



ICAR-National Academy of Agricultural Research Management

Rajendranagar, Hyderabad 500 030, Telangana, India

PGDM (ABM)

Post Graduate Diploma in Management (Agri Business Management)

Admission Process for 18th Batch of
PGDM (Agri Business Management) 2026-2028




(1) How to Apply:

Submit your application ONLINE. The candidates are expected to register with his/her email ID and own mobile number. The same email ID and mobile number will be used for future communications. For each candidate, unique application number will be generated. The candidates shall refer to the same Application Number while corresponding for any clarification.

Last date for receiving online applications is 31st March, 2026

(2) Application Fee:

An application fee of ₹1000/- (₹500/- for SC/ST only) shall be paid **ONLINE** through NEFT/UPI, etc. The copy of URN receipt for the payment may be attached along with the application form. The account details are given below:

Name of Name of Account	ICAR NAARM PENSION ACCOUNT	SCAN & PAY 
Beneficiary A / c No.	39104423023	
Name of the Bank	State Bank of India	
Branch	NAARM Branch, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad- 500 030	
IFSC Code No	SBIN0061700	

(3) List of Documents (in PDF/JPEG format) to be uploaded with Online Application:

- Course Completion Certificate/Certificate from University Authorities about the status of course completion for Graduation Degree (UG)
- Work experience certificate (Six months and above only)
- CAT 2025/CMAT 2026 scores with respective score card
- SC/ST/NC-OBC/EWS Certificate (if applicable)
- URN/ transfer receipt of online payment of application fee

(4) Eligibility criteria:

The minimum qualification for admission to PGDM (ABM) program will remain same which is as follows:

- 1) Minimum 60% marks or 6.0 out of 10.0 OGPA in 10th & 12th standard, with relaxation of 5% / equivalent for candidates of SC/ST category.
- 2) Completion of a four-year Bachelor's Degree (on or before commencement of the academic session) from a UGC-recognized University/Institution in Agriculture or allied sciences, such as: Agriculture, Agri-Business Management/Commercial Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing and Cooperation, Agricultural Engineering, Agricultural Biotechnology, Agricultural Information Technology, Dairy Science/Technology, Fisheries, Food Technology/Food Process Engineering, Forestry, Horticulture, Sericulture, Veterinary Sciences, and Community/Home Science.
- 3) Should have taken either CAT 2025 or CMAT 2026 or both.

(5) Selection Process:

In the year 2026, entire admission process will be conducted at the Academy and collaborating institutes. Accordingly, admission of students to the PGDM (ABM) program will be done on the basis of total score obtained from different criteria. As per the weightage given below.

Particulars	Weightage (%)	Remarks
CAT/CMAT Score	35	CAT/CMAT percentile scores obtained by the candidate is scaled to 35. The highest scaled score of an individual candidate in CAT and / or CMAT is considered for the screening of the candidates.
Analytical Writing Skill Test (AWST)	10	The candidates shall be given a topic/news item on topical issue, on which they have to write in English language within the specified time limit.
Group Discussion (GD)	20	
Personal Interview (PI)	20	
Academic Score	5	Academic Score will be based on marks obtained in 10 th and 12 th standards with distribution of marks (in each standard) as follows: 1. 65% or less :0 mark 2. 65.01- 75% :1.0 mark 3. 75.01-85% :2.0 marks 4. Above 85% :2.5 marks
Diversity Factor	5	Based on the state-wise representation

Particulars	Weightage (%)	Remarks
Work Experience	5	<p>Candidate will be given score for work experience as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Less than 6 months :0 mark 2. 6 - 7 months :1 mark 3. 8 – 9 months :2 marks 4. 10-12 months :3 marks 5. 13-15 months :4 marks 6. More than 15 months :5 marks <p>The candidate should upload the work experience certificate and last salary slip duly certified by the employer while submitting the application. During the admission, the student must show the proof of employment using appointment letter and bank statements. The Academy has the right to verify the information from the employer. The candidature will be cancelled at any point of time if the information is found fabricated or false.</p>

(6) Total number of seats: 66

The reservation of seats will be available for NC-OBC, EWS, SC, ST and Physically Challenged category as per Govt. of India rules.

(7) Shortlisting of candidates:

The candidates will be shortlisted based on the normalized CAT/CMAT scores and shall be called in the ratio of 1:5-10 (no. of seats: no. of shortlisted candidates) for AWST, Group Discussion (GD) and Personal Interview (PI).

(8) Designated centres for appearing in AWST, GD & PI:

The Analytical Writing Skill Test (AWST), Group Discussion (GD), and Personal Interview (PI) for shortlisted candidates will be conducted at designated centers. Candidates must provide their First and Second preferences for the centers during the application process.

(9) Interview Centers Options:

- 1) Hyderabad
- 2) New Delhi
- 3) Kolkata
- 4) Pune

Note: Any centre can be cancelled at the discretion of the Academy and will be intimated accordingly to the candidates through email.

Sd/-
Chairman, Admission Committee