4. MCA PROGRAMME

4.1 **ELIGIBILITY**:

MCA (3-years duration)

Bachelor degree of minimum 3-years duration in any discipline from a recognised University with at least 60% marks (55% for SC/ST) in aggregate. Mathematics must be studied at 10+2 level or at graduation level.

Mode of Selection: Admission will be made on the basis of merit of 10th, 12th and graduation (upto end of 2nd year, minimum of 65% marks are required). Overall minimum 60% (55% for SC/ST) in graduation shall be required to be eligible for admission.

Candidate must attach mark sheets of 10th, 12th and all the marks sheets of Graduation upto end of 2nd year along with the printout of applications.

MCA Lateral Entry (2-years duration)

Recognized bachelor degree of minimum 3-years duration in BCA, B.Sc. (IT/ Computer Science) with at least 60% marks (55% for SC/ST) in aggregate. Mathematics must be studied at 10+2 level or at graduation level.

Mode of Selection: Merit list will be prepared on the basis of above said criteria of MCA (3-year) and admission will be made according to this merit list.

4.2 Duration of the Programme:

The programme is spread over a period of three years consisting of six semesters. The first year is exempted for candidates admitted through lateral entry in the second year. The students study courses for five semesters at the Institute and do a Software Development Project (SDP) in the sixth semester in some reputed industry.

4.3 Number of Seats and their distribution:

(a) MCA (3-Years)

General	SC/ST	PH	Total
64	23	3	90 (+14 FN/NRI seats. Refer section 10 for eligibility & other conditions)

(b) MCA (2-Years) through Lateral Entry

General	SC/ST	PH	Total
12	5	1	18

In addition to above seats, 1% over and above seats are reserved for children of employees of Thapar Institute of Engineering & Technology. The candidates seeking admission under this category are required to satisfy the eligibility as mentioned above at 4.1.

In addition to above, vacant seats of first year shall also be offered through Lateral Entry.

Note: The candidates applying for MCA (2-years) and if found eligible will also be considered for admission in MCA (3-Years), they need not to apply separately.