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Four-Year Undergraduate Programmes (FYUGP)
BA(Honours) / BSc (Honours) / BCA (Honours) based on NEP 2020

The implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 at Cotton University marks a significant milestone in fostering a more holistic and forward-thinking approach to education. NEP 2020's emphasis on creativity, critical thinking, and multidisciplinary knowledge resonates perfectly with the values cherished at Cotton University.

Implementing NEP 2020 presents an opportunity to not only enhance academic proficiency but also to instil social responsibility and cultural awareness in students. By promoting experiential learning, research, and innovation, the institution can better prepare students to tackle the challenges of the 21st century with confidence and competence.

The deeper connection between classroom learning and real-world applications encouraged by NEP 2020 will undoubtedly enrich the educational experience at Cotton University. It's exciting to anticipate the positive impact this implementation will have on both the institution and the lives of its students.

By seizing this opportunity to redefine education, Cotton University can inspire the minds that will contribute to shaping the nation's future positively. Indeed, it's a journey worth undertaking, and the optimism of our students and dedication of our faculty members are indispensable to its success!

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COTTON UNIVERSITY - A PROFILE

Guwahati, Assam, India is the home to Cotton University, a Public State University originally known as Cotton College. The institute was established in 1901 by Sir Henry John Stedman Cotton, the Chief Commissioner of the erstwhile British Province of Assam. It became a constituent college of Gauhati University in 1948. The college had been the centre of freedom movement as well as numerous literary and cultural engagements of the state that cemented Assam's status as an integral component of India. In 2011, the Cotton College State University was established vide an Act of the Government of Assam, with the college as a constituent unit. Cotton University came into existence in 2017 via The Cotton University Act, 2017 that enabled the unification of Cotton College State University and Cotton College. The institution is a premier institute of higher learning in Assam. By appearing in 150–200 range of the National Institutional Ranking Framework Rank List in May 2020, the University advanced to become one of the top 200 universities in the nation.

The Past

As per demands of the public, Manik Chandra Barooah wrote a letter in 1899 to the British government to open a college in Guwahati, as Assam was the only province without a college and Guwahati was most convenient for the people. In response, Sir Henry John Stedman Cotton, K.C.S.I., the then Chief Commissioner of Assam, announced on 3 November 1899 that a college would be opened in Guwahati. The name decided by the public, the Cotton College, was inaugurated on 27 May 1901 by Cotton himself. It was affiliated to the Calcutta University. The college was started with five professors, which included Frederick William Sudmersen, the first principal of the college, and 39 students.

The college was the centre of the freedom movement and the literary and cultural movements of the state to build the identity of Assam as a distinct integral component of India. As Gauhati University was established in 1948, the college was affiliated to it and became its constituent college.

On 16 October 1992, the college was declared as a centre of excellence, an occasion celebrated in a solemn ceremony with Shankar Dayal Sharma, the then President of India. It officially became a post-graduate college.

Cotton College celebrated its centennial with a year-long program from 27 May 2001 to 26 May 2002. The closing ceremony of which was graced by the then Vice President of India graced India, Krishna Kant. The gravity of the same was enhanced with the issue of the first day cover of commemorative postage stamp of ₹ 4.00 on 25th May, 2002, as part of the centenary celebration.

The University Emblem

The official emblem of this age old institution was unveiled in the year 1933. The emblem was designed by Late Mohendra Nath Deka Phukan, a former Cottonian. This emblem is just like a shield meaning the symbol of protection of Assam. The shield comprises of two colours - orange signifying the sense of "*Tyaga*" wherein lies the sense of renunciation and green symbolizing peace. The oval-shaped arc with eight corners reminds us of the glory of "*Ahom*" kingdom. The blue colour is used to mean the clear and vast sky that teaches us to widen our hearts embracing all. The hills in the emblem remind us of the "*Asomiya*" people belonging to the plains and hills of Assam. The rising sun behind the hills symbolizes hope and light. The sun also signifies that it is the dispeller of darkness. The lamp burning in the middle is used to indicate the light of knowledge. The "*Sarai*" immediately below the lamp tells us of the glory of ancient Assam. The stars indicate the path of progress beyond limitation.

