

ADMISSION FOR POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN BANKING TECHNOLOGY (Second Batch starting in July 2017)

1. The IDRBT

The Institute for Development and Research in Banking Technology (IDRBT) is a unique Institution focused exclusively on the niche area of Banking Technology. Established by the Reserve Bank of India in 1996, the Institute works at the intersection of Banking and Technology.

Right from creating Technology Infrastructure, engaging in quality Development and Research, to moulding the Technology Talent required for the Banking Sector, IDRBT enables the technology transformation of the Indian Banking and Financial Sector. The IDRBT is the only Institute in the country exclusively focused on the niche area of Banking Technology.

The Institute is governed by a Governing Council. The Governor, Reserve Bank of India, is the Visitor and Deputy Governor, Reserve Bank of India, chairs the Council. The Council has eminent academicians from premier institutions of the country such as IITs, IIMs, C-DAC and CMI as members.

IDRBT has designed, developed, managed and scaled-up the core financial technology infrastructure of the country such as the INdian Financial NETwork, Structured Financial Messaging System, National Financial Switch and the Indian Banking Community Cloud. IDRBT is the Certifying Authority for the Indian Banking and Financial Sector under the IT Act.

IDRBT is actively engaged in a number of Research Projects aimed at developing the standards and systems of Banking Technology in India. The Institute provides Advisory and Consultancy Services to Banks and Financial Institutions on various technology issues. IDRBT is a Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (SIRO), recognised by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India.

2. The Post Graduate Diploma in Banking Technology (PGDBT)

The Indian Banking and Financial Sector is banking on technology to deliver efficient and effective customer service, reduce cost and improve profitability, to reach out to the unbanked, and implement their growth strategy. Therefore, there is a significant and urgent demand for talented people with expertise in technology and its management. This demand is set to further increase with new banks and payment banks coming up shortly.

In order to meet this pressing demand, the Institute launched the Post Graduate Diploma in Banking Technology (PGDBT) in July 2016. This Post Graduate Diploma in Banking Technology is a unique programme designed to provide

the Indian Banking and Financial Sector, on a regular basis, a pool of talented professionals with technology expertise to strongly support their technology deployment initiatives.

The PGDBT is a full-time regular one-year programme that will provide essential learning inputs on technology implementation, integration and management to both directly selected candidates as well as practising bankers so as to enable them to meet the changing technology requirements of the Banking Sector.

The programme focuses on current as well as emerging technologies that can contribute to the growth of banks and financial institutions. The PGDBT aims to produce techno-savvy professionals, who would use the latest and best technologies, to fuel growth and make the Indian Banking and Financial Sector techno-efficient.

3. Benefits for Students & Banks

- a. Intensive, in-depth exposure to the varied facets of Banking Technology
- b. In-depth understanding of various ways of applying technology for improved productivity in the Indian Banking and Financial Sector
- c. Exposure to hands-on Practical Learning and exclusive Case Studies on Technology Implementation in various banks in India and abroad
- d. A rigorous regimen which would enable students to stand apart in project planning and implementation in technology-related areas
- e. Technical and managerial mastery over the entire gamut of Banking Technology
- f. There is a strong demand for techno-savvy talent in the Banking Sector as well as in the IT companies, which work in the Banking and Financial Services domain. The PGDBT addresses precisely this need
- g. PGDBT will create well-groomed, talented executives who are well-versed with Technology and its management for Banking and Financial Services Industry (BFSI).

4. Course Structure

The PGDBT consists of four terms spread over a year. The duration of each term is three months with a total credit value of 26. While each of the first three terms consists of six courses of equal weightage, i.e. four credits, each term will also have a Comprehensive Viva of two credits.

The final term is devoted to Project Work (12 credits) in banks / financial institutions under the guidance of a faculty member of IDRBT and an external guide from the financial institutions/banks. Students are required to submit a detailed project report and make a presentation. The details of the courses are as under:

Term I: Introduction to Banking; Information Systems; Computer Networks; Information Security; IT Infrastructure Management; and Programming Languages.

Term II: Banking Technology Management; Data Warehousing and Business Intelligence; Cloud Computing; Cyber Defense; Application Development for Banks; and Soft Skills for IT Professionals.

Term III: Electronic Commerce and Payment Systems; Business Analytics; Banking on Mobility and Social Media; Information Systems Audit; Strategic IT Management; and Organizational Behavior and Entrepreneurship.

Term IV: Project Work at a bank or financial institution, to familiarize the student with the real environment and challenges in Banking Technology at work

5. Pedagogy

The PGDBT banks on a highly-interactive method of learning. Apart from lectures and seminars, interactive sessions with experts from IT industry and senior bankers constitute an integral learning component. The programme would depend heavily on hands-on practical learning in various state-of-the-art Research Centres of the Institute.

The Research Centres of the Institute are Centre of Excellence in Analytics, Centre for Mobile Banking, Centre for Cyber Security, Centre for Affordable Technologies, Centre for Cloud Computing, and Centre for Payment Systems.

There would also be case studies to ensure effective transfer of knowledge through sharpened analytical skills and induced innovative thought processes.

6. Faculty

IDRBT faculty, academicians from reputed institutions including foreign universities; experts from organizations like CERT-In, C-DAC, Digital Forensics labs and senior officials from Reserve Bank of India, banks, IT Industry and FinTech companies.

