



MAT HANDBOOK





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Get to know MAT

Hey! Everyone....Welcome to CATKing Family.

I am here to guide you about MAT. So, what exactly is MAT?

Management Aptitude Test (MAT) is a standardised National Level test being administered since 1988 to facilitate Business Schools (B-Schools) to screen candidates for admission to MBA and allied programmes. Govt. of India, Ministry of Education approved MAT as a national level test in 2003. Any B-School - national or international - can consider MAT Score as an admission input based on the Score Cards issued to the candidates. The largest test of its kind in the nation, MAT will continue to be your passport to over 600 B-Schools across India.

Now, Lets see the Exam Pattern of MAT

Subjects	Questions	Time Taken	Negative Marking
Language Comprehension	30	120 mins	Yes +1.00 ✓ -0.25 ✗
Intelligence & Critical Reasoning	30		
Mathematical Skills	30		
Data Analysis & Sufficiency	30		
Economic & Business Environment	30		
Total	150		

In MAT Party is ON, as there are 6 types of Mode of Tests.

Ohh God!!! Lets find out, what are they with the registration fees

	Type of Tests	Fees
Normals Tests	Paper Based Test (PBT)	2100/-
	Computer Based Test (CBT)	
Additional Tests	PBT + CBT	3600/-

***Candidates opting for additional test can select 2 more colleges i.e. total of 7 Management Institutes.**



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Registration Dates are out, and below are the important dates as per last year...

PBT	This Year
Registration Deadline	02 March'25
Admit card deadline	05 March'25 (5 P.M Onwards)
Exam date	09 March'25

CBT	This Year
Registration Deadline	09 March'25
Admit card deadline	17 March '25 (5 P.M Onwards)
Exam date	23 March'25

Now, Let's see some salient features of MAT

- Administered four times a year - February, May, August, and December
- Conducted in 2 modes - CBT (Computer Based Test), and PBT (Paper Based Test)

So, what is the eligibility criteria for MAT?

Candidates must have completed graduation or can be in the final year of the graduation.

MAT Syllabus



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Section	Syllabus
Language Comprehension	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reading Comprehension, Parajumbles, Fill in the blanks, One Word Substitution, Sentence Correction, Verbal Ability, Antonym & Synonyms, Idioms & Phrases, etc.
Data Analysis & Sufficiency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tables, Charts, Pie Charts, Bar Diagrams, Caselet-based Data, Venn Diagram, Graphs, Data Comparison, Data Sufficiency, etc.
Mathematical Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Mensuration, Number System, Percentage, LCM & HCF, Inequalities, Set Theory, etc.
Intelligence & Critical Reasoning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blood Relation, Family Tree, Coding & Decoding, Numeric Grid, Syllogism, Clocks, Calendars, Visual Reasoning, etc.
Economic & Business Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CEOs, Awards and Winners, Books and Authors, Company Punchlines, History, International Organisation, Statements & Quotations, Social issues, Geography, Sports, Finance, Corporate News, etc.


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MAT 3 years Analysis		2024	2023	2022
Section	Topics	Level Of Difficulty		
Language Comprehension	Number of RC Passages	Easy to Moderate	Easy to Moderate	Easy to Moderate
	Errors in Sentence formation	Moderate	Moderate	Easy to Moderate
	Antonyms	Moderate to Difficult	Moderate to difficult	Easy to Moderate
	Synonyms	Moderate	Moderate	Easy to Moderate
	Fill in the Blanks with the correct vocabulary words	Moderate	Moderate	Easy to Moderate
	One word substitution	Moderate	Moderate	Easy to Moderate
	Phrases & Idioms Substitution by words	Moderate to Difficult	Moderate to Difficult	Easy to Moderate
	Jumbled Paragraphs	Moderate	Moderate	Easy to Moderate
	Total	30	30	30
Mathematical Skills	Arithmetic	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
	Equations	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
	Ratio, Proportion & Variation	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
	Geometry & Mensuration	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
	Permutation and Combinations	Moderate	Easy to Moderate	Moderate
	Probability	Moderate	Easy	Moderate
	Overall	30	30	30



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MAT 3 years Analysis		2024	2023	2022
Section	Topics	Level Of Difficulty		
Data Analysis and Sufficiency	Data Interpretation	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
	Data Sufficiency	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
	Data Comparison	Moderate	Moderate to difficult	Easy to Moderate
	Overall	30	30	30
Intelligence & Critical Reasoning	Analytical and Logical Reasoning	Moderate	Easy to Moderate	Easy to Moderate
	Critical Reasoning	Moderate	Easy	Easy to Moderate
	Total	30	30	30

Now, Lets look on the MAT preparation Strategy

Verbal Skills:

- Have a good command on vocabulary
- Practice previous year papers to understand the standard of RCs and Verbal section – Reasoning, Grammar, etc.

