

**INFORMATION BULLETIN FOR KERALA MANAGEMENT
APTITUDE TEST (K- MAT) 2024**

General Information & Rules related to Kerala Management Aptitude Test (KMAT) examination approved by the Government of Kerala published herewith. Candidate applying KMAT are required to go through the Information Bulletin carefully and acquaint themselves with all the relevant information relating to the examination. Candidates are also requested to visit the website of the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations www.cee.kerala.gov.in regularly for notifications and announcements.

Fee details:-

Fee payable by Candidates

General: Rs. 1000/-

SC /ST : Rs. 750/-

Duration of Examination: 3 hrs

Eligibility:

1. Nationality and Nativity: Indians and Non-Indians are eligible to apply. But, only Keralite candidates are eligible for all types of reservations and fee concession.
2. Age - No restrictions.
3. Educational Qualifications- Candidate should have completed the Bachelors Degree of minimum three years duration in the field of Arts, Science, Engineering, Commerce, Management and equivalent to satisfy the eligibility criteria for the examinations.
4. Minimum marks –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.
5. Graduating candidates – 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.

Syllabus:

The Syllabus of KMAT is based on the fundamentals of 10 + 2 curriculum. Subjects are English language usage and reading comprehension, Quantitative aptitude, Data sufficiency and Logical reasoning, General Knowledge.

Paper Pattern:

<u>Subject</u>	<u>No. of Questions</u>	<u>Marks</u>
1. English Language Usage and reading Comprehension	50	200

2. Quantitative Aptitude	50	200
3. Data sufficiency and Logical Reasoning	40	160
4. General Knowledge and Current Affairs	40	160
Total:	180	720

As per the marking scheme, 4 marks are awarded for a correct answer and for every wrong answer 1 mark will be deducted.

Centres:

1. List of cities along with city code where the exam will be conducted is attached separately.
2. While filling up online application form, candidate should select Four convenient city codes from the list as their choice of centres in order of their priority.
3. In case, the number of candidates opting for a city is less than a certain minimum, candidates may be allotted centre in another city irrespective of the city opted by the candidate for appearing in the examination.

Qualifying Marks:

The General category/SEBC candidates who secure 10% of the total 720 marks ie.,72 marks and above are qualified for admission for MBA course in various Universities/Departments and affiliated Management colleges including the Autonomous colleges in Kerala.

For SC/ST/PD category the qualifying cut off marks is 7.5% .

Entrance Examinations:

- a. The candidate desirous of joining MBA course in the state on the basis of the K MAT 2024 will have to appear for this Entrance Examination. The admission to the course will be based on the marks of the Entrance Examination, group discussion and interview giving the following weightage.

Entrance test score	: 80 %
Group discussion	: 10%
Personal Interview	: 10%
Total	: 100%
- b. The Entrance Examination shall be a Computer Based Test of Three hours duration and will consist of 180 objective type question in
 - a) English Language Usage and Reading Comprehension (50 Questions)
 - b) Quantitative Ability (50 Questions)
 - c) Data sufficiency and Logical Reasoning (40 Questions)
 - d) General Awareness and current affairs (40 Questions)

If any candidate has any complaint regarding the answer keys, the same should be submitted to the CEE, in writing along with supporting documents and a fee of Rs.100/- per question by way of DD in favour of CEE, payable at Thiruvananthapuram, within 5

days from the date of publication of answer keys on the website of the CEE. If the complaint filed is found to be genuine, the fee remitted while filing the complaint will be refunded. Complaints received after the stipulated date and without requisite fee will not be considered under any circumstances. Complaints received by E-mail/Fax will not be considered on any account. All complaints on Answer keys received will be referred to subject expert committees to be constituted by the CEE. The recommendations of the Committees will be final. Necessary modifications will be made in the published answer keys based on the recommendations of the committees and the marks for the deleted questions, if any, shall be distributed as per the ruling of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in 2002(3) KLT 871. Individual replies will not be given to the candidates on the decision of the Committees.