The University Emblem gives us all that Assam has had and as such it makes us to understand that students in their alma mater must be invigorated with the meaningful ideas that can make us great in the truest sense.

Vision

Cotton University shall aspire towards a holistic education and cutting-edge research with the highest ethical standards bringing transformative opportunities to employable students. Envisioned as a twenty-first century university backed by excellence in teaching and research, interdisciplinary in spirit and steered by competent leaders of academia, the institution builds on the promise enshrined in its motto "Apramattena Veddhavyam". The motto of the college "Apramattena Veddhavyam", taken from the Mundaka Upanisad signifies that knowledge in any field, must be attained with an unfaltering aim. It is the avowed aim of the institution, therefore, to

prepare the youth to remain resolutely fixed to their goal and the ever changing values and perspectives of life so as to enable them to identify themselves as conscious, integrated and wholesome human beings capable of meeting the challenges and opportunities of life in the noblest and most disciplined way. Thus, founded upon core human values Cotton University's synergy of instinct and intellect aligns perfectly with the virtue of resilience in the quest of all knowledge through tireless perseverance.

Mission

It is our persistent endeavour to hone and nurture an inclusive campus environment for students endowed with competencies to meet the challenges of the time and evolve as world-class citizens for a strong nation. The University shall strive to be among the group of best HEIs in the country meeting global needs so as to provide only the best education to its students while building solidarities of knowledge and creativity for a vibrant academic cosmos.

1.NEP 2020-BASED FOUR-YEAR UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMME (FYUGP):

Cotton University is introducing the NEP 2020-based curriculum for the NEP 2020-based Four-Year Undergraduate Programme with effect from the academic year 2023-24. The duration of the full programme is 4 years, spread over 8 semesters. The programme has multiple entry and exit facilities.

Outline of Courses Under FYUGP:

The NEP2020-based Four-Year UG Programme (FYUGP), being adopted by Cotton University, is an 8-semester (4-year) programme of 160 credits with multiple exit and entry options at the successful completion of courses assigned at the end of each year.

I. Students who opt to exit after completion of the first year and have secured 40 credits will be awarded a UG certificate if, in addition, they complete one vocational course of 4 credits during the summer vacation of the first year.

II. Students who opt to exit after completion of the second year and have secured 80 credits will be awarded the UG diploma if, in addition, they complete one vocational course of 4 credits during the summer vacation of the second year.

III. Students are allowed to re-enter the degree programme within three years and complete the degree programme within the stipulated maximum period of seven years.

IV. Students who opt to exit after completion of the third year and have secured 120 credits will be eligible for the UG degree in the Major discipline without Honours.

Outline of Courses:

The broad categories of courses and minimum credits required for the 4-year Honours degrees as per the UGC document are as follows:

I. **Major (Core):** 80 credits

II. **Minor:** 32 credits

III. **Multidisciplinary Elective (MDE):** 9 credits

IV. **Ability Enhancement Courses (AEC):** 8 credits

V. **Skill Enhancement Courses (SEC):** 9 credits

VI. **Value Added Courses (VAC):** 8 credits

VII. **Summer Internship:** 2 credits

VIII. **Research Project/ Dissertation:** 12 credits (for Honours with Research degree)

The following points may be noted:

- In lieu of the Research Project, a student may study 3 courses each of 4 credits (i.e. total 12 credits), leading to an Honours degree (without Research).

- For the 4-year Honours degrees the Major subject/ discipline requires 80 credits and the . Minor subject/ discipline requires 32 credits.

