GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
COMMISSIONERATE OF HIGHER EDUCATION
EAPCET–2026 (Bi.P.C STREAM) CAT-B ADMISSIONS

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From

The Commissioner,
Department of Higher Education

To

The Principals of all Private Pharmacy / Engineering Colleges in the State.

Sir,

Sub: - EAPCET–2026 Engineering/Pharmacy/Pharm-D Admissions – Communication of guidelines to fill left over vacancies during Institutional CAT-B Admissions – Reg.

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1. The college shall adhere to the following tentative schedule for conducting CAT-B admissions and issue the notification for CAT-B admissions in the leading news paper and upload the same notification in the https://cap.apcfss.in web portal.

SNO	ACTIVITY	DATE(S)
1	Notification issued by the college	28.10.2026 / 29.10.2026
2	Admission process	30.10.2026 to 05.11.2026
3	Preparation of list of selected candidates	06.11.2026
4	Uploading of admissions into the portal	31.10.2026 to 06.11.2026
5	Payment of Ratification fee	05.11.2026 to 07.11.2026
6	Verification of Uploaded certificates online	06.11.2026 to 10.11.2026
7	Rectification of discrepancies in the uploaded certificates	11.11.2026 to 14.11.2026
8	Issuing of ratification orders	17.11.2026
9	Closing date of web portal	18.11.2026

2. The college shall publish a notification in widely circulated English and Telugu, newspapers indicating the availability of Category-B seats, program-wise intake, eligibility, schedule for application and fee details.

3. The institutions shall login to the portal https://cap.apcfss.in using Department/College Login and access CAT-B ADMISSIONS 2026.

4. The user manual for Category-B admissions will be provided in the web portal.

5. The college shall fill up the Category-B - NRI quota admissions and unfilled NRI quota seats (converted to Non-NRI) as per the schedule.

6. The institutions shall also accept applications online or in person and issue acknowledgement to the candidates.

7. The EAPCET Category-B admission procedure involves the following steps to be performed by the college Managements.

   Step 1: Candidate's details entry
   Step 2: Payment of processing fee

8. The institution shall upload the data of the applications received in person into the web portal as per the schedule by paying the candidate registration fee through online mode is **Rs. 1650**/-.

9. **Important Note for Minority Colleges:** All principals of Minority Colleges are instructed to first fill the CAT-B vacant seats with eligible candidates belonging to the respective minority community. The remaining vacant seats, if any, shall thereafter be filled with other eligible candidates as per the prescribed guidelines.

10. The college shall verify original certificates, as given hereunder, before preparation of merit list of the candidates, before confirming admission. Only eligible candidates should be admitted and upload in the portal for ratification of admissions by the Competent Authority. Admission shall be provisional until data is uploaded and approved by CONVENER.

- SSC Certificate
- Intermediate or Equivalent Certificate
- Bridge Course Certificate for Intermediate Vocational candidates issued by Board of Intermediate Education, A.P having Mathematics/ Biological Sciences and Physical Sciences as subjects

- Diploma consolidated Marks memo (for diploma candidates)
- Diploma Provisional/OD Certificate (for diploma candidates)
- Intermediate/Diploma (Latest Study) Transfer Certificate
- 6^{th} to Intermediate study certificates (for intermediate candidates)
- 7^{th} to Diploma study certificates (for Diploma candidates)
- Sponsor Certificate (for NRI candidates)
- Passport (for NRI candidates)
- JEE (MAINS)/NEET Score Card (if qualified)
- JEE (MAINS)/NEET Hall Ticket (if qualified)
- APEAPCET – 2026 Rank Card (if qualified)
- APEAPCET – 2026 Hall Ticket (if qualified)
- Caste Certificate (if applicable)
- EWS Certificate validity year 2026-27 for OC candidates (if applicable)
- Minority Certificate (if applicable)
- Residence Certificate of candidate for a period of 7 years preceding to qualifying examination in case where the candidate has no institutionalized education.
- In respect of Non-Local candidates in order to consider them for allotment under unreserved seats the following certificates needs to be submitted.

  a) **Residence Certificate**: Candidates who has resided in the State for a total period of 10 years excluding periods of study outside the State; or either of whose parents has resided in the State for a total period of 10 years excluding periods of employment outside the State.

  OR

  b) **Employer Certificate:** Candidates who are children of EMPLOYEES OF State or Central Government, Public Sector Corporations, Local bodies, Universities and other similar Quasi Public Institutions within the State at the time of applying for JEE(MAINS)/NEET/APEAPCET – 2026 Examination.

Note 1: Intermediate candidates possessing the qualifying examination certificate recognized as equivalent to Intermediate by Board of Intermediate Education of Andhra Pradesh shall alone be considered for admission.

Note 2: Diploma candidates possessing the qualifying examination certificate recognized as equivalent to Diploma by State Board of Technical Education of Andhra Pradesh shall alone be considered for admission.

NOTE 3: The candidates who pursued the Intermediate Vocational Technical courses along with Bridge course (Botany, Zoology, Physics and Chemistry) are **eligible only** for engineering courses like B.Tech (Bio-Technology(BTB)),B.Tech(Food Technology(FDB)), B.Tech(Food Engineering(FEB)),B.Tech(Agricultural Engineering(AEB)) & B.Tech (Pharmaceutical Engineering(PEB)) and are **not eligible** for Pharmacy courses like B. Pharamacy (PHB) & Pharm- D(PDB) courses

NOTE 4: The sanctioned intake of seats in B.Pharmacy & PHARMAD in each institution shall be filled by eligible candidates from the M.P.C. and BiPC. Streams in the ratio of 50:50. If any seats remain vacant in either stream, such vacant seats shall be filled by eligible candidates from the other stream.