Valuation:

For each correct response the candidate will be awarded Four marks and for each incorrect response One mark will be deducted from the total score. However, in the event of failure to answer questions, (i.e. no response is indicated for an item in the answer sheet) no deduction from the total score will be made).

Procedure for applying online:

All candidates seeking admission to the course on the basis of K-MAT should apply online through the website www.cee.kerala.gov.in of the Commissioner for Entrance Examination. Application can be submitted in online mode only.

Five steps for applying online:

There are 5 steps for the online submission of application and all the steps are mandatory. Candidates should complete all steps and the candidates are advised to keep a soft copy or printout of the application for future reference. For the online submission of application, candidate has to visit the website www.cee.kerala.gov.in where he/she can find the link “**KMAT 2024 - Online Application**”.

Registration:

This is a onetime online process during which the candidates will get a system generated ‘Application Number’. The candidates should give necessary basic data and create a strong password during the registration process. Candidates are advised to create a strong, unique password. The requirements of a strong password are: a minimum length of 8 characters, a minimum of one alphabet character [a-z or A-Z], a minimum of one number (0- 9), a minimum of one symbol [! @ # \$ % ^ &*]. Don't use a shared

password or disclose the password to others. Be informed that the application number and password will be required till the end of the admission process.

Fill Application:

All the basic information required for processing application are to be filled in by the candidates at this stage. Before filling the details, candidates are required to read the Information Bulletin. The data provided here will be used for processing the application. Any mistake in filling this page or providing false/incomplete/wrong information will affect the candidate's eligibility for examination. It is obligatory that the candidate fill all the mandatory fields in the application.

Candidates should take utmost care while filling the Online Application. Applicant should ensure that the data provided are correct before proceeding to next step. If the

candidate is sure that the information provided in step 2 are correct, click the link 'Save and Finalize'. Note: - No modification will be possible after the Final submission.

Pay Application Fee:

Application fee for General and SEBC candidates is Rs.1000/-(Rupees Thousand only) and in the case of SC/ST candidates and those eligible for SC/ST benefits as per G.O (Ms) No.25/05/SCSTDD dated 20.06.2005 is Rs.750/- (Rupees Seven Hundred and fifty only). Application fee can be paid in online mode only.

Application fee can be paid through online mode only:

The Application fee can be paid through the online payment gateway. Those having an Internet banking account, Credit card or Debit card can make use of this feature. Candidates availing this facility should read and follow each of the instructions given in the website carefully in order to ensure that the payment is successful. On successful payment, the candidate will be guided back to the home page wherein 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 homepage. 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 front line payment afresh or resort to the e-Challan payment mode. If the candidate's account is

debited for an unsuccessful transaction, the amount will be reverted to his/her account within five working days.

Upload images *Upload Photograph of Candidate*

- A studio generated soft copy of latest passport size color photograph with light coloured background in jpeg format between 15 kb to 100 kb of size and resolution 150 x 200 pixels is to be used for uploading.
- The photograph should not be taken with the candidate wearing Cap or Goggles. Spectacles are allowed if being used regularly. POLAROID and COMPUTER /MOBILE-PHONE generated photos are not acceptable.

Upload Signature of Candidate:

- On a plain white sheet, the candidate should put his/her signature with black/blue ink.
- Scan this signature and crop around the signature. Do not scan the full sheet. Scanned image file should be in jpg (jpeg) format.
- Dimensions of the image of signature must be 150 pixels width and 100 pixels height.
- File size should be between 4 kb and 100 kb.
- Scanned image of signature must be clear and complete.

Print Acknowledgement Page:

After completing the above process candidate can take a printout of the Acknowledgement page by clicking on the link 'Print Acknowledgement Page'. Candidates are advised to keep a soft copy or printout of the Acknowledgement page for future reference. Printout of Acknowledgement page should not be sent to the office of the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations.

Issue of Admit Card:

The Admit Card for the Entrance Examination can be downloaded from the website of the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations, www.cee.kerala.gov.in. Admit Card will not be sent by post from this office. The date of issue will be notified later.

