	≥45	≥55

Note: Actual cut-offs used for interview calls may be higher than the minimum percentiles mentioned above. Final shortlist levels depend on number of applicants, score distribution, and institute-specific shortlisting policies.

Table 4: IIM Lucknow CAT 2025 Cut Offs for MBA (Minimum Sectional and Overall Percentile Requirements for MBA Shortlisting)

Category	VARC	DILR	QA	Overall (Total)
General	85	85	85	90
EWS	77	77	77	82
NC-OBC	77	77	77	82
SC	55	55	55	65
ST	50	50	50	60
PwD	50	50	50	60

Source: IIM Lucknow

CAT 2025 Cut Off for Top IIMs Admission 2026

Based on IIM Admission policy 2026 previous year trends, the expected CAT 2025 Cut Off IIM general candidates is below. Note that some candidates may have lower percentiles but get admission offer because of their exceptional achievements in international/national sports or extracurriculars.

Table 5: CAT 2025 Cut Off IIMs for General Candidates

IIM	CAT Cut off 2025
<u>IIM Ahmedabad</u>	99-100
<u>IIM Bangalore</u>	99-100
<u>IIM Calcutta</u>	99-100
<u>IIM Lucknow</u>	96-98
<u>IIM Mumbai</u>	94-95
<u>IIM Indore</u>	94-95
<u>IIM Kozhikode</u>	94-96
<u>IIM Rohtak</u>	95-96
<u>IIM Shillong</u>	92-94

Above table gives CAT Cut Off 2025 General Category details.

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IIM CAP Cut Off 2026

There were eight IIMs that participated in [IIM CAP 2025 process](#), and had common CAT Exam Cutoff for shortlisting. IIM CAP 2026 details are yet to be released. Check IIM CAP Cut Offs 2025 in table below.

Table 6: IIM CAP Cut Off 2026

IIMs	Qualifying IIM CAP 2025 CAT Cut off
IIM Tiruchirappalli	94
IIM Udaipur	94
IIM Raipur	94
IIM Kashipur	94
IIM Ranchi	94
IIM Nagpur	94
IIM Bodhgaya	94
IIM Jammu	94
IIM Sambalpur	94
IIM Sirmaur	94

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IIM JAP Cut Off 2026

[IIM Joint Admission Process \(JAP\) 2026](#) is a new common MBA admission process for IIM Kashipur, IIM Raipur, IIM Ranchi, and IIM Tiruchirappalli. IIM JAP CAT Cut Offs 2026 will be announced soon. Meanwhile, check expected IIM JAP Cut Offs 2026 in the table below.

Table 6: IIM JAP Cut Off 2026

IIM	IIM JAP Cut off 2026
IIM Tiruchirappalli	94
IIM Raipur	94

IIM	IIM JAP Cut off 2026
IIM Kashipur	94
IIM Ranchi	94

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IIM SAP Cut Off 2025

After the CAP rounds are over, a few IIMs also initiate the [IIM Supplementary Admission Process \(SAP\)](#) round. Last year, only 2 colleges participated in the SAP round and the IIM SAP cutoff was set at 92%ile. Check details in table below.

Table 7: IIM SAP Cut Off 2026

IIM SAP Participating Colleges	IIM SAP Cutoff 2024 (Percentile)
IIM Bodhgaya	92
IIM Jammu	92

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CAT 2025 Category Wise Cut Off

CAT cut off category wise 2025 for admission in top IIMs has been released. Given below are the IIM cut off category wise including CAT cut off for IIM for General category, CAT cut off for IIM for SC category, CAT Cut off for IIM for OBC NC category, CAT cut off for IIM for EWS and CAT cut off for IIM for ST and PwD category candidates:

Table 8: CAT Cut Off 2025 Category Wise

IIMs	CAT Cut off Category Wise 2026					
	Gen	EWS	OBC-NC	SC	ST	PwD
<u>IIM Ahmedabad</u>	80	80	75	70	60	70
<u>IIM Bangalore</u>	85	75	75	70	65	60
<u>IIM Calcutta</u>	85	75	75	70	65	55
<u>IIM Lucknow</u>	90	82	82	65	60	60
<u>IIM Mumbai</u>	85	75	75	70	65	55
<u>IIM Indore</u>	90	90	80	60	45	45
<u>IIM Kozhikode</u>	85	75	75	65	55	55
<u>IIM Rohtak</u>	96	92	82	60	50	86

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Top MBA Colleges CAT 2025 Cut Off 2025 (Non-IIMs) – Updated on December 4

Most top MBA colleges in India including FMS Delhi, MDI Gurgaon, SPJIMR Mumbai, IIFT Delhi use CAT cut off in their admission process among others. The expected CAT 2025 cut off for top MBA colleges for admission 2026 is given in table below. Also check their latest admission status and click on Know More link to check placements, fees and other details:

