

# IIT-D, IIT-B free from UGC rules

IIT-Delhi, IIT-Bombay, BITS-Pilani and Manipal Academy of Higher Education are among those granted the status of "institutions of eminence". These institutions are now free from UGC regulations. **P 6**

# IIT-D, IIT-B, IISc granted status of 'institution of eminence'

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**New Delhi:** Government-run IIT-Delhi, IIT-Bombay and Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore were granted the status of "institution of eminence" along with three private players on Monday giving them complete freedom to run their academic and research programmes in a manner which would help make them among the best in the world.

The private institutes which were also granted the status are BITS-Pilani, Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), Manipal and Jio Institute of Reliance Foundation, Greater

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Mumbai. These institutions are now completely free from the regulations of the University Grants Commission. While the government set a number of maximum 20 institutions (10 government and 10 private) to be given the status, the empowered experts committee (EEC) were not convinced by the 113 institutions' application/ vision statement to offer them the status and thus forwarded lesser number of names to the government. Among the private players, while MAHE and BITS-Pilani are well established institutions with Manipal celebrating its 25th year, the Reliance Foundation's institution has been shortlisted under the "Greenfield" category."