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### Apex court allows pvt colleges to offer MBA, MCA sans AICTE nod

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*New Delhi, April 27*

In a major decision, the Supreme Court has ruled that private colleges need not seek approval from the All India Council for Technical Education to conduct courses in computer application and management at the postgraduate level. However, AICTE Chairman S.S. Mantha said the Council would file a review petition against this order early next week.

"Our Act (AICTE Act) says which disciplines are covered. Suddenly, one can't say that it isn't correct," Mantha said.

The matter came up before the apex court in 2004 after the Madras High Court had ruled in favour of AICTE.

The Association of Management of Private Colleges and a few other private colleges in Tamil Nadu had filed the case on the grounds that MBA is not a technical course and should not be governed by the AICTE. They further argued that both MBA and MCA were brought under the purview of the AICTE after some amendments in 2000 without being placed before the Parliament as is the normal process.

#### **UNREGULATED SYSTEM**

Mantha said the changes may not have gone through Parliament but were done in "good faith."

"One should see the larger problem. Unregulated sys-

tems and unfair trade practices will start proliferating if this happens (if these courses do not require AICTE's approval)," Mantha said, adding that thousands of students are likely to suffer the consequences.

Mantha said there are about 4,000 management institutions and 1,600 institutions running MCA programmes in the country.

However, some private colleges running MBA courses feel that an independent body, on the lines of the Medical Council of India, should control management education in the country, instead of being governed by a body, which they say, is essentially meant for technical education.

The head of a leading private management institution, who requested anonymity, said that the AICTE had earlier impinged on the autonomy of private management colleges and that it was difficult for them to function efficiently under its stringent rules.

The Supreme Court has ruled that the AICTE can play an advisory role and prescribe standards of education by sending notes to the University Grants Commission for colleges affiliated to Universities. But colleges will not need AICTE approval to run these courses.

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# डीयू के सभी कालेजों में समान होंगे एडमिशन के मानक

राकेश नाथ/एसएनबी

नई दिल्ली। डीयू के सेशन 2013-14 में दाखिले के लिए अप्लाई करने वाले स्टूडेंट्स को कॉलेजों के अलग-अलग एडिशनल एलिजिबिलिटी क्राइटेरिया से दो चार नहीं होना पड़ेगा। सभी कॉलेजों के एडिशनल एलिजिबिलिटी क्राइटेरिया एक समान होंगे। मसलन, यदि राजधानी कॉलेज में इकनॉमिक्स ऑनर्स कोर्स में दाखिले की शर्त यह होगी कि कैंडिडेट के गणित विषय में 55 पर्सेंट या इससे ज्यादा मार्क्स होने चाहिए, तो अन्य कॉलेजों में भी दाखिले के लिए गणित विषय में इतने ही अंकों की शर्त रहेगी। फिर चाहे वह नॉर्थ कैंपस का एसआरसीसी या हंसराज कॉलेज ही क्यों न हो। फिलहाल एक समान एडिशनल क्राइटेरिया को लेकर यूनिवर्सिटी प्रस्ताव तैयार कर रही है। इसे जल्द ही विद्वत परिषद की बैठक में मंजूरी के लिए लाया जाएगा।

गौरतलब है कि डीयू में ग्रेजुएशन लेवल पर चार साल का डिग्री कोर्स लागू होने जा रहा है। इस कोर्स में दाखिले के लिए



स्टूडेंट्स को होती थी परेशानी

- डीयू जल्द लाएगी प्रस्ताव
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- हर कॉलेज का एडिशनल एलिजिबिलिटी क्राइटेरिया अलग होने के कारण
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- अब सभी कॉलेज को मैथ्स के लिए एक समान मार्क्स होने की रहेगी शर्त
- कॉलेजों की मनमानी पर लगेगी रोक

