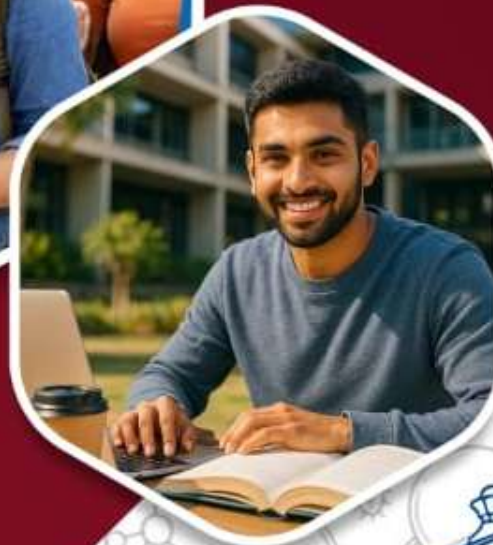
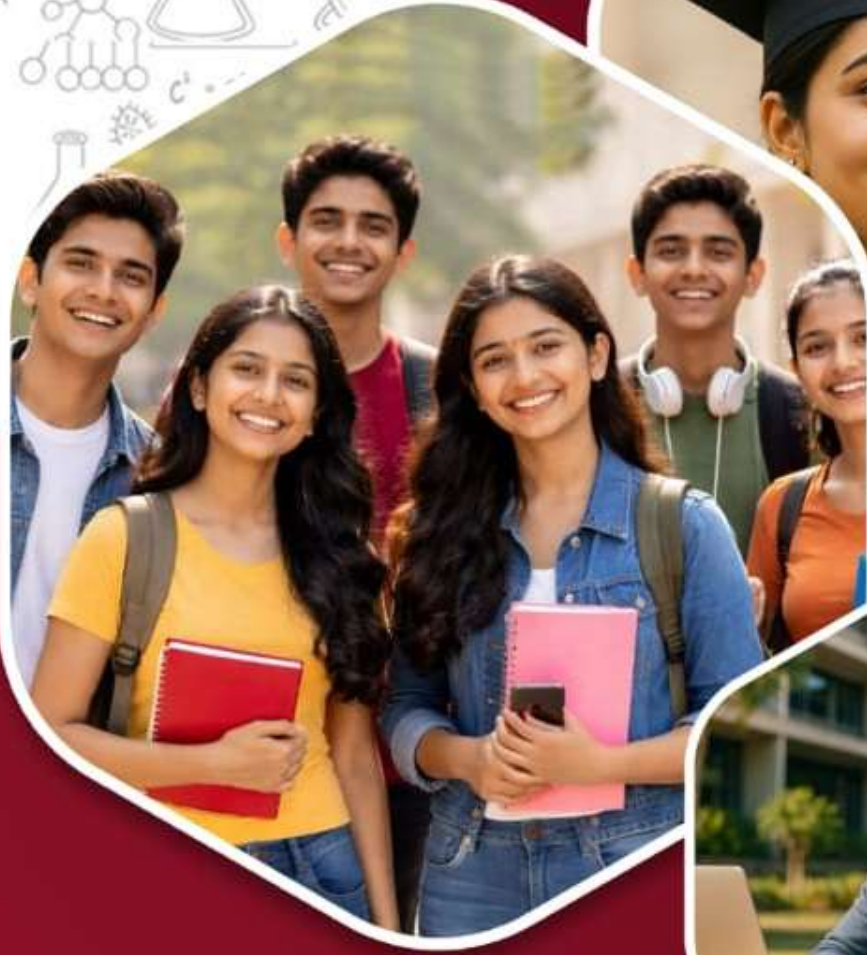


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Information Brochure

**For Admission
to Undergraduate
NON-NEET Courses**



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KAMARAJAR MANIMANDAPAM, PUDUCHERRY – 605 008

INFORMATION BROCHURE UG NON-NEET COURSES 2026-2027

Contact Information

CENTAC Official Website: www.centacpuducherry.in

Courses	Email Id	Help Line Numbers
UG NON-NEET Courses	centacugnn@dh tepdy.edu.in	0413-2655570 & 0413-2655571

Important Points to Be Noted by Candidates

General Information

1. The UG NON-NEET Information Brochure is available on the CENTAC website www.centacpuducherry.in. Candidates are advised to download the Information Brochure and read it carefully before filling the ONLINE application form.
2. This brochure is an information booklet alone. The guidelines contained are subject to modifications as per instructions received from time to time from the Government or Statutory bodies.
3. The entire counselling process from submitting application until admission will be made through ONLINE MODE ONLY.
4. Candidates should also regularly check the NOTICES / PRESS RELEASES that will be uploaded on the website from time to time for updates until the completion of the admission process.
5. The last date for submission of Online Application will be published as NOTICES / PRESS RELEASES on the CENTAC website www.centacpuducherry.in.
6. The last date for Submission of Course Preference for each Round will be published as NOTICES / PRESS RELEASES on the CENTAC website www.centacpuducherry.in.
7. CENTAC will not be responsible for consequences due to non-follow up of NOTICES / PRESS RELEASES published on the website regarding counselling to NON-NEET courses for the academic year 2026-2027.
8. Candidates are also advised to visit the college website or contact the college authorities directly for any query regarding additional fee.
9. An exclusive mobile number and an email id of either the candidate or the parent / guardian of the candidate is an absolute necessity. Candidates must ensure that the e-mail address and Mobile Number provided in the Online Application Form are their own or of their Parents / Guardian only.
10. The access to the candidate's dashboard can only be made through OTP validation that is sent to the candidate's registered mobile number. Candidates are advised to use the same mobile number till all the admissions are over.
11. All communication with the candidate will be only through SMS sent to the candidate's registered mobile number. In the event of a necessity for individual communication, the candidate will be contacted through email.

Application Information

12. Application to the UG Non-NEET Courses will be available only on the CENTAC website – www.centacpuducherry.in.

13. A candidate can submit only ONE UG Non-NEET application. Any candidate found to have submitted more than one application for UG Non-NEET shall be debarred from the counselling process and his / her candidature shall be cancelled.

14. Candidates are advised to fill the application form on their own and not through any agent or third party.

15. Application submission comprises entering of i) Personal Details, Academic Information, Uploading of Documents, Payment of Fees and ii) Submission of Course Preferences.

16. The candidate should complete the filling of i) Personal Details, Academic Information, Uploading of Documents and Payment of Fees before the last date for submission of online application. After the last date, candidates will not be permitted to modify or update their application data.

17. The application of the candidate will be considered valid only after payment is made. Payment of Application Fee is mandatory. Applications without application fee will be deemed to be incomplete and will be summarily rejected. The candidate will be able to give his / her course preference only after payment of the Application Fee. Incomplete applications will stand rejected. In the event of rejection of an incomplete application form, request for re-consideration will NOT be entertained.

18. The documents that are required in digital format to be uploaded along with the application are given in Part I, Clause 12 of the UG Non-NEET Information Brochure.

19. For information on Reservation of Seats for various categories, refer Part I, Clause 9 of the UG Non-NEET Information Brochure. The details of category-wise reservation (No. of seats) can be viewed from the seat matrix that will be uploaded separately on the CENTAC website.

Course Preference Information

20. For information on Submission of Course Preferences refer Part I, Clause 16 of the UG Non-NEET Information Brochure. Candidates will be required to furnish fresh course preferences for each round. Failure to enter Course Preferences (at least ONE), will result in non-allotment of a seat.

21. Candidates are advised to choose as many course preferences as may be possible. This would facilitate in securing admission to an alternate course / college, in case the candidate is not able to secure admission of the first choice.

22. For each round, the last date for submission of course preferences will be published on the CENTAC website. Candidates are advised to regularly refer to the NOTICES / PRESS RELEASES published on the website for updates regarding the deadline for submission of course preferences.

Course preferences submitted for a particular round will be treated as final. However, candidates may edit their preferences up to the last date permitted for submission. After the deadline, the course preference data will be frozen and no further modifications will be allowed.

Allotment and Admission Information

23. MERIT LISTS / ELIGIBLE LISTS and ALLOTMENT LISTS for each Round will be available on the CENTAC website and the results WILL NOT BE COMMUNICATED INDIVIDUALLY.

