



भारतीय वायु सेना
INDIAN AIR FORCE

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FLYING BRANCH

PERMANENT COMMISSION

National Defence Academy (NDA) (PC for Men Only)

Educational Qualifications: 10+2 with Physics and Mathematics.

Age Limit: 16^½ to 19^½ years as on commencement of course.

Combined Defence Service Examination (CDSE) (PC for Men Only)

Educational Qualifications: Any Graduate Degree/BE/ B Tech Degree and having passed Physics and Mathematics at 10+2 level.

Age Limit: 20 to 24 years as on commencement of course.

NCC Special Entry (PC for Men and SSC for Men & Women)

Educational Qualifications: Graduates (Min. three year degree course) in any discipline from a recognised university who have attained minimum 60% marks or equivalent and have passed Mathematics and Physics at 10+2 level with 60% each in Math & Physics or BE/ B Tech Degree (Four year course) or cleared section A & B examination of Associate Membership of Institution of Engineers (India) or Aeronautical Society of India from a recognised university with minimum 60% marks or equivalent NCC Air Wing Senior Division 'C' Certificate is mandatory.

Age Limit: 20 to 24 years as on commencement of course.

Candidates are to apply online.

SHORT SERVICE COMMISSION (for Men & Women)

AFCAT ENTRY

Educational Qualifications: Graduates (Min. three year degree course) in any discipline from a recognised university who have attained minimum 60% marks or equivalent and have passed Mathematics and Physics at 10+2 level with 60% each Maths & Physics or BE/ B Tech Degree (Four year course) or cleared section A & B examination of Associate Membership of Institution of Engineers (India) or Aeronautical Society of India from a recognised university with minimum 60% marks or equivalent.

Age Limit: 20 to 24 years as on commencement of course.

- Note:**
1. Short Service Commission in Flying Branch is for 14 years with no extension.
 2. Upper age limit is relaxed to 26 years for holders of valid and current Commercial Pilot's Licence (CPL) issued by DGCA (India) for Short Service Commission entry.
 3. Final year/semester students can also apply provided there should not have any present backlog and all such candidates should have secured a minimum of 60% marks up to last semester/ year for which results have been declared at the time of applying/AFSB testing.





GROUND DUTY TECHNICAL BRANCH

(PERMANENT COMMISSION FOR MEN ONLY)

(SHORT SERVICE COMMISSION FOR MEN & WOMEN)

AERONAUTICAL ENGINEER (ELECTRONICS) {AE(L)}

Educational Qualifications: Candidates with minimum 60% marks each in Physics and Mathematics at 10+2 level and a minimum of four year graduation / integrated post graduation qualification in Engineering / Technology from recognised University or cleared Sections A and B examination of Associate Membership of Institution of Engineers (India) or Aeronautical Society of India or Graduate membership examination of the Institute of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineers by actual studies with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent in the following disciplines:

(i) Communication Engineering (ii) Computer Engineering / Technology (iii) Computer Engineering & Application (iv) Computer Science and Engineering / Technology (v) Electrical and Computer Engineering (vi) Electrical and Electronics Engineering (vii) Electrical Engineering (viii) Electronics Engineering / Technology (ix) Electronics Science and Engineering (x) Electronics (xi) Electronics and Communication Engineering (xii) Electronics and Computer Science (xiii) Electronics and / or Telecommunication Engineering (xiv) Electronics and / or Telecommunication Engineering (Microwave) (xv) Electronics and Computer Engineering (xvi) Electronics Communication and Instrumentation Engineering (xvii) Electronics Instrument & Control (xviii) Electronics Instrument & Control Engineering (xix) Instrumentation & Control Engineering (xx) Instrument & Control Engineering (xxi) Information Technology

Age Limit: 20 to 26 years as on commencement of course.

AERONAUTICAL ENGINEER (MECHANICAL) {AE(M)}

Educational Qualifications: Candidates with minimum 60% marks each in Physics and Mathematics at 10+2 level and a minimum of four year graduation / integrated postgraduation qualification in Engineering / Technology from recognised University or cleared Sections A and B examination of Associate Membership of Institution of Engineers (India) or Aeronautical Society of India by actual studies with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent in the following disciplines:

(i) Aerospace Engineering (ii) Aeronautical Engineering (iii) Aircraft Maintenance Engineering (iv) Mechanical Engineering (v) Mechanical Engineering and Automation (vi) Mechanical Engineering (Production) (vii) Mechanical Engineering (Repair and Maintenance) (viii) Mechatronics (ix) Industrial Engineering

Age Limit: 20 to 26 years as on commencement of course.