Analytical Reasoning:

- Practice all types of topics through sectional mocks and time-bound
- This section is typically very scoring compared to other sections
- Do not make any assumptions rather focus on facts

Quantitative Skills :

- Build conceptual clarity and practice shortcuts
- Focus on improving calculation speed and solving case studies related to Data Interpretation
- Memorizing tables and charts like squares, cubes, etc. usually proves very helpful because of the 60-min overall time limit which is minimal compared to other exams



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What after MAT?

Lets have a look on GD-PI Process

Selection Process	Description
Group Discussion (GD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A case or a group activity is given to the group of students. Students has to discuss & to come up with a solution.
Personal Interview (PI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> it is a in persona interaction with the panel of the college the student is applying for

Let's dive into to the Cutoff %ile, Placement Highlights, Total fees, and Batch Size

College	Cutoff %ile	Average Placement	Median Placement	Highest Placement	Total Fees	Batch Size
Amity Business School, Noida	90+	8L	7.6L	15L	15.56L	120
SOIL Institute of Management	90	10L	10.3L	19.3L	14.8L	480
Christ University Bengaluru	80-90	-	9.12L	15L	9.35L	300
BIMTECH Greater Noida	80-90	11.25L	-	23.43L	14L	240
SIESCOMS Navi Mumbai	80-90	9.1L	-	23L	9L	210
Jagan Institute of Management Studies (JIMS), Rohini Delhi	80-90	8.1L	8.3L	22L	9.32L	300
Indus Business Academy	80-90	7.8L	-	22.26L	8.6L	240



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MAT Sample Questions with Solutions

Language Comprehension Questions

Q1. Fill in the blank with an appropriate word and complete the given sentence. Rajat had a bad _____ and couldn't get along with his co-workers.

- (a) surcharge
- (b) temper
- (c) dialect
- (d) position

A1. (b)

Q2. Fill in the blanks with the appropriate words and complete the given sentence.

It is mainly for this reason that _____ modern economic thinkers maintain that society would prosper when people are left alone to _____ their self-interests.

- (a) latter, surrender
- (b) late, replicate
- (c) latest, navigate
- (d) late, pursue

A2. (d)

Mathematical Skills

Q1. A dealer of scientific instrument offers successive discount of 20%, 10% and 5% respectively on the marked price of Rs. 1500. He offers successive discounts of 20%, 20% and 10% respectively on another scientific instrument which is marked 2000. What is the sum of selling prices of both of the scientific equipment?

- (a) 2578
- (b) 1260
- (c) 1846
- (d) 2178

A1. (d)





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Q2. In how much time (in years), will a sum of money become thrice of itself at the rate of 25% per annum simple interest?

- (a) 6 years
- (b) 8 years
- (c) 12 years
- (d) 10 years

A2. (b)

Intelligence & Critical Reasoning

Q1. Complete the following series.

2, 6, 15, 28, 55, ?

- (a) 110
- (b) 85
- (c) 78
- (d) 53

A1. (c)

Q2. Arrange the following words as per dictionary order.

1. **Annually**
2. **Annular**
3. **Description**
4. **Design**
5. **Development**

- (a) 1, 2, 4, 3, 5
- (b) 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
- (c) 2, 1, 3, 5, 4
- (d) 2, 1, 5, 3, 4

A2. (b)





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Indian and Global Environment

Q1. Which institution launched an information database including a repository of information pertaining to municipal bonds?

- (a) IRDAI
- (b) NABARD
- (c) RBI
- (d) SEBI

A1. (d)

Q2. Which ministry has recently (in Dec '22) launched the Stay Safe Online campaign & G-20 Digital Innovation Alliance (DIA) program in New Delhi, Delhi?

- (a) Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- (b) Ministry of Education
- (c) Ministry of Science and Technology
- (d) Ministry of Home Affairs

A2. (a)

Mocks Schedule

Mock Name	Release Date
MAT Mock 1	29th August'24
MAT Mock 2	29th August'24
MAT Mock 3	29th August'24
MAT Mock 4	5th September'24
MAT Mock 5	12th September'24
MAT Mock 6	3rd October'24
MAT Mock 7	7th October'24
MAT Mock 8	10th October'24
MAT Mock 9	14th October'24
MAT Mock 10	18th October'24



***All the
Best!!!***

