PGCET-2026 - Admission to 1st Year / 1st Semester MBA, MCA, M.E., M. Tech., M. Arch Courses.

1. Online application is invited from the eligible interested Karnataka and non-Karnataka candidates for admission to 1st year / 1st semester full time / part time MBA, MCA, M.E. / M. Tech. / M. Arch courses in the institutions affiliated Universities which will be notified by the Government of Karnataka for the year 2026-27.

2. Interested candidates have to appear for PGCET-2026 conducted by Karnataka Examinations Authority to become eligible for admission to **MBA, MCA, M.E. / M. Tech** courses as per 2005 and 2011 PGCET rules and its amendments.
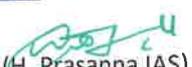
   # M.E. / M.Tech examination will be conducted only for **Civil Engineering, Computer Science Engineering, Mechanical Sciences, and Electrical Sciences subjects.**

The Post Graduate Common Entrance Test-2026 Time Table is as follows:

Date	Timings	Admission to 1st Year / 1st Semester	Number of questions	Total Marks	Method of exam
23-05-2026 SATURDAY	2.30 pm to 4.30 pm	# M.E. / M. Tech *	100	100	PGCET will be conducted through OMR. Question paper will be of Objective Multiple Choice type.
24-05-2026 SUNDAY	10.30 am to 12.30 pm	MCA	100	100	
	2.30 pm to 4.30 pm	MBA	100	100	

(*Non-programmable calculators are allowed for M.E. / M.Tech. examination only)

3. SYLLABUS: PGCET-2026 syllabus is hosted on the KEA Website for the information of the candidates.

4. In accordance with the Government letter No. ED 161 TEC 2025 dated 27-06-2025, PGCET entrance examination will NOT be conducted for Bio-Technology, Chemical Engineering, Environmental Engineering, Polymer Science, and Textile Technology subjects, further for admission to these subjects based on the marks obtained in the respective Degree Examination; further,

5. For admission to M. Architecture courses, candidates should qualify in PGETA-2026 conducted by Council of Architecture, New Delhi and;

6. it is mandatory for the candidates to register online for Karnataka PGCET-2026, submit an online application and pay the application fee.

7. GATE qualified candidates in Engineering and Technology discipline are only eligible to take admission to Various M.Tech Programmes under VTU, Belgaum. The candidates with valid GATE score should compulsorily enter application online to become eligible for admission to M.E. / M. Tech / M. Arch courses, **but they need not appear for PGCET-2026.**

8. Candidates who do not fulfil any of the eligibility clauses specified in the **PGCET-2026 e-Information Bulletin** will be considered **non-Karnataka candidates (clause-n).** Such candidates will be eligible for admission to **MBA/MCA programs only against the seats, if any, that are surrendered by the management during the admission process.** Please note that SC/ST/OBC eligibility criteria are applicable to Karnataka SC/ST/OBC candidates only.

9. Before registering through online for admission to PG courses, applicants have to compulsorily read Information Bulletin, detailed notification and understand the eligibility conditions, educational qualification, classification of seats and eligibility to claim such seats hosted on the KEA Website.

10. For admission to MBA / MCA / M.E. / M.Tech / M. Architecture courses through KEA for the year 2026, interested and eligible candidates have to register and apply online, from 11.00 am onwards on 23-03-2026 up to 11.59 pm on 08-04-2026. Fee has to be paid on or before 10-04-2026.

11. *All the admissions and undergraduate Degrees to claim eligibility for admission to any of the PG courses are subject to approval of the Government / VTU / other respective University.*

12. Candidates are advised to visit KEA Website https://cetonline.karnataka.gov.in/kea/ for more details notification regarding admission rules, eligibility clauses and various schedules.

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