Indore IIT 61st in global univ ranking

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Making an impressive debut among 442 institutions globally, Indian Institute of Technology, Indore has secured 61st place in prestigious university rankings of Times Higher Education Emerging Economies.

India also improved its showing with 49 institutions making it to the list including 25 in the top 200.

Leading India again is the Indian Institute of Science (14th), followed by the Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (27th). However, both of them slipped back a



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OTHER INSTITUTES IN LIST

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- JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research (joint 64th)
- Savitribai Phule Univ, Pune joint 93rd

IT Indore continues to pursue excellence and work towards the sustainable development goals. The latest ranking is an indicator that the institute's strategy is succeeding and its vision prof pradeep mathur, director, lit indore

place this year, largely due to increased competition. But the entry of IIT Indore into the top-100 varsities surprised many.

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rank of 61 is not only highest among the 2G IITs but also better than many established IITs. Amongst the debutant institutions, IIT Indore ranks third in the world after two Chinese universities.

China remains most represented nation in the annual 2019 listing, claiming four of the table's top five positions with Tsinghua University topping the chart, according to the London-based Times Higher Education (THE), a global organisation that produces data, analysis and expertise on higher education.

The 2019 ranking comprises nearly 450 universities - expanded from 378 last year - from 43 countries, across four continents. CONTD. ON P10

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This year's table presents a mixed picture for India. with several new entrants and high risers, alongside several institutions that dropped back.

India has increased its representation in the Times Higher Education Emerging Economies University Rankings with 49 universities in the list as compared to 42 in 2018, the organisation said.

India has 25 universities in the top 200, a rise from 17 last year, it said. The Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee, however, scales 21 places - and into the top 40 - at 35th, thanks in particular to improvements in its research (volume, income and reputation) and industry income (knowledge transfer). IIT Indore (61st) and the JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research (joint 64th) are the highest new entrants from India

Savitribai Phule University, Pune climbs an impressive 87 positions to joint 93rd, alongside the National Autonomous University of Mexico, with a rise in its research score, and a significant rise to its citations

(research influence) score.

Meanwhile, Banaras Hindu University and Amrita University both scaled this year into the top 150, while the Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Pune and Indian Institute of Technology Hyderabad featured for the first time in this group.

Elsewhere, mainland China remains the most represented nation in the annual listing, with 72 institutions in total. Tsinghua University surpasses Peking University as this year's top institution overall, while Zhejiang University rises three positions to 3rd, the University of Science and Technology of China climbs one place to 4th, with Lomonosov Moscow State University completing 2019's top five.

Ellie Bothwell, Global Rankings Editor for THE, said: "Indian institutions have immense potential for success - not only on the emerging stage, but globally. But, while progress is clearly being made, other economies that previously lagged behind - such as Egypt and Malaysia - are starting to advance at a much faster rate".

"In this year's table, India's institutions perform well in teaching. However they are significantly behind the global average in terms of international outlook.

'Strengthening this will further elevate the nation's global reputation for higher education, encourage important research collaborations and help attract international students," Bothwell added.