अप्लाई करने वाले सभी स्टूडेंट्स को ऑनर्स कोर्स मिलेंगे। कॉलेजों में बीए, बीकॉम व बीएससी जनरल प्रोग्राम खत्म हो जाएगा। इनकी सीटें ऑनर्स कोर्सेज में समायोजित की जाएंगी। लेकिन इस कोर्स को लागू करने में सबसे बड़ी बाधा कॉलेजों के अलग-अलग एडिशनल क्राइटेरिया हैं और यूनिवर्सिटी अब इसे दूर करना चाहती है। दरअसल, पिछले सेशन तक यदि किसी विद्यार्थी के रिक्वायर कट आफ से 10 पर्सेंट ज्यादा भी मार्क्स होते थे, लेकिन दाखिले के लिए कॉलेज द्वारा मांगे गए किसी एक विषय में निर्धारित अंक के क्राइटेरिया को वह पूरा नहीं कर पाता था तो उसे एडमिशन नहीं मिल पाता था। मसलन, किसी कोर्स में दाखिले के लिए 70 पर्सेंट कटआफ होती थी और कॉलेज एडिशनल क्राइटेरिया के तौर पर मैथ्स में 85 नंबर होने की शर्त लगाता था तो उस स्टूडेंट को भी एडमिशन नहीं मिल पाता था, जिसके एग्ग्रेट तो 90 पर्सेंट मार्क्स होते थे, लेकिन मैथ्स में 85 से कम। अब सभी कॉलेजों में दाखिले की अतिरिक्त योग्यता को एक समान कर दिया जाएगा। ऐसे में विद्यार्थियों को मनचाहा कॉलेज मिल सकेगा।



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**FORMAT CHANGE**

# Logistics hurdles seen in new IIT-JEE pattern

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NEW DELHI

Some Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) are experiencing qualms about the new-format Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) for students seeking admissions.

Contrary to the hard-sell that the new, two-stage format being introduced this year will make life easier for the IITs and their aspiring students, it could prove to be a cumbersome exercise and a logistical headache, said the administrators of three of the older IITs.

The format works this way: the first part of the joint entrance examination known as JEE-Main is open to all students and their performance in the test will be key for admission to all centrally-funded technical colleges like the National Institutes of Technology, but not to the IITs.

The 150,000 top rankers in the JEE (Main), conducted between 7 April and 25 April, will qualify for appearing in the next stage, called JEE-Advanced, for admission to the IITs and the Indian School of Mines, Dhanbad. These 150,000 candidates also need to finish among the top 20 percentile of students in their school board examinations.

Some IIT administrators are concerned about the possibility of students from a particular state or a few states cornering a majority of the 150,000 top spots in the JEE-Main to qualify for taking JEE-Advanced. That may hinder the smooth conduct of the second stage of the exam in that state or region, given that

the preparations for the exam are on an all-India basis.

"The IIT-Main exam results will come out in the first week of May and the registration for JEE-Advanced will start from May 8. Technically you will have little time for arranging new exam centres and other related logistical supports (in the event of the above scenario). This could create a problem," said a senior administrator at an IIT.

For example, if Bihar and Tamil Nadu students form a sizeable portion of the top rankers, then IITs may have to redraw the exam plan. Right now, the IITs have arranged just two centres for Tamil Nadu and four for Bihar.

"What has happened because of the two-tier exam system is that it has become cumbersome. Earlier, we knew how many students are there from a state and prepare accordingly but the new system has taken away that advantage. You have to plan and execute everything from registration to delivery within a period of three weeks," said a professor at IIT-Kharagpur, requesting anonymity.

The professor said that not just arranging extra exam centres, but moving staff and securing question papers at fresh test centres could prove to be a challenge.

"IITs have a tradition of offering fool-proof entrance (tests), but that needs robust preparation. Under this new system, it may prove to be a challenge this time," he said.

IIT-Delhi, which is coordinating the conduct of JEE-Advanced, shares some of the con-

cerns. "It's a challenge. Students from which state will perform better is unknown and may throw a surprise," said IIT-Delhi director R.K. Shevgaonkar. "We will soon sound out to potential exam centres besides those which we have finalized so far."

What's more, the requirement that those appearing in JEE-Advanced must finish in the top 20 percentile of their school board exams doesn't necessarily inspire confidence that IITs will get a better crop of students this year, one professor said.

