

IIT-Indore gender statistics Ratio of girls jumps from 7.6% to 19.3% in 4 years

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Efforts made by the Indian Institute of Technology, Indore, for improving girl students' ratio have paid off.

The girl enrolment ratio in the institute's flagship BTech programmes has increased from 7.6 per cent in session 2017-18 to 19.3 per cent in session 2021-22.

"We have witnessed a significant hike in the number of female students at IIT Indore. While the figure for overall girl student enrolment is around 23 per cent, the ratio of girl students in the undergraduate programme is 19.3 per cent," said IIT Indore public relationship officer Sunil Kumar.

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Citing poor representation of females, the Union Ministry of Education, previously known as the Ministry of Human Resource Development, had mandated for creating supernumerary seats for girl students for increasing their representation in IITs.

The average number of women at IITs stood at 8 per cent in 2017 whereas the average was at 9 per cent to 10 per cent at IIT Indore at that time.

The government planned to increase four per cent of seats each year for the next three years to take the representation of

Students breakup in BTech courses

Academic Year	Girls	Boys	Total	Girls Percentage
2017-18	56	682	738	7.60
2018-19	88	798	886	9.94
2019-20	139	915	1054	13.19
2020-21	191	970	1161	16.46
2021-22	243	1018	1261	19.30

women in IITs to 20 per cent by 2020.

Therefore, it instructed all IITs to create seats for girl students in addition to existing intake.

In March 2018, the senate of IIT Indore had approved a proposal for creating supernumerary seats for girl students.

Gradually, the number of girl students started increasing at IIT Indore with each passing year.

"Safety measures for women and enhancement in facilities our campus in Simrol spread across the country through word of mouth and it played a major role in attracting girl

students to IIT Indore," said a professor of IIT Indore.

He claimed that the facilities for girls at IIT Indore are among the best across all IITs.

IIT Indore's performance in global rankings, wherein it piped even old IITs, attracted students, including girls, towards its campus.

Interestingly, National Institutional Ranking Framework data of national rankings-2021 in engineering college category revealed that IIT Indore also stood ahead of old IITs including that in Bombay, Delhi, Kharagpur, Kanpur, etc.

IIT Indore was ranked fourth after IIT Hyderabad, IIT Mandi and IIT Madras and IIT Jodhpur in girl enrolment ratio in national rankings-2021.