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ADMISSION NOTICE FOR MCA FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-27

This notice is being issued for Online Registration, Scanning & uploading of documents, documents E-Verification or Physical Verification depend on the document verification mode selected by candidate 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 First Year in Master of Computer Applications (MCA) 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 Scrutiny Center(SC) /Facilitation Centre (FC).

➤ **Eligibility Criteria for MCA Courses:**

Refer the Information Brochure for Eligibility criteria.

➤ **Online Registration for Admission:**

- 1.1 The candidates should apply online on www.mahacet.org as per schedule.
- 1.2 Candidates who have registered for MAH-MCA-CET 2026 are not required to pay any fees for registration for admission. However other candidates belonging to NRI/ OCI / PIO, Children of Indian workers in Gulf Countries, Foreign National Candidates are required to pay fees as prescribed by Competent Authority. Fees paid is non-refundable. (No other mode of payment shall be permitted.)

Application fee for General Category Candidates from Maharashtra State, Outside Maharashtra State (OMS), Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir and Union Territory of Ladakh Migrant candidates	₹ 1500/-
1. Application fee for Reserved Category Candidates [SC, ST, VJ/DTNT(A), NT(B), NT(C), NT(D), OBC, SBC, EWS, SEBC*] & PWD 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/ Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir and Union Territory of Ladakh Migrant Candidate)	04-07-2026	21-07-2026 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. 2. Such candidate need not have to visit to FC for verification and confirmation of the application form. His/her application & documents shall be verified and confirmed by the FC 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 facilitation Center online selected by himself/herself, along with the required documents as per the allotted	05-07-2026	22-07-2026 Up to 05:00 PM

	time slot for online filling, scanning & uploading of required documents, verification and confirmation of application form. After verification & Confirmation of application form, FC shall issue the receipt cum Acknowledgement.		
Note: Facility of Online Registration & Documents verification, confirmation of Application Form for Admission to Seats other than CAP Seats shall be continued till Cut-off Date for all type of admissions for the Academic Year 2026-27, up to 2.00 PM at online E- Verification by Scrutiny Center or Physical Verification at Scrutiny Center.			
3.	Display of the provisional merit list for Maharashtra State/All India Candidates on website.	24-07-2026	
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 candidate's login along with latest receipt cum Acknowledgement. - Those Candidate who selected physical scrutiny mode shall visit FC for resolving the grievances.	25-07-2026	27-07-2026 Up to 5:00 PM
5.	Display of the Final Merit lists of Maharashtra State/All India Candidates on website.	29-07-2026	
6.	Display of Provisional Category wise Seats (Seat Matrix) for CAP Round I	29-07-2026	
CAP Round I			
7.	Online Submission & Confirmation of Option Form of CAP Round-I through candidate's Login by the Candidate.	30-07-2026	01-08-2026
8.	Display of Provisional Allotment of CAP Round-I	03-08-2026	
9.	Accepting to the offered seat by candidate through his/her login as per Allotment of CAP Round I. a) The candidate shall self-verify the seat allotment made to him/her in the CAP Round I by accepting declaration through his/her login and certifying that his/her claim related with qualifying marks, category, gender, reservation, specific reservation etc. made by candidate in the application form are correct	04-08-2026	06-08-2026 Up to 03:00 PM

	and relevant documents uploaded to substantiate his/her claims are authentic and correct. b) If candidate found the claim made by him is not correct and he/she wants to the correct the error, (error as per the clause (e) of sub rule (3) of rule 9 given in information brochure) The candidate shall report the grievance through his/her login by online mode only. c) Candidates who have been allotted the seat as per their first preference in Round I (auto freed) shall pay the seat acceptance fee by online mode through their login and Such candidates shall not be eligible for participation in subsequent Rounds. d) Candidates who have allotted other than first preference and self freed their allotment in Round I through their login must accept the seat and shall pay seat acceptance fees through online mode. Such candidates shall not be eligible for participation in subsequent Rounds. [Candidate must exercise this option carefully] e) Candidates who have allotted other than first preference and want betterment in the subsequent rounds must claim the allotted seat in Round I by accepting that seat by choosing Not Freeze/ Betterment option for betterment and shall pay the seat acceptance fee through their login by online mode.		
10.	Reporting to the Allotted Institute and Confirmation of Admission by submitting required documents and payment of fee after CAP Round I. a) Candidates who have accepted the seat as per 9 (c), 9 (d) above must report to allotted institute for confirmation of admission b) The Institute shall verify the required documents and upload the admission of the candidates in the online system through Institute Login immediately and shall issue a system generated receipt of confirmation of admission and fee paid receipt to the candidate. If it is found that seat allotted to the candidate is on the false claims made in the applications by the candidate, then institute shall not admit such a candidate and such candidate shall raise the grievance by his/her login.	04-08-2026	06-08-2026 Up to 05:00 PM
CAP Round-II			
11.	Display of Provisional Vacant Seats for CAP Round-II	07-08-2026	

