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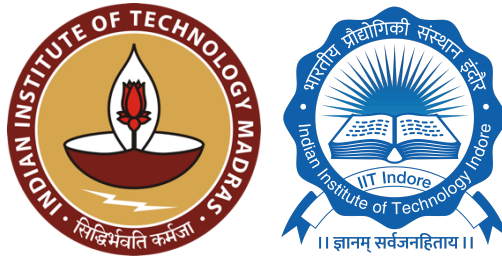
SPORTS EXCELLENCE ADMISSION
TO
UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2025 - 2026



**INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY MADRAS**
**INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY INDORE**

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## ABOUT THE INSTITUTES

## IIT Madras

The Indian Institute of Technology Madras is known both nationally and internationally for excellence in technical education, basic and applied research, innovation, entrepreneurship and industrial consultancy. A faculty of international repute, a highly motivated and brilliant student community, excellent technical and supporting staff and an effective administration have all contributed to the pre-eminent status of IIT Madras. The Institute is proud to bear the laureate of being No.1 engineering university in India. More recently, IIT Madras has been given the title of Institute of Eminence.

In 1956, the German Government offered technical assistance for establishing an institute of higher education in engineering in India. The first Indo-German agreement in Bonn, West Germany for the establishment of the Indian Institute of Technology at Madras was signed in 1959.

The Institute was formally inaugurated in 1959 by Prof. Humayun Kabir, Union Minister for Scientific Research and Cultural Affairs. The IIT system has sixteen Institutes of Technology – the first of these to be instituted were at Kharagpur (estb. 1951), Mumbai (estb. 1958), Chennai (estb. 1959), Kanpur (estb. 1959), Delhi (estb. 1961), Guwahati (estb. 1994) and Roorkee (estb. 1847, joined IITs in 2001).

IIT Madras is a residential institute with nearly 700 faculty, 13000 students and 590 administrative & supporting staff and is a self-contained campus located in a beautiful wooded land of about 250 hectares. The campus is located in the city of Chennai, previously known as Madras. Chennai is the state capital of Tamilnadu, a southern state in India.

The Institute has sixteen academic departments and a few advanced research centres in various disciplines of engineering and pure sciences, with nearly 100 laboratories organised in a unique pattern. IIT Madras also hosts a Center of Excellence in Sports Science and Analytics which works to help athletes and coaches perform better with the help of technology.

IIT Madras has been the top-ranked engineering institute in India for nine consecutive years as well as the 'Best Educational Institution' in Overall Category in the National Institutes Ranking Framework (NIRF) Rankings for six consecutive years.

## IIT Indore

Indian Institute of Technology Indore located in Madhya Pradesh, known as IIT Indore or IITI, is an institute of national importance established by the Government of India in 2009. It is one of the eight new IITs, started by the Ministry of Education, Government of India. The institution started functioning from 2009-10 in a temporary campus at Institute of Engineering and Technology of Devi Ahilya University under mentorship of IIT Bombay. Shri Arjun Singh, the Union HRD minister, laid the foundation of the permanent campus, spread over an area of around 501.42-acre (2.1 km2), on 17th February 2009 at Simrol, a location on Khandwa Road about 25 km from the city of Indore.

Since February 2016, IIT Indore has started functioning from its permanent campus. All the Administrative Offices, Material Management Section, Finance and Account Section, The School of Basic Sciences, The School of Humanities and Social Sciences, The School of Engineering, Basic Science Labs and Engineering Labs are all established in this campus. The Central Library is also situated on this campus.

## SPORTS EXCELLENCE ADMISSION

Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IITM) has started admitting students through sports excellence from the academic year 2024-2025 to its undergraduate programs. Indian Institute of Technology Indore (IITI) is joining from the academic year 2025-2026 to admit students to its undergraduate programs through sports excellence admission. The program is named as "Sports Excellence Admission (SEA)". The objective of SEA is to reward and encourage students who have achieved a certain level of excellence in sports of their choice.

IIT Madras will be offering seats in each of its undergraduate programs through SEA by the creation of two supernumerary seats per program for Indian Nationals and OCI/PIO card holders who have secured their OCI/PIO

card before 04 March, 2021. Of the two supernumerary seats per program, one is Gender-Neutral and the other is Female-Only.

