GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1048

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NIRF 2024 Rankings

1048. SHRI EATALA RAJENDER:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as per the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2024 ranking, the rank of the Indian Universities has experienced more than 20% change compared to 2023 ranking of NIRF;
- (b) whether it is true that more private universities have improved their rankings, while the ranks of public institutions like IISERs and IITs have declined, if so, the details thereof; and (c) the steps being taken by the Government to improve the rank of Public Institutions?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)

(a) to (c): National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) was launched in 2015 by the Government of India for the annual ranking of institutions/ universities of higher education in India (called India Rankings), to promote a healthy competition among educational institutes and universities. The methodology of these rankings is based on five broad parameters which are "Teaching, Learning and Resources," "Research and Professional Practices," "Graduation Outcomes," "Outreach and Inclusivity," and "Peer Perception".

As per NIRF 2024 India Rankings, 82 institutions, in the Top 100 in "Overall Category" have shown an increase in total score achieved in 2024 as compared to 2023. This indicates their improvement on parameters of NIRF. Further, among the Top 100 institutions ranked in "Overall Category" in the 2024 India Rankings, 36 government institutions have improved or retained their ranks while 24 private institutions have improved or retained their ranks.

In alignement with the objectives of National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, there is a thrust on improving the overall quality of education in HEIs. While numerous initiatives have been institutionalised in Centrally Funded Institutions for this purpose, Government of India also provides financial support to State Governments under Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan

(RUSA)/ Pradhan Mantri Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (PM-USHA) scheme under three components namely, "Enhancing Quality and Excellence in select State Universities", "Infrastructure Grants to Universities" and "Multi-Disciplinary Education and Research Universities (MERU)" for improvement in Higher Education.

Further, National Board of Accreditation (NBA) is also conducting workshops at regular intervals for generating awareness about India Rankings.

Draft response to Lok Sabha Unstarred question no. 1048 by Shri Eatala Rajender dated 02.12.2024

NIRF 2024 Rankings

a. Whether as per the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2024 ranking, the rank of the Indian Universities has experienced more than 20% change compared to the 2023 ranking of NIRF.

National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) was launched by the Government of India in 2015. To promote a healthy competition among educational institutes and universities. The methodology of these rankings based on 5 broad parameters which are "Teaching, Learning and Resources," "Research and Professional Practices," "Graduation Outcomes," "Outreach and Inclusivity," and "Peer Perception".

It is correct that as per the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2024 ranking, the rank of the Indian Universities has experienced more than 20% change compared to the 2023 ranking of NIRF. However, eighty-two ranked institutions in the Top 100 in Overall Category have shown an increase in total score achieved in 2024 as compared to 2023 indicating improvement on parameters of NIRF, though ranking of a institutions depends on the total score of other Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) participating in NIRF.

b. Whether it is true that more private universities have improved their rankings, while the ranks of public institutions like IISERs and IITs have declined, if so the details thereof; and

The top 100 institutions ranked in Overall Category have seventy government institutions and thirty private institutions. Thirty-six government institutions have improved or retained their ranks while twenty- four private institutions have improved or retained their ranks. Ten IIT's have improved or retained ranks, and six IIT's ranks have declined slightly. IISER's have declined in ranks however, IISER, Mohali and IISER Bhopal have improved their scores.

c. The steps being taken by the government to improve the rank of Public institutions?

NBA is conducting workshops for creating awareness about ranking.

Note for Supplementary

• National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF)-

National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) was launched by the Ministry of Human Resource Development in September 2015. The framework is being used for the annual ranking of institutions of higher education in India from 2016 onwards (called India Rankings). India Rankings has galvanized Indian institutions towards a competitive environment that exists in today's world. The key parameters used in India Rankings would help institutions to work sincerely towards improving their ranking amongst institutions of the world.

