

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOKSABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1738  
ANSWERED ON 31.07.2023

**Release of NIRF Rankings 2023**

1738. SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:

Will the Minister of **EDUCATION** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has recently released the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) Ranking 2023 and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the institution that has secured top position in the ranking;
- (c) whether conducting such ranking has helped in enhancing the quality and performance of Educational Institutions across the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has taken any steps to improve the international ranking of the country's Educational institutes and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has formulated any policy to promote the signing of agreements with Foreign Educational institutes;
- (f) if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) the steps taken by the Government to promote research in private and public sectors in close association with Universities?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
(DR. SUBHAS SARKAR)

(a) & (b): Ministry of Education has released 'India Ranking 2023' using National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023 in 13 categories/ disciplines. Details are available at <https://www.nirfindia.org/2023/Ranking.html>. The institutions secured top position in each category/discipline is at Annexure.

(c): The National Institutional Ranking Framework uses 16 to 18 parameters to assess the quality of colleges, which aims to promote transparency, accountability and healthy competition. According to QS World University Rankings (QS WUR), Indian Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) appearing in the rankings has increased from 9 to 45 in the period of 2014 to 2023.

(d): With an aim to increase the participation of Indian Higher Education Institutes in international ranking, Ministry of Education (MoE) conducted a series of workshop for prospective institutions to sensitise the institutions about ranking parameters and procedures.

Ministry of Education has also conducted workshop with Industries such as Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry (ASSOCHAM), Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI) and industry professionals to encourage them to participate in Employer Reputation Survey which has a weightage of 15 percent. To sensitise the HEI about parameters of ranking institutions, Capacity building sessions were also conducted. Union Ministry of Education has also launched “Institutions of Eminence” scheme with an aim to provide world class teaching, research facilities and support institutions to increase their ranking.

(e) & (f): To promote enhanced academic collaboration with foreign higher educational institutions, University Grants Commission has notified the UGC (Academic Collaboration between Indian and Foreign Higher Educational Institutions to offer Twinning, Joint Degree and Dual Degree Programmes) Regulations, 2022.

(g): As envisaged under National Education Policy (NEP) - 2020, the government recently introduced the National Research Foundation (NRF) Bill 2023 that proposes to pave the way to establish NRF which will seed, grow and promote Research and Development (R&D) and foster a culture of research and innovation throughout India’s universities, colleges, research institutions, and R&D laboratories at a total estimated cost of Rs. 50,000 crore during five years (2023-28).

To promote the quality of higher education the University Grants Commission (UGC) has come out with a Quality Mandate. UGC has brought out Guidelines for the establishment of Research and Development Cell (RDC) in universities and colleges for enhanced research productivity, encourage collaboration across industry, government, community-based organisations, and agencies at the local, national, and international levels and facilitate greater access to research through the mobilisation of resources and funding.

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**ANNEXURE AS REFERRED TO IN PART (a) & (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1738 TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.7.2023 ASKED BY SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT (LOK SABHA) REGARDING RELEASE OF NIRF RANKINGS 2023.**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Category/Discipline</b>	<b>Name of the leading Institution</b>
1.	Overall	Indian Institute of Technology Madras, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
2.	University	Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru, Karnataka
3.	Engineering	Indian Institute of Technology Madras, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
4.	Management	Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad, Gujarat
5.	Pharmacy	National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research Hyderabad, Telangana
6.	Colleges	Miranda House, Delhi
7.	Medical	All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Delhi
8.	Dental	Saveetha Institute of Medical and Technical Sciences, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
9.	Architecture and Planning	Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee, Uttarakhand
10.	Law	National Law School of India University, Bengaluru, Karnataka
11.	Research Institutions	Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru, Karnataka
12.	Agriculture and Allied Sectors	Indian Agricultural Research Institute, Delhi
13.	Innovation	Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh