

CATapult Courseware

PROGRAM GUIDE



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Welcome to The IMS CATapult Program

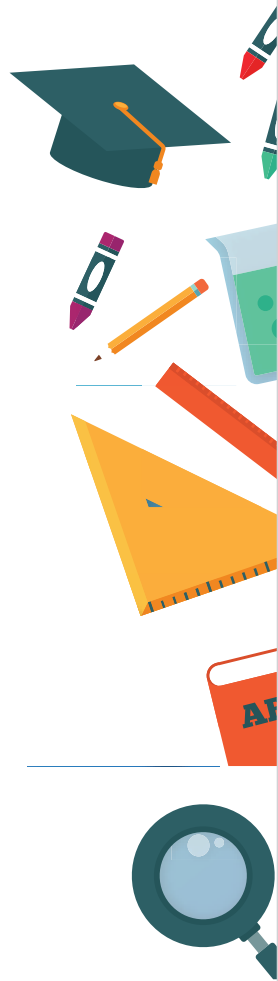
Congratulations on making the right choice and trusting us with your preparation for the CAT and other the premier MBA admission tests in the country!

Started in 1977 by Prof.N.R.Rane, IMS is India's first test preparation institute for the CAT, the GMAT, the GRE and other national and international tests. We currently train aspirants in over 90 centres spread across more than 50 cities.

We believe that to reach your dream b-school, you need more than Quant, Verbal and DI skills. From planning your preparation to analysing your test performances, to choosing the right colleges to apply to, to tackling group discussions and personal interviews, the path is long. At IMS we believe in being your mentor, motivator and guide throughout this long process.

All the components and features of the CATapult program are designed for helping you and the IMS mentors to work together to get you to your dream destination.

So before you start your prep, please go through this program guide to know everything you have at your disposal to ace the tests as well as the second stage of the selection process.



Making the most of your IMS CATapult Program

The IMS CATapult Program has three components:



CATapult Courseware



myIMS - Student Portal



Mobile App

The CATapult Courseware



The CATapult Courseware comprises the eleven books that you need for in-class and at-home preparation.

The MODULES

MODULES 1, 2, 3, and 4

These four books focus solely on the LEARNING and PRACTICE required for the five areas tested on the CAT and other MBA exams – Quantitative Ability, Verbal Ability, Reading Comprehension, Data Interpretation, and Logical Reasoning.

MODULES 1, 2, 3, 4 – Practice Exercise Solutions

Every topic in a module is followed by one or more Practice Exercises. Each of the four modules also has a companion solutions booklet with explanatory answers to all the practice exercises in the modules.

The Modules have the content that you need to do in class as well as at home.

In total, the modules comprise eight books.

GRAMMAR, VOCABULARY & USAGE

The Vocabulary Builder booklet helps you prepare for Verbal Ability on exams other than the CAT.

SPEED MATH

This is a workbook to help you hack through calculations faster, a skill that will come in handy while solving Quant problems as well as Data Interpretation sets across exams.

ADMAT

A concept and practice book that covers unique areas such as Decision Making (specific to the XAT entrance test) and specific topics in Logical Reasoning (sequential input-output, symbol based logic, visual reasoning, etc.) pertaining to other admission tests like IIFT, NMAT, SNAP, CMAT, etc

When will I get the entire material?

At the time of enrollment, you will have received, Part A, comprising five books – Program Guide, Module 1; Module 1 Practice Exercise Solutions; Vocabulary & Usage; and Speed Math.

You will receive Part B – the remaining seven books - at the mailing address provided by you at the time of enrollment – after you pay the remaining fees.

myIMS – Student Portal



SETTING UP YOUR myIMS Account

Please visit myims.imsindia.com to create to your myIMS profile.

Use the LOGIN credentials that have been sent to the email address you have given at the time of enrollment to get started. In case you have any trouble logging in, please write to support@imsindia.com quoting your IMS PIN.



LEARN

While the courseware will take care of the learning needs in a textbook and a teacher-driven in-class format, the LEARN module will be the online companion for all your out of classroom learning.

This module will have concept and application videos segregated topic-wise along with core practice problems practice for each topic.

PREPARATION MILESTONE

No matter when you join for the CAT Program and irrespective of how many classes you have completed, if you complete the LEARN Module you should be able to reach an 80 percentile on the CAT.



PRACTICE

The practice module has area-wise practice tests covering the nine areas:

Numbers, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Modern Math, Reading Comprehension, Verbal Ability, Data Interpretation, and Logical Reasoning.

In addition, it has Section Tests covering the three areas: QA, VA-RC, and DI-LR.

It goes without saying that, this module is best done after the LEARN Module.

PREPARATION MILESTONE

By completing the LEARN and PRACTICE Modules, you should be able to reach the 90th percentile.

Also, by completing we mean that you know all the concepts covered and are able to solve questions of the pattern you have encountered in both the modules.



TEST

The test module is the final frontier and has 100 + simulated tests not just for the CAT(SimCATs) but also for all the other tests – XAT, IIFT, NMAT, SNAP, TISS-NET, MICAT, MH-CET, CMAT, MAT, PGDBA (IIMC + ISI + IITK), GMAT

Nine out of the eleven 100-percentilers in CAT 2018 took our SimCATs; we do not need to say anything more about the quality of our tests.