24. It is mandatory for the allotted candidate to physically report to the college along with the allotment order, original certificates and the prescribed fees, so as to confirm the allotted seat. No other person in the place of the candidate will be allowed to submit the documents and take admission on behalf of the candidate.

25. If a candidate is allotted a seat in a particular round and fails to report before the last date, the allotted seat will be treated as vacant and will be filled in the subsequent round.

Best Wishes

VERY IMPORTANT

SUBMISSION OF UG NON-NEET QUERIES FOR REGISTERED CANDIDATES

- Login to your dashboard and submit queries using the **Grievances** option.
- Candidates should submit their grievances only through this link.
- Candidates who have submitted Grievances will receive a reply within 24 hours on working days.

ABBREVIATIONS

1. GQ - Government Quota
2. SS - Self-supporting / Self-financing seats in Government Colleges
3. MQ - Management Quota in Private Colleges
4. OS – Other States
5. AGE – All India General (Applicable for both Puducherry and Other State candidates)
6. OGE / OOB / OSC / OST – Other State General / Other State OBC / Other State SC / Other State ST respectively (Applicable for Other State Candidates)
7. U.T.P – Residents of Union Territory of Puducherry
8. EWS – Economically Weaker Sections
9. FF – Freedom Fighter
10. ESM – Ex-servicemen
11. MSP – Meritorious Sports Persons
12. PwD – Persons with Disability
13. GSS10% - Government School Students 10% Quota
14. UGE / UEW / UOB /UMB / USC / UST / UBT / UEB / UBM
U.T. of Puducherry – General / EWS / OBC / MBC / SC / ST / BT / EBC / BCM respectively.
15. KGE / KEW / KOB /KMB / KSC / KST / KBT / KEB / KBM
Karaikal Region – General / EWS / OBC / MBC / SC / ST / BT / EBC / BCM respectively.
16. MGE / MEW / MOB /MMB / MSC / MST / MBT / MEB / MBM
Mahe Region – General / EWS / OBC / MBC / SC / ST / BT / EBC / BCM respectively.
17. YGE / YEW / YOB /YMB / YSC / YST / YBT / YEB / YBM
Yanam Region – General / EWS / OBC / MBC / SC / ST / BT / EBC / BCM respectively.
18. VCI – Veterinary Council of India

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PART-I

GENERAL INFORMATION

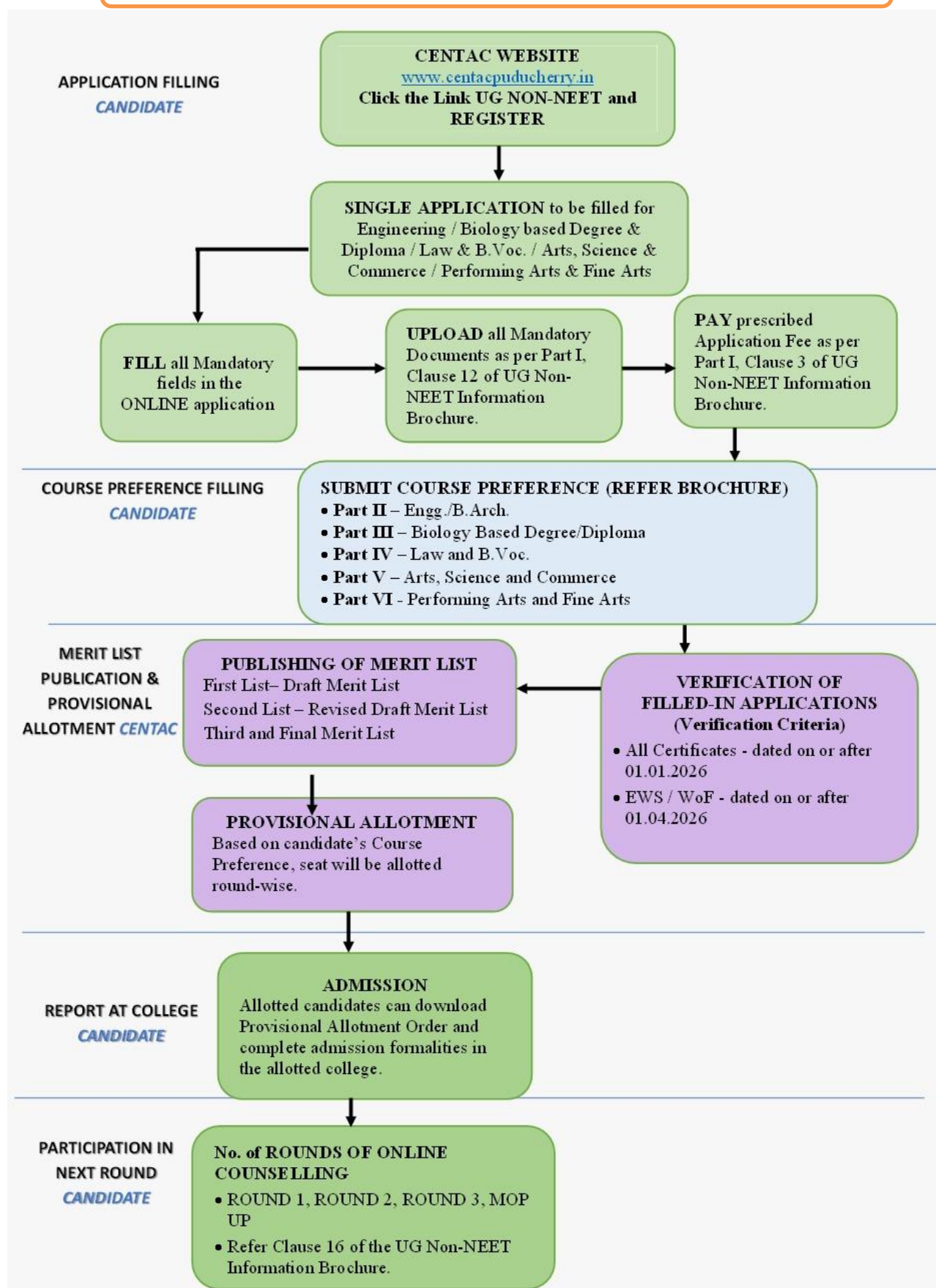
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AN OVERVIEW OF THE UG NON-NEET ADMISSION PROCESS



SECTION – I: GENERAL INFORMATION

1. INTRODUCTION

The Government of Puducherry has centralized admissions for all non-NEET-based undergraduate courses—including professional, arts, science, commerce, and diploma courses in health sciences—offered in the Union Territory of Puducherry through a single application process, and has designated the Centralised Admission Committee (CENTAC) as the counselling agency. This centralisation of the admission procedure makes it easier for candidates to access information and services at one place.

The scope of counselling includes:

Type of Seats	Type of Colleges
Government Quota Seats	Government Institutions
Self-supporting Seats	
NRI Quota Seats • NRI (Non-resident Indian) • OCI (Overseas Citizen of India) • NRI Sponsored / OCI Sponsored • FN (Foreign National)	
Government Quota Seats	
Sponsored Seats	Private Colleges
Other State Quota Seats	Reserved for U.T. of Puducherry candidates in Other State Colleges.
	Reserved for the Other State Candidates in Govt. Colleges of the U.T. of Puducherry

2. IMPORTANT DATES

S.NO.	TASK	DATE
1.	Date of Opening of Online Application for UG Non-NEET Courses	Will be published on the CENTAC website
2.	Last Date for submission of Online Application	
3.	Last Date for submission of Course Preferences for Each Round	
4.	MERIT LISTS:	
	First List - Draft Merit List	
	Second List - Revised Draft Merit List	
	Third and Final List - Final Merit List	
5.	ROUND 1 Counselling	
6.	ROUND 2 Counselling	
7.	ROUND 3 Counselling	
8.	MOP-UP Counselling	

3. DETAILS OF APPLICATION FEE

Sl. No.	UG NON-NEET Courses Applied For*	Residents of U.T. of Puducherry		Other States
		SC / ST / PwD	Others	
1.	Professional Degree & Diploma Courses ONLY	Rs. 500	Rs. 1000	Rs. 1500
2.	Arts, Science, Commerce and Fine Arts Courses ONLY	Rs. 150	Rs. 300	Rs. 500
3.	BOTH Professional Degree & Diploma AND Arts, Science, Commerce and Fine Arts Courses	Rs. 500	Rs. 1000	Rs. 1500
4.	NRI / NRI Sponsored / OCI / OCI sponsored / FN	Rs. 5000 /-		

* Candidate should pay the highest fee applicable based on the Course / Quota he / she wants to apply for.