- For a **Double Major**, the minimum credit requirements are 48 (3-year degree) and 60 (4-year Honours degree) respectively in a subject/ discipline other than the original Major.
- In the UGC framework, papers in Major and Minor disciplines are categorized into **levels** of **100, 200, 300** and **400**. Therefore, a course (paper) offered by a Department, say with 4 credits and of level 200, may be taken both as a Major (Core) course by one student and as a Minor course by another student having a different Major discipline, possibly in different semesters.

Semester wise Course and Credit Distribution for FYUGP:

Minimum credits required for the complete programme: 160

Semester	Major (Core) Each paper is of 4-credits	Minor Each paper 4-credits	MDE Each paper 3-credits	AEC Each paper 2-credits	SEC Each paper 3-credits	Summer Internship 2-credits	VAC Each paper 2-credits	Total Credits
I	Core 1 (Level 100)	Minor 1 (Level 100)	MDE 1	AEC 1 English Comm. I	SEC -1		VAC-1 / VAC-2	20
II	Core 2 (Level 100)	Minor 2 (Level 100)	MDE 2	AEC 2 MIL-I	SEC -2		VAC-3 / VAC-4	20
III	Core 3 (Level 200) / Core 4 (Level 200)	Minor 3 (Level 200)	MDE 3	AEC 3 English Comm. II	SEC -3			20
IV	Core 5 (Level 200) / Core 6 (Level 200) / Core 7 (Level 200)	Minor 4 (Level 200)		AEC 4 MIL-II		Summer Intern		20
V	Core 8 (Level 300) / Core 9 (Level 300) / Core 10 (Level 300) / Core 11 (Level 300)	Minor 5 (Level 200)						20

Semester	Major (Core) Each paper is of 4-credits	Minor Each paper 4-credits	MDE Each paper 3-credits	AEC Each paper 2-credits	SEC Each paper 3-credits	Summer Internship 2-credits	VAC Each paper 2-credits	Total Credits
VI	Core 12 (Level 300) Core 13 (Level 300) Core 14 (Level 300) Core 15 (Level 300)	Minor 6 (Level 200)						20
VII	Core 16 (Level 400) Core 17 (Level 400) Core 18 (Level 400) Core 21* (Level 400)	Minor 7 (Level 300)			Dissertation/Project of 12 credits over Semesters VII and VIII, for Honours with Research Degree, only if CGPA ≥ 7.5 up to Semester VI. Portion of the work equivalent to 4 credits shall be for evaluation during this semester. Other students must take Core 21 in this semester.			20
VIII	Core 19 (Level 400) Core 20 (Level 400) Core 22* (Level 400) Core 23* (Level 400)	Minor 8 (Level 300)			Dissertation Project Portion of the work equivalent to the remaining 8 credits shall be evaluated during this semester. Students not having dissertation/ project must take Core 22 and Core 23 in this semester.			20

Students qualifying and taking the option of **UG Honours with Research** degree shall take the Dissertation/ Project during semesters VII and VIII. They need not take Core 21, Core 22 and Core 23. Others must study Core 21, Core 22 and Core 23 in lieu of the Dissertation/Project for the **UG Honours** degree.

2. PROGRAMMES OF STUDY:

I. **BA Honours:** This is an NEP 2020 based **Four-Year Undergraduate Programme** of a total of 160 credits covered in 8 (eight) semesters with multiple exit and entry provisions after the completion of 2, 4 and 6 semesters with UG Certificate, UG Diploma and UG Degree respectively. After the successful completion of 8 semesters, a student will be eligible for either **BA Honours** or **BA Honours with Research** degree.

II. **BSc Honours:** This is an **NEP 2020** based **Four-Year Undergraduate Programme** of a total of 160 credits covered in 8 (eight) semesters with multiple exit and entry provisions after the completion of 2, 4 and 6 semesters with UG Certificate, UG Diploma and UG Degree respectively. After the successful completion of 8 semesters, a student will be eligible for either BSc Honours or BSc Honours with Research degree.

