BHU, DU, IIT Bombay and IIT Delhi share their processes and plans



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Sayajirao Gaekwad III was a huge source of support to a young B.R. Ambedkar. The ruler of Baroda (now in Gujarat) provided him scholarships and employment. It would not be wrong to say that Ambedkar went on to become an institution. Sayajirao also made a telling contribution to another great Indian institution. In 1927, he donated Rs2 lakh towards the establishment of the Central Library at the Banaras Hindu University. 99

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The university librarian Dewendra Kumar Singh proudly tells THE WEEK that they have priceless manuscripts, some of which are written in gold. "In the last couple of years, our library has grown phenomenally," he says. "We have around 16 lakh printed documents, 86,000 e-books, and around 1.5 lakh video lectures, plus 10,000 journals. All our publications can be accessed remotely." The library has around 5,000 daily users and is open almost round-the-clock—it is closed only for cleaning, which takes three hours. Even during those hours, students continue to queue up outside, sometimes numbering around 500, as per Singh.

"Research and citations are the strength of BHU, and a few science departments such as life sciences and medical sciences are among the top ones," says Dr Vijay Kumar Shukla, rector, BHU. "With the IoE (institute of eminence status and the associated government grant), we have been trying to encourage our young faculty and other faculty members to go ahead with their publications. Under the IoE, we have appointed 15 to 20 post doc fellows. They are now in a position to produce good publications."

BHU is the largest residential university in Asia, housing around 20,000 students in-campus and another 20,000 close by. But, like other top Indian universities, it is not ranked among the best in the world. For example, in the QS World University Rankings 2023—one of the world's mostconsulted such lists—there are no Indian universities in the top 100. A reason for this is that apart from criterion like academic and employer reputation, research and faculty-student ratio, the ranking also focuses on diversity-international student and faculty ratio. This puts Indian universities at a disadvantage because aspirational migration is usually higher to western countries. For instance, Rice University, Houston, Texas, which is ranked 100th in the QS list, scores 90 out of 100 for international faculty ratio and 92.6 for international student ratio. BHU scores 1.3 and 1.9, respectively.

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"Teaching is never done in a closed environment," Prof Arun Kumar Singh, registrar, BHU tells THE WEEK. "People should come from different countries and our people should go to different countries. Most of our students are from Uttar Pradesh, Bengal, Bihar and surrounding areas. When they get exposed to the teachers coming in from different parts of the world, it will help them widen their horizons."

Prof A.K. Tripathi, director, Institute of Science, BHU, says excellence and ranking are different things and adds that the university has a few institutes par excellence such as the institutes of medicine, agriculture, environment and sustainable development. He also points out that BHU is one of the Indian government's Sophisticated Analytical Technical Help Institutes, along with IIT Delhi and IIT Kharagpur. SATHIs have the facilities and analytical instruments to help industry, other universities and national laboratories. "Samples that were send abroad are sent here now," says Tripathi.

For the University of Delhi (DU), which is third among multidisciplinary universities in THE WEEK-Hansa Research survey, the size and challenges are vastly different from foreign universities, says Prof Yogesh Singh, vice chancellor. "Many teachers were working on an ad hoc basis for several years, but now we are hiring more teachers," he says. "We are conducting interviews 20 days a month and, in the last eight to nine months, we have recruited more than 500 teachers. At the same time, we are focusing on funding research and recruiting people with the right kind of research potential."

He adds that the university's international department is taking a keen interest in admitting international students. "We do not have international faculty on a regular basis," he says. "Currently, we have around 20 adjunct international faculty members who have been engaged from different countries. Those who have an idea of the international system know that DU is a good university, but there may be professors who do not have any idea about India or Indian universities. The government of India recently allowed having international faculty. [With] the government taking the right steps, the image of India has improved in

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courses in Delhi and many students are not able to get admissions for them. "But many students from India still prefer to go abroad for higher education, especially in the US and the UK," he admits, adding that the perception would change over the next few years.