For example, students scoring at least 58% and above in their class 12 board exam in West Bengal and 64% in Bihar fall in the top 20 percentile while in Andhra Pradesh, a student scoring a minimum of 87% belongs to the category. For Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) students, the comparative score is 78%.

The new format may not reduce the burden for students either. "The number of entrances is still two. Students have to register twice, sit for the exam twice. So, where is the question of (it becoming) less burdensome for students? Internally we knew that this system may not be (the) best," said a professor from IIT-Bombay, who declined to be named.

The format of the IIT-JEE, one of the toughest examinations in the country with just two of every 100 candidates qualifying for admission to the institutes, was tweaked after complaints over the falling standards of IIT students.

IIT aspirants are upset over the top 20 percentile requirements. "I fail to understand how a student's scoring 79% is less talented than somebody scoring 80% and getting qualified to sit for the JEE-Advanced. This is little unfair for many students who are sitting on the fence of that 20 percentile yardstick," said Dipak K., an IIT aspirant from Delhi.

HT Indore

# IIM-I HARASSMENT CASE: WOMAN PROF TERMINATED

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**INDORE:** The Indian Institute of Management - Indore (IIM-I) on Sunday is learnt to have terminated a woman professor who had levelled sexual harassment charges against one of her associate professors. According to the institute's sources, the director took a final call on the case.

The complaint was originally filed on February 20, and the case was forwarded to the institute's gender sensitivity committee, which was soon dissolved. A new committee was formed thereafter.

A series of meetings were held by the committee in which both the accused and the victim's statements were recorded. IIM-I spokesperson Akhtar Parvez said, "All the government norms were followed in the investigation and accordingly a report was submitted to the director by the gender sensitivity committee."



HT Mumbai

# Less than 1% of IIT alumni respond to magazine poll on rape, women's safety

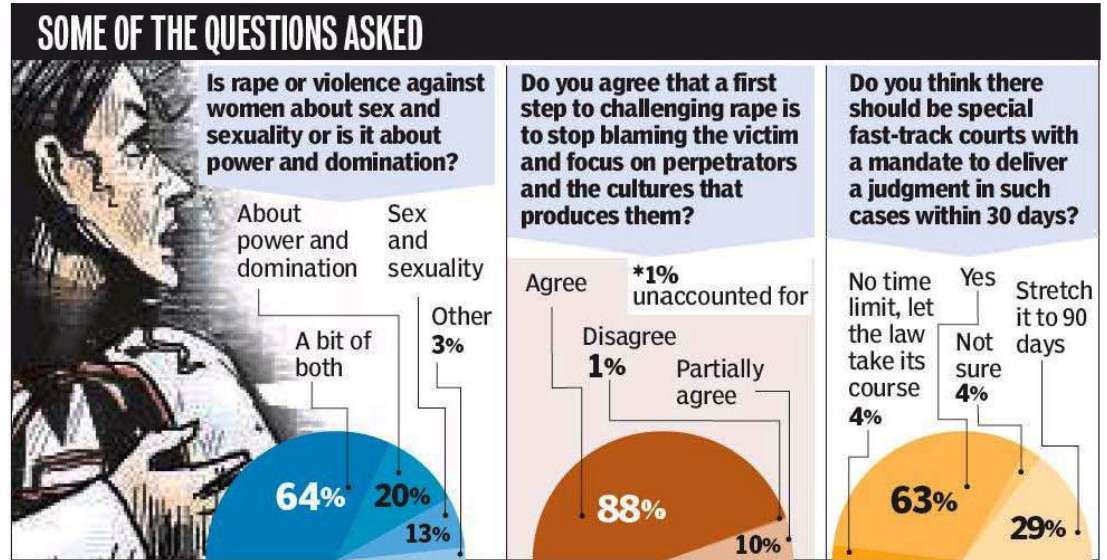
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**MUMBAI:** The quarterly alumni magazine of the Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay has accused alumni of "apathy" and "indifference" after only a small fraction of the community participated in a conversation about women's safety and rape in the magazine's latest issue.

In an alumni poll open to 25,000-plus members, only 215 responded to questions on women's issues. The survey, initiated after the December Delhi rape and several other instances of sexual assault, has been published in Fundamatics, the alumni quarterly.