NOTE:

Payment of Application Fee is mandatory. Application Fee once paid is non-refundable. Applications without application fee will be deemed to be incomplete and will be summarily rejected. The candidate will be able to give his / her course preference only after payment of the Application Fee.

MODE OF PAYMENT

Mode of payment of Application Fee is ONLINE ONLY. The following modes of payment will be available to candidates:

1. Net Banking
2. Debit Card
3. Credit Card
4. UPI (Unified Payment Interface)
5. BQR (Bharat Quick Response)

4. SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION

Instructions to Follow	Actions to Avoid
Application must be submitted ONLINE ONLY through the official website www.centacpuducherry.in .	Physical applications will not be accepted.
Candidate should submit only one UG Non-NEET application.	Submission of duplicate applications will lead to rejection of both applications and cancellation of candidature.
Candidates must ensure that all information entered during the online registration and application process is accurate and complete . Details provided by the candidate—such as name, contact address, category, educational qualifications, marks, and date of birth—will be treated as final and correct .	Incomplete applications will be rejected. Providing false information will result in rejection of the application.
Candidates may update their documents until the publication of the Final Merit List , which will be considered for the 1st Round of Counselling; thereafter, any updated documents will be considered only for the subsequent rounds prior to which they are submitted.	Avoid delaying the submission of updated documents, as it may reduce your chances of securing a preferred allotment.

- a) Before filling out the application, candidates must read the Information Brochure for the Academic Year 2026–2027 available on the CENTAC website, preferably with the guidance of a parent/guardian.
- b) Mere submission of an application does not guarantee admission. Seat allotment is strictly subject to merit, eligibility, admission criteria, and other norms prescribed by the affiliating University, AICTE, and the State/Central Government.
- c) Candidates are advised to verify the tuition fee structure from the UG Non-NEET Information Brochure or the CENTAC website, and check any additional fees directly with the respective colleges—especially private institutions—before filling in course preferences.
- d) Candidates should refer to the CENTAC website for the opening and closing dates of the online application. CENTAC reserves the right to reopen the application process, if necessary.
- e) **FOR SUPPLEMENTARY CANDIDATES:** Candidates who have appeared for supplementary examinations should not wait for results and must apply online on or before the last date. They are required to upload a copy of the qualifying examination mark statement within the deadline that will be announced by CENTAC after the publication of supplementary results.

5. MODE OF COMMUNICATION

a) The candidate will be informed of all the rounds of counselling of CENTAC through SMS and the same will also be published on the CENTAC website through NOTICES / PRESS RELEASES. After the online application is opened, the candidate should refer to the CENTAC website www.centacpuducherry.in regularly.

b) Candidates must ensure that the mobile number and email address provided in the application form are valid and belong to them. All official communication will be sent only to the registered mobile number. It is recommended to provide an alternate mobile number that the candidate can access.

c) No individual communication will be sent apart from SMS. CENTAC shall not be held responsible for non-receipt of information due to incorrect contact details, failure to check SMS messages, or lack of regular follow-up of NOTICES / PRESS RELEASES on the website.

SECTION – II: SEAT INFORMATION

6. NUMBER OF SEATS AND SEAT MATRIX

a) **NUMBER OF SEATS:** The number of seats in the colleges may vary depending on the approval of the concerned competent authorities. The approximate number of seats in the various courses for which counselling is done by the CENTAC is listed in the table below:

Sl. No.	Course	Approx. Number of Seats *
1.	U.G. Non-NEET Professional Courses	6490
2.	U.G. Arts and Science Courses	4,320
3.	U.G. Performing and Fine Arts Courses	85
	UG Engineering – B. Arch	20
4.	U.G. Lateral Entry seats in Engineering in: • Govt. Institutions - PTU / PKIET / WEC • Private Engineering Colleges	399
Total		11,314

* Subject to change depending on various affiliating conditions for the Academic Year 2026 – 2027. Refer Seat matrix published on the CENTAC website

b) SEAT MATRIX

The seat matrices will be published on the CENTAC website after receiving the same from the concerned departments of the Government of Puducherry.

7. CATEGORIES OF SEATS FOR NON-NEET COURSES

Seats are broadly classified into one or more of the following categories:

Sl. No.	Categories of Seats	Eligible Candidates	Courses
1.	Government Quota (GQ) (Government & Private Colleges)	Residents of the U.T. of Puducherry (UTP)	• Engineering • Law • B.Voc. • Biology based Degree & Diploma Paramedical Courses • Arts, Science & Commerce • Fine Arts • Agriculture & Horticulture • BVSc&AH
		Other State (OS)*	• AGLC - Law
		Indian Nationals (AGE)**	• Arts, Science and Commerce

2.	Self-supporting Seats (SS) (Government Colleges)	Residents of the U.T. of Puducherry (UTP)	• RIVER – BVSc&AH • MTPGRIHS - Nursing, BPT, BMLS, MRIT, B Pharm • IGMCRI-CN-Nursing • PAJANCOA – Agri, Horti
	(Other State and NRI candidates cannot apply for BVSc&AH Self-supporting seats in RIVER)	Other State (OS)*	• Engineering - PKIET, WEC • MTPGRIHS -Nursing, BPT, BMLS, MRIT, B. Pharm • PAJANCOA – Agri, Horti
		Indian Nationals (AGE)**	• WEC - B. Com
3.	Non-resident Indian (NRI) Quota (Government Colleges)	NRI / OCI / NRI Sponsored / OCI Sponsored	• PAJANCOA – Agri • MTPGRIHS - Nursing, BPT, BMLS, MRIT, B.Pharm.
4.	Foreign National Quota (FN) (Government College)	Foreign National	• RIVER – BVSc & AH

* OS - Applicable only for OS candidates ** AGE - Applicable for both UTP and OS candidates

NOTE:

1. Self-supporting seats in PTU will be filled through CENTAC as and when the seats are surrendered by JoSAA.
2. Candidates (NRI / OCI / Other State) willing to apply for B.V.Sc. & A.H. (Veterinary) course under the NRI / National – Self-Supporting quota should apply through the CENTAC NEET application.

8. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA OF CANDIDATES

8.1 NATIONALITY CRITERIA

A candidate seeking admission for Government Quota, Other State Quota, Management Quota and Self-supporting Quota through CENTAC should be an Indian National. However, French Nationals residing in the U.T. of Puducherry and covered by the terms of the Treaty of Cession shall be treated on par with Indian Nationals, for the purpose of admission to all the courses.

8.1.1 RESIDENCE CRITERIA

a) RESIDENTS OF THE U.T. OF PUDUCHERRY

An applicant is considered to be a Puducherry Resident if he / she is an Indian National and satisfies at least ONE of the following criteria:

1. The candidate or whose parent (either Mother or Father or Both) or Guardian (in case of children who have lost both parents) has been residing continuously in the U.T. of Puducherry for at least five years preceding the date of application.

(OR)

2. Those who have passed the SSLC / HSC or any other public examination and for that purpose had undergone academic studies continuously **for 5 successive classes immediately preceding the qualifying examination** (including the year of qualifying examination) in a recognized educational institution located in the U.T. of Puducherry and having their residence in the U.T. Puducherry for 5 years continuously during that period. **Mere stay in places such as residential hostel would not amount to residence.**

(OR)

3. Children of natives of the U.T. of Puducherry who have declared any place in the U.T. of Puducherry as their home town and so certified by their respective Heads of Office, along with Nativity Certificate issued by the Department of Revenue and Disaster Management, Puducherry.

(G.O. Ms. No. 64 dated 25th May 2006).