Singh is of the opinion that if foreign universities set up their campuses in India (the University Grants Commission is moving in this direction), it would be good for the country as students will have different kind of opportunities. "[Indian campuses of] foreign universities may not be affordable to all, but they will create different types of opportunities for our students in emerging areas of knowledge," he says.

IIT Bombay, ranked first among technical universities in THE WEEK's survey, is on the right path, says its director, Prof Subhasis Chaudhuri. "One needs to understand the journey to the top for IITs," he tells THE WEEK. "The first 20 to 25 years since inception—that I call IIT 1.0—IITs had to concentrate on creating extraordinarily trained manpower, which they have been doing very well ever since. Subsequently, the need was felt to also emphasise on research-based postgraduate education. This is what I call IIT 2.0. For the last five to 10 years, we are also focusing on industry interaction for greater economic and societal impact. I would say all these would slowly make IIT Bombay truly world-class."

He also points out an issue with the definition of "foreign" faculty. "In most western countries and ranking organisations, they look at the citizenship at birth, while majority of them had done their PhD in the same country," he says. "This may be taken as ethnic diversity, but there is no academic diversity. On the other hand, IITs have tremendous academic diversity where a large number of faculty members have their PhDs from all over the world, but very few with non-Indian ethnicity. Most of the faculty members, thus, do have significant international exposure. Further, IITs, being centrally funded technical institutes, have excellent cultural diversity. In my opinion, academic diversity is more important than the passport of faculty."

Chaudhuri says that as India is a large country with a highly aspirational youth, foreign universities setting up their centres in India would be a welcome move. "I shall be happy to be of help in such initiatives and I am sure all IITs will be happy to collaborate with them, should there be such

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Note: The emerging lists comprise universities which were established in 2010 and thereafter

technology, engineering, mathematics) in mula (449 PhDs fast year), has been working towards an ecosystem that fosters cutting-edge research and innovation. With the Centre's IoE grant, it has been setting up worldclass laboratories to ensure that researchers have access to high-end tools and facilities. Several interdisciplinary centres and various centres of excellence have been set up. These include the Koita Centre for Digital Health, the Centre for Machine Intelligence and Data Science, and the Centre for Climate Studies.

The entrepreneurship ecosystem, which has incubated companies with a combined valuation of more than \$2.5 billion, is set to get stronger—a new research building, which will house startups, will be ready in six to eight months. IIT Bombay is also setting up a translational research centre that will take early concepts in academic departments to maturity and "productisation" stages. Curriculum updation is, of course, continuous, in keeping with global technological developments. "Once in 10 to 12 years, we do a major overhaul and the last major change in UG education happened in 2021," says Chaudhuri.

Prof Rangan Banerjee, director, IIT Delhi, ranked second among technical institutes by THE WEEK, feels that academic institutes, particularly IITs, have a role towards society as they are training future manpower and not just competing for international world university rankings. "We have many things to do to increase the impact of our education and research," he says. "We would not do it with the goal of improving our ranking. We have to provide an all-round education for our students and also see what is needed, in terms of whether it is societal organisations, government or the industry. In such cases, we need to be aware of what is happening across the world. Our focus would be to do things that will enhance the student experience, see that we are doing research on relevant problems, see that the knowledge that we generate actually makes an impact on society and provides leadership of thought." He adds that doing these things would automatically improve IIT Delhi's global ranking.

Banerjee says that IIT Delhi attracts a diverse group of students from across the country and that its students are doing well and making an impact, but adds that the impact now needs to be enhanced. "There are certain areas where we need to get the groups of faculty members together and make a greater impact," he says. "In health care, we are planning a new campus in Jhajjar, Haryana. We are working with AIIMS

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national facility predominantly for AL II will also be open for researchers from across India." Banerjee says the government has asked the institute to have an international presence and, consequently, IIT Delhi is going to have an Abu Dhabi campus soon.

He says having foreign faculty can surely help and adds that IIT Delhi has temporary faculty from Japan and Germany. "We even have Nobel laureates visiting us," he says. "The whole idea is that we have different ways of looking at things and we do joint workshops and research projects with different universities. We will prioritise a set of universities, but we are insisting on two-way traffic in linkages. Under this, students can go and come."

