

INDIAN STATISTICAL INSTITUTE

Admission Test 2026

May 10, 2026 (Sunday)

Forenoon Test: 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Afternoon Test: 02:00 p.m. to 04:00 p.m.

General Instruction to Candidates



1 Timings of the Test

The test is held in the following two sessions, each of two hours duration:

Forenoon Test:	10:30 a.m.	to	12:30 p.m.
Afternoon Test:	02:00 p.m.	to	04:00 p.m.

Candidates with programme codes DST, DAR and DAS will have the test only in the forenoon session. All other candidates have tests in both the sessions.

Gate Opening Time: The main gates of the examination centre will be opened for the candidates by 9:00 a.m. Arrive early and check your room/hall number and directions to reach the room, so that you can take your allotted seat by 10 a.m. in the forenoon session. Similarly, try to settle in your allotted seat by 1:30 p.m. for the afternoon session.

Late Arrival of the Candidates: The main gates of the examination centre will be closed at 10:30 a.m. No candidate will be allowed to enter the main gate of the examination centre after 10:30 a.m.

A candidate will be allowed to enter the test hall (where his/her seat allocation has been done) up to 15 minutes from the start of the test (i.e., 10:45 a.m. for the forenoon test, and 02:15 p.m. for the afternoon test). However, no extra time is allowed for the candidates who arrived late.

Early Departure of the Candidates: Candidates may be allowed to leave the hall starting from 30 minutes before the end of the test (i.e., 12 noon for the forenoon test, and 3:30 p.m. for the afternoon test). Candidates will not be allowed to take the Question booklet out of the examination hall before the end of the examination. A candidate who leaves early has to deposit his/her question booklet with the invigilator.

Extra Time for Candidates with Visual Impairment and Locomotor Disability:

A candidate with visual impairment and locomotor disability in the dominant hand, may be allowed a scribe provided that the scribe's qualification is not higher than the level of the Test. An **extra 20 minutes per hour (that is, extra 40 minutes for each test)** is also allowed for such candidates. If you have applied for scribe or extra time in the application portal, then an e-mail must have reached you about this issue. Please get in touch with us by e-mailing at admissionsupport@isical.ac.in by the deadline specified in the e-mail.

2 Instructions

2.1 Admit card

Each candidate must produce an admit card, which is a print-out of a computer generated A4 sized page. The Admit Card has the following information.

- Name
- Registration Number
- Photograph of the candidate
- Signature of the candidate
- Name of the Test Venue
- Signature of the Dean of Studies
- Codes of the Tests to be taken by the candidate for the Forenoon and Afternoon sessions.
- Two boxes for the candidate to sign in the Forenoon and the Afternoon sessions of the Admission Test in front of the Invigilator.

If the candidate has already signed, he / she will have to sign again somewhere on the admit card in the presence of the invigilator.

The format of the Registration number: It has three parts as

Programme Code (3 letters) – Test City Code (2 letters) – Serial Number (4 characters).

For example, *BST-CN-A025* means Programme Code is *BST* (= B Stat), Test City is *CN* (= Chennai) and Serial Number is *A025*.

RULES ABOUT THE ADMIT CARDS:

1. The Admit Card is not transferable. It is valid only for use by the candidate whose details are provided in it and for the Test Sessions and Test Code specified.
2. The Admit Card must be printed legibly on an A4 size paper using a good printer. It is valid only if the text is legible and the photograph and the signature are clearly visible. The Admit Card has the signature of the Dean of Studies, ISI printed on it.
3. Entry into the Examination Hall is strictly subject to the production of the Admit Card. Without it, the candidate will not be permitted to take the Tests mentioned herein.