"To experience such indifference for an issue that made the ground, across geographies, shift beneath the feet of millions and billions was something that we were not ready for," the magazine said in a preamble to the survey results.

"This level of apathy needed a new word that we didn't



know and we hope to never learn it in the future too... Why did an audience that has never shied and often been loud and unrestrained in voicing their opinions go mostly quiet...?"

In the previous two polls, more than 1,000 people had participated.

Of those who responded to the online poll, 45% said they

were willing to set aside some time to volunteer if the fraternity set up a forum to work with police, administration, counsellors, rape victims and others on women's safety issues. Others offered financial help (7%) and support in other ways (13%), but 21% said they were not sure if they were interested in participating in outreach.

However, not everyone thinks this makes IITians apathetic. "It doesn't mean IITians don't care or don't have an opinion, just that since this was a general topic, people might have felt there were others more qualified to comment on these matters," said Bakul Desai, chairperson of the IIT-B Alumni Association.



# AICTE's role only advisory, not to issue sanctions, says Supreme Court

**NEW DELHI:** The role of All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) is only 'advisory' and it has no authority to issue any sanction on universities, the Supreme Court has said while clarifying that colleges affiliated to varsities are not required to take its approval for running MBA and MCA courses.

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Supreme Court of India

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the UGC for its implementation by it but not the AICTE,' it said.

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The apex court allowed the appeals and said that AICTE's approval is not required for running MBA and MCA courses. 'The civil appeals are allowed. The relief sought for in the writ petitions is granted in so far as not to seek approval from the AICTE for MBA and MCA courses are concerned,' the bench said. P11



# AICTE's role only advisory, not to issue sanctions: SC

**PBD BUREAU/PTI**

**NEW DELHI, APRIL 28**

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बोर्ड ऑफ मैनेजमेंट की बैठक में कई महत्वपूर्ण निर्णय, दोगुनी हुई फैलोशिप की संख्या

# डीटीयू में पांच नए कोर्स को मिली मंजूरी

नई दिल्ली | वरिष्ठ संवाददाता

दिल्ली टेक्नोलॉजिकल यूनिवर्सिटी (डीटीयू) ने एम.टेक के पांच नए प्रोग्राम को मंजूरी दे दी है। इतना ही नहीं डीटीयू ने फैलोशिप की संख्या भी दोगुनी कर दी है। शिक्षकों के लिए भी अच्छी खबर है। डीटीयू खाली पदों को भी भरने का मन बना चुका है।

डीटीयू के चेयरमैन और पूर्व केंद्रीय सचिव आर. पी अग्रवाल की अध्यक्षता में हुई डीटीयू की बोर्ड ऑफ मैनेजमेंट की बैठक में कई महत्वपूर्ण निर्णयों को असलीजामा पहनाया गया। इनमें पांच नए एम.टेक प्रोग्राम को मंजूरी के साथ पीएचडी में फैलोशिप की संख्या को 50 से बढ़ाकर 100 कर दिया गया है। इसके अलावा यूनिवर्सिटी के विभिन्न विभागों में खाली प्रोफेसर, एसिस्टेंट प्रोफेसर और एसोसिएट प्रोफेसर के पदों को भी खुले विज्ञापन के आधार पर भरने का निर्णय लिया गया।

बैठक में इस बात पर संतोष व्यक्त किया गया कि पिछले तीन साल के दौरान यूनिवर्सिटी ने बेहतरीन मिसाल कायम की है। यूनिवर्सिटी द्वारा हासिल की गई महत्वपूर्ण उपलब्धि की चर्चा करते हुए

## बैठक में ये लिए गए निर्णय

**1** पांच नए एम टेक प्रोग्राम : प्रत्येक प्रोग्राम के तहत 18 फुल टाइम और 5 प्रायोजित सीटें होंगी। ये प्रोग्राम हैं- कंप्यूटेशनल डिजाइन, बायोमेट्रिकल इंजिनियरिंग, इंडस्ट्रियल बायोटेक्नोलॉजी, रिन्यूएबल एनर्जी टेक्नोलॉजी, न्यूक्लियर साइंस एंड इंजीनियरिंग।