Banerjee emphasises the need to keep reinventing. "It is an interesting and exciting time," he says. "One of the challenges for higher education is that students now have lots of choices and can google in the classroom. It is challenging to actually get their attention. The approach cannot be conventional." For this reason, he says, IIT Delhi has an innovation ecosystem where students and faculty can run with their ideas. "We would like many of our students to become job creators rather than just go and sit for placements," he says.

Prof Sajal Dasgupta, vice chancellor, University of Engineering & Management, Kolkata

Having foreign faculty and/or Indian faculty with substantial international experience is important to bring in foreign and global perspectives in the area of study. This also helps promote inclusiveness in education and explore more dimensions of the subject.

Kadhambari S. Viswanathan, assistant vice president, Vellore Institute of Technology

Future-ready programmes ensure that students become capable of strengthening and influencing the future of work. Such programmes in a student-centric learning environment—with technology-enabled peer learning through interactive strategies— will help train students with competencies desirable today.

Prof Devinder Narain, senior director, corporate relations & human resource, Shobhit University

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Prof P.R. Sodani, president, IIHMR University, Jaipur

Universities have to be committed to harnessing the new opportunities emerging in our dynamic, fast-changing world through interdisciplinary research, innovations in pedagogy, providing worldclass infrastructure, and facilitating entrepreneurship. Current research by faculty should be integrated with teaching, leading to industry-ready students.

Sardar Simarpreet Singh, director, JIS Group

Universities must produce society-makers who are capable of providing leadership to their fellows and juniors. They can innovate the essential things for the society of the future and add value to the rapidly changing world. Also, the internation-alisation of education is a growing urge of the universe and is gaining momentum.

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2	Bharati Vidyapeeth (Deemed to be University)	Pune	357
3	Dr. Vishwanath Karad MIT World Peace University	Pune	307
4	Rabindranath Tagore University	Bhopal	306
5	Amity University	Mumbai	251
6	Amity University	Gwalior	247
7	Jagran Lakecity University	Bhopal	236
8	Sage University	Indore	176
9	LNCT University	Bhopal	169
10	Shri Vaishnav Vidyapeeth Vishwavidyalaya	Indore	117



CENTRAL MULTIDISCIPLINARY UNIVERSITIES ALL INDIA

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF 1,000)
1	Jawaharlal Nehru University	Delhi	727
2	Banaras Hindu University	Varanasi	716
3	University of Delhi	Delhi	706
4	University of Hyderabad	Hyderabad	635
5	North-Eastern Hill University	Shillong	388
6	Dr. Harisingh Gour University	Sagar	374
7	The English and Foreign Language University	Hyderabad	345

STATE MULTIDISCIPLINARY UNIVERSITIES

ALL INDIA

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF
			1,000)
1	Jadavpur University	Kolkata	630
2	University of Calcutta	Kolkata	601
3	Savitribai Phule Pune University	Pune	536
4	Andhra University	Visakhapatnam	521
4	Bharathiar University	Coimbatore	521
6	Panjab University	Chandigarh	516
7	University of Madras	Chennai	491
8	Acharya Nagarjuna University	Guntur	464
9	Guru Nanak Dev University	Amritsar	455
10	Mahatma Gandhi University	Kottayam	402
11	Alagappa University	Karaikudi	398
12	University of Jammu	Jammu	394
13	Bharathidasan University	Tiruchirappalli	393
14	Sri Venkateswara University	Tirupati	392
15	Kurukshetra University	Kurukshetra	389
16	Cochin University of Science and Technology	Kochi	388
17	Utkal University	Bhubaneswar	387
18	SNDT Women's University	Mumbai	375
19	The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda	Vadodara	370
20	Gauhati University	Guwahati	366
21	Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University	Delhi	361
22	Goa University	Goa	356
23	Kumaun University	Nainital	327
24	Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University	Aurangabad	320
25	Kavayitri Bahinabai Chaudhari North Maharashtra University	Jalgaon	316
26	The University of Burdwan	Bardhaman	314
27	Makhanlal Chaturvedi National University of Journal- ism & Communication	Bhopal	221



