



**Dr. Ambedkar Centre of Excellence**  
**Central University of Punjab**  
**Bathinda, Punjab**  
(Established by Dr. Ambedkar Foundation,  
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## **Category C**

### **Detailed Information for Admission to 100 Seats For De-notified Tribes (DNT), Nomadic Tribes (NT) and Semi-Nomadic Tribes (SNT) Category Applicants (Batch 2025-26)**

With reference to Advertisement No. CUPB/25-26/009 dated 21/11/2025 with regard to admission of eligible candidates under 'Free Coaching Scheme for DNT, NT and SNT Students' for the Batch 2025-26 under SEED (Scheme for Economic Empowerment of De-notified Tribes (DNTs) of Department of Social Justice and Empowerment, Government of India.

**Note: Only online applications will be accepted.**

- **Courses Details**

- The coaching will be provided for Civil Services Examination conducted under Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)  
and
- Various examinations conducted under the State Public Service Commission of Punjab and other States

- **Number of Seats Available:** Hundred (100)
- **Duration of the Course:** 09 Months
- **Course Fees:** Course Fees will be paid by the Development and Welfare board for De-notified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Communities (DWBDNCs), Department of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India as per the scheme guidelines.

- **Mode & Place of Entrance Examination:** Computer-based entrance test which will be conducted at Central University of Punjab, VPO: Ghudda, Bathinda, Punjab on the decided date and time.
- **Nature of Question Paper:** The DACE Entrance Examination 2025-26 will be conducted through Computer-based Entrance Test and will consist of 100 Multiple Choice questions based upon the Syllabus of Civil Services - Preliminary Examination of Union Public Service Commission (UPSC).
- **Benefits to the Candidates:**
  - **Monthly Stipend:** A stipend of Rs. 1500/- (Rupee One thousand five hundred ) per month for local students and Rs. 3000/- (Rupee Three thousands ) per month for out station students will be provided to all candidates enrolled in the centre which belong to DNT, NT & SNT category through Direct Benefit Transfer by the Development and Welfare board for De-notified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Communities (DWBDNCs) Department of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India as per the scheme guidelines.
  - **Incentive:** An incentive of Rs 15,000/ (Fifteen thousand) shall be provided to all the successful students to prepare for the interview after being successful in the mains stage of Central Civil Services / State Civil Services Exams for Group 1 and Group 2 posts through Direct Benefit Transfer by by the Development and Welfare board for De-notified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Communities (DWBDNCs) Department of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India as per the scheme guidelines.
- **Attendance & Continuation Rules for the Course:**
  - The candidates enrolled under this scheme shall have to attend all the classes in physical mode. If any student remains absent (for more than 04 days) without prior permission/acceptable reasons his/her candidature for the scholarship shall be cancelled.
  - Leaving the coaching midway without prior approval of the competent authority, the expenditure incurred on the candidate will be recovered from the candidate concerned.
- **Eligibility Criteria for Candidates:**

**Educational Qualification:**

- A candidate must have minimum 50% or above marks in the 10+2 (Intermediate) Examination.
- The candidate must have Graduation Degree or must be studying in the final year of the Graduation at the time of admission.
- The Graduation final year appearing candidates will be required to submit the proof of his/her continuation of last year of Graduation.

**Social Category Criteria:**

- The candidate must belong to De-notified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Tribes.

**Benefit Availing Criteria:**

- Benefits under the Scheme (DACE) can be availed by a student not more than twice, irrespective of the number of chances he/she may be entitled to take in a particular competitive examination. **The student will be required to submit an undertaking in this regard.**

**Income Criteria:**

- The candidates having total family income of Rs. 2.50 lakh or less per annum from all sources will be eligible for benefits under the Scheme.
- The candidate must have a latest Income Certificate of self-employed parents/guardian which should be in the form of a certificate issued by a Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar.
- Employed parents/guardians are required to obtain a latest income certificate from their employer and submit a consolidated certificate from the Revenue Officer including any other additional source of income.

**Selection Criteria:**

- 100 candidates will be selected based on the merit list finalised after the conduct of the DACE Entrance Examination 2025-26.

- The DACE Entrance Examination 2025-26 will be conducted through Computer-based Entrance Test and will consist of 100 Multiple Choice questions based upon the Syllabus of Union Public Service Commission's Civil Services - Preliminary Examination.

### **Course Fee and Payment Mode**

- All the admissible payments will be released to the students through Direct Benefit Transfer by the Development and Welfare board for De-notified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Communities (DWBDNCs), Department of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India as per the scheme guidelines in their **Aadhaar-seeded bank accounts.**
- The fee and stipend will be released through Direct Benefit Transfer by the Development and Welfare board for De-notified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Communities (DWBDNCs) Department of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India as per the scheme guidelines in two instalments of 50% each of the admissible amount.
- The first instalment will be released immediately through Direct Benefit Transfer by the Development and Welfare board for De-notified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Communities (DWBDNCs) Department of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India as per the scheme guidelines at commencement of course.
- The second instalment will be released through Direct Benefit Transfer by the Development and Welfare board for De-notified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Communities (DWBDNCs) Department of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India as per the scheme guidelines after completion of more than 75% of the course duration.
- The students will be compulsorily required to remit the portion of fee to the DACE at Central University of Punjab immediately and in any case not exceeding 15 days, for which, an Affidavit must be submitted at the time of admission.
- **The applicant should have a valid Aadhaar number and a bank account seeded therewith, allotted to him/her.** At the time of application, if the student does not have an Aadhar number, he/ she can submit his/her EID number. However, the payment shall be released only after obtaining the Aadhar Number and shall be disbursed to the **Aadhaar seeded bank account of the student only.**

**Important Dates/Link:**

- Last date & Time of submission of Online Application: 22 December 2025 (Monday) – 5:00 P.M.
- For complete details, visit website: <http://cup.edu.in/dace> or scan the following QR Code

**Documents/Other Requirements for Submission of Online Application:**

1. Personal Email Id of the Applicant.
2. One Passport size photograph (in .jpeg format - less than 100 kb).
3. Signature (in .jpeg format - less than 100 kb).
4. Proof of Age (10th Certificate) (in .jpeg or .pdf format - less than 500 kb).
5. Aadhaar Card is Mandatory (in .jpeg or .pdf format - less than 500 kb size).
6. Intermediate (12th) Marksheet (in .jpeg or .pdf format - less than 500 kb).
7. Graduation Degree (in .jpeg or .pdf format - less than 500 kb).
8. Graduation Marksheet (in .jpeg or .pdf format - less than 500 kb).
9. Certificate of DNT/NT/SNT (DNT, NT, SNT candidates) (in .jpeg or .pdf format - less than 500 kb).
10. Latest Income Certificate (DNT, NT, SNT candidates) - (in .jpeg or .pdf format - less than 500 kb).