12.	Online Submission & Confirmation of Option Form of CAP Round-II through candidate's Login by the Candidate.	08-08-2026	10-08-2026
13.	Display of Provisional Allotment of CAP Round-II	13-08-2026	
14.	Accepting to the offered seat by candidate through his/her login as per Allotment of CAP Round II. a) All eligible candidates participated in Round II and allotted the seat first time shall self-verify the seat allotment as per 9(a) above. The candidate who have been allotted the seat first time in Round II shall pay the seat acceptance fee through his/her login by online mode. b) Candidates who have been allotted the seat as per their first three preferences in Round II (auto freezed) shall pay the seat acceptance fee by online mode through their login and Such candidates shall not be eligible for participation in subsequent Rounds. c) Candidates who have allotted other than first three preferences and self freezed their allotment in Round II through their login must accept the seat and shall pay seat acceptance fees through online mode. Such candidates shall not be eligible for participation in subsequent Rounds. [Candidate must exercise this option carefully] d) Candidates who have allotted other than first three preferences and want betterment in the subsequent rounds must claim the allotted seat in Round II by accepting that seat by choosing Not Freeze/ Betterment option for betterment and shall pay the seat acceptance fee through their login by online mode.	14-08-2026	17-08-2026 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. a) Candidates who have accepted the seat as per 14 (b), 14 (c) above must report to allotted institute for confirmation of admission b) The Institute shall verify the required documents and upload the admission of the candidates in the online system through Institute Login immediately and shall issue a system generated receipt of confirmation of admission and fee paid receipt to the candidate. If it is found that seat allotted to the candidate is on the false claims made in the applications by the candidate, then institute shall not admit such a candidate and such	14-08-2026	17-08-2026 Up to 05:00 PM

	candidate shall raise the grievance by his/her login.		
CAP Round-III			
16.	Display of Provisional Vacant Seats for CAP Round-III	18-08-2026	
17.	Online Submission & Confirmation of Option Form of CAP Round-III through candidate's Login by the Candidate.	19-08-2026	21-08-2026
18.	Display of Provisional Allotment of CAP Round-III	23-08-2026	
19.	Accepting to the offered seat by candidate through his/her login as per Allotment of CAP Round III. a) All eligible candidates participated in Round III and allotted the seat first time shall self-verify the seat allotment as per 9(a) above. The candidate who have been allotted the seat first time in Round III shall pay the seat acceptance fee through his/her login by online mode. b) Candidates who have been allotted the seat as per their first six preferences in Round III (auto freezed) shall pay the seat acceptance fee by online mode through their login and Such candidates shall not be eligible for participation in subsequent Rounds. c) Candidates who have allotted other than first six preferences and self freezed their allotment in Round III through their login must accept the seat and shall pay seat acceptance fees through online mode. Such candidates shall not be eligible for participation in subsequent Rounds. [Candidate must exercise this option carefully] d) Candidates who have allotted other than first six preferences and want betterment in the subsequent rounds must claim the allotted seat in Round III by accepting that seat by choosing Not Freeze/ Betterment option for betterment and shall pay the seat acceptance fee through their login by online mode.	24-08-2026	26-08-2026 Up to 03:00 PM
20.	Reporting to the Allotted Institute and Confirmation of Admission by submitting required documents and payment of fee after CAP Round III. a) Candidates who have accepted the seat as per 19 (b), 19 (c) above must report to allotted institute for confirmation of admission b) The Institute shall verify the required documents and upload the admission of the candidates in the online system through Institute Login immediately and shall issue a system generated receipt of confirmation of admission and fee paid	24-08-2026	26-08-2026 Up to 05:00 PM