PRIVATE & DEEMED MULTIDISCIPLINARY UNIVERSITIES ALL INDIA

			SCORE	
RANK	UNIVERSITY	CITY	(OUT OF	
_			1,000)	
1	Manipal Academy of Higher Education (Deemed to be University)	Manipal	545	
2	Amity University	Noida	504	
2	Banasthali Vidyapith (Deemed to be University)	Banasthali	504	
4	Symbiosis International (Deemed University)	Pune	395	
5	Christ (Deemed to be University)	Bengaluru	385	
6	Chandigarh University	Mohali	378	
7	Sathyabama Institute of Science & Technology (Deemed to be University)	Chennai	374	
8	Koneru Lakshmaiah Education Foundation (Deemed to be University)	Guntur	371	
9	The ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education	Hyderabad	362	
10	Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science (Deemed to be University)	Chennai	361	
11	Bharati Vidyapeeth (Deemed to be University)	Pune	357	
12	Chitkara University	Patiala	355	
13	Maharishi Markandeshwar (Deemed to be University)	Ambala	346	
14	Vel Tech Rangarajan Dr Sagunthala R&D Institute of Science and Technology (Deemed to be University)	Chennai	343	
15	NITTE (Deemed to be University)	Mangaluru	335	
16	Manipal University	Jaipur	326	
17	Amity University	Gurugram	321	
18	Amity University	Jaipur	318	
19	Sikkim Manipal University	Gangtok	315	
20	Uttaranchal University	Dehradun	308	
21	Dr. Vishwanath Karad MIT World Peace University	Pune	307	
22	Rabindranath Tagore University	Bhopal	306	
23	Vels Institute of Science, Technology and Advanced Studies (VISTAS) (Deemed to be University)	Chennai	305	
23	Dr. C.V. Raman University	Bilaspur	305	
25	The NorthCap University	Gurugram	304	
26	Shobhit Institute of Engineering & Technology (Deemed to be University)	Meerut	303	
27	Integral University	Lucknow	279	
28	Chitkara University	Solan	273	
29	Sanskriti University	Mathura	267	
30	REVA University	Bengaluru	264	
31	JECRC University	Jaipur	257	
32	IIHMR University	Jaipur	255	
33	University of Engineering & Management	Jaipur	254	
34	Sri Padmapat Singhania University	Udaipur	253	
35	Amity University	Mumbai	251	
36	Presidency University	Bengaluru	250	
37	Amity University	Gwalior	247	
38	K.R. Mangalam University	Gurugram	244	



39	The ICFAI University	Dehradun	243
40	SRM University	Sonepat	239
40	Manav Rachna University	Faridabad	239
42	JIS University	Kolkata	238
43	Jagran Lakecity University	Bhopal	236
44	Amity University	Raipur	234
45	DIT University	Dehradun	179
46	Sage University	Indore	176
47	LNCT University	Bhopal	169
48	University of Engineering & Management	Kolkata	159
49	Shri Vaishnav Vidyapeeth Vishwavidyalaya	Indore	117
50	Dr. C.V. Raman University	Hajipur	102
51	AISECT University	Hazaribag	96

DEEMED MULTIDISCIPLINARY UNIVERSITIES

ALL INDIA

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF 1,000)
1	Manipal Academy of Higher Education (Deemed to be University)	Manipal	545
2	Banasthali Vidyapith (Deemed to be University)	Banasthali	504
3	Symbiosis International (Deemed University)	Pune	395
4	Christ (Deemed to be University)	Bengaluru	385
5	Sathyabama Institute of Science & Technology (Deemed to be University)	Chennai	374
6	Koneru Lakshmaiah Education Foundation (Deemed to be University)	Guntur	371
7	The ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education	Hyderabad	362
8	Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science (Deemed to be University)	Chennai	361
9	Bharati Vidyapeeth (Deemed to be University)	Pune	357
10	Maharishi Markandeshwar (Deemed to be University)	Ambala	346
11	Vel Tech Rangarajan Dr Sagunthala R&D Institute of Science and Technology (Deemed to be University)	Chennai	343
12	NITTE (Deemed to be University)	Mangaluru	335
13	Vels Institute of Science, Technology and Advanced Studies (VISTAS) (Deemed to be University)	Chennai	305
14	Shobhit Institute of Engineering & Technology (Deemed to be University)	Meerut	303