(OR)

4. Children of Defence Personnel who were killed or disabled in action and children of Central Government Servants / U.T. of Puducherry Government Servants / Defence Personnel / Employees of Public Sector Undertakings wholly or substantially run either by the Central Government or by the U.T. of Puducherry Administration who died while in service in the U.T. of Puducherry.

(OR)

5. French Nationals residing in the U.T. of Puducherry and covered by the terms of the “Treaty of Cession” shall be treated on par with the candidates who produce the prescribed U.T. of Puducherry Residence Certificate. Such French Nationals will not be required to produce Residence Certificate; instead, they should produce a “Certificate of Registration” issued for this purpose by the French Consulate at Puducherry. Children of these French Nationals shall not be considered for admission under the Non-Resident quota.

(OR)

6. a) Children whose parents are Central / State Government Servants / Defence Personnel / Central Paramilitary Forces / Employees of Public Sector Undertakings wholly or substantially owned either by the Central Government or by the Puducherry Administration posted and serving in U.T. of Puducherry for at least a minimum continuous period of **three** years immediately prior to the last date of submission of application.

(AND)

b) Children of the above said employees should have studied HSC of two years in any of the schools in the U.T. of Puducherry and should have passed the qualifying examinations (HSC) from the same school. (G.O. Ms. No. 04, Puducherry dated 09.02.2016 of the Chief Secretariat (Hr. & Tech. Edn.), Puducherry.

b) OTHER STATES

"Other States" refers to students who are Indian Nationals and not Residents of the Union Territory of Puducherry.

8.1.2 NRI / NRI SPONSORED

The candidate must be a Non-Resident Indian (NRI) / ward of a Non-Resident Indian (NRI) / NRI Sponsored, as applicable.

a) NRI (Non-Resident Indian)

A candidate is a non-Resident Indian (NRI) if he / she is an Indian citizen holding an Indian passport, and who has been staying outside India for more than 182 days in the year immediately preceding the date of the application.

b) NRI Sponsored

A candidate's NRI Sponsor (Financial Supporter) should comply with the following conditions:
He / She should be the nearest relation.

- Definition of the nearest relation (the following relatives having blood relations).
 - Real brother and sister of father i.e., real paternal uncle and real paternal aunt.
 - Real brother and sister of mother i.e., real maternal uncle and maternal aunt.
 - Father and mother of father i.e., paternal grandfather and paternal grandmother.
 - Father and mother of mother i.e., maternal grandfather and maternal grandmother.
 - First degree-paternal and maternal cousins.
- Such person should be an NRI.

8.2 OCI / OCI SPONSORED / FN

a) OCI (Overseas Citizen of India)

An Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) cardholder who holds a Foreign Passport will be considered as NRI only in the field of education. An Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) cardholder will not be considered under Foreign National category for educational purposes vide Ref.: OI-11011/01/2017-OIA-II dated 19.05.2017 of the Director, OIA-II Division, Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi.

The OCI cardholders will now be eligible to the rights which were provided to them earlier to the notification dated 04.03.2021 of MHRD. They will be treated on par with Indian citizens and will be

eligible for UR (General) category seats as well as NRI seats, provided their OCI card was granted before 04.03.2021. Those who obtained OCI cards after 04.03.2021 will be treated as NRIs and will be eligible for NRI seats only.

b) OCI Sponsored

A candidate's OCI Sponsor (Financial Supporter) should comply with the following conditions:

He / She should be the nearest relation

- Definition of the nearest relation (the following relatives having blood relations).
 - Real brother and sister of father i.e., real paternal uncle and real paternal aunt.
 - Real brother and sister of mother i.e., real maternal uncle and maternal aunt.
 - Father and mother of father i.e., paternal grandfather and paternal grandmother.
 - Father and mother of mother i.e., maternal grandfather and maternal grandmother.
 - First degree-paternal and maternal cousins.
- Such person should be an OCI.

c) FN (Foreign National)

Applicant must be a Foreign National possessing Foreign Passport and must not be of Indian origin. Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) card holder even though he / she holds a Foreign Passport will not be considered as a Foreign National.

9. RESERVATION OF SEATS: SEAT DISTRIBUTION

9.1. GOVERNMENT QUOTA

Sl. No.	Category	% of Reservation for Pondicherry, Karaikal & Yanam Regions	% of Reservation for Mahe Region
VERTICAL RESERVATION			
1.	Unreserved (UR)	50 %	50 %
2.	Other Backward Classes (OBC)	11 %	16 %
3.	Backward Classes Muslims (BCM)	2 %	10%
4.	Most Backward Classes (MBC)	18 %	7 %
5.	Extreme Backward Classes (EBC)	2 %	NIL
6.	Backward Tribes (BT)	0.5 %	0.5 %
7.	Scheduled Caste (SC)	16 %	16 %
8.	Scheduled Tribe (ST)	0.5 %	0.5 %

HORIZONTAL RESERVATION		
1.	Freedom Fighter (FF)	4 %
2.	Person with Disabilities (PwD)	5 %
3.	Ex-Servicemen (ESM)	3 %
4.	Meritorious Sports Persons (MSP)	1 %
5.	Government School Students (GSS 10%)	10%

NOTE:

1. Out of 50% Unreserved seats, 10% EWS seats reservation will be applicable only in such institutions that have met the criteria of increase of seats.
2. Government School Students 10% (GSS 10%) - This is a horizontal reservation applicable for candidates who have studied in Government Schools of Govt. of Puducherry from Standard VI to XII in the Union Territory of Puducherry. Candidate should submit Transfer Certificate as Proof of Study.

9.1.1 REGIONAL QUOTA

a) This is a compartmentalized reservation on regional basis, applicable for admission to courses offered by Government Professional Colleges, for candidates who are residents of Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam regions and shall respectively be 18%, 4% and 3% of seats earmarked to the candidates of U.T. of Puducherry, vide G.O. Ms. No. 99 dated 10.08.2006 of the Chief Secretariat (Education).

b) The candidates claiming admission under specific Regional Allocation of seats for Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam shall satisfy the following conditions:

- Candidates should be ordinarily residents of the respective region for a continuous period of 5 years preceding the date of application.
- Candidates should have studied in the recognized schools located in the respective regions continuously for 3 years immediately preceding the qualifying examination (including the year of the qualifying examination)

c) This certificate should be obtained from the Head of the Institution in which they studied in the prescribed format (**Annexure- 5**), and countersigned by the respective Chief Educational Officers of Karaikal and Mahe Regions, and the Regional Administrator of Yanam Region. They should also enclose a Residence Certificate issued by an Officer of the Department of Revenue and Disaster Management, not below the rank of Deputy Tahsildar of the respective regions, clearly indicating the address of residence.

d) The number of seats reserved for each region including the reservation applicable for each category in the respective region will be published in the seat matrix to be listed in the CENTAC website.

e) Regional Reservation is applicable only for Government Quota Seats in colleges offering Professional Courses in PTU, PKIET, WEC, AGLC, PAJANCOARI, RIVER, IGMCRI-CN, MTPG&RIHS and RGAMC.

PERCENTAGE OF RESERVATION			
U.T. of Puducherry	Karaikal	Mahe	Yanam
75%	18%	4%	3%

9.1.2 UNRESERVED SEATS IN ARTS, SCIENCE AND COMMERCE COURSES

RESERVATION CRITERIA			
1.	UNRESERVED (UR) 50%	10%	To be filled purely on the basis of merit without reference to Residence.
		40%	To be filled purely on the basis of merit from among the Residents of the U.T. of Puducherry.

Note: In Arts and Science Colleges, out of 50% General seats, 10% is filled on merit for which Other State candidates are also eligible. There are no separate Other State quota seats.

9.1.3 RURAL QUOTA

This is a compartmentalized horizontal reservation, applicable only to Arts and Science colleges for candidates from Rural Schools run by the Government of Puducherry. Rural reservation is applicable only for Government Quota Seats for Arts, Science and Commerce courses in BGCW, TGASC, IGCAS, KCW, PKAC, RGASC. Refer to **Annexure 16** for the List of Rural Schools. Refer to **Annexure 6** for the format of the Rural Certificate.

