

Decoding Market Profile & Order Flow

The complete 6-month syllabus — Cohort 14, commencing 31 July 2026, 09:15 IST

A structured mentorship built around Market Profile (the map) and Order Flow (the compass). Phase 1 is theory + integration (Months 1–3). Phase 2 is personalised live execution with 1-on-1 PnL audits (Months 4–6). Every session is delivered by working professional trader Mr. Vishnu Gupthan R.

Phase 1 — The Curriculum (Months 1–3)

Month 1: Market Profile Foundations & Dynamics

Learn to read the market's map before looking at execution.

Module 1 · Auction Theory & Core Building Blocks

- The market as a continuous two-way auction
- TPOs (Time Price Opportunities) and 30-minute periods A → M
- Initial Balance (IB), Value Area (VA), Point of Control (POC)

Module 2 · Reading the Market's Language

- Structural signposts: Single Prints, Excess/Tails, Poor Highs/Lows
- Historical reference: Naked POCs (NPOC), Yesterday's POC (YPOC), VWAP
- Balance (consolidation/acceptance) vs. Imbalance (trending/rejection)

Module 3 · Open Types & Early Intent

- Open Drive (OD), Open Test Drive (OTD), Open Rejection Reversal (ORR)
- Open Auction — In Range (OAIR) vs. Out of Range (OAOR)
- The C-Period Trap: the 'dhokha zone' where retail gets trapped

Module 4 · Day Types & Market Personality

- Normal / Normal Variation / Neutral / Neutral Extreme Day
- Trend Days and Double Distribution Days
- Profile shapes — P-shape (short covering/long buildup), b-shape (long liquidation/short buildup)

Month 2: Advanced Profile Concepts & Intro to Order Flow

From historical structure (where the market was) to real-time intent (what it is doing now).

Module 5 · Advanced Profile Dynamics & Timeframes

- Top-Down: Yearly → Monthly → Weekly → Daily profile confluence
- POC Migration and Value Area Shifts (institutional footprints)
- Responsive vs. Initiative — when to fade extremes, when to follow breakouts

Module 6 · Endings, Transitions & Failed Auctions

- Trading the Failed Auction (FA) and calculating FA targets
- The G period (European overlap) and K period (the 'killer hour')
- Setting the next day's bias from the close

Module 7 · Foundations of Order Flow

- Limit orders (passive liquidity) vs. Market orders (aggressive liquidity)
- Pillar 1 — Initiative vs. Responsive (IB / IS / RB / RS)
- Pillar 2 — COT (Commitment of Traders); 10-bar COT for sustained trends

Module 8 · Deep Dive into Order Flow Elements

- Pillar 3 — LLT (Large Lot Traders): spotting whale footprints in real time
- Pillar 4 — Zeros (Imbalances / Liquidity Voids): mapping fast-move zones
- Pillar 5 — Volume POC: profitable vs. underwater (support vs. resistance)

Month 3: Trade Setups, Integration & Strategies

Combine the map (Profile) with the compass (Order Flow) to execute high-probability setups.

Module 9 · Hierarchy of Intent & Order Flow Patterns

- Isolated vs. Clustered vs. Sequential Initiative patterns
- Absorption — initiative meets a wall of passive limit orders
- Exhaustion — initiative fades → safe reversal entry

Module 10 · The Integration (Structure meets Flow)

- Combining structural levels (PDH / PDC / VAH) with Order Flow confirmation (LLT, IB/IS)
- A / B / C / D Grade System — size up on A, pass on C

Module 11 · The Three Points Execution Framework

- Exact Entry — aggressive initiative, confirmation, or pullback
- Market-Driven Stops — behind Zero-prints or IB bar extremes (never arbitrary)
- Objectives — 1:1 bar range method + structural references

Module 12 · Strategy Mastery & Position Management

- Scaling out — 1/3 at 1:1, 1/3 at structural target, 1/3 trailing with Orderflow shifts
- The 'Freshness Check' — Orderflow signals must be less than 3 minutes old

Phase 2 — Personalised Mastery & PnL Review (Months 4–6)

Theory → Profitable live execution, through strict accountability and 1-on-1 mentorship.

Month 4 · Observation & Paper Trading Mentorship

- Live Market Observation — spot the Five Pillars aligning at MP levels in real time (no real capital yet)
- 1-on-1 Setup Reviews — students submit paper trades using the Three Points Framework
- Identifying the Trader's Edge — trend-following (OD / Imbalance) vs. mean-reversion (Normal Days / Absorption)

Month 5 · Live Execution & Weekly PnL Reviews

- Small-size live trading — A-Grade and B-Grade setups only
- 'Dhokha' Audit — checking the journal for C-period trap losses
- Responsive vs. Initiative Check — reviewing losing trades for provided-exit-liquidity errors
- Risk-Reward Analysis — strict minimum 1:1 target ratio

Month 6 · Strategy Mastery, Scaling & Independence

- Advanced Position Management — scaling in / scaling out, moving stops to breakeven
- Psychology & Behavioural Review — preventing revenge trading, FOMO, hesitation
- Graduation & Trading Plan Construction — a personalised, rule-based plan (pre-market → intraday → daily risk limit)

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