



## India Rankings 2020: NIRF

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### Why in News

Recently, '**India Rankings 2020**' of Institutions of Higher Education was released.

These rankings come days after the **QS World University Rankings** which showed that India's best institutions like **Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs)** and **Indian Institute of Science (IISc)** have slipped in the global list.

### Key Points

- The **Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD)** has taken this important initiative of creating a **National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF)**, which has been used for the past five years for ranking institutions of higher education in different categories and domains of knowledge.  
NIRF was launched on **29<sup>th</sup> September 2015**.
- **Objective:** To encourage institutes to compete against each other and simultaneously work towards their growth. In addition, these rankings also attract foreign students, providing a solid base for the '**Study in India**' programme for the growth of **higher education in India**.
- NIRF is one of the criterias for private institutions assessment for the **Institutions of Eminence (IoE) Scheme**.  
IoE Scheme is a **government's scheme** to provide the regulatory architecture for setting up or upgrading of 20 Institutions (10 from public sector and 10 from the private sector) as world-class teaching and research institutions.
- NIRF **outlines a methodology to rank institutions** across the country. The methodology draws from the overall recommendations and broad understanding arrived at by a Core Committee set up by MHRD.

- **Broad Parameters:**
  - Teaching, Learning and Resources.
  - Research and Professional Practices.
  - Graduation Outcomes.
  - Outreach and Inclusivity.
  - Peer Perception.
- **90% of the parameters** in NIRF are completely **objective and fact-based**, while **only 10% is based on the subjective parameter of perception** by academic peers and employers.
 

In international rankings, Indian institutions' low ranking is due to the high weightage given to the perception which is a subjective parameter.
- It is acknowledged that Indian institutions struggle on the “**internationalisation**” parameter in global rankings and the NIRF rankings are believed to reach a point where international institutions will want to be included in the Indian ranking system rather than vice versa.
- Overall, 3,771 institutions registered in the ranking framework this year which is a **20% increase in comparison to 2019**.
- This is the **fifth consecutive edition** of these rankings. This year ‘**Dental**’ category has been **introduced for the first time** bringing the total tally to 10 categories/subject domains.
- **Rankings (top three):**

# NIRF India Ranking 2020

## Overall Category

- IIT Madras,
- IISc Bangalore,
- IIT Delhi

## University Category

- IISc Bangalore,
- JNU New Delhi,
- BHU Varanasi

## Engineering Category

- IIT Madras,
- IIT Delhi,
- IIT Bombay

## Management Category

- IIM Ahmedabad,
- IIM Bangalore,
- IIM Calcutta

## Pharmacy Discipline

- Jamia Hamdard University,
- Punjab University,
- National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research Mohali

## Colleges Category

- Miranda House DU,
- LSR for Women DU,
- Hindu College DU

## Medical Discipline

- AIIMS, New Delhi,
- PGIMER Chandigarh,
- Christian Medical College, Bangalore

## Law Discipline

- National Law School of India University, Bengaluru,
- NLU New Delhi,
- Nalsar University of Law, Hyderabad

## Architecture Discipline

- IIT Kharagpur,
- IIT Roorkee,
- NIT Calicut

## Dental College

- Maulana Azad Institute of Dental Science,
- Manipal College of Dental Science,
- Dr DY Patil Vidyapith Pune



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