DEEMED MULTIDISCIPLINARY UNIVERSITIES NORTH ZONE

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF 1,000)
1	Banasthali Vidyapith (Deemed to be University)	Banasthali	504
2	Maharishi Markandeshwar (Deemed to be University)	Ambala	346
3	Shobhit Institute of Engineering & Technology (Deemed to be University)	Meerut	303

DEEMED MULTIDISCIPLINARY UNIVERSITIES SOUTH ZONE

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF 1,000)
1	Manipal Academy of Higher Education (Deemed to be University)	Manipal	545
2	Christ (Deemed to be University)	Bengaluru	385
3	Sathyabama Institute of Science & Technology (Deemed to be University)	Chennai	374
4	Koneru Lakshmaiah Education Foundation (Deemed to be University)	Guntur	371
5	The ICFAI Foundation for Higher Education	Hyderabad	362
6	Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science (Deemed to be University)	Chennai	361
7	Vel Tech Rangarajan Dr. Sagunthala R&D Institute of Science and Technology (Deemed to be University)	Chennai	343
8	NITTE (Deemed to be University)	Mangaluru	335
9	Vels Institute of Science, Technology and Advanced Studies (VISTAS) (Deemed to be University)	Chennai	305



TECHNICAL UNIVERSITIES ALL INDIA

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF 1,000)
1	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Mumbai	817
2	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Delhi	814
3	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Chennai	802
4	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Kanpur	777
5	Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS) (Deemed to be University)	Pilani	754
6	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Roorkee	741





7	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Guwahati	687
8	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT BHU)	Varanasi	681
9	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Tiruchirappalli	675
10	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Surathkal	639
11	Anna University	Chennai	625
12	Indian Institute of Technology (ISM)	Dhanbad	619
13	Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT) (Deemed to be University)	Vellore	594
14	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Warangal	583
15	Institute of Chemical Technology (Deemed to be University)	Mumbai	551
16	Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technol- ogy (IIEST)	Shibpur	509
17	National Institute of Technology (NIT), Calicut	Kozhikode	506
18	International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT-H) (Deemed to be University)	Hyderabad	502
19	Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology (VNIT)	Nagpur	500
20	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Ropar	Ropar	481
21	Birla Institute of Technology (BIT) (Deemed to be University)	Mesra, Ranchi	469
22	Motilal Nehru National Institute of Technology (MNNIT), Allahabad	Prayagraj	464
23	Malaviya National Institute of Technology (MNIT)	Jaipur	462
24	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Durgapur	454
25	Dr B R Ambedkar National Institute of Technology	Jalandhar	415
26	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Patna	414
27	Indrapratha Institute of Information Technology	Delhi	382
28	Maulana Azad National Institute of Technology (MANIT)	Bhopal	377
29	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Jamshedpur	353
30	Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology (SVNIT)	Surat	345
31	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Hamirpur	340
32	Jaypee Institute of Information Technology (Deemed to be University)	Noida	335
33	The LNM Institute of Information Technology (Deemed to be University)	Jaipur	331
34	Jaypee University of Information Technology	Solan	287
35	Vignan's Foundation for Science, Technology and Research (Deemed to be University)	Guntur	283

TECHNICAL UNIVERSITIES NORTH ZONE

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF 1,000)
1	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Delhi	814
2	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Kanpur	777
3	Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS) (Deemed to be University)	Pilani	754
4	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Roorkee	741
5	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT BHU)	Varanasi	681