In the first edition of India Rankings 2016, ranks were released for four categories / disciplines, namely Universities, Engineering, Management and Pharmacy. However, in the ninth edition of India Rankings 2024, ranks were released in 16 categories/discipline namely, Overall, Universities, Research Institutions, Innovation, Colleges, Engineering, Management, Pharmacy, Law, Medical, Dental, Architecture and Planning, Agriculture and Allied Sectors, State Public Universities, Skill Universities and Open Universities

• Overall Rankings Parameters

The NIRF ranks Higher Education Institutions on five broad parameters which are the same for all the disciplines. The parameter-wise details of the Overall Category are as below:

1. Teaching, Learning & Resources (TLR) 100 Marks Ranking weight: 0.30

- a. Student Strength including Doctoral Students (SS): 20 marks
- b. Faculty-student ratio with emphasis on permanent faculty (FSR): 25 marks
- c. Combined metric for Faculty with PhD (or equivalent) and Experience (FQE): 20 marks
- d. Financial Resources and their Utilisation (FRU): 20 marks
- e. Online Education: Online Completion of Syllabus & Exams and Swayam (OE): 10 marks
- f. Combined metric for Multiple Entry/Exit, Indian Knowledge System and Regional languages (MIR): 5 marks

2. Research and Professional Practice (RP) 100 Marks Ranking weight: 0.30

- a. Combined metric for Publications (PU): 30 marks
- b. Combined metric for Quality of Publications (QP): 30 marks
- c. IPR and Patents: Published and Granted (IPR): 15 marks
- d. Footprint of Projects and Professional Practice (FPPP): 15 marks
- e. Combined metric for Publications & Citations in SDGs (PSDGs): 10

3. Graduation Outcomes (GO)100 Marks

Ranking weight: 0.20

- a. Metric for University Examination (GUE): 60 marks
- b. Metric for Number of Ph.D. Students Graduated (GPHD): 40 marks

4. Outreach and Inclusivity (OI)100 Marks

Ranking weight: 0.10

- a. Percentage of Students from Other States/Countries (Region Diversity RD): 30 marks
- b. Percentage of Women (Women Diversity WD): 30 marks
- c. Economically and Socially Challenged Students (ESCS):
- d. 20 marks
- e. Facilities for Physically Challenged Students (PCS): 20 marks

5. Perception (PR)100 Marks*

Ranking weight: 0.10

a. Peer Perception: Academic Peers and Employers (PR): 100 marks

*However, for universities in the PR parameter, 70% weight was given to Peer Perception and 30% to Accreditation by NAAC.

Participation in India Rankings

Category/Discipline	IR16	IR17	IR18	IR19	IR20	IR21	IR22	IR23	IR24
OVERALL	233 (University Ranking)	724	957	1479	1667	1657	1876	2478	2781
AGRICULTURE AND ALLIED SECTORS	-	-	-	-	48	-		152	145
ARCHITECTURE & PLANNING	28	42	59	65	66	78	91	105	115
COLLEGE	803	596	1087	1304	1659	1802	2270	2746	3371
DENTAL	-	-	-	-	115	117	142	155	184
ENGINEERING	1438	1007	906	970	1071	1143	1249	1314	1463
LAW	-	49	71	80	97	120	147	162	195
MANAGEMENT	609	542	487	555	630	659	751	776	876
MEDICAL	-	43	101	113	118	111	151	176	182
PHARMACY	454	316	286	301	334	351	401	435	467
RESEARCH						234	176	187	242
INNOVATION									808
OPEN UNIVERSITIES									12
SKILL UNIVERISITIES									4
TOTAL	3565	3319	3954	4867	5805	6272	7254	8686	10845

Status of Ranked Institutions of Maharashtra State in Various Disciplines/ Categories in India Rankings 2024

1. Overall

S.No.	Institute Name	City	Rank
1	Indian Institute of Technology Bombay	Mumbai	3
2	Homi Bhabha National Institute	Mumbai	27
3	Savitribai Phule Pune University	Pune	37
4	Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Pune	Pune	42
5	Symbiosis International	Pune	52
6	Institute of Chemical Technology	Mumbai	56
7	Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth	Pune	63
8	Datta Meghe Institute of Higher Education and Research	Wardha	71
9	Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology Nagpur	Nagpur	77
10	SVKM's Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies	Mumbai	84
11	Tata Institute of Social Sciences	Mumbai	98
12	Bharati Vidyapeeth	Pune	101-150
13	Mumbai University	Mumbai	101-150
14	COEP Technological University	Pune	151-200
15	Krishna Vishwa Vidyapeeth	Karad	151-200
16	Padmashree Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Mumbai	Mumbai	151-200