Other Items:

1. Commissioner for Entrance Examinations will not entertain any request for change of the date of entrance examination once declared.
2. All disputes pertaining to the conduct of examination shall fall within the jurisdiction of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala.

3. Any other items not specifically covered in this information bulletin will be decided by the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations and his decision shall be final.

General Instructions:-

- Merely appearing and qualifying in KMAT 2024 does not confer any right on the candidate for the admission to MBA Course. The selection and admission to MBA course is subject to fulfilling the admission criteria, eligibility and such other criteria as may be prescribed by Government, Universities and Institutions concerned.
- Application of candidate submitting false and fabricated information will be rejected and such candidate will be further debarred from appearing in Examinations conducted by Commissioner for Entrance Examinations. Such candidates also 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.
- The examination fee once deposited will not be refunded. Fee will neither be carried forward to a future examination nor refunded.
- Applications once submitted cannot be withdrawn. Candidate must note that mere deduction of fee from the Bank account is not a proof of fee payment. The payment should be supported by fee payment and generation of Acknowledgement page.
- Instructions in the information bulletin may change/be updated based on decision taken by the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations and other authorities from time to time. Candidates are advised to check regularly the website www.cee.kerala.gov.in for any further updates or information.
- 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 2024 even though the admit card has been issued by the Commissioner for Entrance Examinations.
- Candidate eligibility for KMAT 2024 is purely provisional and is subject to fulfillment and proof of eligibility criteria prescribed by the admitting institutions as applicable.

Commissioner for Entrance Examinations

ANNEXURE - I
LIST OF SCHEDULED CASTES (SC)

[As Amended by The Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Orders (Second Amendment) Act, 2002 (Act 61 of 2002) Vide Part VIII – Kerala - Schedule 1 Notified in the Gazette of India dated 18.12.2002, The Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order (Amendment) Act 2007, G.O(P)No.65/96/SCSTDDdated.19.12.96, The Constitution(Scheduled Castes) Order (Amendment) Act 2016 No.24 of 2016 dated 06.05.2016]

1	Adi Andhra	37	Mannan(മന്നന്മാർ),Pathiyan, Perumannan, Peruvannan, Vannan, Velan
2	AdiDravida	38	xxx
3	Adi Karnataka	39	Moger (other than Mogeyar)
4	Ajila	40	Mundala
5	Arunthathiyar	41	Nalakeyava
6	Ayyanavar	42	Nalkadaya
7	Baira	43	Nayadi
8	Bakuda	44	xxx
9	xxx	45	Pallan
10	Bathada	46	Palluvan, Pulluvan
11	xxx	47	Pambada
12	Bharathar (Other than Parathar), Paravan	48	Panan
13	xxx	49	xxx
14	Chakkiliyan	50	Paraiyan, Parayan, Sambavar, Sambavan, Sambava, Paraya, Paraiya, Parayar
15	Chamar, Muchi	51	xxx
16	Chandala	52	xxx
17	Cheruman	53	xxx
18	Domban	54	Pulayan, Cheramar, Pulaya, Pulayar, Cherama, Cheraman, WayanadPulayan, Wayanadan Pulayan, Matha, Matha Pulayan
19	xxx	55	xxx
20	xxx	56	PuthiraiVannan
21	xxx	57	Raneyar
22	Gosangi	58	Samagara
23	Hasla	59	Samban
24	Holeya	60	Semman, Chemman, Chemmar
25	Kadaiyan	61	Thandan (excluding Ezhuvas and Thiyyas who are known as Thandan, in the erstwhile Cochin and Malabar areas) and (Carpenters who are known as Thachan, in the erstwhile

			Cochin and Travancore State) Thachar (Other than carpenters)
26	Kakkalan, Kakkan	62	Thoti
27	Kalladi	63	Vallon
28	Kanakkan, Padanna, Padannan	64	Valluvan
29	xxx	65	xxx
30	Kavara (other than Telugu speaking or Tamil speaking BalijaKavarai, Gavara, Gavarai, Gavarai Naidu, Balija Naidu, GajaluBalija or ValaiChetty)	66	xxx
31	Koosa	67	Vetan
32	Kootan, Koodan	68	Vettuvan, Pulaya Vettuvan (in the areas of erstwhile Cochin State only).
33	Kudumban	69	Nerian
34	Kuravan, Sidhanar, Kuravar, Kurava, Sidhana		
35	Maila		
36	Malayan [In the areas comprising the Kannur, Kasaragode, Kozhikode and Wayanad Districts].		

