AFTER CLASS 12

CLAT vs IPMAT

Two entrance exams. Two career directions. One important choice after Class 12.



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Start with the destination

The best starting point is the path you want to explore.



CLAT

A 5-year integrated Law degree such as BA LL.B. or BBA LL.B.



IPMAT

A 5-year Integrated Programme in Management at IIMs and other leading institutes.

Explore the full CLAT vs IPMAT guide

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CLAT opens doors in law and public affairs

- Best suited to students curious about legal practice, corporate law, judiciary, civil services, policy, and public affairs.
- Possible careers include lawyer, legal advisor, judge, legal consultant, civil servant, and policy professional.

Choose CLAT if you enjoy reading, interpreting rules, debating ideas, and understanding how society works.

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IPMAT starts a management journey early

- Best suited to students interested in business management, consulting, finance, marketing, entrepreneurship, and leadership.
- Possible paths include business management, finance, consulting, marketing, product management, and corporate leadership.

Choose IPMAT if you enjoy solving business problems, working with numbers, and turning ideas into action.



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What CLAT tests

CLAT rewards wide reading, critical thinking, interpretation, and awareness of current affairs.



Legal Reasoning



Reading Comprehension



Current Affairs



Logical Reasoning



Quantitative Techniques

[See the CLAT section-wise comparison]

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What IPMAT tests

IPMAT places greater emphasis on mathematical aptitude, analytical reasoning, and verbal proficiency.



Quantitative Ability



Verbal Ability



Logical Reasoning at some institutes

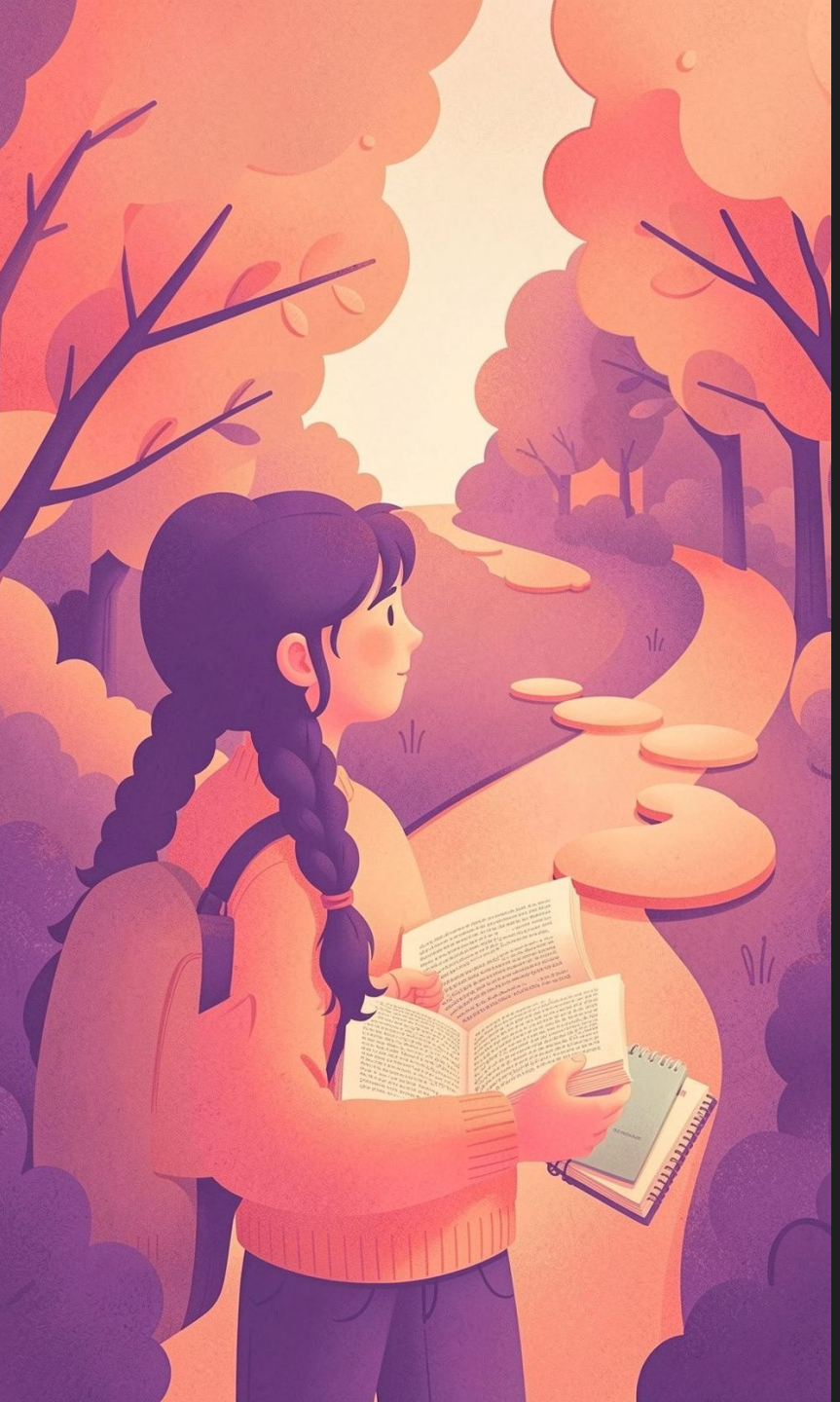


Data Interpretation



Managerial aptitude

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Where the preparation overlaps

These shared skills make it possible to prepare for both exams during Classes 11 and 12.