2. Universities

S.No.	Institute Name	City	Rank
1	Homi Bhabha National Institute	Mumbai	16
2	Savitribai Phule Pune University	Pune	23
3	Symbiosis International	Pune	31
4	Institute of Chemical Technology	Mumbai	35
5	Datta Meghe Institute of Higher Education and Research	Wardha	42
6	Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth	Pune	44
7	SVKM's Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies	Mumbai	49
8	Tata Institute of Social Sciences	Mumbai	58
9	Mumbai University	Mumbai	61
10	Bharati Vidyapeeth	Pune	78
11	D. Y. Patil Educational Society	Kolhapur	101-150
12	Krishna Vishwa Vidyapeeth	Karad	101-150
13	Padmashree Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Mumbai	Mumbai	101-150
14	COEP Technological University	Pune	101-150
15	Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University	Aurangabad	101-150
16	MGM Institute of Health Sciences, Navi Mumbai	Navi Mumbai	151-200
17	Pravara Institute of Medical Sciences, Ahmednagar	Ahmednagar	151-200
18	Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University	Nagpur	151-200
19	Shivaji University	Kolhapur	151-200

3. Engineering

S.No.	Institute Name	City	Rank
1	Indian Institute of Technology Bombay	Mumbai	3
2	Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology Nagpur	Nagpur	39
3	Institute of Chemical Technology	Mumbai	41
4	Defence Institute of Advanced Technology	Pune	63
5	COEP Technological University	Pune	77
6	Dr. Vishwanath Karad MIT World Peace University	Pune	101-150
7	SVKM's Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies	Mumbai	101-150
8	Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute, (VJTI, Mumbai)	Mumbai	101-150
9	Bansilal Ramnath Agarwal Charitable Trust`s Vishwakarama Institute of Technology	Pune	151-200
10	Bharati Vidyapeeth Deemed University College of Engineering	Pune	151-200
11	Dr. D. Y. Patil Institute of Technology	Pune	151-200
12	G. H. Raisoni College of Engineering, Nagpur	Nagpur	151-200
13	JSPM's Rajarshi Shahu College of Engineering	Pune	151-200
14	Yeshwantrao Chavan College of Engineering	Nagpur	151-200
15	Army Institute of Technology	Pune	201-300
16	Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan`s Sardar Patel Institute of Technology	Mumbai	201-300
17	K. J. Somaiya College of Engineering	Mumbai	201-300
18	Maharshi Karve Stree Shikshan Samstha's Cummins College of Engineering for Women	Pune	201-300
19	Padmashree Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Mumbai	Mumbai	201-300
20	Shri Ramdeobaba College of Engineering and Management	Nagpur	201-300
21	Shri Vile Parle Kelavani Mandal`s Dwarkadas J. Sanghvi College of Engineering	Mumbai Suburban	201-300
22	 		201-300
	University Institute of Chemical Technology	Jalgaon	201-300

4. Management

S.No.	Institute Name	City	Rank
1	Indian Institute of Management Mumbai	Mumbai	6
2	Indian Institute of Technology Bombay	Mumbai	10
3	Symbiosis Institute of Business Management	Pune	13
4	S. P. Jain Institute of Management and Research	Mumbai	20
5	SVKM's Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies	Mumbai	21
6	Indian Institute of Management Nagpur	Nagpur	31
7	K J Somaiya Institute of Management Studies and Research	Mumbai	63
8	Prin. L.N. Welingkar Institute of Management Development and		
0	Research (PGDM)	Mumbai	84
9	National Institute of Bank Management	Pune	91
10	Bharati Vidyapeeth's Institute of Management and Entrepreneurship		
	Development	Pune	101-125

5. Pharmacy

S.No.	Institute Name	City	Rank
1	Institute of Chemical Technology	Mumbai	5
2	SVKM's Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies	Mumbai	10
3	Poona College of Pharmacy, Pune	Pune	35
4	Dr D Y Patil Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences and Research	Pune	36
5	SVKM's Dr. Bhanuben Nanavati College of Pharmacy	Mumbai	39
6	Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University	Nagpur	51
7	R. C. Patel Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research	Shirpur	56
8	Smt. Kishoritai Bhoyar College of Pharmacy	Nagpur	61
9	Krishna Vishwa Vidyapeeth	Karad	67
10	Dr. Vishwanath Karad MIT World Peace University	Pune	72
11	Bombay College of Pharmacy	Mumbai	73
12	Y. B. Chavan College of Pharmacy	Aurangabad	76
13	Bharati Vidyapeeth College of Pharmacy	Kolhapur	80
14	P. E. Society's Modern College of Pharmacy	Pune	96
15	Principal K.M. Kundnani College of Pharmacy	Mumbai	97
16	AISSMS College of Pharmacy	Pune	99
17	Bharati Vidyapeeth's College of Pharmacy	Navi Mumbai	101-125
18	C.U.Shah College of Pharmacy	Mumbai	101-125
19	Dadasaheb Balpande College of Pharmacy	Nagpur	101-125
20	Marathwada Mitra Mandal?s College of Pharmacy	Pune	101-125

