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**MANAGEMENT THRIVES**

## B-school graduates in clover

With firms across sectors looking for talent in data analysis and tech roles, hiring is expected to witness a 17-20 per cent surge, along with a corresponding pay rise

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**M**anagement graduates are likely to be the flavour of the season, with a large number of new-age and traditional sector employers looking to employ them. Companies across sectors are looking for B-schoolers in data management and technology-oriented roles.

There is likely to be a 20 per cent surge in the number of job offers and a corresponding rise in average pay packages and salaries in the same period in 2021, in this respect.

Most leading B-schools have been premier, as well as second-rung institutes, have seen a surge in job offers for their alumni. For instance, this year, the placement executives believe, especially at the time of final placements, nearly 30-35 per cent of the placements will be secured through the final placement process, typically come through internship, visits, or walk projects.

According to NP (New Delhi), CMAI, Genies, CareerGates, there has been a 20-30 per cent surge in hiring across most sectors. During the last few years, most companies had been cautious, but now the market has opened up and demand is growing, so most has improved. Most companies are now looking for fresh graduates, but the growth received, particularly in IT, has been affected.

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the demand for B-school graduates has increased significantly. The demand for B-school graduates is expected to rise in the coming months. The availability of B-school graduates and current trends has changed the dynamics of B-school hiring. The spike in internships has been driven by the surge in the talent pool for short-term placements.

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**Tech on top** Digital upskilling and e-learning by companies

Documentation, digitisation of B-schools have brought B-school hiring back to normal levels. In many sectors, companies are hiring B-school graduates. The professional search has shifted to the top.

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**Tech roles dominate**

According to Kunal Keshav, co-founder, Nishant, a specialist staffing company, the demand for B-school graduates is driven by accumulated supply and compensatory hiring.

There are over 10,000 active openings reported on MBAJobs, the largest B-school job portal, of different experience levels, including entry-level openings. Short-term B-school placements are available in B-schools, and the number of B-school graduates is expected to rise in the coming months. The availability of B-school graduates and current trends has changed the dynamics of B-school hiring. The spike in internships has been driven by the surge in the talent pool for short-term placements.

**Summer placements**

In summer placements, which offers a temporary opportunity to first-year management students, have been exceptionally good this year. The data shows that the number of B-school graduates is expected to rise in the coming months. The availability of B-school graduates and current trends has changed the dynamics of B-school hiring. The spike in internships has been driven by the surge in the talent pool for short-term placements.

A number of second-rung management institutes, as well as some of the top B-schools, had seen the brunt of the slowdown in final placements, which had a significant impact on the placement process. However, this year, while the overall recruitment process is positive, B-schools are not affected by the second-rung institutes. A large number of B-school graduates are expected to rise in the coming months. The availability of B-school graduates and current trends has changed the dynamics of B-school hiring. The spike in internships has been driven by the surge in the talent pool for short-term placements.

Next year was a wash-out year for many B-schools, but this year has changed, particularly with reference to technology adoption. Skill sets, demand, has increased, and B-schools have started introducing these in their curriculum. Besides, new B-schools are coming up, but it is a matter of 12-18 months," explains Nishant Keshav, president, Nishant HR, a specialist staffing company. B-schools are looking for B-school graduates.