

JMET 2009 Analysis

This year, the pattern of JMET was same as last year i.e. 120 questions and 180 minutes. The overall difficulty level was also nearly same as last year. Each correct answer carried 1 mark while each wrong answer carried a penalty of 0.25 marks.

A brief snapshot of the various sections and marking scheme is presented below:

Section	No. of questions	Marks per question	Total marks	Difficulty Level
Verbal Communication	30	1	30	Moderate
Logical Reasoning	30	1	30	Moderate
Quantitative Ability	30	1	30	Moderate to Difficult
Data Interpretation	30	1	30	Moderate
TOTAL	120		120	

VERBAL COMMUNICATION

The sectional break up is as shown below.

Topics	No of Questions
Reading Comprehension	14
Sentence Correction	5
Grammar	1
Vocabulary	5
Analogies	3
Fill in the Blanks	1
Critical Reasoning	1
Total	30

There were 4 RC passages containing a total of 14 questions. RC on Philosophical Thought, Naïve Realism and Personal Happiness were on the tougher side. VA part was mostly doable with an exception of a few questions. Some of the questions on Vocabulary were direct ones. There were a few questions on "identification of the correct meaning of the sentence". A good attempt would have been 20-22 questions in 35 minutes with a possible score of 17+. The cut-off for this section is expected to be 8-9 marks.

LOGICAL REASONING

The sectional breakup is as shown below.

Topics	No of Questions
Data Arrangement (two sets)	10
Syllogism	2
Coding-Decoding	1
Statement Conclusion	4
Parajumbles	3
Logical Deduction	4
Miscellaneous	6
Total	30

The Data arrangement sets were moderately difficult while the rest of the questions were of easy to medium level of difficulty. There was one question which had an option (Geeta) not present in the set at all. There were some easy questions, including the one on Coding-Decoding, Statements & Conclusions and Logical Connectives which should have been attempted. A good attempt would have been 22-24 questions in a time limit of 45 minutes with a possible score of 19+. The cut-off for this section is expected to be 9-10 marks.

QUANTITATIVE ABILITY

The sectional breakup is as given below.

Topics	No of Questions
Arithmetic	6
Algebra	11
Geometry	6
P&C, Probability	3
Higher Maths	4
Total	30

The Quant section of this year had some very easy questions and students who took the time to scan the paper would have benefited. The topics ranged from simple percentage questions to linear programming, differential calculus and probability distribution. Most of the questions did not require concepts of higher maths, and could be solved using simple concepts only. In all, a good attempt would have been 22-24 questions in a time limit of 50 minutes with a possible score of 20+ will be ideal for this section. The cut-off for this section is expected to be 10-11 marks.

DATA INTERPRETATION

The sectional breakup is as given below.

Topics	No of Questions
Table (two sets)	8
Mixed Graph	4
Line Graph	5
Pie Chart	5
Stacked Bar Graph	5
Scatter Graph	3
Total	30

The Data Interpretation questions were for the most part quite straightforward and could have been solved by simple observation. The set "Chain of stores" was a little confusing to understand and in some cases the answers weren't close to what was given in the options and the examinee was forced to mark the "closest" choice. One of the questions in one of the sets had all wrong answers. A good attempt would have been 22-24 questions in a time limit of 50 minutes with a possible score of 20+. The cut-off for this section is expected to be 10-11 marks.

SECTIONAL SCORES AND OVERALL CUT-OFFS

JMET over the years has set low sectional cut-offs and higher overall cut-offs. It has consistently followed the pattern of Ranks as a means of determining cut-offs for different IITs and this year is

no different. Only students securing a rank in the Top 2300 might have a chance of getting calls from one or more of the IITs for their management programs.

Below is present the summary of the above analysis.

Section	No. of questions	Marks per question	Total marks	Time allocation (min.)	Attempts (questions)	Possible Cutoffs	Possible Scores
Verbal Communication	30	1	30	35	20-22	8-9	17+
Logical Reasoning	30	1	30	45	22-24	9-10	19+
Quantitative Ability	30	1	30	50	22-24	10-11	20+
Data Interpretation	30	1	30	50	22-24	10-11	20+
TOTAL	120		120	180	85-90	*	76+

*The probable cut-offs for different IITs along with their ranks are as given below.

IITs	Cut-off	Ranks
IIT-Mumbai	75-76	Till 350
IIT-Delhi	72-74	Till 600
IIT-Kanpur	68-70	Till 1100
IIT-Kharagpur	68-70	Till 1100
IIT-Chennai	65-68	Till 1900
IIT-Roorkee	62-65	Till 2300

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