6. College

S.No.	Institute Name	City	Rank
1	Fergusson College (Autonomous)	Pune	45
2	Government Institute of Science, Nagpur	Nagpur	64
3	St. Xavier`s College	Mumbai	89
4	Shri Shivaji Science College	Amravati	99
5	College of Social Work Nirmala Niketan	Mumbai	101-150
6	Ahmednagar Jilha Maratha Vidya Prasarak Samaj`s New Arts Commerce & Science College	Ahmednagar	151-200
7	Dr. D.Y.Patil Unitech Society Dr. D.Y.Patil Arts, Commerce and Science College	Pune	201-300
8	Kumbhalkar Social Work College	Wardha	201-300
9	Shikshan Prasarak Mandalis Sir Parshurambhau College Arts, Science & Commerce, Pune	Pune	201-300
10	Shikshan Prasark Mandals Ramnarain Ruia College	Mumbai	201-300
11	Sri. Shivaji Science College, Congressnagar	Nagpur	201-300
12	Yashwantrao Chavan Institute of Science, Satara	Satara	201-300

7. State Public Universities

S.No.	Institute Name	City	Rank
1	Savitribai Phule Pune University	Pune	3
2	Mumbai University	Mumbai	18
3	COEP Technological University	Pune	33
4	Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University	Aurangabad	46
5	North Maharashtra University	Jalgaon	51-100
6	Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University	Nagpur	51-100
7	Shivaji University	Kolhapur	51-100

8. Research Institutions

S.No.	Institute Name	City	Rank
1	Indian Institute of Technology Bombay	Mumbai	4
2	Homi Bhabha National Institute	Mumbai	6
3	Tata Institute of Fundamental Research	Mumbai	12
4	Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Pune	Pune	29
5	Institute of Chemical Technology	Mumbai	40

9. Medical

S.No.	Institute Name	City	Rank
1	Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth	Pune	11
2	Datta Meghe Institute of Higher Education and Research	Wardha	23
3	Armed Force Medical College	Pune	30

10. Dental

S.No.	Institute Name	City	Rank
1	Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth	Pune	5
2	Govt. Dental College, Nagpur	Nagpur	15
3	Datta Meghe Institute of Higher Education and Research	Wardha	24
4	Govt. Dental College, Mumbai	Mumbai	25
5	Nair Hospital Dental College	Mumbai	28
c	Bharati Vidyapeeth (Deemed to be University) Dental		
6	College and Hospital, Pune	Pune	36

11. Law

S.No.	Institute Name	City	Rank
1	Symbiosis Law School	Pune	5
2	Maharashtra National Law University Mumbai	Mumbai	31
3	Maharashtra National Law University, Nagpur	Nagpur	34

12. Innovation

S.No.	Institute Name	City	Rank
1	Indian Institute of Technology Bombay	Mumbai	1
2	COEP Technological University	Pune	11-50
3	G. H. Raisoni College of Engineering, Nagpur	Nagpur	11-50
4	MIT Art, Design and Technology University, Pune	Pune	11-50
5	Symbiosis International	Pune	11-50

13. Architecture and Planning

S.No.	Institute Name	City	Rank
1	Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology	Nagpur	10

14. Agriculture and Allied Sectors

S.No	Institute Name	City	Rank
1	Central Institute of Fisheries Education	Mumbai	9

15. Skill Universities

S.No.	Institute Name	City	Rank
1	Symbiosis Skills and Professional University	Pune	1