**3** पद होंगे पुनर्व्यवस्थित : बैठक में निर्णय लिया गया कि यूजीसी के मानदंड के मुताबिक सहायक रजिस्ट्रार, डिप्टी रजिस्ट्रार जैसे पदों को पुनर्व्यवस्थित किया जाएगा।

**5** एम. एस प्रोग्राम : रचनात्मक माहौल और शोध की संस्कृति को मजबूत करने के लिए इंफोनेनो बायोटेक्नोलॉजी में एम. एस प्रोग्राम शुरू किया जाएगा।

बैठक में कहा गया कि हमारे संस्थापक वाइस चांसलर प्रोफेसर पी. बी शर्मा ने जिस विश्वास के साथ इस यूनिवर्सिटी की नींव रखी थी, उस दिशा में हम आगे बढ़ रहे हैं। यूनिवर्सिटी ने शैक्षिक सुविधाओं को बढ़ाने में कई बड़े कदम उठाए हैं।

औद्योगिक इंटरफेस की मजबूती,

**2** सायंकालीन बीटेक प्रोग्राम: बोर्ड ने एकेडमिक काउंसिल ऑफ एजिक्टिव की सिफारिश को मानते हुए पेशेवर टेक्नो मैनेजर के लिए एमबीए प्रोग्राम, बीटेक और एमबीए के लिए डुएल डिग्री और आईसीटी इंजीनियरों के लिए सायंकालीन बीटेक प्रोग्राम को भी मंजूरी दे दी है।

**4** पार्ट टाइम प्रोग्राम: सैमसंग इंडिया लिमिटेड के साथ हुए करार के तहत डीटीयू का डिपार्टमेंट ऑफ कंप्यूटर इंजिनियरिंग सैमसंग कर्मचारियों के लिए पार्ट टाइम बीटेक प्रोग्राम संचालित करेगा।

वैश्विक स्तर के विश्वविद्यालयों और महत्वपूर्ण कंपनियों के साथ समझौता कर डीटीयू ने कई उपलब्धि हासिल की हैं। बैठक में टीटीई के सचिव राजेंद्र कुमार, प्रसिद्ध वैज्ञानिक और न्यूक्लियर साइंस सेंटर के पूर्व निदेशक जी के मेहता और आईटीसी के चेयरमैन के एल चुघ उपस्थित थे।

## खत्म होगी अनिवार्य विषय में कटऑफ की बाध्यता

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डीयू के सभी कॉलेजों में अनिवार्य विषयों में कटऑफ की बाध्यता खत्म होगी। इसके लिए डीयू की एडिशनल कमेटी ने नया प्रस्ताव तैयार किया है। इसके बाद विभिन्न विषयों से स्नातक करने वाले छात्रों को अनिवार्य विषय में निर्धारित अंक लाने की जरूरत नहीं होगी। नई व्यवस्था के बाद छात्रों के पास प्रवेश के लिए अधिक विकल्प मौजूद होंगे।

जानकारी के अनुसार नये सत्र से डीयू सभी कॉलेज में अनिवार्य विषयों की कटऑफ एक ही रखेगा। अब तक सीआरसीसी, रामजस और अन्य कॉलेज स्नातक विषयों में प्रवेश के लिए अनिवार्य विषय में भी उनते ही प्रतिशत अंक जरूरी मानते थे, जिसके कारण छात्र पसंदीदा विषय में प्रवेश नहीं ले पाते थे। अर्थशास्त्र ऑनर्स में प्रवेश के लिए

## नया प्रस्ताव

- दिल्ली विश्वविद्यालय नए सत्र से शुरू करेगा विशेष सुविधा
- नए सत्र से सभी कॉलेज में एक ही कटऑफ रखी जाएगी
- छात्रों के लिए खुलेंगे प्रवेश के अधिक मौके

अर्थशास्त्र में 85 प्रतिशत के साथ गणित विषय में भी इनते ही प्रतिशत पर कटऑफ जारी की जाती थी।

कई बार छात्र एक विषय में अच्छे अंक लाते थे, जबकि अन्य विषय में किसी कारणवश अच्छे अंक न मिलने से वह प्रवेश से वंचित रह जाते थे। बताया जा रहा है कि डीयू नये सत्र से अनिवार्य विषय की यह कटऑफ 60 से 70 प्रतिशत के बीच रखेगा, जिससे सभी कॉलेज को मनाना होगा।



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# ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR JEE ADVANCE FROM MAY 8

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**KANPUR:** Online registration of candidates appearing at the Joint Engineering Examination (advanced) would be held from May 8 to 13. The exam will be held on June 2 and results announced on June 23.

