

## OTHER BACKWARD CLASSES – NON- CREAMY LAYER (NC-OBC)

27% of the seats are reserved for Other Backward Classes candidates belonging to the “non-creamy” layer (NC-OBC).

Reference: [Click here](#)

### **Eligibility Criteria for NC-OBC Candidates**

- The NC-OBC candidate must hold a Bachelor’s Degree, with at least 50% marks or equivalent CGPA.
- Family income should not be more than 8 lakhs per annum.
- If a candidate belongs to the **OBC-NC** category, the respective class must be listed in the **Government of India** schedule.
- The **class and income certificate** that the candidate submits to IIM should be in the **Government approved** format.

### **REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:**

- Verified Income and Asset certificate issued by competent authority.
- A copy of the NC-OBC certificate must be uploaded at the time of the CAT application registration.
- The NC-OBC certificate must be shown and a photocopy should be submitted at the time of interviews.

**PROFORMA:** [NC-OBC Certificate](#).

### **Competent Authorities to Issue NC-OBC Certificate**

Candidates must ensure that the caste certificate has been issued and signed by the competent authorities.

**The authorities competent to issue the certificate are:**

- District Magistrate.
- Additional District Magistrate.
- Collector.
- Deputy Commissioner.

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- I Class Stipendiary Magistrate.
- City Magistrate - Taluka Magistrate.
- Executive Magistrate –
- Extra Assistant Commissioner.
- Chief Presidency Magistrate .
- Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate .
- President Magistrate .
- Revenue Officers not below the rank of Tahsildar .
- Sub Divisional Officer of the area where the person and his family normally resides .
- Development Officer.

Certifying authority should be one concerned with the locality in which the person applying for a certificate has his permanent place of abode.

Revenue Authorities have been empowered to issue certificates on the basis of a certificate issued by an MP, MLA, Gazetted Officer etc. But they should do so only after having made proper verification and after having satisfied themselves of the corrections of that certificate.

## FAQs

Some common FAQs Related to Categories.

### **1. Under which categories can I apply for CAT?**

You can apply under the following categories:

- General
- EWS
- Scheduled Caste (SC)
- Non-creamy Other Backward Class (NC-OBC)
- Scheduled Tribe (ST)

#### **Note1:**

*Until further communication, all candidates applying under the NC-OBC category shall be inevitably considered under the NC-OBC category, provided they meet the NC-OBC eligibility as explained in question number (Q3) below.*

#### **Note2:**

*No changes in the category will be entertained after the closure of the registration window.*

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**2. I have a valid OBC (Non-creamy layer) certificate in the similar format uploaded on the CAT 2020 website. Can I use the same certificate or do I have to download the certificate template from the CAT website and fill it again?**

**Answer:** If your valid certificate fulfills the following conditions, you can upload the same certificate:

- The certificate should have been issued by a competent authority.
- The name of the caste and caste number should appear in the certificate.
- District and the State or Union Territory of your ordinary residence.
- The Ministry's resolution/order number should be available.
- The certificate should be in Hindi or English only.

The authorities competent to issue the certificate are:- District Magistrate/Additional Magistrate/Collector/Deputy Commissioner/Additional Deputy Commissioner/Deputy Collector/1st Class Stipendiary Magistrate/Sub-Divisional magistrate/Taluka Magistrate/Executive Magistrate/Extra Assistant Commissioner (not below the rank of 1st Class Stipendiary Magistrate)/Chief Presidency Magistrate/Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate/Presidency Magistrate/Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar/Sub-Divisional Officer of the area where the candidate and/or his family resides.

**3. Is there a validity for NC-OBC Certificate?**

**Answer:** Refer the Government of India website [www.ncbc.nic.in](http://www.ncbc.nic.in) for details.

Validity period of OBC Certificate in respect of 'creamy layer' status of the candidates

[http://documents.doptcirculares.nic.in/D2/D02adm/36036\\_2\\_2013-Estt.Res-I-31032016.pdf](http://documents.doptcirculares.nic.in/D2/D02adm/36036_2_2013-Estt.Res-I-31032016.pdf)

**How to reach:** Click on [www.ncbc.nic.in](http://www.ncbc.nic.in) ->Related Links -> Department of Personnel & Training --> <http://persmin.gov.in>-> Department of Personnel & Training (DOPT) - > Notifications > OMs & Orders -> 12. Estt (Reservation) ->12.2 Brochure on Reservation For SC, ST and Other Backward Classes in Services (PART-I) -> SC/ST/OBC -> S. No. 12

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