CMAT Exam Analysis 2026: Difficulty Level, Type of Questions, Cutoffs; Past Paper Analysis (Available)

CMAT 2026 Exam Analysis: CMAT 2026 exam will be held on **January 25, 2026 in single shift from 9.00 AM to 12.00 PM**. CMAT analysis 2026 will be published by MBAUniverse.com soon after the exam gets over. It will cover any changes in **Exam Pattern, Section-wise Topics, Type of Questions and Difficulty Level, and CMAT Score Vs Percentile 2026**. CMAT Exam Analysis of Past Years' papers reveals that **no major change is expected in CMAT 2026 exam pattern, type of questions and difficulty level**. Last year, in CMAT 2025, out of 20 questions in the QTDI section, **17 questions were on Quantitative Technique and only 3 were on Data Interpretation**. The questions on Quants were dominated by **Arithmetic questions**. In Logical Reasoning section, **16 questions were on Non-Verbal Reasoning,** and just 4 questions were on Verbal Reasoning. In Language Comprehension Section, there were **18 Non-RC questions and just 2 Reading Comprehension questions**. Out of the 20 General Awareness questions, **all 20 were based on Indian Static GK**. In Business and Entrepreneurship paper had questions on concepts like **Bootstrapping, Startup valuation, Fabian entrepreneur, Angel investment, Lean startup, Trademark and Feasibility analysis**. CMAT 2026 exam pattern and section wise questions are expected to similar to CMAT 2025 and CMAT 2024 papers. Read detailed CMAT previous year paper analysis in the article below. Download **CMAT Exam Analysis 2026 PDF** from links below.

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CMAT Exam Analysis 2026: Exam Pattern (Expected)

CMAT exam analysis of past years' papers reveals that **no major change is expected in CMAT 2026 exam pattern, type of questions and difficulty level**. Check expected type of questions:

- **Quantitative Techniques and Data Interpretation:** Last year, in CMAT 2025, out of 20 questions in the QTDI section, **17 questions were on Quantitative Technique and only 3 were on Data Interpretation**. The questions on Quants were dominated by **Arithmetic questions**.
- **Logical Reasoning:** In Logical Reasoning section, **16 questions were on Non-Verbal Reasoning,** and just 4 questions were on Verbal Reasoning.
- **Language Comprehension:** In Language Comprehension Section, there were **18 non-RC questions and just 2 Reading Comprehension questions**.
- **General Awareness:** Out of the 20 General Awareness questions, **all 20 were based on Indian Static GK**.
- **Innovation and Entrepreneurship:** In Business and Entrepreneurship paper had questions on concepts like **Bootstrapping, Startup valuation, Fabian entrepreneur, Angel investment, Lean startup, Trademark and Feasibility analysis**.

CMAT 2026 exam pattern and section-wise questions are expected to similar to CMAT 2025 and CMAT 2024 papers. Check expected pattern in the table below.

Table: CMAT Exam Pattern 2026

Section	No Of Questions	Marks per Question	Maximum Marks
Quantitative Techniques and Data Interpretation	20	4	80
Logical Reasoning	20	4	80
Language Comprehension	20	4	80
General Awareness	20	4	80
Innovation and Entrepreneurship	20	4	80
Total	100		400

CMAT Exam Analysis 2026: Difficulty Level (Expected)

CMAT 2026 exam paper is expected to be on easier side. Check CMAT exam difficulty level (expected) in the table below.

Table: CMAT Exam Difficulty Level 2026 (Expected)

Section	No Of Questions	Difficulty Level
Quantitative Techniques and Data Interpretation	20	Easy
Logical Reasoning	20	Easy
Language Comprehension	20	Easy
General Awareness	20	Medium
Innovation and Entrepreneurship	20	Medium
Total	100	

CMAT Exam Analysis 2026: Good Attempts

For CMAT exam, high accuracy level is important to score 99 Percentile. Check CMAT 2026 good attempts in table below.

Table: CMAT Exam Good Attempts (Expected)

Section	No Of Questions	Good Attempts (At 80% Accuracy)
Quantitative Techniques and Data Interpretation	20	16-17
Logical Reasoning	20	15-16
Language Comprehension	20	15-16
General Awareness	20	10-11
Innovation and Entrepreneurship	20	11-12
Total	**100**	**70-75**

CMAT Score Vs Percentile 2026

Based on difficulty level of CMAT previous year's question paper, the expected CMAT 2026 Score Vs Percentile is as follows.

