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The Indian Institute of Science (IISc) in Bengaluru holds the top position among Indian universities in the Times Higher Education's World University Rankings for 2019.

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IIT Indore:

Further, the Indian Institute of Technology Indore (IIT Indore) becomes India's second highest ranked university and a global top 400 institution with its strong scoring for research volume and impact. It overtakes IIT Bombay, which slips from the 351-400 rankings band to the 401-500 band.

Other institutes:

Amrita University from South India marked a significant rise in this year's rankings, from the 801-1000 band to 601-800 this year, with particular improvement in its research influence score.

Some of the other new entries for the year include IITs in Bhubaneswar and Hyderabad, Indian Institute of Science Education and Research in Pune and Kolkata and Acharya Nagarjuna University in Andhra Pradesh.

However, while some institutions make gains this year, the majority of India's universities remain static or decline, struggling amid increased global competition, the world university analysis concluded.

Here' what Editorial Director of Global Rankings for Times Higher Education' said:

"India's bursting with innovation and ambition the nation has serious potential to grow into a leading player in global higher education," Phil Baty, Editorial Director of Global Rankings said in a recent PTI report.

Foreign universities:

On the overall global charts, Oxford University claims first position for a third consecutive year. Cambridge University retains second spot, while Stanford in the US is holding steady at third.

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) raises one place to number four but the California Institute of Technology (Caltech) drops from last year's joint third position, to number five. Yale is the highest riser in the global top 20, scaling four places to join the top 10, at eighth.

World University Ranking 2019: Here's the list of top ten universities of the world

1. University of Oxford

2. University of Cambridge

3. Stanford University

4. Massachusetts Institute of Technology

5. California Institute of Technology

6. Harvard University

7. Princeton University

8. Yale University

9. Imperial College London

10. University of Chicago

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