4. Along with the Admit Card, each candidate must bring the original photo identity card mentioned in the admit card. The candidate will not be allowed entry in the examination hall without it.
5. The Admit Card is provisional subject to the condition that the candidate fulfils the eligibility conditions as mentioned in her/his application.
6. Any discrepancies in the information provided in the Admit Card, including any discrepancy in the scanned photograph and/or signature, must be reported by email to admissionsupport@isical.ac.in immediately, and certainly no later than May 04, 2026.
7. In particular, the correctness of the Test Code mentioned above must be verified, as the candidate will be allowed to appear only for the Test whose code is mentioned in the Admit Card. Candidature will be cancelled if any other Test is taken by the candidate.
8. The admit card has places for you to sign. You must sign the Admit Card in the presence of the invigilator when the invigilator asks you to do so. **Do not sign the Admit Cards earlier.**
9. The invigilator is supposed to collect the admit cards after you sign them in his/her presence in the afternoon session. For candidates having programme codes DST, DAR and DAS, the invigilator is supposed to collect the admit card in the forenoon session.
10. If the signed Admit Card has not been collected by the end of the test, you **MUST** submit the admit card to the invigilator yourself.

2.2 Handling OMR

Rules for (MCQ) tests: You will be given a Question Booklet containing the questions and a separate answer-sheet called Optical Mark Recognition (OMR) sheet to indicate your answers. (A sample OMR sheet is given at the end of this booklet on Page xx.) On the OMR sheet:

1. Use only a BALL PEN with BLACK ink to write on the OMR sheet.
2. While writing in boxes () , please use CAPITAL LETTERS.
3. Do NOT write more than one letter / digit in one box.
4. Rough work must NOT be done on the OMR Answer Sheet.
5. Do NOT fold the OMR answer sheet.

Fill up the following details in the OMR sheet.

Name: Write your Name in CAPITAL LETTERS exactly as it appears in your Admit Card.

Signature: Sign (full signature) in the given box.

Registration number: Write down your registration number as given in the Admit Card by filling out all the boxes. You are also required to indicate alphabetic and numeric parts of the registration numbers by darkening the appropriate bubbles below.

Booklet number: Write down the Question booklet number by filling out the given boxes. Also darken the appropriate bubble below each digit. For the registration number and the booklet number, only the data provided by darkening the bubble will be considered.

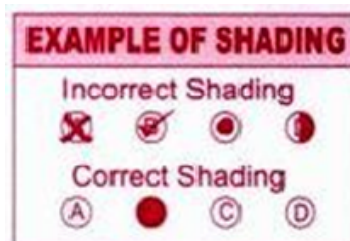
Test code, Category and Physical Disability (PwBD): Darken the appropriate bubbles.

Answers to the Questions in MCQ tests: No extra answer booklet or blank pages will be provided for the MCQ tests. All rough work has to be done on the question booklet only.

On the OMR sheet, next to each question number, there will be four bubbles numbered (A), (B), (C) and (D). Darken only the correct bubble(s) next to each question number. Any other way of marking an answer will be considered a wrong answer. If you do not want to attempt a particular question, leave all the bubbles blank corresponding to the question.

It is the responsibility of the candidate to strictly follow instructions below to record his/her answers. Improperly filled in OMR sheet may lead to discrepancies for which the Institute will not be responsible.

- Shade only the correct Bubble(s) using a BALL PEN with BLACK ink only.
- Darken the bubble completely. Partially-filled or over-filled bubble may not be read correctly.



- Do not use eraser, whitener or blade to rectify errors, erasing or changing of answers is NOT allowed.
- In all OMR based tests other than UGA, there will be only one correct option to each question.
- Questions in Group B of UGA question paper may have one or more correct option.