6	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Ropar	Ropar	481
7	Motilal Nehru National Institute of Technology (MN- NIT), Allahabad	Prayagraj	464
8	Malaviya National Institute of Technology (MNIT)	Jaipur	462
9	Dr B R Ambedkar National Institute of Technology	Jalandhar	415
10	Indrapratha Institute of Information Technology	Delhi	382
11	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Hamirpur	340
12	Jaypee Institute of Information Technology (Deemed to be University)	Noida	335
13	The LNM Institute of Information Technology (Deemed to be University)	Jaipur	331
14	Jaypee University of Information Technology	Solan	287

PRIVATE & DEEMED TECHNICAL UNIVERSITIES NORTH ZONE

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF 1,000)
1	Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS) (Deemed to be University)	Pilani	754
2	Jaypee Institute of Information Technology (Deemed to be University)	Noida	335
3	The LNM Institute of Information Technology (Deemed to be University)	Jaipur	331
4	Jaypee University of Information Technology	Solan	287

TECHNICAL UNIVERSITIES

SOUTH ZONE

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF 1,000)
1	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Chennai	802
2	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Tiruchirappalli	675
3	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Surathkal	639
4	Anna University	Chennai	625
5	Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT) (Deemed to be University)	Vellore	594
6	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Warangal	583
7	National Institute of Technology (NIT), Calicut	Kozhikode	506
8	International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT-H) (Deemed to be University)	Hyderabad	502
9	Vignan's Foundation for Science, Technology and Research (Deemed to be University)	Guntur	283

PRIVATE & DEEMED TECHNICAL UNIVERSITIES SOUTH ZONE

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF 1,000)
	Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT) (Deemed to be University)	Vellore	594







2	International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT-H) (Deemed to be University)	Hyderabad	502
3	Vignan's Foundation for Science, Technology and Research (Deemed to be University)	Guntur	283

TECHNICAL UNIVERSITIES

EAST ZONE

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF 1,000)
1	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Guwahati	687
2	Indian Institute of Technology (ISM)	Dhanbad	619
3	Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technol- ogy (IIEST)	Shibpur	509
4	Birla Institute of Technology (BIT) (Deemed to be University)	Mesra, Ranchi	469
5	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Durgapur	454
6	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Patna	414
7	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Jamshedpur	353

TECHNICAL UNIVERSITIES

WEST ZONE

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF
1	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Mumbai	817
2	Institute of Chemical Technology (Deemed to be University)	Mumbai	551
3	Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology (VNIT)	Nagpur	500
4	Maulana Azad National Institute of Technology (MANIT)	Bhopal	377
5	Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology (SVNIT)	Surat	345

GOVERNMENT TECHNICAL UNIVERSITIES ALL INDIA

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF 1,000)
1	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Mumbai	817
2	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Delhi	814
3	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Chennai	802
4	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Kanpur	777
5	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Roorkee	741
6	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Guwahati	687
7	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT BHU)	Varanasi	681
8	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Tiruchirappalli	675
9	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Surathkal	639
10	Anna University	Chennai	625

11	Indian Institute of Technology (ISM)	Dhanbad	619
12	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Warangal	583
13	Institute of Chemical Technology (Deemed to be University)	Mumbai	551
14	Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technol- ogy (IIEST)	Shibpur	509
15	National Institute of Technology (NIT), Calicut	Kozhikode	506
16	Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology (VNIT)	Nagpur	500
17	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Ropar	Ropar	481
18	Motilal Nehru National Institute of Technology (MN- NIT), Allahabad	Prayagraj	464
19	Malaviya National Institute of Technology (MNIT)	Jaipur	462
20	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Durgapur	454
21	Dr B R Ambedkar National Institute of Technology	Jalandhar	415
22	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Patna	414
23	Indrapratha Institute of Information Technology	Delhi	382
24	Maulana Azad National Institute of Technology (MANIT)	Bhopal	377
25	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Jamshedpur	353
26	Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology (SVNIT)	Surat	345
27	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Hamirpur	340