Candidates can log on to [www.jeeadv.iitd.ac.in](http://www.jeeadv.iitd.ac.in) to register themselves after the JEE main results come out on May 7.

According to sources in the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), admit cards would be issued to the candidates through the website from May 16. The examination fee for general and the OBC candidates would be Rs1,800, and for SC/ ST candidates it would be Rs 900. There is no fee for girl candidates.



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# TEACHERS GATHER AT IIM-I FOR FACULTY DEVELOPMENT

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**INDORE:** Nearly 40 management teachers have gathered at Indian Institute of Management, Indore for its fifth edition of Faculty Development Programme (FDP) 2013 which aims at professional development of management teachers, researchers and practitioners.

It is a nine-week programme which started on April 22, would conclude on June 28. The main focus of FDP is on upgrading the teaching, training, content development and research skills of participants. It has been designed as a specialised programme for career development of management faculties.

IIM-I claims that the programme would enable the participants to develop competence in general management, understand recent advances in management research and improve their way of teaching. It would also tell them about effective presentation techniques and behavioral skills to be an effective management faculty.

The programme is managed by faculty members from IIM as well as other experts from the industry and other institutions for an intensive exposure to research, writing, teaching, training and industry trends.

“The uniqueness of this FDP is that it has 15% of its participants from industry and allied services with faculties from management and engineering institutes. This shows the faith of industries in IIM-I’s capabilities. IIM-I will not only develop the capabilities and skill sets of faculties of management schools but also of industry population,” said coordinator of the programme Prashant Salwan.

The participants have come from various states including Haryana, Maharashtra and several southern states. They are mainly management teachers, trainers, researchers employed in management schools, university departments, degree colleges, professional institutes, training centres of business enterprises and staff training institutes of central and state governments.



# ISB students receive 798 offers

## BS REPORTER

Hyderabad, 28 April

The Indian School of Business (ISB) on Friday stated 421 companies had made 798 offers to students of the class of 2013 in an integrated placements held across its Hyderabad and Mohali campuses.

Of a total of 762 students in the class, 741 students participated in the placement process, while 21 students opted out to start their own ventures, return to their companies or family businesses.

According to ISB, the number of companies participating

and offers made this year has increased 21 per cent and 27 per cent respectively over last year. With the rolling placement still underway, and around five per cent of the class participating in various stages of the placement process, the number of offers is expected to increase. The process will conclude in May.

The technology sector was stated to have made the largest number of offers on campus. As many as 300 offers were made by 53 companies such as Apple, Cognizant Technology Solutions, Facebook, Google, HCL, Hewlett Packard, IBM,

ITC Infotech, Microsoft, and Wipro Ltd, among others.

Consulting was the second largest recruiter, contributing 163 offers from around 30 companies, including AT Kearney, Accenture, Booz & Co, Boston Consulting Group, Deloitte, Ernst & Young, Global eProcure, KPMG, McKinsey & Company, Oliver Wyman, Parthenon and PwC.

In fact, consulting and sales and marketing were the two most preferred functional areas for the ISB graduates attracting 27 per cent and 21 per cent of students respectively. Recruiting companies

for sales & marketing roles included Arvind Lifestyle Brands & Retail, Bharti Walmart, Britannia Industries, Dabur India, Hindustan Unilever, Reckitt Benckiser and Videocon Industries.

Women students, who comprise 29 per cent of the class, have done well both in terms of offers received and as roles. "A highlight of this year was the 'Axis Bank - ISB Leadership Programme', where the bank selected 12 women students to build a women leadership pipeline for their organisation," ISB stated in a release.