



## India Shines in QS World University Rankings (2025)

*11 Indian Institutes in Top 500 and 2 in Top 150*

*318% Surge in Representation of Indian Institutions in last 10 years*

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The QS World University Rankings give comprehensive ranking to the best institutions from across the world. India's remarkable ascent in this prestigious ranking is evident through its notable expansion in representation over the past decade. The number of Institutions in QS World University Ranking rose from 11 in 2015 edition to **46 in 2025** edition. This exponential increase, amounting to a **318 per cent rise** in terms of representation, not only underscores India's expanding footprint but also positions it as a **frontrunner among G20 nations** in terms of academic advancement and institutional excellence.



## Overview of QS World University Ranking 2025

The 21st edition of the QS World University Rankings 2025 features over 1,500 institutions and is the only ranking of its kind to emphasise employability and sustainability. The results are drawn on the analysis of 17.5 million academic papers and the expert opinions of over 2,40,000 academic faculty and employers.<sup>1</sup> In this edition, three new indicators are incorporated into the QS World University Ranking – Sustainability, Employment Outcomes and International Research Network.<sup>2</sup> Refer to Annexure II for detailed information about the indicators.

<sup>1</sup> <https://support.qs.com/hc/en-gb/articles/4405955370898-QS-World-University-Rankings>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.topuniversities.com/qs-world-university-rankings/methodology>

## Key Insights from QS World University Ranking 2025

- 46 institutions were included in the 2025 edition compared to just 11 in 2015 edition, a **318 per cent increase in last 10 years, the best amongst the G20 nations.**
- 11 Indian institutions have secured positions among the top 500, with 2 institutions ranking among the top 150.
- Seven Indian institutes ranked in the top 100 for the Citations per Faculty indicator, while three were in the top 100 in the Employer Reputation indicator.
- **Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IITB) has ranked topmost among the Indian institutions** and has significantly improved its ranking, climbing from 149<sup>th</sup> position in the 2024 to 118<sup>th</sup> in the 2025 QS World University Rankings.
- Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IITB) has also achieved the highest score among Indian institutes in the Academic Reputation indicator, securing the 131<sup>st</sup> position with a score of 58.5.
- Anna University excelled in the Citations per Faculty indicator, ranking 2<sup>nd</sup> globally with a perfect score of 100. Additionally, it outshone other Indian institutes in the International Research Network indicator, securing the 181<sup>st</sup> position with an impressive score of 89.2.
- The University of Delhi has excelled in the Employment Outcomes indicator, securing the 44<sup>th</sup> position globally and being the only Indian institute within the top 100 in this parameter. Further, in the Sustainability indicator, it has attained the highest ranking among Indian institutes at 220<sup>th</sup> place.
- Symbiosis International (Deemed University) scored highest among the Indian institutes in the Employer Reputation indicator, ranking 31<sup>st</sup> with a score of 95.6.
- Saveetha Institute of Medical and Technical Sciences (Deemed to be University) ranked highest among Indian institutes in the International Faculty indicator, placed 210<sup>th</sup> with a score of 87.1.

Indian institutes have made considerable strides in QS World University Rankings 2025. The significant increase in the number of institutions compared to a decade ago, with a 318% rise among the G20, underscores India's commitment to academic excellence and global competitiveness. Seven Indian institutes ranking in the top 100 for Citations per Faculty and three in the Employer Reputation indicator further solidify India's standing on the global academic stage. Moreover, the impressive performance of Indian universities like the Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IITB), Anna University, and the University of Delhi across various indicators highlights the nation's prowess in research, employability, and sustainability efforts.

