

At last, it was hassle-free CAT in B'lore

No fresh dates announced yet for those who missed the test

BANGALORE: The eighth day of CAT was relatively hassle free for the aspirants who took the exam in the City. Some aspirants who were given the morning slot at Garden City college, had to take it in the afternoon session, but barring this incident, the tests were problem-free.

Arjun (name changed), who took his exam at the Garden City college, said that the staff at the college, read out the names and labs that they had been assigned to, before the start of the exam. "They told us that if the names were not registered with us, then we could not take the test. That was the most anxious part, having to make sure that our names were indeed registered for the day. After that, taking the test was relatively easy," he said.

Meanwhile, the plight of the students whose exams were cancelled in the first two days, has worsened as no alternate date for taking the exam has been communicated to them. Nikhil (name changed), an engineering student from Goa, had his exam cancelled on November 28 at Vivekananda Degree college, and on the same evening, he received an e-mail asking him to write the exam at Garden City college on November 30.

But he was not allowed to write the exam as the centre it-



Students coming out of R V Institute of Management after appearing for CAT in Bangalore. DH photo

self had problems with non-functioning labs. Now, Nikhil has not received an email with further dates for the exam, nor has he been able to get through the helpline.

His uncle, Nagesh said that they have been unable to get anyone on the helpline, even though they have been trying continuously. "They have announced that the exams are going to be extended only by a day. We still have not received any new date for the exam so far. How can they play with the lives of children like this," he questioned.

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