	receipt to the candidate. If it is found that seat allotted to the candidate is on the false claims made in the applications by the candidate, then institute shall not admit such a candidate and such candidate shall raise the grievance by his/her login.		
CAP Round-IV			
21.	Display of Provisional Vacant Seats for CAP Round-IV	27-08-2026	
22.	Online Submission & Confirmation of Option Form of CAP Round-IV through candidate's Login by the Candidate.	28-08-2026	30-08-2026
23.	Display of Provisional Allotment of CAP Round-IV	01-09-2026	
24.	Accepting to the offered seat by candidate through his/her login as per Allotment of CAP Round IV All eligible candidates participated in Round IV and allotted the seat first time shall self-verify the seat allotment as per 9(a) above. The candidate who have been allotted the seat first time in Round IV shall pay the seat acceptance fee through his/her login by online mode.	02-09-2026	04-09-2026 Up to 03:00 PM
25.	Reporting to the Allotted Institute and Confirmation of Admission by submitting required documents and payment of fee after CAP Round IV Participating candidates to whom the first time allotment is made or got betterment in allotment or No betterment (Earlier seat retained) In Round IV shall be final. Such a candidate must report to allotted institute for confirmation of admission.	02-09-2026	04-09-2026 Up to 05:00 PM
Institute Level Option Form			
26.	Online submission of Option Form for Institute Level admissions	03-08-2026	04-09-2026
27.	Transfer of institute wise candidate list to the respective institute	05-09-2026	
28.	Institute Quota and Vacant seats after CAP, if any - 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 13 of Information Brochure AY 2026-27)	06-09-2026	15-09-2026
29.	Last date for cancellation of seat with full fees refund (As per Rule 15 of Information Brochure AY 2026-27)	13-09-2026	
30.	Cut-off Date for all type of admissions for the Academic Year 2026-27	15-09-2026 Up to 05:00 PM	

31.	For Institutes: Last date of uploading the data (details of admitted candidates)	15-09-2026 Up to 06:00 PM
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➤ **Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir and Union Territory of Ladakh Migrant Candidates:**

Sr No	Activity	Start Date	Last Date
1	Counselling Round at “Director, Sydenham Institute of Management Studies & Research & Entrepreneurship Education(SIMSREE), B-Road, Churchgate, Mumbai 400020”	18-08-2026	20-08-2026
2	Reporting to the Allotted Institute and confirmation of Admission by submitting required documents and fees, as per Final Allotment.	21-08-2026	26-08-2026

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

➤ **Important Instructions for Candidates:**

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). Refer Proforma - V of Information Brochure for A.Y. 2026-2027.
4. In case of Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir and Union Territory of Ladakh Migrant Candidates after registration & confirmation of their application at “Director, Sydenham Institute of Management Studies & Research & Entrepreneurship Education(SIMSREE), B-Road, Churchgate, Mumbai 400020” shall approach directly to the Institute for admission where such quota is granted by the appropriate authority.
5. For Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir and Union Territory of Ladakh Migrant Candidates: - Such Candidates will get the Receipt-cum-Acknowledgement through their login after confirmation of application by Scrutiny Center. Applications received after the last date from candidates belonging to Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir and Union Territory of Ladakh Migrant candidates will be summarily rejected and no correspondence will be entertained in this regard.
6. 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.

7. 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.
8. A Candidate who has been allotted a seat shall download the “Provisional Seat Allotment Letter”.
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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.
12. 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-२०२४/प्र.क्र.७५(भाग-१)/ आरक्षण-५, dated ०२/०७/२०२६, issued by the General Administration Department.
13. 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.
14. 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.
15. 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.
16. 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.
17. 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. 7669861010 / 18004106363** between 10:00 A.M. to 06:00 P.M. 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 A.M. to 05:30 P.M.

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