Sl. No.	College Type	Percentage of Reservation	Eligibility Criteria
1.	Colleges in Urban areas - BGCW - TGASC - IGCAS	15%	Applicable to students who have continuous study of 5 years immediately preceding (without attempt) and including the year of qualifying examination in a Rural School.
2.	Colleges in Rural areas - KCW - PKAC - RGASC	75%	

9.2 ALL INDIA / OTHER STATE QUOTA IN GOVERNMENT INSTITUTIONS

Sl. No.	Categories	Percentage of Reservation
VERTICAL RESERVATION		
1.	Unreserved (UR)	50 %
2.	Other Backward Classes (OBC)	27½ %
3.	Scheduled Castes (SC)	15 %
4.	Scheduled Tribes (ST)	7½ %

NOTE:

1. Reservation under All India Category, Other State Quota and Self-supporting Scheme, will be subject to regulations / guidelines prescribed by the respective authority of the college / institution.
2. Residence / Regional / Special allocation once claimed in the application will not be changed under any circumstance.
3. All the claims for the Residence / Regional / Special allocation should be made in the proper format and should be signed by the specified competent authorities.

9.3 CRITERIA FOR RESERVATION**9.3.1 U.T. OF PUDUCHERRY - VERTICAL RESERVATION****1. Unreserved (UR)**

The seats under UNRESERVED (UR) are open to candidates irrespective of their caste or category status. Further, all SC / ST / BT / EBC / MBC / BCM / OBC candidates are also eligible for selection under the Open Merit category in addition to the reservations made to them.

2. Economically Weaker Section (EWS)

Economically Weaker Section is a subcategory of people belonging to the Economy-based Un-Reserved category having an annual family income less than Rs. 8 Lakhs and who do not belong to any category such as SC / ST / OBC across India. Candidates claiming admission under this category should enclose the recent EWS certificate issued by an Officer of the Department of Revenue and Disaster Management, not below the rank of Deputy Tahsildar.

Note: Not applicable for ALL courses. Refer Seat Matrix on the CENTAC website. Refer to **Annexure 4** for the EWS certificate format.

3. Other Backward Classes (OBC), Most Backward Classes (MBC), Extreme Backward Classes (EBC), Backward Classes Muslims (BCM) and Backward Tribes (BT)

Candidates claiming admission under these categories should enclose OBC / MBC / EBC / BCM / BT certificate issued by an Officer of the Department of Revenue and Disaster Management, not below the rank of Deputy Tahsildar.

4. Scheduled Castes (SC)

Candidates claiming admission under this category should belong to a caste which is recognized as Scheduled Caste under “**The Constitution (Pondicherry) Scheduled Castes Order 1964**” dated 05.03.1964, read with “The Constitution (Scheduled Caste) orders (Second Amendment) Act 2002 (Central Act 61 of 2002) and should enclose the required certificate issued by an Officer of the Department of Revenue & Disaster Management, Puducherry, not below the rank of Deputy Tahsildar.

5. Scheduled Tribes (ST)

Candidates claiming admission under this category should belong to a caste which is recognized as

Scheduled Tribe under “**The Constitution (Puducherry) Scheduled Tribes Order, 2016**” dated 22.12.2016 and should enclose the required certificate issued by an Officer of the Department of Revenue & Disaster Management, Puducherry, not below the rank of Deputy Tahsildar.

9.3.2 U.T. OF PUDUCHERRY - HORIZONTAL RESERVATION

1. Government School Students 10% Reservation (GSS 10%)

The 10% Horizontal Reservation on preferential basis of total intake of seats earmarked for Government Quota in Government / Private Self-financing Higher Education Institutions in admission to Undergraduate Non-NEET courses namely Veterinary, Agriculture & Horticulture, Nursing, Biology-based paramedical Degree and Diploma courses, Pharmacy, Engineering, Law, Arts, Science and Commerce from the Academic Year 2025-26 for students who are residents of U.T. of Puducherry and have studied exclusively in Government Schools of the U.T. of Puducherry continuously from Class VI to Class XII and have passed the Higher Secondary Examination (+2) as the qualifying examination. (G.O. Ms. No. 16 Dated 01/08/2025)

2. Freedom Fighter (FF)

Candidates claiming admission under this category should be Children / Grand Children of Freedom Fighters and they should enclose the necessary certificate issued by the Officer-in-charge, Freedom Fighters Cell, Government of Puducherry. Refer **Annexure 7** for the FF certificate format.

3. Wards of Ex-servicemen (ESM)

Those who are registered as Ex-servicemen in the Department of Sainik Welfare (DSW), Government of Puducherry and have got an Ex-servicemen / Widow of Ex-servicemen identity card from the DSW should enclose the necessary certificate issued by the Director, DSW, Puducherry.

Refer **Annexure 8** for the ESM certificate format.

4. Persons with Disabilities (PwD)

Candidates seeking admission under this category will be required to undergo a medical examination by a Medical Board constituted for the purpose by the Director of Health and Family Welfare Services, Puducherry, to ascertain and confirm the nature and extent of physical disability. The disability should be certified by a duly constituted and authorized Medical Board comprising of at least three specialists out of which two should be of the specialty concerned and the candidate has to present him / her-self before the Medical Board.

The last valid disability certificate of the candidate from a Medical Board should not be more than THREE MONTHS old from the date of submitting his / her certificate for disabled candidates. In case, the certificate has been obtained earlier, the application will be rejected. The medical certificate issued by the District Medical Board of the area concerned for this purpose is subject to confirmation by the Director of Health and Family Welfare Services. The decision of the Director of

Health and Family Welfare Services, Puducherry, in this regard will be final. Refer **Annexure 9** for the PwD certificate format.

Further: Candidates seeking admission to UG Non-NEET courses under this category will be required to undergo a second medical examination by a Medical Board constituted for the purpose by the Directorate of Health and Family Welfare Services, Government of Puducherry, to ascertain and confirm the nature and extent of the physical disability. The decision of the Directorate of Health and Family Welfare Services, Government of Puducherry, in this regard, will be final.

a) Eligibility under PwD for B.V.Sc. & A.H. Course

A candidate shall not be allowed for admission to B.V.Sc. & A.H. Degree course if he / she suffers disabilities in physical fitness (as mentioned in the Veterinary Council of India, Regulation 2016) as listed below:

- Disability of total body including disability of chest/spine more than 50%.
- Disability of lower limb of more than 50%.
- Disability of upper limb.
- Visually handicapped candidates and those with hearing disability.
- Candidates with progressive diseases like myopathies, etc.
- Disabilities which otherwise would interfere in the performance of the duties of a veterinarian.

b) Eligibility under PwD for B.Sc. (Nursing) Course

Persons with locomotor disorder of lower limbs between 40% and 50% only are eligible for nursing courses under the Persons with Disabilities Quota, as per the norms prescribed by the Indian Nursing Council.

c) Eligibility under PwD for B.Pharm. / Other Biology-based Degree / Diploma Courses

For eligibility under the Persons with Disability Quota, locomotor disorder of lower limbs should be between 40% to 80%. For more details candidates are requested to refer to the Board of Governors in Supersession of Medical Council of India Amendment Notification No. MCI-34(41)/ 2018-Med./170045, dt. 04-02-2019.

NOTE: Candidates with any other DISABILITY other than the locomotor disability of the lower limb will not be considered for admission into B.Sc. (Nursing) / B.M.L.S. / M.R.I.T. / M.I.T. / D.T. / C.T. / P.A. / B.Pharm courses under this special category. Such applications will be summarily rejected without any intimation to the candidates.

d) Eligibility under PwD for B.P.T.

1. Lower Limb: 40 – 50% disability
2. Spine: 40 – 50% disability
3. Limbs and / Spine: 40 – 50% disability

e) Eligibility under PwD for Other Courses

For residents of the U.T. of Puducherry suffering from not less than 40% of any disability as certified by the competent Medical Authority.

5. Meritorious Sports Person Category (MSP)

a) The highest achievement of the candidates in only one annual tournament under the listed sports disciplines in a year will be considered for awarding marks. The List of Sports Disciplines Eligible for Sports Quota is given **Annexure 14**.

b) Selection of candidates will be based on the marks obtained by the candidates following the guidelines given in the Government of Puducherry vide G.O. Ms.53 dated 24th May 2012 and G.O. Ms. No. 6 dated 14th March 2018 of the Chief Secretariat (Higher & Technical Education), Puducherry.