III. **BCA Honours:** This is an NEP 2020 based **Four-Year Undergraduate Programme** of a total of 160 credits covered in 8 (eight) semesters with multiple exit and entry provisions after the completion of 2, 4 and 6 semesters with UG Certificate, UG Diploma and UG Degree respectively. After the successful completion of 8 semesters, a student will be eligible for either BSc Honours or BSc Honours with Research degree.

IV. **The 4-year UG programmes in the following disciplines are self-financing:**

    a) BA Honours in Mass Communication & Journalism
    b) BSc Honours in Biotechnology
    c) BCA Honours

V. **Evaluation of the students**

- Cotton University adopts the UGC recommended 10-point grading pattern of the Choice Based Credit Systems, which would be the standard practice in the FYUGP of the university. The grading points are related to the certain range of marks and letter grade.

- **Grading and evaluation frame**

	Letter grade	Grade point
Outstanding	O	10
Excellent	A+	9
Very Good	A	8
Good	B+	7
Above average	B	6
Average	C	5
Pass	P	4
Fail/Absent	Fail	0

3. MODE OF ADMISSION:

I. **CUET Score Based Admission:**
    a) Candidates must have appeared in CUET-UG 2024 in the subject combination mapped to each program in which they wish to be considered for admission.
        Please refer to the following web page link –
        https://cottonuniversity.ac.in/storage/uploads/pdf/3202479be6b034079ea601b6c79f374a.pdf
    b) **40%** of the total seats in each program/subject of study shall be reserved for candidates appearing in CUET 2024.

II. **HS/ 10+2 Marks Based Admission:**
    a) Admission will be based on the merit list prepared with marks obtained in the best three subjects in HS/10+2 examination as mentioned in **clause 5 (b).**
    b) **60%** of the total seats in each program/subject of study shall be reserved for candidates seeking admission without CUET score.

4. NUMBER OF SEATS AND ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

I. Bachelor of Arts (Honours)

Honours/Core Subject	Number of Seats		Subject specific eligibility conditions (wherever necessary)
	CUET score	HS score	
Anthropology	10	15	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points.
Arabic	04	06	10+2 standard pass with minimum 50% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points.
Assamese	20	30	10+2 standard pass with minimum 50% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points.
Bengali	04	06	10+2 standard pass with minimum 50% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points.
Bodo	06	10	10+2 standard pass with minimum 50% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points
Economics	24	36	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points..
Education	10	15	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points.
English	24	36	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points.
Hindi	08	12	10+2 standard pass with minimum 50% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points
History	16	24	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points.

Subject			
Mass Comm. & Journalism	08	12	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points.
Persian	04	06	10+2 standard pass with minimum 50% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points
Philosophy	16	24	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points.
Political Science	24	36	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points.
Psychology	12	18	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points.
Sociology	12	18	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points.
Sanskrit	06	09	10+2 standard pass with minimum 50% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points

II. BSc (Honours)

Honours/Core Subject	Number of Seats		Subject specific eligibility Conditions
	CUET score	HS score	
Biotechnology	18	27	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points.
Botany	20	30	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points.
Chemistry	26	39	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points in Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics/Biology with pass marks in Mathematics.
Computer Science	08	12	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points with pass marks in Mathematics.
Geography	12	18	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points.
Geology	16	24	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points with pass marks in Physics/Mathematics.
Mathematics	32	48	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points with at least 50% marks in Mathematics.
Physics	26	39	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points in Physics, Mathematics, Chemistry /Statistics with pass marks in Mathematics.
Statistics	12	18	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points with pass marks in Mathematics
Zoology	24	36	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points.

III. BCA Honours

Honours/Core Subject	Number of Seats		Subject specific eligibility conditions (wherever necessary)
	CUET score	HS score	
BCA	12	18	10+2 standard pass with minimum 60% aggregate marks or equivalent grade points with pass marks in Mathematics/Applied Mathematics.