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### Annexure I

List of Indian Institutions in QS World University Rankings 2025:

Rank	Institute Name
118	Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IITB)

<b>150</b>	Indian Institute of Technology Delhi (IITD)
<b>211</b>	Indian Institute of Science
<b>222</b>	Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur (IIT-KGP)
<b>227</b>	Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IITM)
<b>263</b>	Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur (IITK)
<b>328</b>	University of Delhi
<b>335</b>	Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee (IITR)
<b>344</b>	Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati (IITG)
<b>383</b>	Anna University
<b>477</b>	Indian Institute of Technology Indore (IIT Indore)
<b>531</b>	Indian Institute of Technology (BHU) Varanasi
<b>580</b>	Jawaharlal Nehru University
<b>587</b>	Shoolini University of Biotechnology and Management Sciences
<b>631-640</b>	Savitribai Phule Pune University
<b>641-650</b>	Symbiosis International (Deemed University)
<b>681-690</b>	Indian Institute of Technology Hyderabad
<b>691-700</b>	Chandigarh University
<b>701-710</b>	National Institute of Technology Tiruchirappalli
<b>711-720</b>	University of Mumbai
<b>721-730</b>	Jadavpur University
<b>751-760</b>	University of Calcutta
<b>791-800</b>	Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT)
<b>801-850</b>	Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani

<b>801-850</b>	University of Hyderabad
<b>801-850</b>	University of Petroleum and Energy Studies (UPES)
<b>851-900</b>	Jamia Millia Islamia
<b>851-900</b>	Thapar Institute of Engineering & Technology
<b>901-950</b>	Manipal Academy of Higher Education, Manipal, Karnataka, India
<b>951-1000</b>	Indian Institute of Technology Bhubaneswar
<b>951-1000</b>	Saveetha Institute of Medical and Technical Sciences (deemed to be university)
<b>1001-1200</b>	Aligarh Muslim University
<b>1001-1200</b>	Amity University
<b>1001-1200</b>	Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham
<b>1001-1200</b>	Banaras Hindu University
<b>1001-1200</b>	Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University
<b>1001-1200</b>	O.P. Jindal Global University
<b>1001-1200</b>	Panjab University
<b>1001-1200</b>	SRM INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
<b>1201-1400</b>	Chitkara University
<b>1201-1400</b>	Jamia Hamdard
<b>1201-1400</b>	OSMANIA UNIVERSITY
<b>1201-1400</b>	Pondicherry University
<b>1201-1400</b>	Sathyabama Institute of Science and Technology (deemed to be university)
<b>1201-1400</b>	Siksha 'O' Anusandhan (Deemed to be University)
<b>1401+</b>	Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad

## **Annexure II**

The QS World University Ranking 2025 considered the following indicators to evaluate universities' performance and standing:

<b>Performances Lenses</b>	<b>Weightage</b>	<b>Philosophy</b>
<b>Academic Reputation</b>	30%	Which universities are demonstrating academic excellence?
<b>Employer Reputation</b>	15%	Which universities are recognized by employers for producing highly employable graduates?
<b>Faculty-Student Ratio</b>	10%	Which universities ensure a higher availability of academic staff for students, thus potentially enhancing the overall educational experience?
<b>Citations per Faculty Ratio</b>	20%	Which universities are showcasing relative intensity and volume of research, while also accounting for the size of the institution?
<b>International Faculty Ratio</b>	5%	Which universities are attracting a sizeable population of international faculty that benefits in terms of the research and teaching diversity and collaboration?
<b>International Student Ratio</b>	5%	Which universities are attracting a sizeable population of international students that has benefits in terms of networking, cultural exchanges, a more diverse learning experience and alumni diversity?
<b>International Research Network Index</b>	5%	Which universities create and sustain research partnerships resulting in internationally co-authored publications with other institutions across borders to collaborate on solving the world's challenges?
<b>Employment Outcomes</b>	5%	Which universities are most effective at ensuring high employability for their graduates and nurturing future leaders who make significant impacts in their fields?
<b>Sustainability</b>	5%	Which universities are leading in sustainability efforts and helping to emphasize the importance

		of this topic to students, institutions, national policymakers and the wider sector?
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