Overall and Agriculture and Allied Sectors Comparative Table

A. Overall

						2023							2024	ļ		
S.no.	NAME	CITY	TLR	RP	GO	OI	PR	SCORE	RANK	TLR	RP	GO	OI	PR	SCORE	RANK
	Indian Institute of															
1	Technology, Bombay	Mumbai	80.71	86.14	84.26	58.76	84.98	81.28	4	83.85	82.35	83.36	59.05	89.32	81.37	3
	Homi Bhabha National															
2	Institute	Mumbai	73.14	49.45	71.36	54.35	6.08	57.09	30	76.29	52.45	76.95	53.84	7.42	60.13	27
	Savitribai Phule Pune															
3	University	Pune	60.99	39.3	94.63	51.78	15.82	55.78	35	61.07	39.17	89.65	52.59	24.29	55.69	37
	Indian Institute of Science															
	Education & Research,															
4	Pune	Pune	72.45	43.72	63.27	63.57	21.81	56.05	34	72.8	41.09	61.53	62.28	21.53	54.86	42
5	Symbiosis International	Pune	67.62	22.91	77.78	63.18	15.54	50.59	59	72.53	27.49	78.53	64.79	17.34	53.93	52
	Institute of Chemical															
6	Technology	Mumbai	56.32	49.6	77.89	55.88	15.82	54.53	41	55.91	45.68	75.08	55.39	23.48	53.38	56
7	Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth	Pune	70.64	20.55	63.6	62.36	18.53	48.17	81	74.46	26.12	63.1	61.74	37.45	52.72	63
	Datta Meghe Institute of															
8	Medical Sciences	Wardha	67.16	32.85	62.14	64.76	0	48.92	75	71.49	38.33	61.26	64.14	1.41	51.75	71
	Visvesvaraya National			52.00							00.00	02120			0 = 11 0	
	Institute of Technology,															
9	Nagpur	Nagpur	53.93	39.03	68.88	55.67	9.15	48.15	82	62.96	37.25	68.6	55.82	16.7	51.03	77
	SVKM`s Narsee Monjee	- 01														
	Institute of Management															
10	Studies	Mumbai	70.37	21.34	64.97	64.61	5.01	47.46	88	74	24.83	64.38	65.17	5.37	49.59	84
	Tata Institute of Social								151-							
11	Sciences	Mumbai	47.63	10.67	75.14	68.68	9.15	40.3	200	66.96	15.83	71.49	72.19	11.96	47.56	98
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12	Mumbai University	Mumbai	56.15	17.82	86.24	56.27	7.82	45.86	96	60.71	16.86	86.29	54.68	12.32	47.23	150

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13	Bharati Vidyapeeth	Pune	57.12	11.48	69.13	55.62	9.48	40.92	150	66.76	13.13	70.42	63.11	8.21	45.18	150
	Krishna Institute of															
	Medical Sciences Deemed								151-							151-
14	University, Karad	Karad	62.31	11.97	62.46	56.37	0	40.41	200	66.64	14.76	62.57	57.29	1.87	42.85	200
	COEP Technological								151-							151-
15	University	Pune	56.58	15.86	61.9	52.31	11.39	40.48	200	56.39	15.96	62.34	51.74	25.08	41.86	200
	Padmashree Dr. D. Y. Patil								151-							151-
16	Vidyapeeth, Mumbai	Mumbai	59.56	3.22	73.92	56.86	0.81	39.39	200	67.29	4.82	69.95	58.92	0.48	41.56	200
	Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar															
	Marathwada University,								151-							Not
17	Aurangabad	Aurangabad	40.36	16.41	89.19	51.07	2.39	40.22	200	44.85	15.91	81.34	53.32	4.52	40.28	Ranked
	D. Y. Patil Educational								151-							Not
18	Society	Kolhapur	65.82	6.81	61.39	57.73	0.81	39.91	200	63.58	8.67	61.53	56.59	0.94	39.73	Ranked

B. Agriculture and Allied Sectors

			2023					2024								
Sno.	NAME	CITY	TLR	RP	GO	OI	PR	SCORE	RANK	TLR	RP	GO	OI	PR	SCORE	RANK
1	Central Institute of Fisheries Education	Mumbai	69.06	45.75	79.68	66.3	40.19	61.03	7	74.76	42.17	82.18	75	23.49	61.37	9
2	Mahatma Phule Krishi Vidyapeeth	Rahuri	70.94	11.35	54.24	45.69	27.76	42.89	36	74.73	10.28	53.95	46.17	29.08	43.83	Not Ranked
3	Maharashtra Animal & Fishery Sciences University	Nagpur	69.6	5.29	58.07	42.68	18.02	40.15	Not Ranked	72.04	6.23	58	45.17	14.63	41.06	Not Ranked
4	Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Krishi Vidyapeeth	Akola	70.44	4.93	43.42	35.99	24.76	37.37	Not Ranked	71.15	8.61	48.26	37.87	38.42	41.2	Not Ranked
5	Dr. Balasaheb Sawant Konkan Krishi Vidyaapeeth	Dapoli	66.49	4.5	47.59	38.96	24.76	37.2	Not Ranked	69.53	7.66	50.22	45.6	37	41.46	Not Ranked