CLAT

Reading, interpretation, and current affairs.

IPMAT

Numbers, analysis, and business problems.

Shared foundation

Strong English language skills · Logical and analytical thinking · Time management · Consistent practice · Confidence under pressure

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Where you need extra preparation

Build the common base together, then add the skills each exam needs.



For CLAT

Add legal reasoning, current affairs, and deeper reading practice.



For IPMAT

Add advanced quantitative aptitude, data interpretation, and faster calculation.

Use common study time for English, reasoning, and mock-test analysis.

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How to choose your direction

Use three questions to turn interest into evidence.

01

Ask yourself

Do I enjoy laws and arguments, or business problems and numbers?

02

Notice your strengths

Reading and interpretation point toward CLAT; quantitative and analytical comfort points toward IPMAT.

03

Keep exploring

Take sample tests, attend introductory sessions, and speak with people in both fields.

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NEXT STEP

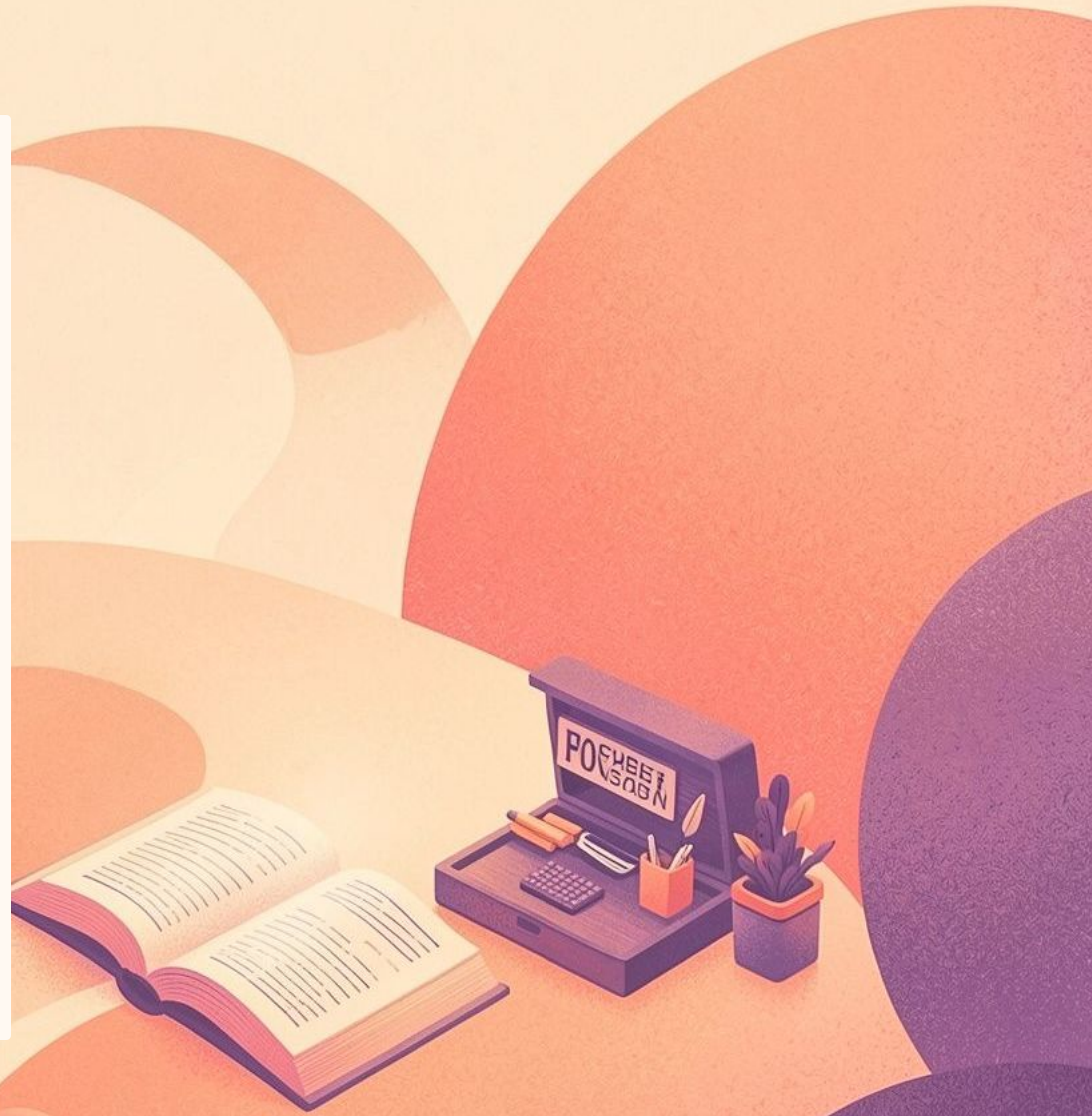
Keep both pathways open

Build a common foundation first: English, reasoning, aptitude, communication, and problem-solving.

Then add exam-specific practice as your interests become clearer.

For StratEdge Academy, this overlap helps students explore Law and Management before making a final decision.

Read more and plan your next step with StratEdge Academy



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