Note: 1. Short Service Commission in Ground Duty Technical Branch is for 10 years extendable by 4 years.

2. Final year/semester students can also apply for all entries All such candidates should not have any present backlog and should have secured a minimum of 60% marks up to last semester/ year for which results have been declared at the time of applying/AFSB testing.

GROUND DUTY (NON-TECHNICAL) BRANCHES

(PERMANENT COMMISSION FOR MEN ONLY)
(SHORT SERVICE COMMISSION FOR MEN & WOMEN)

ADMINISTRATION & LOGISTICS BRANCH

Educational Qualifications: Graduate Degree (Min three year degree course) in any discipline from a recognised University with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent or cleared Section A & B examination of Associate Membership Intuition of Engineers (India) or Aeronautical Society of India from a recognised University with a minimum of 60% marks equivalent.

Age Limit: 20 to 26 years as on commencement of course.

ACCOUNTS BRANCH

Educational Qualifications: B. Com. degree (Min three year degree course) with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent.

Age Limit: 20 to 26 years as on commencement of course.

EDUCATION BRANCH

Educational Qualifications: MA / M SC degree in English / Physics / Mathematics / Chemistry / Statistics / International Relations / International Studies / Defence Studies / Psychology / Computer Science / IT / Management / MBA / MCA / Mass Communication / Journalism / Public Relations with a minimum of 50% marks in aggregate in all papers put together in Post-Graduation (minimum two years programme) and 60% in Graduation (both recognised by UGC / Competent Accreditation Authority). The duration may be lesser for integrated courses.

Age Limit: 20 to 26 years as on commencement of course.

METEOROLOGY BRANCH

Educational Qualifications: Post graduate degree in streams specified in the advertisement with minimum of 50% marks in aggregate of all papers put together (Provided Maths and Physics were studies at Graduation level with a minimum of 55% marks in each).

Age Limit: 20 to 26 years as on commencement of course.

Note: 1. Short Service Commission in Ground Duty (Non-technical) Branches is for 10 years extendable by 4 years.

2. Final year/semester students can also apply for all entries. All such candidates should not have any present backlog and should have secured a minimum of 60% marks up to last semester/year for which results have been declared at the time of applying/AFSB testing.





WOMEN IN IAF

In recent years, the changing Indian socio-economic scenario has seen an increasing public demand for greater participation of women in all fields. The evolving new woman is discovering a whole new self. She is storming the male citadels everywhere and the Defence Services are not left untouched.

IAF is the first among the three services to induct women in all its branches. We have openings for women in the Flying, Ground Duty (Technical & Non-tech.) Branches where you can join as Short Service Commissioned Officers. Terms of engagement in Short Service Commission in Flying Branch is 14 years with no extension & for Ground Duty (Technical & Non-tech) Branches for a period of 10 yrs which may be extended for four years subject to willingness, suitability service requirements and availability of vacancies.

Note: Age and Educational Qualification criteria for women are the same as applicable to male candidates in all the branches.

SELECTION PROCESS & MEDICAL EXAMINATION (MEN & WOMEN)

The selection process starts with written test for various entries. A written test is conducted by UPSC for NDA & CDSE entries for Flying Branch. Similarly an Air Force Common Admission Test (AFCAT) is conducted by the IAF for Flying (SSC), Ground Duty (Technical and Non-technical) Branches. Those who qualify the written test are called at any one of the Air Force Selection Boards at Dehradun, Mysore, Varanasi or Gandhinagar for further testing. During AFSB, stage-I testing comprising of Picture Perception & Discussion test (PP & DT) and intelligence test are conducted for all the entries. Candidates who qualify stage-I are eligible to undergo stage-II testing which involves Psychological Test, Group Tests and Interview. Candidates who have applied for Flying Branch would also be administered Computerised Pilot Selection Systems (CPSS). Short-listed candidates are called for medical examination either at IAM, Bengaluru or AFCME, New Delhi. Candidates recommended by AFSBs and declared medically fit will be detailed for training in the order of All India Merit List depending on the number of vacancies available in various branches/ sub branches.

WE CARE FOR YOU

Pay.

Rank	Pay as per Defence Matrix	Level	MSP
Flying officer	Rs. 56100 - 110700	10	Rs. 15500

Flight cadets shall receive a fixed stipend of Rs. 56,100/- per month for the period of training.

Allowances. In addition to pay, allowances are applicable based on nature of duty/ place of posting and includes Flying, Technical, Field Area, Special Compensatory (Hill area), Special Force, Siachen, Island Special Duty, Test Pilot & Flight Test Engineer, Area and Remote Locality Allowance.

