



NMAT 2013 Analysis

About NMAT:

Test window:	Thursday, 11th October, 2012 to Wednesday, 19th December, 2012
Retake Scheduling:	Thursday, 11th October, 2012 to Monday, 17th December, 2012

Test cities all over India – 18

Number of attempts: If the candidate is not satisfied with their NMAT score in the first attempt they may schedule for Re-take NMAT. In case of candidates taking more than one attempt the best score (which is the total score & respective sectional score), which makes the candidate eligible as per the cut offs declared by NMIMS, will be considered for short listing for subsequent process. (Cut off means sectional as well as total score). The scores of all the attempts taken by the candidate will be declared on the NMIMS website.

NMAT 2013 has three sections with sectional time limit for each section. The three sections are:

- QA - 48 questions - 60 minutes
- VA - 32 questions - 22 minutes
- LR - 40 questions - 38 minutes

The good thing is that the test allows the students to decide the order in which they want to attempt the sections. A section-order screen appears after the tutorial which shows all the six possible permutations: VA-QA-LR, QA-LR-VA, VA-LR-QA, etc. A student has to select one of the six options available and then the sections are displayed as per the selection. Once the selection is made, it cannot be changed at a later stage.

Since there is no negative marking in NMAT 2013, one should mark all 120 questions. The last 1-2 minutes in each section can be reserved for reviewing the 'Incomplete Questions' and marking them randomly. If you finish a section earlier than the allotted time, you can move on to the next section. However, since the time saved in one section does not get added to the next section, it is not advisable to submit the section earlier, instead one should revise the questions.

Two major issues in the testing interface of NMAT 2013:

- The "Review" button, which is provided to check the unattempted and flagged questions, appears only at the end of a section. So, for e.g., if you are attempting the QA section, you cannot use the Review button before clicking the "Next" button at least 48 times. This reduces the utility of the Review button massively. For e.g., if you finish 24-25 questions in QA in around 30 minutes, you will still not know if you are on the right track since there is no way to check what's in store towards the end of the section. Therefore, it is advisable to keep a buffer and skip time-consuming questions in the first round and attempt them in the second round if time permits.

- In a group question, you cannot see the number of questions in that particular set on the first screen. So if you want to see if the set is worth attempting, you will need to click the Next/Previous buttons a few times and then check. This is quite irritating especially in a speed test like NMAT.

Bird's Eye View	
Total No. of questions	120
Total Time	120 minutes
No. of Sections	3
Sectional time limit	Yes
Total Marks	360
Number of Options	5
Writing board with marker pen	1
Difficulty Level (Easy/Moderate/Tough)	Easy to Moderate

~ SECTION WISE ANALYSIS ~

Section I: Logical Reasoning

In this section, questions were based on the topics like Set theory, Blood relations, Coding-Decoding, Series, Data Input/output, Statement-assumption, Statement-argument, Statement-conclusion, passage inference etc. The questions were of easy to moderate difficulty level and one could easily attempt 40 questions in the allotted 38 min time.

Section II: Quantitative Ability

In this section, questions were based on the topics like Data interpretation, A.P., Probability, permutation and combination. DS, linear and quadratic equation, Time and work, Time Speed and Distance, Menstruation, Co-ordinate geometry, Number systems etc. The questions were of easy to moderate difficulty level and one could easily attempt 48 questions in the allotted 60 min time.

Section III: Verbal Ability

In this section, questions were based on the topics like Para jumble; Fill in the blanks, English Usage, Passage, Synonyms and Antonyms etc. Most of the questions were easy and one could attempt 32 questions in the allotted 22 min time.

Some other features of NMAT:

- No technical glitches
- Candidates have an option of appearing more than once (upto three maximum attempts, including “no shows”) in NMAT 2013. This provides candidates with an opportunity that in case they are dissatisfied with their first take, they could have upto two retakes to improve their scores
- There is no negative marking
- Level of Questions is easy to moderate

Expected cut-offs:

Sectional Cut - Offs			Overall cut-off
Language Skills (96)	Quantitative Techniques (144)	Logical Reasoning (120)	360
60	81	65	215

Program Intake:

Sr. No.	Name of the program	No. of Seats
1	MBA	360
2	MBA Banking	60
3	MBA Capital Market	60
4	MBA HR	30
5	MBA Pharmaceutical Management	120
6	PGDM - Bangalore campus	120
7	PGDM - Hyderabad campus	60

Cut Off for NMAT 2012

FT MBA Programme/MBA Banking/ MBA Capital Market/MBA HR

Sectional Cutoff			Overall Cutoff
Language Skills (96)	Quantitative Techniques (144)	Logical Reasoning (120)	
			360
55	74	61	208

ALL THE BEST!!