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**NOTIFICATION**  
**KMAT-2026**  
**KERALA MANAGEMENT APTITUDE TEST (SESSION I)**  
**FOR ADMISSION TO MBA -- APPLICATIONS INVITED**

Applications are invited for the Entrance Examination for admission to MBA Course, Kerala Management Aptitude Test (First Session of KMAT-2026).

**I. Eligibility**

- i. **Nationality and Nativity:** Indians and Non Indians are eligible to apply. But, only Keralite candidates are eligible for all types of reservation or fee concession.
- ii. **Age:** No restrictions.
- iii. **Academic qualifications:** Candidates should have completed the Bachelors Degree of minimum three years duration in the field of Arts, Science, Engineering, Commerce, Management or equivalent to satisfy the eligibility criteria for the course. Candidates who are appearing for the final year of the qualifying examinations are also eligible to apply, provided their results are declared before the commencement of the admission process for the admission to MBA Course-2026. Candidates should have attained the minimum marks as stipulated for admission to MBA course by the respective Universities to which the candidate wishes to apply.

**Note:** Documents in proof of applicable eligibility (Nationality, Nativity, reservations, Age, Academic qualification etc.) criteria shall be produced before the College/University authorities at the time of admission. None of these documents need to be uploaded with the online application or submitted to the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations(CEE).

**II. Computer Based Test :** The Entrance Examination (Computer Based Test) will be conducted **across all districts in Kerala on 25.01.2026**. The Entrance Examination will be of Three hours duration and will consist of 180 Objective Type questions of four marks each (Total 180x4=720). For every wrong answer one mark will be deducted. The questions will be based on

- a. English Language Usage and Reading Comprehension (50 Questions)

- b. Quantitative Aptitude (50 Questions)
- c. Data sufficiency and Logical Reasoning (40 Questions)
- d. General Knowledge and current affairs (40 Questions).

Time schedule and other instructions regarding the examination will be notified later.

**III. Qualifying Marks:** The General category candidates/SEBC candidates who secure cut off marks of 10% of the total 720 marks, i.e. 72 marks and above, and SC/ST/PD category candidates on securing a cut off mark of 7.5%, i.e. 54 marks and above, will be eligible for admission to MBA course in various Universities/Departments and affiliated management colleges including the Autonomous Colleges in Kerala.

**IV. Submission of Online Application and Application Fee:** The application fee is Rs.1000/- (Rupees One Thousand only) for General and SEBC candidates and Rs.500/- (Rupees Five hundred only) for SC candidates. ST candidates are exempted from paying application fees. (see Annexure I, II and IV of the KMAT 2026 Information Bulletin for SEBC, SC, ST lists).

Candidates seeking admission to the course can apply online through the website **www.cee.kerala.gov.in** of the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations **till 15.01.2026, 4.00 PM** by remitting the required application fee by way of online payment by using Internet Banking/Debit Card/Credit Card. After remitting the fee the candidate has to upload a recent passport size colour photograph and signature to the online application. After completing the application submission procedure, candidate can download the Application Acknowledgement Page and keep a copy of it for future reference. Fees will neither be carried forward to a future examination nor be refunded. Application once submitted cannot be withdrawn. On successful payment, the candidate will be guided back to the home page where in he/she will find the 'Pay Application Fee' tab at the top turned green and can proceed to uploading of photograph and signature. If the payment transaction was unsuccessful, a message to that effect will be displayed on the screen and the candidate would be guided back to the home page. On the other hand, if the candidate fails to receive the final confirmation (success or failure) message and is uncertain about the outcome of the transaction due to communication failure or otherwise, he/she can re-login to the home page and inspect the 'Pay Application Fee' tab at the top to see if it's green or not. If it has not turned green, the payment has not succeeded and the candidate may try again. Any duplicate/multiple payments due to failed/unconfirmed transactions will be reverted to the source account from which the transaction was attempted.

**V. Admit Cards:** Candidates who have applied for the entrance examination (Computer Based Test) can download their **Admit Cards** from the website **www.cee.kerala.gov.in**, from the date to be announced by the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations. The Admit Card thus obtained should be brought to the examination hall along with valid ID proof. The Commissioner for Entrance Examinations will not entertain any request for change of the date/centre of the entrance examination once declared.

## **VI. General Instructions:**

- Merely appearing and qualifying in KMAT 2026 does not confer any right on the

candidate for the admission to MBA Course. The selection and admission to MBA course is subject to full filling the admission criteria, eligibility and such other criteria as may be prescribed by the Government, Universities and Institutions.

- Application of candidates submitting false and fabricated information will be rejected and such candidates will be further debarred from appearing in Examinations conducted by the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations. Such candidates are liable to be prosecuted under applicable laws for criminal offense and suitably punished.
- Incomplete application and applications not in accordance with instructions are liable to be rejected without any further intimation.
- Instructions in the Information Bulletin may change/be updated based on decision taken by competent authorities from time to time.

Candidates are advised to check regularly the website **[www.cee.kerala.gov.in](http://www.cee.kerala.gov.in)**, for further updates and information.

The Commissioner for Entrance Examinations reserves the right to withdraw permission, granted inadvertently if any, to any candidate who is not eligible to appear in the KMAT 2026 entrance examination even after the Admit Card has been issued by the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations.

Candidature for KMAT 2026 is purely provisional and is subject to fulfillment and proof of eligibility criteria prescribed by the admitting institutions as applicable.

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