PERFORMANCE ANALYTICS

You cannot say you have taken a test unless you have also analysed it well.

A test is not just meant to tell you where you stand, but it should also tell you what you need to do next.

This is where our Performance Analytics Module comes in. It gives you all the stats you need to take your scores to the next level.



e-MAXIMISER

- How do you go from 90th to 99th percentile?
- How do you cover all the moderate and advanced patterns and variations of CAT problems from an area?

e-Maximiser is a module of 15 online workshops with video solutions covering all the patterns tested on all the nine areas of the CAT – Numbers, Arithmetic, Algebra, Geometry, Modern Math, Reading Comprehension, Verbal Ability, Data Interpretation and Logical Reasoning.

PREPARATION MILESTONE

If you can solve every single type of problem that is part of the e-Maximiser module then you will reach the 99th percentile.



The CHANNEL

- How to fill the CAT form?
- What is the structure of the NMAT?
- How to crack the Decision-Making section of the XAT?

The CHANNEL is the place where you have all your queries regarding test structures, b-school selection, preparation strategies answered via live webinars and recorded videos.

The CHANNEL will also have live Masterclasses in the months leading up to the CAT, by instructors who have scored a 100-percentile on the CAT.



CAT Mentor

- How do you arrive at a preparation plan specific to your goals?
- Which colleges you should apply to for your specific profile and aspirations?
- What to make of your SimCAT performances and what do you do next to maximise your score?

All of these questions require personalised guidance and this is where the USP of the CATapult program – myPLAN – kicks in.

myPLAN is the tool through which you can get all the questions above answered through one-on-one sessions with an IMS mentor.

The appointment booking process will happen through the CAT Mentor module. You will see the slots available for a one-on-one session and you can book the same.

You can also write to a mentor, through the same module, and seek guidance.



GK Zone

While the CAT does not test GK, other exams do. This module is the resource for all things related to General Awareness and Current Affairs.

You will find prep content and quizzes covering all tests as well as specific tests.



GD-PI Zone

For every seat in a business school, 4 students are called for the WAT-GD-PI round. So while clearing the CAT or XAT is a big deal, it is still only one-fourth of the job done.

This section has over 35 videos with how-to-crack manuals for every type of second-stage process – GD, GE, CD, PI, WAT – that you might encounter.

Apart from this, you will have e-books with a college-wise compilation of questions and topics from past years' and write-ups on the important topics of debate over the past year.



Community

This is a discussion forum for you to post your queries and to get answers from and interact with the entire IMS student community. The forum comes with hashtags so that you can view all past discussions related to a topic, say #SimCAT 7 or #IRMA Form.

The community also has leaderboards where you can see and follow the top performers on myIMS or even see your name on it!



Downloads

This section contains past papers and solutions of CAT and other tests like XAT, IIFT, SNAP etc. It also has some guides providing information about the CET and CMAT tests along with some important last minute tips and formulae relevant to both these management tests.

myIMS App



The IMS student portal myims is also available to help you practice on the go and do things such as booking slots for 1-1 mentorship sessions & SimCATs and viewing performance analytics without needing access to a laptop.

All the modules on myIMS will be available on myIMS app.

The only myIMS feature that will not be available will be the full-length tests. We believe full-length tests are sacrosanct and need to be taken on a larger screen exactly the way you would take them on test day. We are sure you will approach your preparation with the same seriousness.





Free REPEAT Coaching

Another feature of the CATapult program is the FREE repeat coaching you are entitled to in case you do not make it to an institute of your choice in your first attempt while preparing with us. The following are the conditions for the same.

1. You can avail FREE Repeat Coaching only at the same centre that you were enrolled in.
2. The FREE Repeat coaching is applicable only for the next academic cycle — CAT 2019 students can avail free repeat coaching for CAT 2020 but not later.
3. To be eligible for FREE Repeat Coaching, you should have no outstanding payment towards program fee.
4. To be eligible for FREE Repeat Coaching, you also should have taken any one of the tests CAT/IIFT/XAT/NMAT/SNAP that you prepared for and must also submit photocopy/scan copy of the Test Scorecard(s).
5. Free Repeat Coaching is only applicable for IMS Classroom / Blended Programs.

To be eligible for FREE Repeat Coaching in a different city, you need to pay Rs.10,000 inclusive of GST.

Please note that you will not be issued a new set of Courseware. However, the full-length tests on myIMS portal will be new.



Temporary transfer

Any student who wants to transfer to another City/Centre for a period of 1 or maximum of 1.5 months shall be considered as temporary transfer and no transfer fees to be charged in case of temporary transfers.

Permanent transfer

Any student requesting transfer to another City/Centre for a period of more than 1.5 months shall be considered as PERMANENT transfer and needs to pay FEE Difference in case the destination city has a higher fee structure.

In both cases please initiate your transfer by approaching the IMS centre where you are enrolled with a transfer request. They will coordinate with your destination centre and take care of the process.

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