



**COTTON UNIVERSITY**  
Office of the Academic Registrar  
Panbazar, Guwahati 781001, Assam

No: CU/Acad/PG Admissions/2025/239/ 421

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**General Information and Instructions for Admissions into DBT-Supported  
M.Sc. in Molecular Biology and Biotechnology (MBBT) Program- 2025-26  
at Cotton University, Guwahati, Assam**

This is for information of all concerned that admission into M.Sc. in Molecular Biology and Biotechnology in the Department of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology (MBBT), Cotton University for the 2025-26 session will be based on valid Graduate Aptitude Test – Biotechnology (GAT-B) 2025 score.

Admission Timeline	Date
Admission process begins (Online Registration)	10-19 June, 2025
Online Admission (Provisional)	27 <sup>th</sup> June, 2025

**Eligibility Criteria for Admission:**

A Bachelor's Degree with Major/Honours in Zoology, Botany, Biotechnology, Microbiology, or similar discipline from a recognized University, along with a valid GAT-B 2025 Score. Detailed information regarding GAT-B 2025 admissions is hosted on the websites dbt/[www.exams.nta.ac.in/](http://www.exams.nta.ac.in/) (from the DBT notification)

**Seat Matrix:**

Total Intake	UR	OBC-NCL (27%)	SC (15%)	ST (7.5%)	EWS (10%)	DA /PwD
10	4	3	1	1	1	5% across all categories



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- The candidates are required to check the eligibility criteria before applying for admission to the DBT (GOI)-supported Molecular Biology and Biotechnology Program- 2025 at Cotton University, Assam.
- The candidates **must have qualified** the GAT-B 2025 exam conducted by Regional Centre for Biotechnology (RCB).
- The candidates must ensure to have the necessary supporting documents mentioned below at Annexure C, before initiating the application:

**(Annexure A to C)**

- Please ensure that all supporting documents are in PDF/JPEG format (except for the photograph) and are less than 2MB each in size.
- A merit list based on GAT-B rank/score will be prepared after the application deadline (see admission schedule).
- Admission to M.Sc. in the MBBT program will be done solely based on the valid GAT-B-2025 score/rank [conducted by the Regional Centre for Biotechnology (RCB), Govt of India] of the candidate.
- The candidates have to apply for admission through the online portal that can be accessed from the University website (<https://admissions.cottonuniversity.ac.in/>). **There is no provision for an offline application/registration to the program and admissions will be done online as well.**
- The candidates are advised to regularly visit the University website (<https://cottonuniversity.ac.in>) for any new information/announcements.
- To apply, the online link will be provided on the following webpage:

**<https://admissions.cottonuniversity.ac.in>**

Shortlisted candidates are required to accept the admission offer by depositing the **prescribed fee of INR 17,800.00** (Indian Rupees seventeen thousand and eight hundred only) to the University on the specified date of admission, at Cotton University, Guwahati, Assam. Admission will be offered after physical verification of the documents. An online payment link will be intimated in due course of time.

**In case a candidate either refuses the offer or does not pay the prescribed fee on the date of admission, the offer will be withdrawn; the seat will be treated as vacant and will be offered to the next candidate as per the University admission and reservation policy.**



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**Merit List Preparation:**

The Merit List for selection of admission will be prepared based on the GAT-B rank/score of the year 2025. In case of more than one candidate with identical GAT-B score, the following criteria will be used to resolve and determine inter-se-merit of candidates, in the stated order.

- i. In the highly unlikely event of candidates having the same GAT-B rank/score the candidate with higher CGPA/ percentage in the last qualifying examination will be given preference
- ii. In the unlikely event of candidates having the same GAT-B rank/score, and CGPA /percentage, the candidate with the earlier Date of Birth will be given preference.

**Gap in Study**

Students passing the qualifying examination or other degree/diploma examination (under recognized institution) earlier than the current year will have to submit a self-declaration testifying his/her activities during the interim period.

**Information regarding clarification on various points (Documents, Certificates, Affidavit, Undertaking etc.)**

- a) The latest EWS / OBC-NCL certificate (issued on or after **1<sup>st</sup> April 2025**) is required to be uploaded for online document verification.
- b) Candidates unable to obtain the latest EWS / OBC-NCL certificate can upload the last issued EWS/OBC-NCL certificate along with an affidavit during the application process (Refer to **Annexure A** for Affidavit regarding EWS, **Annexure B** for Affidavit regarding OBC-NCL) on the portal.
- c) The list of documents to be produced by the candidates at the time of admission to the M.Sc in MBBT programme, Cotton University, Guwahati, Assam are detailed in **Annexure C**.