Priority	Type of Achievement
1	International Achievement
2	Recognized National Achievement
3	Recognized South Zone Achievement
4	Recognized State Level Achievement
5	Recognized State Championships
6	District / Regional / Zonal Level Achievements

c) Participation / Achievements in sports / games, immediately preceding **five** years to the year for which admission is sought will be taken into account. National / State Level Championships/ Tournaments conducted by Organizations / Federations recognized by the Indian Olympic Association / Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, New Delhi, alone will be considered for award of marks (Recognition by the Indian Olympic Association / Ministry of Youth and Sports, New Delhi, should be relevant to the years concerned). Open / Invitational Tournaments of any kind will not be considered.

d) For Tennis Achievements of Top 3 players by his / her position in the ranking list published by AITA based on the ranking rules and the final rankings of the previous 4 years will be awarded marks for achievements and participation (Necessary forms from Associations are to be enclosed).

e) For Cricket, the Annual Official Championship / Tournaments conducted within the country under the auspices of the BCCI at the District / State National Level alone will be taken into consideration for that year.

f) The participation / achievements of candidates with nativity in the U.T. of Puducherry and who represented the U. T. of Puducherry alone are eligible for marks under the National Category. U.T. of Puducherry candidates are eligible to apply for admission under the Sports Quota and candidates

of KVS / NVS / CBSE Schools within Puducherry are also eligible for marks.

g) All the achievement certificates are to be supported necessarily by the relevant participation certificates and appropriate forms /certificates. The relevant attested copies of the certificates issued by the appropriate authorities as detailed in the G.O Ms.53 dt.24.05.2012 are to be submitted along with the application.

h) No further enclosures of certificates will be entertained after the last date for submission of completed application.

i) A candidate can utilize the sports quota only once for these admissions.

j) A committee will be constituted to scrutinize the applications received under this category and will rank the candidates based on the marks assigned to the certificate enclosed along with the application, and the sports merit list will be published on the CENTAC website.

10. RESERVATION ALGORITHM

10.1 MODE OF RESERVATION

The Mode of Reservation while allotting the seats will be as follows:

- All the candidates should be Indian Nationals and Residents of Puducherry.
- Vertical Reservation on Regional basis will be made in the first instance (UR, EWS, OBC, MBC, EBC, BCM, SC, ST, BT) as per the Seat Matrix.
- Horizontal Reservation (GSS10% / FF/ ESM / PwD / MSP / Rural) will be done if adequate seats in horizontal reservation is not filled after fixing vertical and regional reservation, i.e., if the requisite seats are not filled while doing vertical reservation, the last candidates in the respective categories will be replaced as per merit.

An Example of the Method Used for Filling Horizontal Reservation:

If 5 seats need to be filled under the Persons with Disabilities (PwD) quota, and if 4 PwD candidates are already accommodated in the Vertical Reservation as per merit, then only 1 PwD candidate will be accommodated into the list by replacing the last candidate as per reservation. If the 5th PwD candidate belongs to the BCM category, then the last candidate in the BCM category will be replaced by this candidate.

10.2. De-RESERVATION OF SEATS

The seats will be de-reserved as per the Seats Conversion Algorithm in **Annexure-15**. In case any seat in any RESERVED category remains vacant, the same will be converted into UNRESERVED category and offered for counselling during the Mop up Round only.

SECTION – III: FILLING UP OF APPLICATION

11. STEPS FOR FILLING UP THE APPLICATION

Candidates seeking admission to UG courses must apply **online only** through www.centacpuducherry.in. They should read all UG Non-NEET Counselling 2026–2027 instructions before applying.

Application Process:

Step 1: New Registration

Enter valid mobile number and email ID

Create password (maximum 6 characters)

Note: No changes allowed after registration

Step 2: Login

Login using registered email ID and password

Enter OTP sent to your mobile for dashboard access

Note: OTP will be sent to the registered mobile number each time the candidate logs into the dashboard.

Step 3: Fill Application Form

Enter all required details carefully

Upload necessary documents

Step 4: Review & Edit

Use “Back” option to correct details if needed

Ensure all information is accurate before proceeding

Step 5: Payment & Submission

Click on “Make Payment”

Complete payment to submit the application

Step 6: Submission of Course Preference for Round 1

After Payment, candidate’s dashboard will be open.

Select and Submit College and Course Preferences

View and download application form.

Important Note: CENTAC will not be responsible for errors due to incorrect information provided by the candidate

12. DOCUMENTS TO BE UPLOADED

The candidate shall upload scanned copies of recently renewed self-attested documents obtained from the respective competent authorities (wherever necessary). Original certificates must be produced only at the time of admission in the respective colleges.

12.1 DOCUMENTS FOR ALL CANDIDATES

S. No	Type of Document	Size	Requirements
1	Passport size photograph of the applicant	20 to 50 KB	-
2	Scanned signature of the applicant	20 to 50 KB	-
3	Birth Certificate / 10 th Std marksheet / Higher Secondary marksheet (For verification of date of birth)	100 to 500 KB	-
4	10 th Standard Marksheet	100 to 500 KB	-
5	12 th Standard Marksheet*	100 to 500 KB	-
6	NEET / JEE / NATA Score Card	100 to 500 KB	Year: 2026
7	Transfer Certificate from the school last studied	100 to 500 KB	-

***NOTE:**

1. Refer **Annexure 17** for List of Approved 12th Class Boards.
2. Equivalent Certificate from the University Grants Commission (UGC), for students who have obtained qualifications from accredited Foreign Boards / Universities
3. Equivalent Certificate to be obtained from Pondicherry University for candidates who have studied in the Lycée Français, Puducherry.

12.2 DOCUMENTS FOR U.T. OF PUDUCHERRY CANDIDATES

S. No.	Document	Size	Requirements
1	Income Certificate	100 to 500 KB	Certificates that should be obtained on or after 1st April 2026.
2	Residence / Community: Annexure 1, Annexure 2 and Annexure 3	100 to 500 KB	Certificates that should be obtained on or after 1st January 2026.
3	Regional Claim, if applicable: Annexure 5	100 to 500 KB	
4	Rural Claim, if applicable: Annexure 6	100 to 500 KB	
5	Freedom Fighter / Ex-Serviceman / Person with Disabilities, if applicable: Annexure 7/Annexure 8 /Annexure 9	100 to 500 KB	

6	Sports Certificates, if applicable	100 to 500 KB	• To be submitted as hard copy at designated centres in the respective regions. • Information in this regard will be published in the CENTAC website
7	EWS certificate, if applicable: Annexure 4	100 to 500 KB	Certificates that should be obtained on or after 1st April 2026.
8	Ward of Farmer certificates, if applicable: Annexure 10	100 to 500 KB	
9	Government School Students, if applicable	100 to 500 KB	Transfer Certificate from the School Last studied

12.3 DOCUMENTS FOR OTHER STATE CANDIDATES

- All India Community Certificate, if applicable (100 to 500 KB).

12.4 DOCUMENTS FOR NRI / NRI SPONSORED / OCI / OCI SPONSORED / FN CANDIDATES

Important:

1. Certificate must be obtained within six months prior to the date of application and must be valid upto the last date of submission of Application
2. The documents submitted by the candidates are subject to verification through the Ministry of External Affairs and if found to be false, criminal action will be initiated irrespective of whether they been allotted a seat or not. With respect to candidates who have obtained seats based on false documents, the seat will be cancelled besides initiating criminal action.