Remark:

a) Relaxation in eligibility criteria in terms of aggregate marks for reserved categories shall be applicable- 5% for OBC/MOBC and 10% for SC/ST(P)/ST(H).

b) MATHEMATICS, GEOGRAPHY AND STATISTICS are offered as major disciplines under the BSc (Honours) programme only.

IV. Minor Courses/Subjects Offered:

ARTS MINOR SUBJECTS	No. of Seats
Anthropology	30
Arabic	15
Assamese	60
Bengali	15
Bodo	20
Economics	70
Education	27
English	70
Hindi	25
History	55
Mass comm and Journalism	40
Persian	12
Philosophy	50
Political Science	70
Psychology	40
Sociology	33
Sanskrit	20
Archaeology	40
Total	692

SCIENCE MINOR SUBJECTS	No. of Seats
Biotechnology	50
Botany	60
Chemistry	70
Computer Science	30
Geography	40
Geology	50
Mathematics	90

Physics	70
Statistics	40
Zoology	70
Total	**570**

V. MDE Courses/Subjects Offered:

Courses	Department/Centre
General Anthropology	Anthropology
Learning Process	Assamese
Study of Indian Poetry	Bodo
Introduction to plant sciences	Botany
Chemistry – I	Chemistry
Information Security & Cyber Laws	Computer Science and Information Technology
Economics of the Rural Sector	Economics
Psychological and sociological foundation of Education	Education
Environmental concerns of contemporary times and institutional measures for mitigation	Geography
Dynamic Earth	Geology
Hindi Sahitya Aur Cinema	Hindi
History of Science and Technology	History
Introduction to Cinema	Mass communication, journalism and media studies
Basic Mathematics -I	Mathematics
Modern Biology – I	MBBT
A Brief history of Indo-Persian literature (from 13th to 16th Century)	Persian
Environmental Ethics	Philosophy
Introduction to Physics - I	Physics
Introduction to Indian Political System	Political Science
Emotional Intelligence	Psychology
General Introduction to Mahakavya	Sanskrit
Society in India	Sociology
Introduction to Statistics	Statistics
Food, Nutrition & Health	Zoology
Gender and Society	Centre for Women`s Studies

VI. SEC Courses/Subjects Offered:

At present SEC courses are offered by the following departments:

Under Faculty of Earth Sciences:

Department
Geology
Geography

Under Faculty of Human and Social Sciences:

Department
Anthropology
Education
Economics
Mass Communication and Journalism
Philosophy
Political Science

Under Faculty of Life Sciences:

Department
Botany
Zoology

Under Faculty of Language, Literature and Linguistics:

Department
Assamese
Hindi
Bodo
English
English
Arabic and Persian

Under Faculty of Physical, Chemical and Mathematical Sciences:

Department
Mathematics
Statistics
Physics
CSIT
Chemistry

VII.   VAC Courses Offered

Following VAC courses distributed over the four domains viz. Domain A –Understanding India, Domain B – Ecology and Environment, Domain C – Digital Technology, Domain D – Health and Wellbeing are-