ANNEXURE – II**LIST OF SCHEDULED TRIBES (ST)**

[As Amended by the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Orders (Amendment) Act, 2002 (Act10 of 2003) Vide Part - VII - Kerala - Second Schedule Notified in the Gazette of India dated 8.1.2003, G.O. (Ms) No. 06/2014/SCSTDD dated 29.01.2014]

1	Adiyan
2	Arandan [Arandan]
3	Eravallan
4	Hill Pulaya, Mala Pulayan, KurumbaPulayan, KuravazhiPulayan, PambaPulayan
5	Irular, Irulan
6	Kadar [Wayanad Kadar]
7	xxx
8	Kanikkaran, Kanikkar
9	Kattunayakan
10	[Kochuvelan]
11	xxx
12	xxx
13	Koraga
14	xxx
15	Kudiya, Melakudi
16	Kurichchan [Kurichiyan]
17	Kurumans, MulluKuruman, MullaKuruman, Mala Kuruman
18	Kurumbas, [Kurumbar, Kurumban]
19	MahaMalasar
20	MalaiArayan [Mala Arayan]
21	MalaiPandaram
22	MalaiVedan [Malavedan]
23	Malakkuravan
24	Malasar
25	[Malayan, Nattu Malayan, Konga Malayan (excluding the areas comprising the Kasaragod, Kannur, Wayanad and Kozhikode Districts)]
26	Malayarayar
27	Mannan (മന്നന്മാർ)
28	xxx
29	Muthuvan, Mudugar, Muduvan
30	Palleyan, Palliyar, Palliyar, Paliyan

31	xxx
32	xxx
33	Paniyan
34	Ulladan, [Ullatan]
35	Uraly
36	Mala Vettuvan (in Kasaragod& Kannur districts)
37	Ten Kurumban, Jenu Kurumban
38	Thachanadan, Thachanadan Moopan
39	Cholanaickan
40	Mavilan
41	Karimpalan
42	VettaKuruman
43	Mala Panikkar
44	Maratis of Kasargod and Hosdurg Taluk

ANNEXURE – III(a)**LIST OF OTHER ELIGIBLE COMMUNITIES (OEC)**

G.O(Ms) No. 14/2017/BCDD dated: 02.08.2017, G.O(Ms) No.07/2013/BCDD dated: 19.07.2013, & G.O(Ms) No. 09/2022/BCDD dated: 18.09.2022

	<u>OEC (ST)</u>
1	Allar (Alan)
2	Chingathan
3	Irivavan
4	Kalanadi
5	Malayan, Konga-Malayan (Kasargod, Kannur, Wayanad and Kozhikode Districts)
6	Kundu-Vadiyan
7	Kunnuvarmannadi
8	Malamuthan
9	Malavettuvar (Except Kasargod and Kannur Districts)
10	Malayalar
11	Panimalayan
12	Pathiyan (other than Dhobies)
13	Hindu-Malayali
	<u>OEC (SC)</u>
1	Chakkamar
2	Madiga
3	XXX
4	Kudumbi
5	Dheevara/Dheevaran (Arayan, Valan, Nulayan, Mukkuvan, Arayavathi, Valanchiyar, Paniyakal, Mokaya, Bovi, Mogayar, Mogaveerar)
6	Scheduled Caste converted to Christianity
7	Kusavan, Kulalan, Kumbharan, Velaan, Velaar, Odan, Andhra Nair, Andhuru Nair,
8	PulayaVettuvan (Except KochiState)

ANNEXURE – III (b)
LIST OF COMMUNITIES ELIGIBLE FOR EDUCATIONAL CONCESSIONS AS
IS GIVEN TO OEC

[G.O.(MS) No. 10/2014/BCDD dated: 23.05.2014]