S. No.	Type	Document	Requirements
1.	Non-Resident Indian (NRI) (Candidate / Parent)	Valid Indian Passport of the Candidate / Parent	Valid at the time of Verification
		Embassy Certificate of the Parent / Student, issued by the Indian Embassy of the concerned country on official letterhead with seal (Annexure 11).	Certificate must be obtained within six months prior to the date of application and must be valid upto the last date of submission of Application.
2.	NRI Sponsor (Financial Supporter)	Valid Indian Passport of the NRI Sponsor	Valid at the time of Verification
		Embassy Certificate of the NRI Sponsor, issued by the Indian Embassy of the concerned country on official letterhead with seal (Annexure 11)	Certificate must be obtained within six months prior to the date of application and must be valid upto the last date of submission of Application
		Sponsor Relationship Certificate from the Parent of the candidate who is related to the NRI Sponsor duly attested by Notary Public / Tahsildar (Annexure 12)	Obtained on or after 1st January 2026

		Sponsor Relationship Tree Certificate to be submitted by the Parent of the candidate who is related to the NRI Sponsor duly attested by Notary Public / Tahsildar (Annexure 13)	Obtained on or after 1st January 2026
3.	Overseas Citizen of India (OCI)	OCI card of the candidate	-
		Passport of the candidate	Valid at the time of Verification
	OCI Sponsor (Financial Supporter)	OCI card of the Parent / Sponsor	-
		Passport of the Parent / Sponsor	Valid at the time of Verification
		FOR OCI SPONSOR ONLY - Sponsor Relationship Certificate to be submitted by the Parent of the candidate who is related to the OCI Sponsor duly attested by Notary Public / Tahsildar (Annexure 12)	Obtained on or after 1st January 2026
		FOR OCI SPONSOR ONLY - Sponsor Relationship Tree Certificate to be submitted by the Parent of the candidate who is related to the OCI Sponsor duly attested by Notary Public / Tahsildar (Annexure 13)	Obtained on or after 1st January 2026
4.	Foreign National (FN)	Passport / VISA / Green Card / Citizenship Card of the candidate	Valid at the time of Verification

13. SUBMISSION OF COURSE PREFERENCES

After payment of the application fee, candidates can enter their course preferences online. The list of colleges and courses are provided in the following parts of the brochure:

Part II: Engineering / B.Arch.

Part III: Biology-Based Degree and Diploma Courses

Part IV: Law and Vocational Courses

Part V: Arts, Science and Commerce

Part VI: Performing and Fine Arts

STEPS TO FILL COURSE PREFERENCES

1. Select Course Groups (multiple selections allowed), such as:

- Arts, Science & Commerce
- Engineering (B.Tech.)
- Engineering (Food Technology)
- Veterinary (B.V.Sc. & A.H.) and Biology-based Degree Courses
- Biology-based Degree Courses in Health Sciences (B.Pharm)
- B.Sc. (Hons.) – Agriculture & Horticulture
- Law
- Biology-based Diploma
- B.Voc.

2. Select Colleges under each chosen course group.

3. Select Courses offered by the selected colleges.

4. Arrange Preferences

- Arrange selected courses in descending order of priority (highest preference first).
- Candidates are advised to choose as many eligible courses as possible.
- If choices are not provided, it will be considered that the candidate is not interested in those courses/colleges.
- Seat allotment will be based on the order of preferences submitted.

5. Submit Preferences before the specified deadline.

Mandatory Requirement

- No seat will be allotted without submission of course preferences for each round.
- Submission of preferences is mandatory to participate in the counselling process.
- Preferences cannot be edited after the deadline for each round.
- Once submitted, course preferences are final.

Seat Allotment

- Allotment will be based on course preferences, availability of seats, merit, and reservation norms.
- Candidates are advised to refer to the seat matrix for details of courses, seat availability, and reservation categories.

Subsequent Counselling Rounds

- Candidates willing to participate in further rounds must submit fresh course preferences for each round.
- Preferences submitted in previous rounds will be considered null and void.

14. VERIFICATION STATUS OF APPLICATIONS

14.1 Verification of Academic Claims

The academic credentials of the candidate will be verified for accuracy, including the candidate's name, date of birth, HSC registration/roll number (as applicable), and marks entered.

If a candidate fails to submit the required academic credentials, his/her name will not be included in the Merit List. Remarks regarding any deficiencies in the academic verification status will be made available in the candidate's dashboard.

Candidates will be given sufficient time to upload the correct documents after the publication of the **Draft Merit List** and **Revised Draft Merit List** to rectify any deficiencies. If the candidate fails to submit the required documents even after the Revised Merit List, he/she will not be included in the **Final Merit List**. If any updated document is submitted, it will be considered only for the subsequent rounds.

14.2 Verification of Residence / Community / Special Category Claims

All certificates submitted in support of Residence, Community, and Special Category claims must be obtained **on or after 1st January 2026**. Certificates related to **Ward of Farmer / Economically Weaker Section (EWS)** must be obtained **on or after 1st April 2026**.

The submitted certificates will be verified, and the claim verification status will be updated in the candidate's dashboard along with remarks, if any, indicating the requirement for submission or re-submission of documents to rectify deficiencies.

If the certificates are found to be correct in all respects, the claim verification status will be displayed as **“SUCCESS”** in the dashboard. If any deficiencies are identified with respect to certificates furnished by a candidate, the status will be marked as **“FAILED”** in the candidate's dashboard.

Candidates will be given sufficient time to upload revised certificates after the publication of the **Draft Merit List** and **Revised Draft Merit List** to address any deficiencies. If the candidate fails to submit the required documents even after the Revised Merit List, the Verification Status will remain **“FAILED.”** However, such candidates will be provisionally included in the Final Merit List.

14.3 Eligibility to Participate in Round 1 Counselling:

All candidates included in the **Final Merit List** will be eligible for seat allotment in Round 1 based on the course preferences submitted.

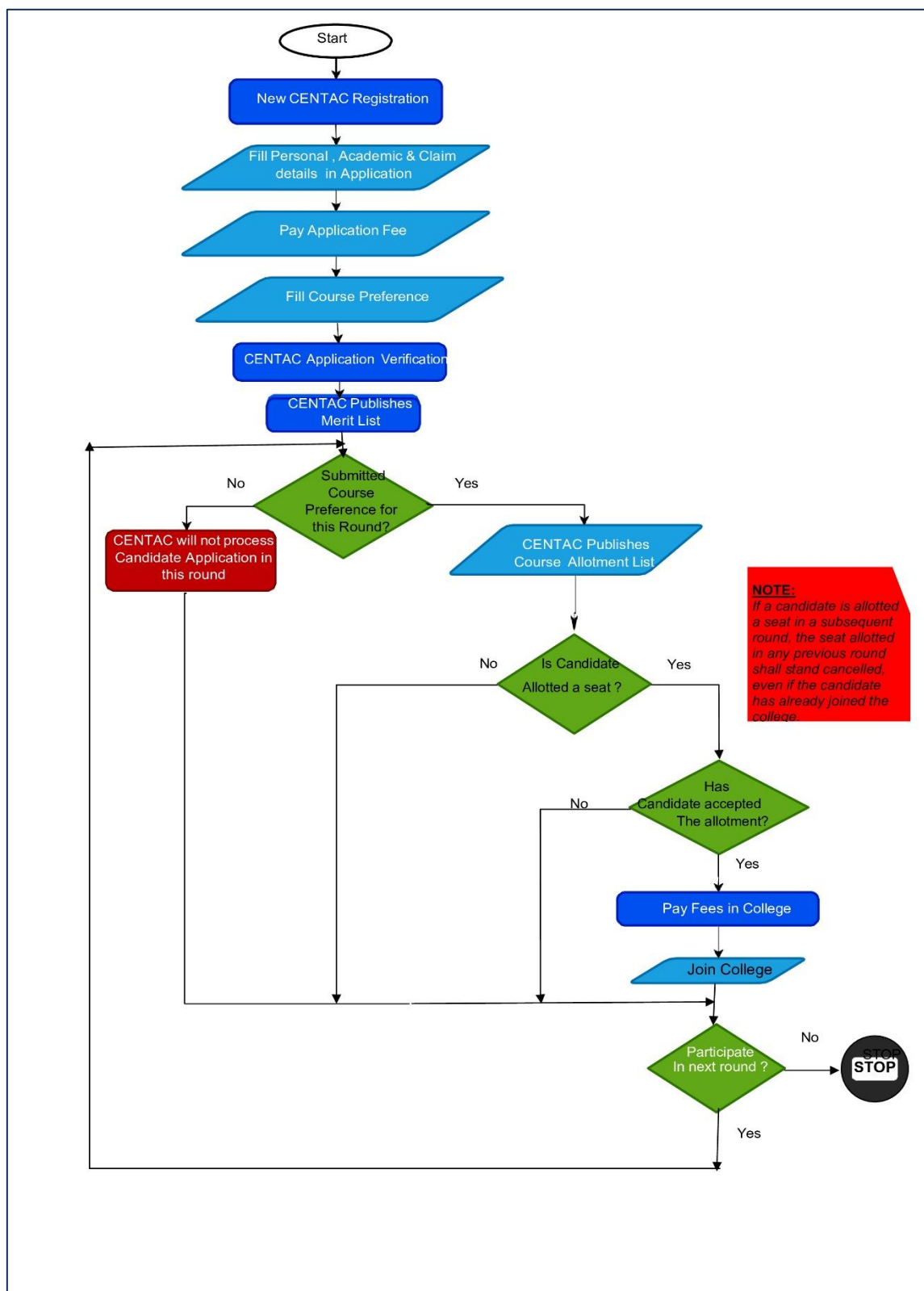
However, candidates included in the Final Merit List, whose Claim Verification Status is **FAILED** due to non-submission of required certificates will not be able to download the Allotment Order from their dashboard. Such candidates must upload the required certificates through their dashboard, after which the verification status will be updated to **“SUCCESS”**. The Provisional Allotment Order will then be enabled and accessible to the candidate for download.