PRIVATE & DEEMED TECHNICAL UNIVERSITIES ALL INDIA

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF 1,000)
1	Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS) (Deemed to be University)	Pilani	754
2	Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT) (Deemed to be University)	Vellore	594
3	International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT-H) (Deemed to be University)	Hyderabad	502
4	Birla Institute of Technology (BIT) (Deemed to be University)	Mesra, Ranchi	469
5	Jaypee Institute of Information Technology (Deemed to be University)	Noida	335
6	The LNM Institute of Information Technology (Deemed to be University)	Jaipur	331
7	Jaypee University of Information Technology	Solan	287
8	Vignan's Foundation for Science, Technology and Research (Deemed to be University)	Guntur	283

DEEMED TECHNICAL UNIVERSITIES

ALL INDIA

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF 1,000)
1	Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS) (Deemed to be University)	Pilani	754
2	Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT) (Deemed to be University)	Vellore	594







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3	Institute of Chemical Technology (Deemed to be University)	Mumbai	551
4	International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT-H) (Deemed to be University)	Hyderabad	502
5	Birla Institute of Technology (BIT) (Deemed to be University)	Mesra, Ranchi	469
6	Jaypee Institute of Information Technology (Deemed to be University)	Noida	335
7	The LNM Institute of Information Technology (Deemed to be University)	Jaipur	331
8	Vignan's Foundation for Science, Technology and Research (Deemed to be University)	Guntur	283

DEEMED TECHNICAL UNIVERSITIES

NORTH ZONE

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF 1,000)
1	Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS) (Deemed to be University)	Pilani	754
2	Jaypee Institute of Information Technology (Deemed to be University)	Noida	335
3	The LNM Institute of Information Technology (Deemed to be University)	Jaipur	331

DEEMED TECHNICAL UNIVERSITIES SOUTH ZONE

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF 1,000)
1	Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT) (Deemed to be University)	Vellore	594
2	International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT-H) (Deemed to be University)	Hyderabad	502
3	Vignan's Foundation for Science, Technology and Research (Deemed to be University)	Guntur	283





MEDICAL UNIVERSITIES ALL INDIA

RANK	UNIVERSITY	СІТҮ	SCORE (OUT OF 1,000)
1	All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS)	Delhi	792
2	Jawaharlal Institute of Postgraduate Medical Educa- tion & Research (JIPMER)	Puducherry	743
3	Banaras Hindu University	Varanasi	695
4	King George's Medical University	Lucknow	675
5	Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education & Research (PGIMER)	Chandigarh	618
6	Sanjay Gandhi Postgraduate Institute of Medical Sciences	Lucknow	532
7	National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS)	Bengaluru	527
8	All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS)	Jodhpur	492
9	All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS)	Bhubaneswar	490
10	All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS)	Raipur	463
11	BLDE (Deemed to be University)	Vijayapura	286





THE WEEK-Hansa Research Best Universities Survey 2023 provides insight into the hierarchy of multidisciplinary, technical and medical universities in the country. This year, the study was done across 15 cities.

To be eligible, universities had to be recognised by the UGC, offer full-time postgraduate degree courses in at least two disciplines and should have graduated at least three batches from the postgraduate programmes.

A primary survey was conducted with 302 academic experts, spread across selected cities. The respondents were asked to nominate and rank the top 20 universities in India.

Perceptual score was calculated based on the number of nominations and the actual ranks received.

For factual data collection, a dedicated website was created and the link was sent to universities. Fifty-four universities responded within the stipulated time.

Factual score was calculated based on information collected from universities and other secondary sources on the following parameters:

- ◆ Age and accreditation
- Infrastructure and other facilities
- ◆ Faculty, research and academics
- Student intake and exposure
- Placements (only for technical universities)
- ◆ Final score = Perceptual score (out of 400) + factual score (out of 600)

Some universities could not respond to the survey. Among them, for the universities which confirmed that they wished to be ranked, the composite score was derived by combining the perceptual score with an interpolated factual score based on their position in the perceptual score list.