1	Vaniya (Vanika, VanikaVaisya, VanibhaChetty, VaniyaChetty, Ayiravar, Nagarathar and Vaniyan
2	Veluthedathu Nair (Veluthedan and Vannathan)
3	Chetty/Chetties (Kottar Chetties, ParakkaChetties, ElurChetties, Attingal Chetties, Pudukkada Chetties, Iraniel Chetties, Sri Pandara Chetties, Telugu Chetties, Udiyankulangara Chetties, Peroorkada Chetties, Sadhu Chetties, 24 Mana Chetties, Wayanadan Chetties, Kalavara Chetties and 24 Mana Telugu Chetties
4	Ezhavathi (Vathy)
5	Ganika
6	Kanisu or KaniyarPanicker, Kani or Kaniyan (Ganaka) or Kanisan or Kamnan, KalariKurup/KalariPanicker
7	Vilukurup, Perumkollan
8	Yadavas (Kolaya, Ayar, Mayar, Maniyani and Iruman), Erumakkar
9	Devanga
10	Pattariyas
11	Saliyas (Chaliya, Chaliyan)
12	Pandithar
13	Vaniar
14	Ezhuthachan
15	Chakkala/Chakkala Nair
16	Reddiars (throughout the State except in Malabar Area)
17	Kavuthiya
18	Veerasaiva (Yogi, Yogeaswara, Poopandram, Malapandaram, Jangam, Matapathi, Pandaram, Pandaran, Vairavi, Vairagi)
19	Vilakkithala Nair – Vilakkithalavan
20	Vaduka – Vadukan, Vadugar, Vaduka, Vaduvan
21	Chavalakkaran
22	Agasa
23	Kaikolan
24	Kannadiyans
25	Kerala Mudalis
26	Madivala
27	Naikkans
28	Tholkolans
29	Thottian
30	Mooppar or KallanMoopan or Kallan Moopar

ANNEXURE - IV**LIST OF SOCIALLY AND EDUCATIONALLY BACKWARD CLASSES (SEBC)**

[Vide G.O. (P) 208/66/Edn. dated 02.05.1966, G.O. (Ms) No. 95/08/SCSTDD dated 06.10.2008 & G.O. (Ms) No. 58/2012/SCSTD Ddated 16.04.2012., G.O.(MS)No. 10/2014 /BCDD dated 23.05.2014 Lr No. 1538/A2/2014/BCDD dated 02.07.2014, G.O.(Ms) No.03/2017/BCDD dated:23.03.2017,G.O (MS) No.5/2020/BCDD dated.16.03.2020, G.O. (Rt)No.01/2022/BCDD dated.25.02.2022]

- i. **Ezhavas** including Ezhavas, Thiyyas,Ishuvan, Izhuvan, Illuvan and Billava
- ii. **Muslims** (all sections following Islam)
- iii. **Latin Catholics and Anglo Indians**
- iv. **Other Backward Christians**
 - a.SIUC
 - b.Converters from Scheduled Castes to Christianity
 - c.Nadar belonging to Christian religious denominations other than SIUC
- v. **Kudumbi**
- vi. **Other Backward Hindus, i.e.**
 1. Viswakarmas including Vishwakarma, Asari, Chaptogra, Kallassari, Kalthachan, Kammala, Kamsala, Kannan,Karuvan, Kitaran,Kollan, Malayala Kammala, Moossari, Pandikammala, Pandithattan, Perumkollan, Thachan, Thattan, Vilkurup, Villasan, Viswabrahmanan or Viswabrahmanar, Viswakarmala and Palisa Perumkollan
 2. Kusavan including Kulalan, Kulala Nair, Kumbaran, Velaan, Velaans, Velaar, Odan, Kulala, Andhra Nair, Anthuru Nair.
 3. Dheevera including Dheeveran, Araya , Arayas, Arayan, Valan, Nulayan, Mukkuvan, Arayavathi, Velinjar, Paniakkal, Paniakel, Mukaya, Bovis-Mukyar, Mukaveeran, Mogaveera,Mogavirar, Mogayan
 4. Agasa
 5. Kharvi
 6. Aremahrati
 7. Arya, Atagara,Devanga, Kaikolan, (Sengunthar) Pattarya, Pattriyas, Saliyas, (Padmasali, Pattusali, Thogatta, Karanibhakatula, Senapathula, Sali, Sale, Karikalabhakulu, Chaliya, Chaliyan) Sourashtra, Khatri, Patnukaran, Illathupillai, IllaVellalar, Illathar
 8. Bestha
 9. Bhandari or Bhondari
 10. Boya
 11. Boyan
 12. Chavalakkaran
 13. Chakkala (Chakkala Nair)
 14. Devadiga