If a candidate fails to submit the required certificates on or before the last date prescribed for Round 1 admissions, his/her allotment will be **cancelled** for that round.

14.4 Eligibility to Participate in Subsequent Rounds of counselling:

Candidates whose verification status is shown as **“FAILED”** may submit renewed certificates before each round of counselling. Upon successful verification, the status will be updated to **“SUCCESS”**, and such candidates will become eligible for seat allotment in the subsequent rounds. Candidates who fail to submit the required certificates will continue to be governed by the provisions outlined in **Clause 14.3**.

SECTION – IV: COUNSELLING PROCESS



15. MERIT LIST

a) The criteria for preparing the Merit List will vary course-wise. The Merit List will be prepared based on the marks obtained in the HSC or its equivalent qualifying examination or the marks scored in NEET, JEE, NATA examinations, whichever is applicable. In case of NEET / JEE / NATA, the cut-off marks fixed by the concerned authorities will be considered. Refer “**Procedure for Merit List calculation**” in Part II, Part III, Part IV, Part V and Part VI of the UG Non-NEET Information Brochure.

The following Merit Lists will be published for allotment to various courses:

1. Arts, Science and Commerce
2. Law
3. Agriculture and Horticulture
4. Biology Based Degree Courses
5. Biology Based Degree Courses (NURSING)
 - Based on PNET (Puducherry Nursing Entrance Test-2026) Score
 - Based on UG NEET -2026 Score
6. B Pharm
7. B.Tech. - Based on JEE (Main) - 2026 Score
8. B.Tech. - Based on H.Sc. Marks
 - Other State B.Tech. merit list based on H.Sc. Marks will be operated after exhausting JEE based merit list
9. B.Tech. (Food Technology)
10. B.Vocational (B.Voc)
11. D.A.N.M.
12. Biology Based Diploma Courses

Candidates should refer to the CENTAC website www.centacpuducherry.in for the merit lists of all the courses.

b) On verification of the candidate's credentials, the First List which is the **Draft Merit List** will be published. This will be followed by a Second List which is the **Revised Draft Merit List** and then the Last and Final List which is the **Final Merit List**. Adequate time will be given to raise objections and submit documents, if any, between each publication of Merit Lists. Claim exercised with regard to Residence / Community / Special Category are subject to verification of the submitted documents.

c) Candidates will be allowed to submit Renewed Certificates before each round of counselling i.e., Before Round 2, Round 3 and Mop-up Round.

d) Fresh Eligible List will be drawn for each round based on the eligibility and course preferences submitted by the candidate.

16. NUMBER OF ROUNDS OF ONLINE COUNSELLING

A. Number of Rounds

There will be **Four Rounds** of online counselling:

- Round 1
- Round 2
- Round 3
- Mop-up Round

Additional Mop-up Rounds may be conducted based on seat availability.

B. Counselling Process (Each Round)

- Publication of **Seat Matrix / Vacancy**
- Submission of **Fresh Course Preferences** (previous preferences become void)
- Submission of **renewed certificates** (before Round 2, 3, Mop-up)
- Publication of **Eligible List**
- Publication of **Allotment List**
- Downloading of **Allotment Order**
- **Physical reporting** to allotted college for admission

C. Counselling Guidelines and Rules

- Counselling schedule will be available on the CENTAC website.
- Allotment is based on **merit and reservation** through online counselling.
- Only **one seat per candidate per round** will be allotted.
- Sliding will be allowed from Round 2 onwards
- Course preferences must be submitted **separately for each round**
- If a candidate opts for sliding and is allotted a new seat, the previously admitted seat will be automatically cancelled. Under no circumstances will he / she be permitted to retain the earlier admitted seat of the previous round.
- If a candidate fails to join the allotted seat (Fresh / Transfer) within the stipulated time, the seat will be automatically cancelled.
- Mutual transfer / Individual request for transfer of college will NOT be permitted under any circumstances.
- Provisionally selected candidates can download the **Allotment Order** and proceed for admission.
- **Fresh applications** may be invited after the Mop-up Round, if required, based on the vacancies
- **De-reservation of seats** will be done only in the Mop-up Round.

NOTE: Candidates are advised to refer to the NOTICES / PRESS RELEASES before each round for the availability of seats and rules for participation in each round of counselling

D. Candidate Options After Allotment

Case 1: Allotted → Joins the course

Case 2: Allotted → Does not join

Case 3: Not allotted

Candidates in **all cases** can opt for **re-allotment in subsequent rounds** by submitting willingness and course preference.

17. PROVISIONAL ALLOTMENT

a) Once allotment is done, the Provisional Allotment list will be published on the CENTAC website. However, allotments of seats are provisional. The CENTAC reserves the right to withdraw any allotment made at any point of time which does not fulfill the eligibility criteria / regulations fixed by the competent authority from time to time. Eligibility / admissions / allotments made to and by the colleges shall be subject to the approval of the regulatory bodies like MCI / DCI / AICTE / Pondicherry University / Apex Bodies, etc.

b) The CENTAC and the Government of Puducherry reserve the right to make any verification as deemed essential at any point of time into the originality and authenticity of any of the certificates produced by any candidate to fulfill and stake his / her claim to any of the qualifying and eligibility criteria. If, on such verification, it is found that the candidate has produced fake, fraudulent certificates or has obtained certificates by suppressing facts, he / she will be liable for criminal prosecution, immediate loss of allotted seat without any notice whatsoever, forfeiture of fees paid and levy of penalty as prescribed by the competent authority and will be liable to be debarred from all exams / counselling in future; the authorities may also recommend blacklisting of the candidate to the AICTE/ Pondicherry University / Apex Bodies.

18. JOINING THE COLLEGE

a) After provisional allotment, candidates must download the **Provisional Allotment Order** and report to the allotted college within the specified time. Failure to report within the stipulated time will result in **automatic cancellation** of the allotment. This procedure applies to **all rounds of counselling**.

b) At the time of admission, candidates must submit:

- Printed copy of the **Application Form**
- **Provisional Allotment Order**

- **Original certificates** along with self-attested photocopies
- Prescribed **admission fee**

c) If, at any stage, it is found by CENTAC/college/authorities that admission was obtained by not fulfilling eligibility criteria, or by providing false/incorrect information or suppressing facts (including qualifications or quota), the allotment/admission will be **cancelled without notice**, irrespective of the stage of study. Fees paid will **not be refunded**, and legal action may be initiated.

d) Original documents (except the **Transfer Certificate**) will be returned only after approval/recognition by the respective affiliating bodies. Candidates are advised to keep **sufficient photocopies** of all documents before submission.

19. SAVING CLAUSE

CENTAC reserves the right to issue additional guidelines, or modify or delete the guidelines already issued as may be necessary from time to time as per the instructions / guidelines received from the competent authorities.

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