Accreditation details of Programs accredited by NBA

		India		Maharashtra				
Year	Accredited	Not Accredited/ Withdrawn	Total	Accredited	Not Accredited/ Withdrawn	Total		
2023-24	1483	192	1675	246	28	274		
2024-25 (till Nov. 2024)	805	97	902	143	13	156		
Total	2288	289	2577	389	41	430		

Parameters in International Rankings

The table below lists the parameter used by THE Rankings and QS Rankings to announce World University Rankings every year

THE WORLD University Ranking Parameters	QS WORLD University Ranking Parameters
 Teaching (the learning environment): 29.5% Reputation survey: 15% Staff-to-student ratio: 4.5% Doctorate-to-bachelor's ratio: 2.25% Doctorates-awarded-to-academic-staff ratio: 5.5% Institutional income: 2.5% Research (volume, income and reputation): 29% Reputation survey: 18% Research income: 5.5% Research productivity: 5.5% Research Quality: 30% Citation Impact: 15% Research Excellence: 5% Research Influence: 5% International outlook (staff, students, research): 7.5% Proportion of international students: 2.5% Proportion of international staff: 2.5% Industry: 4% Industry: 4% Industry Income: 2% Patents: 2% 	 Academic Reputation 30% Employer Reputation 15% Faculty/Student Ratio 10% Citations per faculty 20% International Faculty Ratio 5% International Student Ratio 5% International Research Network 5% Employment Outcomes 5% Sustainability 5%

Indian Institutions in International Rankings-

It may be noted that none of the Indian HEIs were ranked in the 2011 THE World University Rankings. The number of Indian Higher Education Institutions appearing in the THE World University rankings increased from 1 (2012) to 133 (2025). Also, the number of institutions appearing in rank increased from 1 (2012) to 107 in 2025.

In QS World University Rankings, number of Indian HEIs ranked have also increased incrementally from 11 institutions in 2010 to 46 institutions in 2025. 11 Institutions have secured position in top 500, with 2 ranking among top 150.

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(b) the reason due to which only couple of Indian Institutions are in the top 500 ranks of the QS World Rankings?

The Indian Institutions of Higher Education have improved their rankings in QS World University Ranking 2025. The following 10 institutions of higher education in India including seven IITs, one IISc, one central university (Delhi University) and one state University (Anna University) appeared amongst the top 500 institutions in the QS World University Rankings 2025. All the 10 institutions have improved their ranks in QS WUR as compared to their 2024 rank. The total number of Indian Universities in QS World University Rankings in 2025 is 46.

S. No.	University/Institution	QS Ranking 2024	QS Ranking 2025
1.	IIT- Bombay	149	118
2.	IIT Delhi	197	150
3.	Indian Institute of Science	225	211
4.	IIT Kharagpur	271	222
5.	IIT Kanpur	278	263
6.	IIT Madras	285	227
7.	IIT- Guwahati	364	344
8.	IIT-Roorkee	369	335
9.	University of Delhi	407	328
10.	Anna University-Chennai	427	383

Moreover, Anna University has been ranked among the world's 10 universities with a perfect score of 100 in the Citations per Faculty metric of the latest QS 2025 World University Rankings. Notably, thirteen Indian universities feature among the world's top 200 of the Citations per Faculty metric, including two among the world's top 15: Indian Institute of Science and Anna University.

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Indian Universities in International Rankings

(a) Whether it is a fact that there is increasing visibility of Indian Universities in International rankings reflect the expansion of India's higher education system;

Yes, it is a fact that there is increasing visibility of Indian Universities in International rankings.

(b) If so details thereof;

The Table 1 and Table 2 below shows the number of Indian Higher Education Institutions (HEI's) ranked in QS World University Rankings and THE World University Rankings respectively.

Indian Higher Education Institutions in QS World University Rankings											
Year 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 2024											
No. of Indian HEI's	24	27	28	35	41	45					

Table 1

Indian Higher Education Institutions in THE World University Rankings											
Year	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024					
No. of Indian HEI's	49	56	63	71	75	91					

Table 2

(c) Whether it is also fact that India's research output has also increased significantly during the last five years;

Yes, it is also fact that India research output has also increased significantly during the last five years.

