

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-2524
ANSWERED ON 15/12/2025

Admissions in Birla Institute of Technology and Science

†2524. Dr. Manna Lal Rawat:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the undergraduate, post-graduate and research level courses being currently offered at the Birla Institute of Technology and Science, Pilani and Jaipur campuses;
- (b) whether entrance examinations are conducted for admission to these courses by the National Testing Agency (NTA) or by the institute itself, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether students are eligible for admission to the said campuses if they pass the examinations conducted by the NTA, if so, the details of the admission process in this regard;
- (d) whether the Government has any control or regulatory authority over the prescribed fee structure for various categories such as SC, ST, OBC, General and women in the said campuses;
- (e) whether the reservation policy of the Union Government is applicable in the selection of teaching and non-teaching staff in private 'Deemed to be University' institutions, if so, the details of the proposal under consideration in this regard; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)

(a) to (d): Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS) -Pilani is an 'Institution of Eminence' as per a notification in October, 2020 issued by the Ministry of Education. It has its main campus at Pilani, Rajasthan, off-campus at Goa, Hyderabad and Mumbai and off-shore campus in Dubai.

It operates academic programmes across three tiers – Integrated First Degree Programmes (Undergraduate level), Higher Degree Programmes (Postgraduate level) and Doctoral Programmes (Research level). At the UG Level, Bachelor of Engineering (BE) Programmes are offered in disciplines like – Chemical, Civil, Electrical and Electronics, Mechanical, Computer Science, Electronics and Instrumentation, Electronics and Communication, Manufacturing, Electronics and Computer Science, Mathematics and Computing, Environmental and Sustainability. At PG level, Master of Engineering (ME) Programmes are offered in disciplines like - Chemical, Computer Science, Mechanical, Software systems,

Microelectronics, Communication Engineering, Biotechnology, Civil, Electrical, Embedded Systems, Design, Manufacturing Systems and Environmental Engineering.

B.Pharm., M.Pharm., MBA and M.Sc. Degree in Physics, Chemistry, Biological Sciences, Mathematics, Economics, Semiconductor & Nano Science and General Studies are also offered.

Admissions to all Integrated First-Degree Programmes are made through - BITSAT conducted by the institution itself, Board Topper Scheme and SAT. Further, admissions to higher degree programmes are made through GATE/GPAT/BITS HD Test/BAAT/CAT/XAT/GMAT. Performance in institution-designed test/ interview and NET is considered for admissions to doctoral programmes. NTA does not conduct any entrance examination for admissions to BITS-Pilani.

BITS-Pilani is governed by the UGC (Institutions of Eminence Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2017 (as amended in 2021). These regulations provide freedom to the institutions to admit students through a transparent merit-based system and fix fees as per their internal policies, provided that there are no hidden charges or capitation fees. They also require the institutions to maintain a credible and robust financial assistance program to support meritorious students who lack adequate financial means.

(e) and (f): The Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Act, 2006 and the Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Teachers' Cadre) Act, 2019 provide for the reservation in admission and recruitment of persons belonging to the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and the Other Backward Classes in certain Central Educational Institutions. These Acts are applicable on all Central Educational Institutions which include Institutions Deemed to be Universities maintained by or receiving aid from the Central Government.
