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World University Rankings 2020

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The TIMES Higher Education (**THE**) recently released its World University Rankings 2020 edition.

- In its 16th edition, THE's World University Rankings 2020 included over 1,300 universities from **92 countries**.
- **56 Indian institutions** (up from 49 last year) made entry into the table this year, making India the **fifth most-represented country** in the list and the **third in Asia** (behind Japan and China).
- The University of Oxford retained the **top** position for the consecutive fourth year.
- The Indian Institute of Science (**IISc**) Bangalore **topped** the Indian universities on the list (although its ranking fell from the 251-300 group in 2019 to the 301-350 bracket in 2020). It now shares this position with the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Ropar- which made a debut entry into the list.
- It is the first time since **2012**, that **an Indian university has not featured in the top 300** of the ranking.

AHEAD IN THE CLASS

Overall, 56 Indian universities featured in the table this year, up from 49 last year

Institute	2020	2019
IISc Bangalore	301–350	251–300
IIT-Ropar	301–350	NR
IIT-Indore	351–400	351–400
IIT-Bombay	401–500	401–500
IIT-Delhi	401–500	501–600
IIT-Kharagpur	401–500	501–600
ICT, Mumbai	501–600	NR
IIT-Gandhinagar	501–600	NR
IIT-Roorkee	501–600	401–500
Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham	601–800	601–800

- According to THE, the best Indian institutions are generally characterized by relatively strong scores for teaching environment and industry income, but when it comes to an international outlook they perform poorly.
- The Indian government has strong ambitions to boost the global standing of its top universities and attract foreign students, academics and research collaboration. It now needs to back up these aspirations with high levels of investment, increasing global competition.

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