15. Ezhavathi (Vathi)
16. Ezhuthachan, Kadupattan
17. Gudigara
18. Galada Konkani
19. Ganjam Reddies
20. Gatti
21. Gowda
22. Ganika including Nagavamsom
23. Hegde
24. Hindu Nadar
25. Indiga including Settibalija
26. Jangam
27. Jogi
28. Jhetty
29. Kanisu or Kaniyar-Panicker, Kaniyan, Kanisan or Kamnan, Kannian or Kani, Ganaka
30. xxx
31. Kalarikurup or Kalari Panicker
32. Kerala Muthali, Kerala Mudalis
33. Oudan (Donga) Odda (Vodde or Vadde or Veddai)
34. Kalavanthula
35. Kallan including Isanattu Kallar
36. Kabera
37. Korachas
38. xxx
39. Kannadiyans
40. Kavuthiyan, Kavuthiya
41. Kavudiyaru
42. Kelasi or Kalasi Panicker
43. Koppala Velamas
44. Krishanvaka
45. Kuruba
46. Kurumba
47. Maravan (Maravar)
48. Madivala
49. Maruthuvar
50. Mahratta (Non-Brahman)
51. Melakudi (Kudiyan)
52. Xxx
53. Moili
54. Mukhari
55. Modibanda
56. Moovari

57. Moniagar
58. Naicken including Tholuva Naicker and VettilakkaraNaickker, Naikkans
59. Padyachi (Villayankuppam)
60. Palli
61. Panniyar or Pannayar
62. Parkavakulam (Surithiman, Malayaman, Nathaman, Moopanar and Nainar)
63. Rajapuri
64. Sakravar (Kavathi), Chakravar
65. Senaithalaivar, Elavania, Senaikudayam
66. Chetty/Chetties including kottar Chetties, Parakka Chetties, Elur Chetteis, Attingal Chetties, Pudukkada Chetties, Iraniel Chetties, Sri Pandara Chetties, Telungu Chetties, Udiyankulangara Chetties, Peroorkada Chetties, Sadhu Chetties, 24 Mana Chetties, Wayanadan Chetties, Kalavara Chetties, Mana Telungu Chetties
67. Tholkolan
68. Thottiyar, Thottian
69. Uppara (Sagara)
70. Ural Goundan
71. Valaiyan
72. VadaBalija
73. Vakkaliga
74. Vaduvan (Vadugan), Vaduka, Vadukan, Vadugar
75. VeeraSaivas (Pandaram, Vairavi, Vairagi, Yogeaswar, Yogeaswara, Poopandaram, Malapandaram, Pandaran, Matapathi and Yogi)
76. Veluthedathu Nair including Vannathan, Veluthedan and Rajaka
77. Vilakkithala Nair including vilakkathalavun, Ambattan Pranopakari, Pandithar and Nusuvan
78. Vaniya including Vanika, Vanika Vaisya, Vaisya Chetty, Vanibha Chetty, Ayiravar Nagarathar, Vaniyan, Vaniya Chetty, Vaniar
79. Yadava including Kolaya, Ayar, Mayar, Maniyani, Eruman, Iruman, Ermakkar, Golla and Kolaries
80. Chakkamar
81. Mogers of Kasaragod Taluk
82. XXX.
83. XXX.
84. XXX
85. Reddiar (throughout the State except in Malabar area)
86. Mooppar or Kallan Moopan or Kallan Moopar