During the allotment process, M.P.C. candidates shall be considered first for allotment against the seats earmarked for the M.P.C. stream. Any unfilled seats remaining under the MPC. Stream shall thereafter be converted to the BiPC. Stream. Accordingly, even if seats are available only under the BiPC. Stream, eligible M.P.C. candidates may also be considered for admission against such converted vacancies

11. The Colleges / Institutions shall prepare branch wise selection list as per the merit and eligibility of the candidate and upload into the web portal along with the supporting documents for verification and ratification by the Competent Authority. Colleges shall strictly adhere to the admission process as per the following merit order given in points from 12 to 15.

12. The institutions that are approved by All India Council for Technical Education and permitted to fill NRI seats not exceeding 15% of the sanctioned intake in each course for the academic year shall admit NRI candidates (sons and daughters of NRIs) who have passed the qualifying examination with not less than **50% marks in the prescribed group subjects (for all category of candidates)** or **50% aggregate marks (for all category of candidates)** in the qualifying examination or Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) equivalent to 5 on a scale of 10.

13. The remaining seats unfilled after filling up of seats under NRI quota (Point 12), shall be filled on merit basis with eligible candidates including other states and union territories who have secured rank at **JEE (Mains)/NEET 2026** and secured **not less than 45% of marks (for all category of candidates)** in the prescribed **group subjects** in the qualifying examination.

14. The seats remaining unfilled, after filling up of seats under NRI quota (Point 12) and after filling up of seats by JEE (Mains)/NEET 2026 candidates (Point 13), shall be filled with eligible candidates, who have qualified in the **APEAPCET – 2026** examination on merit basis with candidates securing **not less than 45% (40% in case of candidates belonging to reserved categories**) of marks in the prescribed **group subjects** taken together in the qualifying examination.

15. Thereafter, if any seats still remain unfilled after filling up of NRI quota (Point 12), after filling up of JEE (MAINS)/NEET-2026 quota (Point 13) and after filling up of EAPCET-2026 qualified candidates (Point 14) such seats may be filled on merit basis with candidates securing **not less than 45% (40% in case of candidates belonging to reserved categories)** of marks in the prescribed **group subjects** taken together / **aggregate marks** in the qualifying examination (+2 or its equivalent) as prescribed.

16. Candidates who satisfy the definition of Local (AU/SVU)/Non-Local shall alone be granted admission in the first priority.

17. Candidates whose intermediate/diploma is from other state but either of the parents resided for a period of 10 years in A.P state are eligible for CAT-B Admissions (for EAPCET qualified and not qualified candidates)

18. Candidates possessing the qualifying examination certificate recognized as equivalent to intermediate by the Board of Intermediate Education, A.P., shall be asked to get the equivalency certificate from A.P. BIE before granting admission. For diploma candidates, the qualifying examination certificate recognized as equivalent to Diploma by the State Board of Technical

Education, A.P., shall be asked to get the equivalency certificate from the State Board of Technical Education, A.P before granting admission.

19. The Competent Authority will verify the list of admitted candidates and validate the same with reference to the GOs and as per the prescribed procedures.

20. The Competent Authority shall approve and ratify the validated list and communicate the proceedings to the college concerned.

21. The Candidates shall report to the institution within the given timeline, pay the prescribed fee, and complete the admission formalities. The institution shall confirm the admission on the portal.

22. **The candidates admitted under CAT-B quota are not eligible for fee reimbursement.**

23. The Institutions shall collect only the fee approved and notified by the Andhra Pradesh Higher Education Regulatory and Monitoring Commission (APHERMC). No donation or capitation fee in any form shall be collected. Any violation will invite strict penal action, including cancellation of admissions, fine and withdrawal of affiliation.

24. The Competent Authority shall have the authority to impose fine or to initiate action or both for violation of Instructions as per the G.P's in vogue.

25. If any deficiencies found during validation of admitted lists, the college concerned shall rectify the deficiencies within a stipulated time as per the schedule and obtain ratification of such admitted candidates.

26. The admitted candidates who have not fulfilled the required eligibility conditions will summarily be rejected by the Competent Authority.

27. The college shall
    (i) Comply the Management quota admission schedule issued by the Competent Authority.
    (ii) Upload admitted student's data promptly in the **https://cap.apcfss.in** portal as per the given schedule.
    (ii) Take ratification of admissions prior to commencement of class work

28. The college shall not

(i) admit students beyond the sanctioned intake and beyond the prescribed schedule.

(ii) allow the students to attend class without the approval of the admission from the competent authority.

(iii) conduct management quota admissions without Competent Authority approval.

(iv) admit students without verifying original certificates and other supporting documents.

(v) collect excess fees or amounts not prescribed by Government of A.P

(vi) violate rules issued by the Government / Competent Authority.

(vii) continue any candidates who are not present in the current list of allotment. They shall be directed to report to the institution they are allotted, immediately.

29. Further, the college shall follow the above guidelines scrupulously and in case of any doubt they are requested to mail to **apcetsche@gmail.com** and can contact to **7842075469,7842085469.**

Note: These guidelines are not applicable for University Engineering Colleges and Self-Financed programs of Universities.

Sd/- Competent Authority &
Commissioner of Higher Education
EAPCET (Bi.P.C) 2026 Admissions