

**School of Management**  
**MBA DS&AI Admission for 2026-28 Batch**  
**Announcement of Shortlist**

The School of Management (SOM) had invited applications for the MBA in DS & AI program with application deadline 30<sup>th</sup> Jan 2026. The minimum qualifications for applying to the MBA in DS & AI program at IIT Mandi were advertised at the institute website.

**Below are the criteria used for shortlisting the applicants:**

**APPLICATION CATEGORY 1 (Candidates with a valid CAT 2025 Score)**

• **GEN/OBC (CL)/EWS Indian national applicants:**

A full-time bachelor's degree of minimum 3 years OR a full time Master's degree of minimum 2 years with Minimum 6.0 CGPA on a 10-points scale or 60% marks. All applicants must have studied Mathematics at +2 level.

**The category-wise cut off is provided below:**

Category	CAT 2025 Cut Off Percentile
General	80
OBC (CL)	80
EWS	70

• **SC/ST/OBC(NCL) / PwD Indian national applicants:**

A full-time bachelor's degree of minimum 3 years OR a full time Master's degree of minimum 2 years with Minimum 5.5 CGPA on a 10-points scale or 55% marks. All applicants must have studied Mathematics at +2 level.

**The category-wise cut off is provided below:**

Category	CAT 2025 Cut Off Percentile
SC	50
ST	40
OBC(NCL)	65
PwD	60

**APPLICATION CATEGORY 2 (CAT exempted applicants)**

- **GN/OBC (CL)/EWS Indian national applicants:**
  - A full-time bachelor's degree of minimum 3 years OR a full time Master's degree of minimum 2 years with Minimum 6.5 CGPA on a 10-points scale or 65% marks from any of the Centrally Funded Technical Institutions (CFTIs) / any of the top 100 institutes according to NIRF ranking 2025 (overall category or engineering category). Such candidates are exempted from the requirement of CAT. All applicants must have studied Mathematics at +2 level.
- **SC/ST/OBC(NCL) / PwD Indian national applicants:**
  - A full-time bachelor's degree of minimum 3 years or a full-time Master's degree of minimum 2 years with a minimum 6.0 CGPA on a 10-points scale or 60% marks from any of the Centrally Funded Technical Institutions (CFTIs) / any of the top 100 institutes according to NIRF ranking 2025 (overall category or engineering category). Such candidates are exempted from the requirement of CAT. All applicants must have studied Mathematics at +2 level.

**Date of Interview:** The interviews will be held Offline/In-person in March 2026. Shortlisted candidates will receive their interview call letters via email by 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2026.

Applicants can view their application status (Shortlisted/Not Shortlisted) on the application portal:  
<https://iitmandiadm.samarth.edu.in/admission/index.php/site/index>

If you meet the shortlisting criteria but have not been shortlisted, you may email [mba\\_admissions@iitmandi.ac.in](mailto:mba_admissions@iitmandi.ac.in) with the relevant documents by 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2026.

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