(d) If so details thereof;

The cumulative number of research publications originated from India considered for three preceding years for India Rankings 2019 to 2023 is given below:

India Ranking Year	Publications Considered for Calendar Year	Publications from India
India Ranking 2019	2015, 2016 and 2017	3,83,803
India Ranking 2020	2016, 2017 and 2018	4,04,953
India Ranking 2021	2017, 2018 and 2019	4,29,025
India Ranking 2022	2018, 2019 and 2020	4,65,913
India Ranking 2023	2019, 2020 and 2021	5,14,196

Source: Web of Science Expanded

(e)	e) What are the steps Govt. is taking to attract foreign students to study in India?		
	Ministry may reply.		

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"(A)The manner in which the Ministry is proactively facilitating global opportunities, including bilateral recognition for Indian Technical Diploma/ Degrees given the high demand overseas for technicians.

The National Board of Accreditation (NBA) was established in 2010 with the objectives of assurance of quality and relevance to technical education through accreditation of programs offered by technical institutions. NBA is signatory to the Washington Accord which recognizes equivalence of programs accredited by other signatory bodies. Currently there are 23 countries that are permanent signatories and 7 countries that are provisional signatories to the Washington Accord.

(B) Could you outline any bilateral agreements with foreign countries to ensure recognition of Indian technical qualifications and encourage participation in international Joint Degree Programmes?

As mentioned above, NBA is permanent signatory to the Washington Accord which is a multilateral agreement. Ministry may respond regarding bilateral agreements.

(C) How does the Ministry collaborate with Indian technical institutions to promote awareness and participation in programs leading to dual accreditation of technical qualifications?

The National Board of Accreditation, an autonomous institution under the Ministry of Education, conducts awareness programs for technical institution to spread awareness and significance of accreditation.

Drop in NIRF Ranking of IISER Kolkata

a) the reasons for the drop in Indian Institutes of Science Education and Research (IISER) Kolkata's National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF rankings from 43rd in 2023 to 61st in 2024

Ans. National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) was launched by the Ministry of Human Resource Development in September 2015 to promote healthy competition educational institutions. The methodology of these rankings based on 5 broad parameters which are "Teaching, Learning and Resources," "Research and Professional Practices," "Graduation Outcomes," "Outreach and Inclusivity," and "Peer Perception". The Indian Institutes of Science Education and Research (IISER) Kolkata has participated in rankings and got total score of 52.91 in 2024 as compared to 53.72 in 2023, indicating a slight decline on parameter of NIRF. However, rank of a university depends on total score of other Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) participating in NIRF.

b) the details of the sanctioned intake capacity for UG and PG Programs at IISER Kolkata in last five years, and the manner in which it compares to actual enrollment figures;

Ans. The total sanctioned intake capacity for UG and PG programs in IISER, Kolkata in the last five years is 1139 and 187 respectively. The enrollment in UG and PG programs is 1058 and 157 respectively.

c) whether the Government provide placement and higher studies data for IISER Kolkata graduates, including salaries and students pursuing higher studies during last five years;

Ans. No, the government does not provide placement and higher studies data for IISER Kolkata graduates, including salaries and students pursuing higher studies. However, as per the data reported by IISER Kolkata in NIRF. In the last five years, the total no. of students placed in UG programs was 99 with an average median salary of Rs 6.84 lakhs per annum and 424 students have selected higher studies. In PG programs 43 students have selected higher studies and one student was placed with a salary of Rs. 7.20 lakhs per annum in the previous five years.

d) the details of students enrolled in and have graduated from Ph.D programs in IISER Kolkata during last five years; and

Ans. The details of students enrolled in and have graduated from Ph.D programs in IISER Kolkata during the last five years is as follows:

	PhD	PhD Pursuing
Academic Year	Graduated	
2018-19	37	444
2019-20	45	522
2020-21	67	495
2021-22	62	491
2022-23	78	494

e) the details of sanctioned and current faculty strength, and in manner it has changed during the last five years?

Ans. The faculty strength reported by IISER Kolkata in NIRF is as follows

	Faculty	
Academic Year	Strength	
2018-19 (IR20)	118	
2019-20 (IR21)	127	
2020-21 (IR22)	127	
2021-22 (IR23)	136	
2022-23 (IR24)	131	