- Introduction to Artificial Intelligence and Machine learning

- Modelling Solutions to Environmental Problems

- Value Education

- Peace Education

- Understanding India: Text and Context

- Understanding India: Fables from Antiquity

- Environmental Studies

- Learning with Nature : Understanding our Environment

- Climate Change: An Interdisciplinary Perspective

- Indigenous Ecological Knowledge System: Native wisdom for a Better Future

- Introduction to Ecology and Environment

- Critical Disability Studies

- Community Engagement and Social Responsibility

- Ethical Decision Making

- Glimpse of the Indian Freedom Struggle

- Information Security and Cyber Laws

- Introduction to Digital Library

- Indian Ecological Knowledge System: Native Wisdom for a Better Future

- History of Mathematics

- Vedic Mathematics

- Ethical Thinking in Decision Making

- Climate Change : An Interdisciplinary Perspective

- Constitutionalism, Rule of Laws and Citizenship in India

- Responsible and Sustainable Tourism

- Understanding Human Rights in India

- Mental Health and well-being

- Introduction to Big Data Analytics

- Women's Voices and Histories

- Mental Health and Well-being

- National Cadet Crops

- Yoga- Concepts on Way of Life and Practice

- Physical Education - Theory and Practices

5. <u>MERIT LIST PREPARATION:</u>

a) <u>CUET Score Based Admission:</u>

- Merit list will be based on the CUET scores of the best 3 (three) subjects mapped to the concerned programme of study. The respective combinations mapped to each programme which is available in following webpage link-

  https://cottonuniversity.ac.in/storage/uploads/pdf/3202479be6b034079ea601b6c79f374a.pdf

  Merit lists will be prepared separately for each Major discipline.

b) <u>HS/10+2 Marks Based Admission:</u>

Marks Standardization

Taking into consideration the differences in the scoring pattern, mainly in the two boards Assam Higher Secondary Educational Council (AHSEC) and Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), a standardisation method shall be followed.

The highest mark of AHSEC is standardized with the highest marks of the equivalent examination of CBSE where the value used for standardisation is called *Index Factor* (IF).

So, **Index Factor (IF) =** $\dfrac{\text{C (where C is the total highest mark in CBSE Examination 2024)}}{\text{A (where A is the total highest mark in AHSEC Examination 2024)}}$

Then, the standardised mark for a student of AHSEC is **M x IF,** Where **M** is the total mark of **best three subjects** obtained by a student in the 10+2 examination conducted by AHSEC.

NOTE: All Boards/Councils other than AHSEC will be considered as CBSE.

Merit list preparation process for:

i. **Admission in BSc (Honours) and BCA (Honours) excluding Geography (Honours) :**
M= Total marks of best language subject (if there are more than one language subject) + best two science subjects of the HS second year qualifying examination will be considered for the admission into science stream.

ii. **Admission in Geography (Honours) :**
M= Total marks of best language subject (if there are more than one language subject) + best two subjects excluding language subjects of the HS second year qualifying examination will be considered for the admission into science stream.

iii. **Admission in BA (Honours):**
M= Total marks of best language subject (if there are more than one language subject) + best two subjects excluding language subjects of the HS second year qualifying examination will be considered for the admission into Arts stream.

NOTE: Subjects Physical education, Music & Dance, Fine Arts, Extra curricular activities etc. are not considered as qualifying subjects for admission into Under-graduate programmes.

6. TIE-BREAKING

I. **CUET Score Based Admission:**

For candidates with equal scores in the CUET-2024 based merit list for a subject as the major discipline, the tie-breaking rules will be as follows:

- The candidate having a higher CUET score in any of the language subjects shall be placed higher.

II. **HS/10+2 Marks Based Admission:**

For candidates with equal marks in the HS/10+2 based merit list for a subject as the Honours discipline, the tie-breaking rules will be as follows:

- The candidate who has higher total marks in the HS/10+2 examination will be placed higher in the merit list. In case the above condition still cannot break the tie then the candidate with the higher mark in any of the language subjects in HS/10+2 examination shall be placed higher in the merit list.

NOTE: Other subjects, as mentioned in the NEP 2020 based curriculum shall be allocated at the time of physical verification of documents according to the CUET score/HS marks-based merit list.

7. GAP IN STUDY

Candidates having passed the qualifying examination in an earlier year (2023, 2022 or 2021) will have to submit a Self-declaration, certifying that she/he was not involved in any unlawful activities during the interim period and that she/he would withdraw admission from any other regular UG course presently enrolled in, if selected for admission.

Candidates having more than 3 (three) years of study gap from the qualifying exam will not be eligible for admission.