CMAT Score	CMAT Percentile
295 – 305	99.5+
275 – 285	99
255 – 265	95
235 – 245	90

CMAT 2025 Exam Analysis

To understand past patterns and type of questions, read complete CMAT 2025 exam analysis below.
CMAT 2025 was conducted on January 25, 2025, in two slots: The first slot was held between 9 AM to 12 Noon (Slot 1) and the second slot between 2.30 PM to 5.30 PM (Slot 2). There were no major changes in the CMAT 2025 exam pattern. It had a total of 100 questions

spread across 5 sections for 400 marks. The test had no sectional timing. Incorrect responses invited negative marks (-)1 for each incorrect response

CMAT 2025 slot 1 analysis: Overview

Overall, the difficulty level of slot 1 of CMAT 2025 exam was similar to that of previous year CMAT 2024. Estimates of good attempts and difficulty level is follows:

Section	No Of Questions	Marks per Question	Maximum Marks	Difficulty Level	Good Attempts (At 80% Accuracy)
Quantitative Techniques and Data Interpretation	20	4	80	Easy	16-17
Logical Reasoning	20	4	80	Easy	15-16
Language Comprehension	20	4	80	Easy	15-16
General Awareness	20	4	80	Medium	10-11
Innovation and Entrepreneurship	20	4	80	Medium	11-12
Total	100		400		70-75

CMAT 2025 Sectional Analysis: Quantitative Technique and Data Interpretation

This section was relatively easy in terms of Level of Difficulty. Out of 20 questions in the section, 3 were on Data Interpretation and the remaining 17 were on Quantitative Technique. A set of 3 questions on Data Interpretation consisted of questions based on pie charts. These questions on Data Interpretation involved simple calculations.

The questions on Quantitative Techniques were dominated by questions on Arithmetic. Out of 17 questions on Quantitative Techniques, 10 questions were on Arithmetic, which included questions on Time-speed-distance, Ratio-Proportion, Profit & Loss, SICI, Allegations and Mixtures. There were 2 questions each of Modern Math, Numbers and Algebra, 1 question on Geometry. Most of the questions on Quantitative Technique were easy. Some questions involved True-False statements.

Area	No of Questions	Details

	Easy	Medium	Difficult	Total	
Arithmetic	7	3	0	10	Time-speed-distance (3), Ratio-Proportion(, (2) Profit & Loss (2), SICI(1), Alligation and Mixtures (2)
Geometry	0	1	0	1	Triangles (1)
Modern Math	2	0	0	2	Probability (2)
Numbers	2	0	0	2	Surds (1) and indices (1)
Algebra	1	1	0	2	Quad equations (1), Linear equations (1)
Data Interpretation	3	0	0	3	2 Pie charts (Set of 3 questions)

CMAT 2025 Sectional Analysis: Logical Reasoning

Out of the 20 questions in this section, 16 were on Non-Verbal Reasoning and 4 questions were on Verbal Reasoning. All the questions were standalone questions and there were no set based questions.

The questions on Non-Verbal Reasoning were spread across different topics in Logical Reasoning such as Directions, Cubes, Counting the number of squares, Linear Arrangements, Family tree and clocks etc. The questions on Verbal Reasoning included questions such as Assertion Reason, Strong/Weak Argument, Assumption, and Conclusion. The questions were not lengthy and many questions were straightforward and very easy to solve.

Area	No. of Qs.
Directions	1
Cubes	2
Counting the number of squares	1
Linear Arrangement	1
Family tree	1
Clocks	1
Numerical Puzzle	1
Misc	1

Logical venn diagram	1
Set theory	1
Number Series	1
Analogy based sequence	1
Word based Analogy	1
Odd one out	1
Alpha numeric	1
Verbal Reasoning	
Assertion Reason; Strong/Weak Argument; Assumption; Conclusion	4

CMAT 2025 Sectional Analysis: Language Comprehension

The Language Comprehension Section consisted of 2 Reading Comprehension questions and 18 Non-RC questions. The passage was easy to read. The non-RC questions were easy as well.

Area	No. of Qs.
Reading Comprehension – 1 Passage – 62 words Topic: Shivaji capturing a fort	2
FIB, Replace underlined phrase, Passive voice, Cloze passage [3 blanks], Parajumbles, Jumbled sentence, Grammar (Compound Sentence, Articles, Noun-types), Sentence Correction, Miscellaneous	18

CMAT 2025 Sectional Analysis: General Awareness

Out of the 20 General Awareness questions, all 20 were based on Static GK. The majority of questions were based on Indian events. Only a few questions were on international events. The questions were on science, sports, Indian constitution, history, India and its culture, among others. Overall, this section was of medium difficulty level.

CMAT 2025 Sectional Analysis: Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Out of the 20 questions, 19 were based on Business and Entrepreneurship concepts (Bootstrapping, Startup valuation, Fabian entrepreneur, Angel investment, Lean startup, Trademark, Feasibility analysis). 1 question was on Business GK. Overall, this section was of medium difficulty level.

In summary, CMAT Analysis 2026 will be published immediately after the CMAT exam on January 25, 2026. CMAT 2026 Analysis will include analysis of Exam Pattern, Section-wise Topics, Type of Questions and Difficulty Level, and CMAT Score Vs Percentile. Read previous year's CMAT Analysis and other details above. CMAT Paper

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