



राष्ट्रीय प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान, राउरकेला
National Institute of Technology, Rourkela

NITR/AC/UG-PG/2026/L/0877

Date: 02.04.2026

Advertisement for Admission to Masters of Arts [M. A.] for the session 2026-28

Online applications are invited from eligible candidates for admission to M.A. in Development Studies Programme for the academic session 2026-28. Applicants are required to note the Department, Programme and Programme Code as mentioned below, that will be required at the time of filling **ONLINE APPLICATION FORM**

Programme	Department	Programme Code	Requisite Academic Qualification
M. A.	Humanities & Social Science	Development Studies	B. Tech, B. A., B. Sc, B. Com with 50% marks or 5.5 /10 CGPA. Among B. A., B. Sc and B. Com, applicant with Honors will be given preference.

There is no relaxation in academic requirement for any category / caste of candidates because the minimum academic requirement has been set to meet the basic challenges of the academic programme.

The above mentioned CGPA/percentage should be the aggregate CGPA/percentage based on all semesters/years. Conversion from CGPA to percentage or vice-versa given by individual Institute/University will **NOT** be considered. If the evaluation system is in grades, CGPA value will be considered and if the evaluation system is in marks, percentage value will be considered.

Seat Distribution:

The distribution of seats for the said programme including slow pace is:

General-14	OBC-10	SC-06	ST-03	OPPH-02	EWS-04	TOTAL-39
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* If sufficient applicants are not available, seats under OBC, EWS and PH categories may be filled up by General category applicants.

Eligibility Criteria:

Admission to the programme will be made on the basis of career marking as decided by the Institute.

The candidates appearing qualifying degree final examination may also apply for the above programme. **However, they are required to submit their mark/grade sheet showing 50% marks or 5.5/10 CGPA at the time of selection and admission, failing which the applicants must produce a certificate signed by the Principal or Registrar of the College/University last attended stating that all examinations including practical necessary for award of the degree have been completed, in order to be eligible for admission, in the prescribed format given in the Annexure-I. Such candidates have to produce their final certificate latest by 30th September 2026; else their admission will stand cancelled and all fees paid including Caution deposit shall be forfeited by the Institute.**

Slow Pace:

M. A. programme is also offered in slow pace (4 years) to candidates, employed (including self-employment) in industry / organizations in and around Rourkela. Their admission will be within the approved seat limit as mentioned in the seat distribution. Eligibility criteria, selection process and fees are same as those for regular students studying in normal pace.

Certificates for claiming reservation:

Applicants claiming reservation under SC/ST/EWS/OBC/PH quota are required to produce valid certificate as detailed below at the time of admission failing which their candidature will be treated as General category:

- a. The **OBC, EWS and PH certificates should have been issued on or after 01.04.2026.**
- b. Candidates claiming reservation under SC/ST quota are required to produce SC/ST certificate as prescribed by the Govt. of India.
- c. Candidates claiming reservation under OBC quota are required to produce OBC certificate (**Annexure-II**) and to submit an undertaking (**Annexure-III**) in the prescribed format for admission to academic programme (not in the format for employment/recruitment).
- d. Candidates claiming reservation under PH quota are required to produce PH certificate as per following:
 - For physically challenged category, a minimum of 40% disability is required subject to the condition that the candidate is capable of carrying out all activities related to theory and practical work as applicable to various programmes without any special concessions and exemptions.
 - Physically challenged candidates shall bring the Physically Challenged (PH) Certificate in the prescribed format given in **Annexure-IV**. This certificate shall be signed by three members of Medical Board duly constituted by the State or Central Government under Person with Disability (PWD) Act. One of the doctors in the Medical Board shall be a specialist in the particular field pertaining to the disability. The name, degree, and specialization of all the doctors, date of issue shall be clearly visible in the certificate.
 - The Medical Officer of NIT Rourkela may assess the Physically Challenged (PH) certificate and the decision of the Medical Officer is final and binding on the candidate.
 - Attention of the PH candidates is drawn to Chapter XI, Section 56 of PWD Act for persons with severe disability. A disability of 80% or more is termed as severe disability. Suitability of such candidates for carrying out all activities related to theory and practical work as applicable to various programme without any special concessions and exemption will be examined by the Institute authority with help of Medical Officer and the admission of such candidates is subject to the decision of the authority.

How to apply:

Interested candidates satisfying the eligibility criteria may submit online application at <http://eapplication.nitrkl.ac.in> following the instructions.

Applicants are advised to

- a. Read the advertisement carefully,
- b. Read the instructions to fill up the online application form
- c. Fill up and submit the online application form accordingly.
- d. Pay non-refundable application fee of Rs. 500/- only through SBI Collect in the following link:<https://www.onlinesbi.com/sbicollect/icollecthome.htm?corpID=1509159>

Candidates who will be called for interview are required to submit the following documents to the HOD on reporting day of the interview:

- a. Signed copy of the e- application form
- b. A set of Xerox copies of all certificates from HSC onwards

They also need to produce original certificates from HSC onwards for verification to the Academic Office at the time of admission.