Table 10: CAT Cut Off 2026 for Top MBA Colleges – Above 80%

MBA College	Top MBA colleges CAT 2025 Cut off (Expected)	Admission Status
<u>FMS New Delhi</u> CAT 2025 Cut Off	98+	Open Know More
<u>SPJIMR Mumbai</u> CAT 2025 Cut Off	94+	Open Apply Now
<u>MDI Gurgaon</u> CAT 2025 Cut Off	94+	Open Apply Now
<u>IIFT New Delhi</u> CAT 2025 Cut Off	94+	Open Know More
<u>IMI Delhi</u> CAT 2025 Cut Off	80 (minimum cut off – floor)	Open Apply Now
<u>XIM University Bhubaneswar</u> CAT 2025 Cut Off	90	Open Apply Now

<u>FORE New Delhi & Gurgaon</u> CAT Cut Off 2025	85+	Open <u>Apply Now</u>
<u>GIM Goa</u> CAT Cut Off 2025	85+	Open <u>Apply Now</u>
<u>TAPMI Manipal</u> CAT Cut Off 2025	85+	Open <u>Apply Now</u>
<u>SDA Bocconi Asia Center</u> CAT Cut Off 2025	85+	Open <u>Apply Now</u>
<u>MDI Murshidabad</u> CAT Cut Off 2025	80	Open <u>Apply Now</u>
<u>BIMTECH Greater Noida</u> CAT Cut Off 2025	75	Open <u>Apply Now</u>
<u>IFMR GSB, KREA University</u>	75	Open <u>Apply Now</u>
<u>Welingkar Mumbai</u>	75	Open <u>Apply Now</u>
<u>JAGSOM Bangalore</u>	75	Open <u>Apply Now</u>
<u>ICFAI Business School (IBS) Hyderabad</u>	70	Open <u>Apply Now</u>
<u>Woxsen University Hyderabad</u>	70	Open <u>Apply Now</u>
<u>LM Thapar School of Management</u>	70	Open <u>Apply Now</u>

IIT CAT Cut offs 2026

IIT CAT Cut Offs are high and at par with IIMs and other top B-schools. Check their expected CAT Cut Offs in the table below.

Table 9: IIT CAT Cut offs 2026 (Expected)

S.No.	Institution Name	Minimum CAT Score Required for Admission	Actual CAT cutoff percentile (Lowest percentile for final admission offer)
1.	DoMS IIT Delhi	90%	89.31%
2.	SJMSOM IIT Bombay	90%	94.73%
3.	DoMS IIT Madras	NA	84.99%
4.	DoMS IIT Roorkee	90%	NA

S.No.	Institution Name	Minimum CAT Score Required for Admission	Actual CAT cutoff percentile (Lowest percentile for final admission offer)
5.	VGSOM IIT Kharagpur	90%	NA
6.	DoMS IIT Kanpur	80%	NA
7.	DoMSIE IIT (ISM) Dhanbad	75%	NA
8.	SME IIT Jodhpur	80%	NA

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CAT Cut Off Marks Vs Percentile 2025

After getting the information on CAT Cut off for admission 2026 for IIMs and other top MBA colleges, the question arises what CAT score will get the required cut off percentile so that you can clear the cut offs. CAT 2025 difficulty level is expected to go up moderately than last year. Read this article for complete details on [CAT 2025 exam difficulty level](#). Expected CAT Cut Off Marks vs Percentile 2025 estimates by India's Top Coaching Institutes are given in table below.

Table 11: CAT CutOff Marks Vs Percentile 2025 (Expected)

Percentile	CAT 2024
99.9	120
99.5	100
99	93
95	68
90	58
80	43
70	23

Source: MBAUniverse.com

Factors Determining CAT 2025 Cutoff for Admission 2026

To close this article, you should remember that CAT 2025 Cut Offs for IIMs and other top B-schools are dependent on many factors such as:

- Total number of applications received
- Total number of seats available
- Number of aspirants who appeared for the exam
- Difficulty level of the CAT exam

Above CAT Cut Off 2206 estimates will be updated soon after CAT Exam is held on November 30, 2025, and difficulty level is known.

In summary, CAT Cut Off refers to the minimum percentile a candidate needs to be shortlisted for the MBA Admission process at IIMs and other top B-schools. CAT Cutoffs vary by candidate's category (General, EWS, NC-OBC, SC, ST, PwD) and also differ across the IIMs. IIMs release minimum CAT Cut Offs in their admission policy documents. Cut Offs 2025 for IIMs and top MBA colleges including MDI, SPJIMR, IMI Delhi, FORE Delhi and others are published in above article. You can also download CAT 2025 Cut Off PDF from the link above.