Privileges. Air Force Officers are entitled to furnished accommodation, comprehensive medical cover for self and dependents, Canteen, Officers' Mess facilities, loans at subsidized rates, LTC and leave (60 days annual and 20 days casual) subject to service exigencies.

Insurance. Rs.75 Lakhs Insurance Cover (on contribution) is applicable to serving officers. Additional cover of Rs.12 Lakhs (on contribution) is applicable to Flying Branch Officers.

Sports and Adventure. Indian Air Force provides state of art facilities to play various sports. In addition to sports, officers have an opportunity to participate in various adventure sports such as sky diving, micro light flying, mountaineering, water rafting etc.

CAREER PROSPECTS

BRANCH/TYPE OF ENTRY	EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION*	AGE LIMIT**
FLYING BRANCH		
a) National Defence Academy (NDA) (PC for Men only)	10+2 with Physics & Maths. (Advertisement schedule: Jan/June by UPSC)	16½-19½ yrs
b) Combined Defence Services Examination (CDSE) (PC for Men only)	Any Graduate degree or BE/B.Tech. degree, having passed Physics & Maths at 10+2. (Advertisement schedule: Aug/Nov by UPSC)	20-24 yrs
c) NCC Special Entry (PC for Men and SSC for Men and Women)	Minimum 60% marks each in Physics and Maths at 10+2 level and any Graduate degree with min 60% marks or BE / B Tech degree in any discipline with min 60% marks. NCC Air Wing Senior Division 'C' certificate is mandatory. (Advertisement schedule: Jun/Dec by IAF)	20-24 yrs
d) AFCAT Entry (SSC for Men & Women)	Minimum 60% marks each in Physics and Maths at 10+2 level and should be a Graduate with minimum three years degree course in any discipline from a recognised University with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent OR BE/B.Tech degree (Four years course) from a recognised University with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent OR Candidates who have cleared Section A & B examination of Associate Membership of Institution of Engineers (India) or Aeronautical Society of India from a recognised University with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent. (Advertisement schedule: Jun/Dec by IAF) (AFCAT Exam)	20-24 yrs***
GROUND DUTY (TECHNICAL) BRANCH (PC/SSC for Men and SSC for Women)		
a) Aeronautical Engineering (Electronics) (AE(L))	Minimum of 60% marks each in Physics and Mathematics at 10+2 level and a minimum of four years degree graduation/integrated post-graduation qualification in Engineering/ Technology from recognised University OR cleared Sections A and B examination of Associate Membership of Institution of Engineers (India) or Aeronautical Society of India or Graduate membership examination of the Institution of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineers by actual studies with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent in the disciplines as per the advertisement. (Advertisement schedule: Jun/Dec by IAF) (AFCAT Exam)	20-26 yrs.
b) Aeronautical Engineering (Mechanical) (AE(M))	Same as above. (Advertisement schedule: Jun/Dec by IAF) (AFCAT Exam)	
GROUND DUTY (NON-TECHNICAL) BRANCH (PC/SSC for Men and SSC for Women)		
a) Administration b) Logistics	Graduate Degree (Minimum three years degree course) in any discipline from a recognised university with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent or cleared section A & B examination of Associate Membership of Institution of Engineers (India) or Aeronautical Society of India from a recognised university with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent.	20-26 yrs
c) Accounts		
d) Education	B. Com. Degree (Minimum three years degree course) from a recognised university with a minimum of 60% marks or equivalent.	20-26 yrs
e) Meteorology	MBA / MCA or MA / MSc degree in English / Physics / Mathematics / Chemistry / Statistics / International relations / International Studies / Defence Studies / Psychology / Computer Science / IT / Management / Mass Communication / Journalism / Public Relation with a minimum of 50% marks in aggregate all papers put together in Post-Graduation (Minimum two years programme, the duration may be lesser for integrated courses) and minimum 60% marks in graduation.	20-26 yrs
	Post Graduate Degree in streams specified in the advertisement with minimum of 50% marks in aggregate of all papers put together (Provided Maths and Physics were studied at Graduation Level with a minimum of 55% marks in each).	
(Advertisement schedule: Jun/Dec by IAF) (AFCAT Exam)		



*Appearing/ Final Semester/ Year Students can also apply. More details on Educational qualification visit: <https://careerindianairforce.cdac.in> or refer Advertisement and notification in Employment News

**Age as on first day of month in which training commences.

***Upper age limit relaxed upto 26 yrs for holders of valid & current Commercial Pilots' Licence (CPL) issued by DGCA (India).

PC- Permanent Commission, SSC- Short Service Commission

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