2.3 General Instructions

1. You will ordinarily not be permitted to leave the Examination Hall during the Test. Under exceptional circumstances, this may be allowed provided you deposit the question paper, answer script and signed Admit Card with the invigilator.
2. Improper conduct, failure to comply with these instructions, adoption of any unfair means or participation in any act of impersonation in the Test will render you liable for expulsion from the Test Centre, cancellation of your answer sheets and forfeiture of your claim for admission.
3. Only ballpoint pens, pencils, sharpener, eraser, a valid Photo ID (original) and the Admit Card, will be allowed to be carried into the Examination Hall. Use of Geometry Box containing Set Square, Compass, Diagonal Scale is also allowed for MTech QROR candidates. Nothing else will be permitted inside the examination hall.
4. Books, notes, mobile phones, communication and computing devices and other electronic gadgets like smart watch, tablet, calculator etc. are not allowed inside the Examination Hall. Possession of any of these items will lead to disqualification of the candidate. There is no facility for safekeeping of your personal belongings at the Test Venue and the Indian Statistical Institute will not be responsible for any loss of or damage to such items.
5. Strictly follow the instructions given by the Supervisor/Invigilator: The supervisor will tell you when to start answering a test. You should not break the seal of the Question booklet till you are asked to. When the Supervisor/Invigilator asks you to stop answering a test, you must follow his/her instructions immediately.
6. **Check whether the Test code on the booklet given to you is the same as that indicated on your admit card for that session (Forenoon and Afternoon).** If not, do not use that test booklet and immediately inform the Supervisor/Invigilator.
7. You will get only one OMR sheet and no replacement may be given for mishandling.

8. Do not forget to write the registration number and test booklet number on the OMR-sheet/answer-booklet.
9. MCQ type test (OMR based examination): **Do your rough work on the space provided in the Question booklet. Do not use the OMR sheet for rough work.** You may be disqualified for Rough work or any stray mark on the OMR sheet.
10. Descriptive type test: **Do your rough work on the space provided in the answer booklet.**
11. In the Forenoon: Return OMR sheet/answer booklet before leaving the Examination Hall. If your Programme Code is DST, DAR and DAS then you will also have to return your admit card before leaving the Hall.
12. In the Afternoon: Return (1) answer booklet, and (2) admit card before leaving the Examination Hall.
Failing to do any of the above will disqualify the candidate.
13. To verify the identity of each candidate and to check possible impersonation, the authorities conducting the Test may capture additional biometric information at the Test Centre.
14. Once you are in the Examination Hall, you may be under CCTV surveillance. Hence you are advised not to indulge in unlawful activities that will invite disqualification or legal action.

3 Table of admission test with details

The following table has the details of our tests including Test Code, Programme Code, Programme Name, usage of OMR sheets and Answer booklets.

Programme Code (first 3 letters of Reg. No.)	Programme Name	Forenoon Session (10:30 hrs to 12:30 hrs)		Afternoon Session (14:00 hrs to 16:00 hrs)	
		Test Code	Answering Process	Test Code	Answering Process
BST	B Stat	UGA	OMR Sheet	UGB	Answer booklet
BMT	B Math	UGA	OMR Sheet	UGB	Answer booklet
MST	M Stat	PSA	OMR Sheet	PSB	Answer booklet
MMT	M Math	PMA	OMR Sheet	PMB	Answer booklet
MQE	MS QE	PEA	OMR Sheet	PEB	Answer booklet
MQM	MS QMBA	MMA	OMR Sheet	QMB	Answer booklet
MLI	MS LIS	PLA	OMR Sheet	PLB	Answer booklet
MCX	M Tech (CS) & M Tech (CrS)	PCA	OMR Sheet	PCB	Answer booklet
MQR	M Tech (QROR)	MMA	OMR Sheet	PQB	Answer booklet
JST	JRF (Stat)	STA	Answer booklet	STB	Answer booklet
JMT	JRF (Math)	MTA	Answer booklet	MTB	Answer booklet
JQE	JRF (Quan. Economics)	QEA	Answer booklet	QEB	Answer booklet
JCS	JRF (CS)	CSA	Answer booklet	CSB	Answer booklet
JQR	JRF (QROR)	MMA	OMR Sheet	QRB	Answer booklet
JPM	JRF (Phy. & Appl. Math.)	MMA	OMR Sheet	PHB	Answer booklet
JAE	JRF (Agri. & Ecol. Res.)	AEA	OMR Sheet	AEB	Answer booklet
JHG	JRF (Hum. Gen.)	HGA	OMR Sheet	HGB	Answer booklet
JGE	JRF (Geo.)	GEA	Answer booklet	GEB	Answer booklet
JLI	JRF (LIS)	LIA	OMR Sheet	LIB	Answer booklet
DSG	PGD SCG	DGA	OMR Sheet	DGB	Answer booklet
DST	PGDSMA	DST	OMR Sheet	no exam	no exam
DAR	PGDARSMA	DRA	OMR Sheet	no exam	no exam
DAS	PGDAS	DST	OMR Sheet	no exam	no exam