8. RESERVATION RULES FOR ADMISSION TO THE UG PROGRAMMES:

8.1 General Reservation Rules:

Cotton University follows the same Reservation policy in respect of Admission into the Undergraduate Course(s) as framed by the Government of Assam from time to time. As per the said Reservation policy, the percentages of seats under different reserved categories are shown below. These rules are applicable to **candidates belonging to the state of Assam only**.

OBC / MOBC	SC	ST (Plains)	ST (Hills)	EWS
15%	7%	10%	5%	10%

NOTE:

a) Only Caste/Tribe certificates issued by the Competent Authorities of the Government of Assam will be accepted.

b) Caste/Tribe Certificates of other states will not be valid.

c) For candidates belonging to the Economically Weaker Sections (EWS), **Income and Asset Certificate** issued only by the Local Circle Officer or Circle Officer (A), as stipulated by the Govt of Assam, shall be deemed valid.

8.2 Reservation under Extra-curricular and other (EC etc.) Quotas:

A few seats may be allotted under Extra-Curricular and other quotas in UG courses to students having outstanding achievements in the field of Sports, Cultural performance, NCC, NSS, Scouts & Guides, etc. and a few other categories as per the table given below. **EC reservation is NOT APPLICABLE for admission to the Self-Financing courses.** Maximum 3 extra seats only per Honours subject shall be allotted under EC etc. quota. Maximum total number of seats reserved for those categories under EC etc. quota in BA Honours and BSc Honours programmes are:

Category	Number of seats in BA Honours	Number of seats in BSc Honours
Cultural	5	5
Sports	5	5
NCC	5	5
NSS	2	2
Scouts & Guides	2	2
Other Indian State Domicile	10	10
Foreign Nationals	10	10
Children of Martyred Personnel of Indian Armed Forces, CAPF and Assam Police	2	2

8.3 Reservation for Candidates with Disabilities:

As per Government rules, 5% extra seats (of the total number of seats across all disciplines) are reserved for the Candidates with disabilities **(DA)**. The applicants under this category may have to appear before a medical board with the relevant certificate(s).

8.4 Important Notes for Admission in Quotas for EC etc. and DA Categories:

a) Certificates/ testimonials, in case of EC quota should not be more than 3 **(three) years old.**

b) A candidate selected under EC quota can be allotted an Honours subject only if her/his standardized mark (as per the merit list) is within 25% below the cut-off mark in the UNRESERVE category of that particular subject in the regular admission.

c) For an outstanding sportsperson or cultural performer **who represented the country in an recognized International Event,** the condition of the cut-off mark in (b) above shall be relaxed. However, the maximum number of reserved seats in a particular field will not be increased for inclusion of such a candidate.

d) If a student admitted under EC quota refuses to participate in any sports/ cultural event of her/his proficiency when officially selected to represent Cotton University, then her/his studentship may be terminated/ forfeited. A written undertaking in this regard will have to be submitted by the student.

e) Few supernumerary seats may be offered as per requirement.

9. PHYSICAL VERIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS

The candidates must produce the following documents in original with a set of self-attested photo copy at the time of physical verification:

a) Print out copy of application form.

b) Pass Certificate and Marksheet of the qualifying examination (HS or equivalent 10+2 examination from a recognized board or council).

c) Reserved Category Certificate, if applicable. Only certificates issued by the competent authority under the Government of Assam shall be deemed valid.

d) A copy of the colour Passport size photograph

e) Age proof: Certificate from authorized official where Date of Birth is mentioned.

f) Gap in study: Candidates having passed the qualifying examination in an earlier year (2023, 2022 or 2021) will have to submit a Self-declaration certifying that she/he was not involved in any unlawful activities during the interim period and that she/he would withdraw admission from any other regular UG course presently enrolled in, if selected for admission.

g) Candidates seeking admission under EWS category will have to bring valid Income and Asset certificates issued by a competent authority under the Government of Assam.

h) In case fee waiver is claimed the income certificate from appropriate authority.