IIT Indore will be offering seats in each of its undergraduate programs through SEA by the creation of one Gender-Neutral supernumerary seat per program for Indian Nationals and OCI/PIO card holders who have secured their OCI/PIO card before 04 March, 2021. The List of Programs and the number of seats available in each program are listed in the table below.

| Sl.No. | Institute | Program Name | Gender-Neutral | Female-Only |
|--------|-----------|--------------|----------------|-------------|
| 1 | IIT Madras | Aerospace Engineering (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | IIT Madras | Aerospace Engineering (5 years B.Tech + M.Tech) | 1 | 1 |
| 3 | IIT Madras | Biological Engineering (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 1 |
| 4 | IIT Madras | Biological Science (4 years B.S.) | 1 | 1 |
| 5 | IIT Madras | Chemical Engineering (4 years B.Tech) | 1 | 1 |
| 6 | IIT Madras | Civil Engineering (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 1 |
| 7 | IIT Madras | Computational Engineering & Mechanics (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 1 |
| 8 | IIT Madras | Computer Science and Engineering (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 1 |
| 9 | IIT Madras | Artificial Intelligence and Data Analytics (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 1 |
| 10 | IIT Madras | Electrical Engineering (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 1 |
| 11 | IIT Madras | Engineering Design (5 years B.Tech. + M.Tech.) | 1 | 1 |
| 12 | IIT Madras | Engineering Physics (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 1 |
| 13 | IIT Madras | Instrumentation & Biomedical Engineering (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 1 |
| 14 | IIT Madras | Physics (4 years B.S.) | 1 | 1 |
| 15 | IIT Madras | Mechanical Engineering (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 1 |
| 16 | IIT Madras | Metallurgical and Materials Engineering (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 1 |
| 16 | IIT Madras | Naval Architecture (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 1 |

| 18 | IIT Madras | Medical Science and Engineering (4 years B.S.)[#] | 1 | 1 |
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| 19 | IIT Madras | Chemistry (4 years B.S.)[#] | 1 | 1 |
| 20 | IIT Indore | Chemical Engineering (4 years B.Tech) | 1 | 0 |
| 21 | IIT Indore | Civil Engineering (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 0 |
| 22 | IIT Indore | Computer Science and Engineering (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 0 |
| 23 | IIT Indore | Electrical Engineering (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 0 |
| 24 | IIT Indore | Engineering Physics (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 0 |
| 25 | IIT Indore | Mathematics and Computing (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 0 |
| 26 | IIT Indore | Mechanical Engineering (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 0 |
| 27 | IIT Indore | Metallurgical Engineering and Materials Science (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 0 |
| 28 | IIT Indore | Space Science and Engineering (4 years B.Tech.) | 1 | 0 |

[#]*Admission to these two programs are ONLY for the candidates qualified in IISER Aptitude Test - IAT 2025. The application process for these two programs (under SEA admission) will be done through a different portal with their corresponding business rules, to be announced later.*

## ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The candidate should satisfy ALL the following criteria to be eligible to apply for SEA.

A.  The candidate should be an Indian national (by birth or naturalization) or an OCI/PIO card holder whose OCI/PIO card was issued before 04.03.2021[1].

B.  The candidate should be qualified in JEE (Advanced) 2025 and have obtained a rank in the Common Rank List (CRL) or category-wise rank list in JEE (Advanced) 2025. The position in the rank list may be in any of the categories for which rank lists are prepared, thereby ensuring that the benefits of reservations are not lost and the requisite academic standard is not diluted.

C.  The candidate should have obtained the minimum required marks in class XII as per the eligibility criteria for IITs (Clause 26 of the Information Brochure (IB), JEE (Advanced) 2025).

D.  Candidates should have obtained at least ONE medal in the last FOUR years (i.e., from 01 April 2021 to 31 March 2025) from sports achievements in any of the National/International level competitions, where the points are allocated as per the following table.

Table 1: Proposed Point System for SEA

| Competition | Gold/Silver/Bronze/Participation |
|---|---|
| National Level | 35/25/15/0 |
| International Level | 100/90/80/50 |

## APPLICATION PROCESS

The candidates are required to apply through the IITM-SEA portal (https://ugadmissions.iitm.ac.in/sea) for consideration for admission under sports excellence admission to IIT Madras and/or IIT Indore. The candidate should be ready with all the necessary documents before starting their

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[1] As per the decision dated 03 February 2023, passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in WP(Civil) 891/2021.

application on this portal. The application process consists of the following steps.

**New User Registration**: Every applicant should create login credentials through the "New User Registration" process. The candidates will be able to create a password for their account by providing their JEE (Advanced) 2025 admit card details. Upon successful registration, the candidate can log in to the application portal using their JEE (Advanced) 2025 application number and the password created.

**Candidate Profile**: The candidate profile will be auto-populated from the JEE (Advanced) 2025 database. Any additional information needed from the candidate will be sought in this step. The candidate should confirm the details shown on the candidate profile page. The data, once confirmed, cannot be changed at a later stage, and hence, utmost care should be exercised before confirming the details in the profile.