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Use BALL POINT PEN with BLACK INK only

Candidates's Name (in CAPITAL Letters)

REGISTRATION NUMBER

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BSD <input type="radio"/>	AT <input type="radio"/>	KO <input type="radio"/>	B <input type="radio"/>	1 <input type="radio"/>	1 <input type="radio"/>
BST <input type="radio"/>	AZ <input type="radio"/>	LU <input type="radio"/>	C <input type="radio"/>	2 <input type="radio"/>	2 <input type="radio"/>
DAR <input type="radio"/>	BG <input type="radio"/>	MB <input type="radio"/>	D <input type="radio"/>	3 <input type="radio"/>	3 <input type="radio"/>
DAS <input type="radio"/>	BH <input type="radio"/>	MH <input type="radio"/>	E <input type="radio"/>	4 <input type="radio"/>	4 <input type="radio"/>
DST <input type="radio"/>	BP <input type="radio"/>	ML <input type="radio"/>	F <input type="radio"/>	5 <input type="radio"/>	5 <input type="radio"/>
JAE <input type="radio"/>	CC <input type="radio"/>	MN <input type="radio"/>	G <input type="radio"/>	6 <input type="radio"/>	6 <input type="radio"/>
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	KG <input type="radio"/>	VN <input type="radio"/>			
	KL <input type="radio"/>	VP <input type="radio"/>			

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do NOT write more than one letter or digit in one box.
- Shade only the correct bubbles using BALL POINT PEN with BLACK INK only.
- Any attempt to erase or change an already shaded bubble must be avoided.
- Changing of already shaded answer bubbles will be considered as wrong answers.
- Rough work can be done on your Question Booklet only.
- Any writing / mark / scribbles etc. must NOT be done on the OMR sheet.
- Do NOT fold the OMR sheet.

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SERIAL NO.

EXAMPLE OF SHADING

Incorrect Shading	Correct Shading
<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

ANSWERS

1	A	B	C	D	6	A	B	C	D
2	A	B	C	D	7	A	B	C	D
3	A	B	C	D	8	A	B	C	D
4	A	B	C	D	9	A	B	C	D
5	A	B	C	D	10	A	B	C	D
11	A	B	C	D	16	A	B	C	D
12	A	B	C	D	17	A	B	C	D
13	A	B	C	D	18	A	B	C	D
14	A	B	C	D	19	A	B	C	D
15	A	B	C	D	20	A	B	C	D
21	A	B	C	D	26	A	B	C	D
22	A	B	C	D	27	A	B	C	D
23	A	B	C	D	28	A	B	C	D
24	A	B	C	D	29	A	B	C	D
25	A	B	C	D	30	A	B	C	D

Question Booklet Number

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2	2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5	5
6	6	6	6	6	6
7	7	7	7	7	7
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OMR based Test Code

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BSA <input type="radio"/>	PLA <input type="radio"/>
DRA <input type="radio"/>	PMA <input type="radio"/>
DST <input type="radio"/>	PSA <input type="radio"/>
HGA <input type="radio"/>	QMA <input type="radio"/>
MMA <input type="radio"/>	UGA <input type="radio"/>
PCA <input type="radio"/>	

PwD

Yes

No

Category

GEN

SC

ST

OBC-NCL

EWS

Candidate's Signature

Invigilator's Full Signature