The list of selected candidates will be displayed in our Institute website www.nitrkl.ac.in and no postal intimation will be sent to the selected candidates. The candidates are requested to visit our Institute website for further information towards admission as per following schedule:

Important Dates:

Event	Date
Display of admission notice in the institute website	Apr 02 nd 2026 (Thursday)
Application form will be available in the Institute website for online Submission http://eapplication.nitrkl.ac.in	May 04 th 2026 (Monday)
Closing date of online application	June 20 th 2026 (Saturday)
Publication of list of applicants shortlisted for written test, Personal Interaction and counselling	June 30 th 2026 (Tuesday)
Date of written test, Personal Interaction	July 08 th & 09 th 2026 (Wednesday & Thursday)
Date of Publication of result	July 14 th 2026 (Tuesday)
Counselling and Admission	July 20 th 2026 (Monday)

Fee to be paid at the time of admission:

S. No	Fee Heads	(Amount in Rs.)
1.	Admission fee(one time)	2,500/-
2.	Tuition fee *(exempted for SC/ST students)	7,500/-
3.	Other fees **	3,000/-
4.	Student Activity fee	2,000/-
5.	Medical fees	2,000/-
6.	Hostel seat Rent	5,000/-
7.	Caution money(one time Refundable)	10,000/-
8.	Institute Emergency Fund (onetime fee to be directly deposited into corpus fund at the time of admission)	5,000/-
9.	Hall Establishment Fee	5,000/-
10.	Mess Advance ***	30,000/-
	Total :	72,000/- (64,500/- for ST/ST)
The above fee is only for the 1 st semester. For each subsequent semester the approximate fee including Mess Advance will be		60,000/- (50,000/- for SC/ST students)

*For SC/ST students Tuition fee is completely exempted.

**Other fees include Exam fee, Library fee, Electricity fee etc.

***Amount mentioned against mess advance is an approximate amount.

Refund Rule:

Once a student is admitted and then he/she is removed or he/she withdraws/leaves the Institute without completing the entire programme, all fees paid including the caution deposit will be forfeited by the institute. Mess advance may be refunded after deduction of dues, if any.

For further queries if any, please mail us in the e-mail ID: acad.pg@nitrkl.ac.in and admission@nitrkl.ac.in

Sd/-

Assistant Registrar (Academic – PG&Res)

Undertaking to be produced by the candidates at the time of admission

Undertaking

I, Sri/Ms _____, Roll No. _____ hereby undertake that, I am a bonafied student of _____ (name of institute/ college/ University) and have completed the final examination including practicals / sessionals and all other requirements to be eligible for the award of the degree of _____ in _____ (Branch/Specialisation/Department) and my result has not been published yet. I will produce the result and certificates satisfying the required academic eligibility criteria for the programme applied for, on or before September 30, 2026, failing which my admission shall stand cancelled and all fees paid will be forfeited. I will not appeal to the Institute authority for further extension of date for submission of my result.

Signature of the candidate

Date:

Certification by the Institute/ College/ University

This is to certify that Sri/Ms _____, Roll No. _____ is a bonafied student of this institute/ college/ University and has completed the final examination including practicals / sessionals and all other requirements to be eligible for the award of the degree of _____ in _____ (Branch / Specialisation/Department). The result of the said examination will be published on or before September 30, 2026, failing which his/her admission may be cancelled.

Signature with Seal of the Principal/Registrar

Date:

Proforma for Other Backward Class (OBC) Certificate

[Certificates issued from Maharashtra State must be validated by the Social Welfare Department of the Maharashtra Government]
(CERTIFICATE TO BE PRODUCED BY OTHER BACKWARD CLASSES APPLYING FOR ADMISSION TO CENTRAL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS (CEIs), UNDER THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA)

This is to certify that Shri / Smt. / Kum. _____ Son / Daughter of Shri / Smt. _____ of Village / Town _____ District / Division _____ in the _____ State belongs to the _____

Community which is recognized as a backward class under:

- (i) Resolution No. 12011/68/93-BCC(C) dated 10/09/93 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 186 dated 13/09/93.
- (ii) Resolution No. 12011/9/94-BCC dated 19/10/94 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 163 dated 20/10/94.
- (iii) Resolution No. 12011/7/95-BCC dated 24/05/95 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 88 dated 25/05/95.
- (iv) Resolution No. 12011/96/94-BCC dated 9/03/96.
- (v) Resolution No. 12011/44/96-BCC dated 6/12/96 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 210 dated 11/12/96.
- (vi) Resolution No. 12011/13/97-BCC dated 03/12/97.
- (vii) Resolution No. 12011/99/94-BCC dated 11/12/97.
- (viii) Resolution No. 12011/68/98-BCC dated 27/10/99.
- (ix) Resolution No. 12011/88/98-BCC dated 6/12/99 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 270 dated 06/12/99.
- (x) Resolution No. 12011/36/99-BCC dated 04/04/2000 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 71 dated 04/04/2000.
- (xi) Resolution No. 12011/44/99-BCC dated 21/09/2000 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 210 dated 21/09/2000.
- (xii) Resolution No. 12015/9/2000-BCC dated 06/09/2001.
- (xiii) Resolution No. 12011/1/2001-BCC dated 19/06/2003.
- (xiv) Resolution No. 12011/4/2002-BCC dated 13/01/2004.
- (xv) Resolution No. 12011/9/2004-BCC dated 16/01/2006 published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary Part I Section I No. 210 dated 16/01/2006.

