



Admission Policy for IPM 2026-31 Batch

1. Admission Criteria

1.1 Eligibility

Qualifying Exam: Candidates should have passed 10+2/XII/HSC examination in arts/commerce/science stream or equivalent with 60% (55% for candidates from SC/ST/PwD/Transgender) or more in the year 2025 or appearing in 2026. Candidates who are likely to complete standard XII/ HSC or equivalent by 31 July 2026 can also apply. The candidate must have passed class 10th examination with 60% (55% for candidates from SC/ST/PwD/Transgender) or more in the year not before 2023.

The percentage of marks obtained by the candidate in Class X and Class XII would be calculated based on the Board's regulation. If there is no such regulation regarding aggregate marks from the concerned board, then the aggregate marks of all the subjects that appear in the grade sheet should be considered for calculating the passing percentage.

The application of the candidates, who are appearing in Class XII examination, will be provisional till their Class XII result. The candidates who do not score the requisite score as above will be considered to be out of the application/admission process.

Admission to the program is open to Indian citizens and OCI/PIO registered on or before 4th March 2021.

1.1. Seats/Intake

The intake for IPM program will be around 120.^{1, 2}

2. Selection Process

2.1. JIPMAT

The admission to IPM would be through a Joint IPM Admission Test (JIPMAT 2026). The JIPMAT 2026 will be conducted by National Testing Agency (NTA) on behalf of IIM Bodh Gaya and IIM Jammu. IIM Bodh Gaya may explore the option of joint examination with other IIMs offering IPM.

2.2. Merit List

The marks obtained in the JIPMAT 2026 will be used for preparing the merit list in the following manner.

Merit List: The candidates, who scored* more than or equal to category-wise sectional percentile 30, will be eligible for the Merit List.

¹ Government of Indian Rules for Reservation in admission will be applicable for SC, ST, NCOBC, EWS and PwD
² 70% of seats are Gender-Neutral. In case of an optimal number of girls, in various reservation categories, are there in this pool of Gender-Neutral Seats, then the remaining 30% of seats will be Gender-Neutral. Otherwise, the remaining 30% of seats will be offered as a combination of Gender-Neutral and Supernumerary Girls (SNG) seats. This provision of supernumerary seats is to promote a healthy gender ratio in the campus while keeping merit as the primary consideration.

* Sectional raw scores will be subjected to *minimum qualifying requirements* also (the same will be decided after the result based on the available pool of the candidates).

2.3. Tie-breaking rule for Merit List

If the overall composite scores of two or more students are found to same, then they will be ranked on the following basis.

- Overall JIPMAT score (higher score will be ranked higher),
- VARC section score (higher score will be ranked higher),
- QA section score (higher score will be ranked higher),
- DILR section score (higher score will be ranked higher),
- Class X score (higher score will be ranked higher),
- Class XII score (higher score will be ranked higher),
- Appearance in Class XII (recent appearance will be ranked higher),
- Appearance in Class X (recent appearance will be ranked higher),
- Date of Birth (younger candidate will be ranked higher).

3. Offer Acceptance Fee and Withdrawal

After the declaration of the merit list, candidates will be asked to register for the expression of the interest. The candidates who will successfully register in the *expression of interest* will receive the admission offer as per the vacant seat and his/her order in the merit list. A candidate receiving admission offer from IIM Bodh Gaya and accepting the offer within the stipulated date needs to send along with Offer Acceptance, an Offer Acceptance Amount of Rs. 90,000/-. If a candidate registers for the program, his/her Offer Acceptance Amount will be adjusted against Semester I Fee. If a candidate subsequently wishes to withdraw the offer within the withdrawal date specified by the Institute, Offer Acceptance Amount will be refunded after deducting Rs. 1,000/- as processing charges. If a candidate applies for withdrawal after the date specified by the Institute, no refund will be admissible. In the event of withdrawal from the Program after registration, NO refund of Offer Acceptance Amount & Semester Fee will be made. Detailed procedure for *Offer Acceptance* and *Withdrawal* will be informed at the time of Admission Offer.

Any dispute concerning Admissions for the IPM 2026-31 batch would be subject to jurisdiction of the competent courts within the territorial jurisdiction of city of Bodh Gaya Only.