7. Eligibility

The Post Graduate Diploma in Banking Technology (PGDBT) is open – both to the Direct Candidates and Sponsored Candidates/Employees of Banks and Financial Institutions. The eligibility criteria for the PGDBT is as under:

7.1 Direct Candidates

A candidate must hold a first class (minimum of 60% marks) Bachelor's Degree in Engineering OR a first class Master's Degree in any subject with a minimum of 10+2+4 years of formal education. Candidates who are in the final year are also eligible to apply provided they complete the formal education as specified above latest by **June 30, 2017**. All direct candidates need to possess a valid CAT / GMAT / GRE / CMAT / XAT / MAT / ATMA score at the time of submission of application form.

The Institute would shortlist the candidates for Group Discussion and Personal Interview (GDPI) based on their CAT / GMAT / GRE / CMAT / XAT / MAT / ATMA scores. Thereafter, the actual selection for admission would be based on the scores of the candidates in the GDPI.

7.2 Sponsored/Direct Candidates from Banks and Financial Institutions

Banks and Financial Institutions can sponsor their employees for the Post Graduate Diploma in Banking Technology (PGDBT). Employees of Banks and Financial Institutions may also apply directly for the PGDBT. Candidates in both these categories too must hold a first class (minimum of 60% marks) Bachelor's Degree in Engineering OR a first class Master's degree in any subject with a minimum of 10+2+4 years of formal education but need not have CAT / GMAT / GRE / CMAT / XAT / MAT / ATMA scores.

However, such candidates need to participate in Group Discussion and Personal Interview (GDPI) and the selection for admission would be based on the scores of the candidates in the GDPI.

Sponsoring Banks and Financial Institutions / Employees of Banks and Financial Institutions may please note that the PGDBT is a full-time programme and accordingly, selected candidates would need to be relieved from their duties / granted leave, during the entire duration of the programme, i.e. one year. Employees of Banks and Financial Institutions who have directly applied would also need to submit a no-objection certificate from their Bank / Financial Institution to pursue the PGDBT.

All educational qualifications must have been obtained from recognized universities/institutions in India or abroad. If grades are awarded instead of marks, candidates should clearly indicate their numerical equivalent.

8. Intake

The annual intake for the Post Graduate Diploma in Banking Technology (PGDBT) is up to 40 (forty), of which up to 10 seats are earmarked for sponsored / direct candidates from banks and financial institutions.

9. Certification

Candidates, on successful completion of all the courses, including project work, will be awarded the Post Graduate Diploma in Banking Technology. This Diploma will be awarded to the students during the Annual Function at IDRBT.

10. Fee

The fee for the programme, per candidate, is Rs. 5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh only) plus applicable taxes. The fee covers teaching, course material and shared-accommodation costs at the Institute's Quarters in Begumpet, Hyderabad. The fee is to be paid in three equal installments at the start of the first three terms.

Candidates also need to pay a caution deposit of Rs. 30,000/-, which may be returned after successful completion of the course and submission of no-dues certificate. Students may avail the Institute's cafeteria facility by paying the additional applicable charges to the caterer directly.

11. Merit Matters

Meritorious students may get a stipend during their project period, if selected by an institution with such provisions. Possibilities also exist for a meritorious student to carry out his/her Project at a foreign university like the University at Buffalo, New York, USA or University of Groningen, Netherlands and this may be largely funded by the Institute.

12. Campus Placements

As this programme is specifically designed to meet the demands of the Banking and Financial Sector, successful students are likely to be placed in banks, financial institutions and IT companies serving the Indian Banking and Financial Sector. The Institute will facilitate placement for the PGDBT students by inviting the prospective employers to the Institute.

13. 100% Placements in 2016 – 2017

During the first year of its commencement, the Institute has achieved 100% Placements by February 2017, i.e. even before the completion of the third term of the PGDBT.

Students of the inaugural batch of the PGDBT have been successfully placed in reputed national institutions, including:

- National Payments Corporation of India
- Bandhan Bank
- IDBI Intech Ltd.

14. Facilities

The Institute has a state-of-the-art Wi-Fi enabled green campus in the heart of the city of Hyderabad.

IDRBT has in place excellent infrastructural facilities, classrooms and research centres equipped with the most modern systems to aid high quality teaching, interactions and learning. These facilities are being constantly upgraded with the latest systems, devices and tools to keep pace with the changing technology trends.

The Institute would provide hands-on practical experience to the PGDBT students through its state-of-the-art research centres and well-equipped classrooms. The Institute provides an excellent academic ambience and has a well-stocked library.

The Institute would provide shared-accommodation to the selected candidates in the Institute's quarters at Begumpet, Hyderabad.

15. How to Apply

Eligible candidates interested in pursuing the Post Graduate Diploma in Banking Technology need to apply online at www.idrbt.ac.in by paying the Registration Fee of Rs. 2000/- per candidate through NEFT to the following account:

- **Name:** Institute for Development and Research in Banking Technology
- **Name of the Bank:** Axis Bank Limited
- **Branch Address:** Mehdiapatnam Ring Road Branch, 13-6-431/D/82/4, AM Arcade, Hyderabad – 500028, Telangana
- **IFSC Code:** UTIB0000426
- **Account Number:** 426010100022288

16. Important Dates

Last Date for Submission of Application: May 15, 2017

Group Discussion and Personal Interview: June 2017

Declaration of Results: June 2017

Commencement of Classes: July 03, 2017

17. Contact

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