Shri / Smt. / Kum. _____ and / or his family ordinarily reside(s) in the _____ District / Division of _____ State. This is also to certify that he / she does not belong to the persons / sections (Creamy Layer) mentioned in Column 3 of the Schedule to the Government of India, Department of Personnel & Training O.M. No. 36012/22/93-Estt. (SCT) dated 08/09/93 which is modified vide OM No. 36033/3/2004 Estt.(Res.) dated 09/03/2004 or the latest notification of the Government of India.

Dated:

District Magistrate/ Competent Authority

Seal

NOTE:

- (a) The term 'Ordinarily' used here will have the same meaning as in Section 20 of the Representation of the People Act, 1950.
- (b) The authorities competent to issue Caste Certificates are indicated below:
 - (i) District Magistrate / Additional Magistrate / Collector / Deputy Commissioner / Additional Deputy Commissioner / Deputy Collector / Ist Class Stipendiary Magistrate / Sub-Divisional magistrate / Taluka Magistrate / Executive Magistrate / Extra Assistant Commissioner (not below the rank of Ist Class Stipendiary Magistrate).
 - (ii) Chief Presidency Magistrate / Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate / Presidency Magistrate.
 - (iii) Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar.
 - (iv) Sub-Divisional Officer of the area where the candidate and / or his family resides.
- (c) The annual income / status of the parents of the applicant should be based on financial year ending March 31, 2026.

Declaration / Undertaking - for OBC Candidates only

I, Mr./Ms. _____ son/daughter of Shri _____ resident of village / town /city _____ district _____ State hereby declare that I belong to the _____ community which is recognized as a backward class by the Government of India for the purpose of reservation for admission in Central Government Institutions as per orders contained in Department of Personnel and Training Office Memorandum No. 36012/22/93- Estt. (SCT), dated 8/9/1993. It is also declared that I do not belong to persons / sections (Creamy Layer) mentioned in Column 3 of the Schedule to the above referred Office Memorandum, dated 8/9/1993, which is modified vide Department of Personnel and Training Office Memorandum No. 36033/3/2004 Estt. (Res.) dated 9/3/2004. I also declare that the condition of status / annual income for 'Creamy Layer' of my parents is within prescribed limits as on financial year ending on March 31, 2026.

Place:
Date:

Signature of the Candidate

Note: Declaration / undertaking not signed by Candidate will be rejected

Annexure IV

Format for Physically Challenged (PH) Certificate

(To be obtained by the candidate)

(To be filled by Medical Board notified under PWD Act)

Affix here recent
Photograph
showing the
disability duly
attested by

Certificate No:

Date:

This is to certify that Mr./ Ms _____ son / daughter of
Mr./Mrs. _____ Age _____ male/female,
Registration No. _____ is a case of _____. He/She is
physically disabled/visual disabled/speech and hearing disabled/having mental retardation/leprosy cured and
has % (_____ per cent) permanent (physical impairment/visual impairment/speech and
hearing impairment etc.) in relation to his/her _____.

Note:

This condition is progressive/not progressive/likely to improve/not likely to improve*.

1. Re-assessment is not recommended/ is recommended after period of _____ months/years*.

(*Strike out whichever is not applicable)

Signature of Dr.

Name of Dr.

Specialization

Seal with Degree

(Member, Medical Board)

Signature of Dr.

Name of Dr.

Specialization

Seal with Degree

(Member, Medical Board)

Signature of Dr.

Name of Dr.

Specialization

Seal with Degree

(Member, Medical Board)

Signature/Thumb impression of Patient

Countersigned by the

Medical Superintendent/CMO/Head of Hospital (with seal)

Information/Guidelines

1. Disability certificate shall be issued by Medical Board of at least three doctors duly constituted by the State or Central government under PWD Act.(One of the members of the Board should be the specialist in the particular field for assessing Locomotor, Visual disability, Hearing and Speech disability, Mental disorder and Leprosy cured)
2. If disability is likely to decrease (temporary type) then, the certificate should be valid up to September 15, 2026.
3. For candidature under physically challenged category, candidates only with a minimum of 40% disability is required subject to the condition that the candidate is capable of carrying out all activities related to theory and practical work as applicable to various programmes without any special concessions and exemptions.
4. The Medical Officer of NIT Rourkela may assess the Physically Challenged (PH) certificate and the decision of the Medical Officer is final and binding on the candidate.