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**Annexure A**

**AFFIDAVIT OF EWS CATEGORY FOR SEEKING ADMISSION IN COTTON UNIVERSITY**

(To be given on notarized Non-Judicial Stamp Paper of minimum Rs. 10/-)

I, ..... GAT-B Application Sequence No .....), son/daughter of Shri/Smt ..... resident of village / town / city ..... district ..... of State / UT..... do hereby declare on oath as under:

1. That I have applied for admission into ..... (Name of the Programme) at Cotton University, Guwahati, Assam. I fulfil the eligibility conditions for admission to the programme in EWS category.
2. I have not been able to get the latest EWS certificate issued by the Competent Authority.
3. That I belong to Economically Weaker Section, (as per the CRITERIA OF INCOME & ASSETS issued by Department of Personnel and Training Office Memorandum, Govt. of India (for Reservation for Economically Weaker Sections (EWSs) time to time.
4. That I belong to the caste which is not recognized as a Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and Other Backward Classes (Central List).
5. That I undertake to submit the EWS certificate issued by the Competent Authority within 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2025.
6. I am aware of the fact that non-submission of the EWS certificate shall lead to cancellation of my admission, and I will not be entitled for refund of fee paid to the University.

Deponent

Verification

I, the above named Deponent, do hereby verify on oath that the contents of this affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and nothing has been concealed therein and no part of it is false.

Deponent



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**Annexure B**

**AFFIDAVIT OF OBC-NCL CATEGORY FOR SEEKING ADMISSION IN COTTON UNIVERSITY**

(To be given on notarized Non-Judicial Stamp Paper of minimum Rs. 10/-)

I, ..... (GAT-B Application Sequence No. ....), son / daughter of Shri/Smt ....., resident of village / town / city ..... district..... of State / UT ..... do hereby declare on oath as under:

1. That I have applied for admission into ..... (Name of the Programme) at Cotton University, Guwahati, Assam. I fulfil the eligibility conditions for admission to the programme in OBC-NCL category.
2. I have not been able to get the OBC-NCL certificate issued by the Competent Authority.
3. That I belong to the community which is recognized as a backward class by the Government of India as per orders contained in Department of Personnel and Training Office Memorandum No.36012/22/93- Estt. (SCT), dated 8/9/1993.
4. That it is also declared that I do not belong to persons/sections (Creamy Layer) mentioned in Column 3 of the Schedule to the above referred Office Memorandum, dated 8/9/1993, which is modified vide Department of Personnel and Training Office Memorandum time to time.
7. That I undertake to submit the OBC-NCL certificate issued by the Competent Authority within 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025.
5. I am aware of the fact that non-submission of the OBC-NCL certificate shall lead to cancellation of my admission, and I will not be entitled for refund of fee paid to the University.

Deponent

Verification

I, the above named Deponent, do hereby verify on oath that the contents of this affidavit are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and nothing has been concealed therein and no part of it is false.

Deponent

### **Annexure C**

**Original and self-attested copies of the following documents are to be produced by the candidates at the time Admission to the DBT -supported M.Sc. in Molecular Biology and Biotechnology programme 2025-26, Cotton University, Guwahati, Assam**

1. Two copies of recent passport size photographs.
2. Secondary School (Class 10th) Marks Sheet
3. Senior Secondary School (Class 12th) Marks Sheet
4. Graduation Mark sheet (as Applicable)
5. Graduation Degree Certificate/ Course Completion Certificate (as Applicable)
6. Valid Certificate of Date of Birth (DOB)
7. Certificate of Conduct from Head of Institution/Character Certificate
8. Migration Certificate/Transfer Certificate
9. Caste Certificate (SC/ST/OBC-NCL), EWS Certificate (if Applicable)
10. PWD Certificate (if Applicable)
11. Valid GAT-B-2025 score card
12. Conversion formula/certificate from CGPA to percentage or vice versa (if Applicable)
13. Gap Certificate (if applicable)

## **FEE STRUCTURE FOR M. SC. in MBBT PROGRAMME 2025-26**

<b>Semester</b>	<b>Fee Structure</b>
Semester-I	<b>₹ 17,800/-</b> (₹ 10800-Annual Admission Fee + ₹ 7000 Additional Laboratory Fee)
Semester-II	<b>₹ 7,000/-</b> (Additional Laboratory Fee)
Semester-III	<b>₹ 13,750/-</b> (₹ 6750- Renewal fee + ₹ 7000/- Additional Laboratory Fee)
Semester-IV	<b>₹ 7,000/-</b> (Additional Laboratory Fee)
<b>Total Course Fee</b>	<b>₹ 45,550.00/-</b>

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This Notification has been issued with approval of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Cotton University, dated 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2025.

  
Academic Registrar

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1. PS to VC.
2. PS to Registrar.
3. All Heads of Departments.
4. Controller of Examination.
5. Director of Students' Welfare.
6. Librarian.
7. Chairperson- P.G Admission Committee-2025.
8. Convener- P.G. Admission Committee-2025.
9. Finance Officer.
10. CSM, with a request to upload this Notice in University Website.
11. Office File.

  
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