In case the admission committee is unable to verify a document submitted online, then the concerned candidate may be required to physically visit the University to show the original document for verification. The candidate will be duly notified through the contact number or email ID provided in her/his online application in such a case.

NOTE 1:

If at any stage any original document of an applicant is found to be fake or fabricated or in any other manner defective OR if any applicant is found to have furnished wrong information, the said applicant will not be admitted and if already admitted, admission will be cancelled without any prior notice in this regard. If the same is found after the completion of the Programme of Study, the applicant's degree will be cancelled and appropriate legal action will be taken against him/her.

NOTE 2:

Students admitted will have to produce all original documents at the date of verification which will be notified by the University Authority at an appropriate time in the University website. For any candidate failing to produce their original documents during verification, his/her admission will stand cancelled.

10. HOSTEL ALLOTMENT:

Hostel allotment and admission may require a separate procedure at a later date after the admission and will be notified in the Cotton University website in the appropriate time.

11. CANVASSING & RAGGING:

- Canvassing in any form for getting admission shall render a candidate disqualified.

- **Ragging in any form is strictly banned in the University.** In this regard, a signed undertaking of the guardian shall have to be submitted at the time of admission as per the recent verdict of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

12. CANCELLATION OF SEATS

Students failing to attend classes for 15 (fifteen) days at a stretch in the first month of commencement of classes will forfeit their seats.

13. FEE STRUCTURE

The basic admission fee for admission to UG programs in Cotton University:

Sl. No.	Head/Particulars	Amount (Rs.)
1	Admission Fees	800
2	Tution Fees	1200
3	University Registration Fees	600
4	Internal Exam Fees	300
5	Library Fees	350
6	Student's Welfare and Activity Fees	500
7	IQAC Fees	100
8	Establishment Fees	200
9	Identity Card Fees	100
10	Students Union Fees	350
11	Magazine Fees	100
12	Maintenance Fees	400
13	Laboratory Fees	800
14	Alumni Membership Fees	100
15	Students Insurance Fees	100
16	Field Study	1000
17	Development Fees	100
18	Library Security Fees (Refundable)	500
19	AIU+NCC & NSS	150

Hostel Fee:

Sl. No.	Head/Particulars	Amount (Rs.)
1.	Application Fee (For Admission)	350
2.	Rent	1000
3.	Establishment Fee	3000
4.	Miscellaneous fee	650
5.	Security Deposit (refundable)	2000
6.	Total amount (excluding mess dues) to be paid at the time of fresh admission	7000

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Depending on the UG programme the candidate shall be charged the following amount at the time of admission:

(a) BA Honours (with field study paper) – Anthropology, Assamese: Rs.6950.00

(b) BA Honours (without field study paper)- All other subjects except (a): Rs. 5950.00

(c) BSc Honours (with field study paper)- Botany, Geography, Geology, Statistics, Zoology: Rs. 7750.00

(d) BSc Honours (without field study paper)-All other subjects except those in (d): Rs.6750.00

Self-financing programmes:

(e) BA Honours in Mass Communication and Journalism:

Rs. 6,800.00+14,500.00 (one semester fee)= Rs. 21,450.00

(f) BSc Honours in Biotechnology:

Rs.7,600.00+Rs. 14,500.00 (one semester fee)+ Rs.7,000.00 (additional laboratory fee for one semester)= Rs. 29,250.00

(g) BCA:

Rs. 7,600.00+ 14,500.00 (one semester fee)= Rs. 22250.00

Remark:
The process of admission under Extra-curricular and other (EC etc.) quotas shall be started after the completion of admission to the regular seats and information in this regard shall be notified in the Cotton University Website.

Disclaimer:
The information/contents as incorporated in this Information Bulletin may/are subject to change/amendment in between, the details regarding the same (if applicable) shall be notified in the University Website in due course of time.

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