**Upload Documents**: The candidate should upload all the relevant documents as per the size and document type guidelines mentioned in the portal. The request for submission of documents at a later date WILL NOT be entertained. The correctness and validity of the certificates are the responsibility of the candidate. Submission of wrong documents will lead to denial of admission without further chance for appeal by the candidate. All the certificates will be verified by the document verification officers and their decision is final regarding the validity of the documents.

**Choice Filling**: After completing the above three steps in the application process, the candidate is required to provide the choice of their program in the order of their preference and save the same. The candidate will be able to modify the order of their preference in the portal before submission. The candidates can reorder their choices by using the appropriate buttons. Once the order of preference for different academic programs is finalized to the candidate's satisfaction, it should be confirmed by clicking the "Lock Choices" button.

**Payment of Registration Fee**: The candidates are required to pay a registration fee as mentioned below.

- Rs.500/- for candidates applying under General, GEN-EWS, and OBC-NCL categories.

- Rs.250/- for SC/ST/PwD/Female candidates.
- Application fee is non-refundable.

**Download the Application Acknowledgement**: Upon successful completion of the above-mentioned steps, the candidate will be able to download the filled-in application. A copy of the application should be downloaded and kept in safe custody for future reference.

## SCORE COMPUTATION AND SPORTS RANK LIST (SRL)

A score will be assigned to each candidate based on their sporting performance. The score for each candidate will be calculated as follows:

$$Score = \sum_i W_i \times S_i$$

where $W_i$ is the weightage of the $i^{th}$ medal as shown in Appendix A or B. $S_i$ is the points for the $i^{th}$ medal according to the event and level as mentioned in Table 1. For example, if a person wins third place (bronze medal) in the Commonwealth Games and first place (gold medal) in the Khelo India Youth Games, then, the candidate's Score will be

$$0.9 \times 80 + 0.75 \times 35 = 98.25$$

The score thus obtained will be rounded off to two decimal places.

It is noted that the difficulty level of playing at an international level depends on the kind of sport. To normalize the competitions across various sports and the number of participants in a given sport/game, the following methodology will be adopted:
- A medal/participation is considered to be at the international level only if at least SIX nations participate in the respective tournament in the particular sport/game.
- Winning a medal at the national level will be considered only if the sport/game is played by at least 50% of the states in the competition.

The candidate scores will be treated the same for "Individual" or "Team Events." Tournaments (International and National) in sports disciplines recognized by the 58 federations recognized by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS), Government of India, ONLY will be considered for the award of points. The international and national events that will be considered for admission through SEA are listed in Appendix A and Appendix B in the order of their relative weightage.

A separate Sports Rank List (SRL) will be prepared based on the total score obtained by the candidates based on their performance in the specific list of sports mentioned in Appendix - C only. The seat allotment will be done based on SRL only. Mere presence in the SRL does not guarantee admission. In the event that there are candidates with the same score (computation detailed below), the following tiebreaking criterion will be adopted.

- Candidates with higher scores at the international level will be given higher rank.

- In case of a tie at the international level, a candidate with a higher score at the national level will be given a higher rank.

- In case of a tie at both international and national levels, the same rank will be given to all the candidates with a tie.

By this method, the candidate will be placed according to the performance in the sporting activities and thereby achieve the objective of encouraging excellence in sports. The admission process through SEA would not be through the Joint Seat Allocation Authority (JoSAA) portal but on a separate portal (https://ugadmissions.iitm.ac.in/sea)  maintained by IIT Madras, where other IITs interested in offering seats through SEA may also participate. For the academic year 2025-2026, IIT Madras and IIT Indore are offering seats through Sports Excellence Admission.

IITM-SEA portal is to be used exclusively for admission to various academic programs at IIT Madras and IIT Indore under SEA only. The candidates are required to apply separately on JoSAA portal for the academic programs at IIT Madras and IIT Indore and/or other IITs where the seats are offered through JoSAA.

The SRL rank of all the candidates will be displayed in the portal (accessible through their respective logins) along with Round 1 allotment.

## SEAT ALLOTMENT

The SEA mode of admission will have a time limit within which the students must submit their supporting documents in advance for verification. There will be only THREE ROUNDS of SEA seat allotment, and the detailed schedule is given below.

| Activity | Date and Time |
|---|---|
| SEA Application Window Opens | 03 June 2025 at 17:00 hrs |
| SEA Application Window Closes | 09 June 2025 at 17:00 hrs |
| Announcement of candidate eligibility after preliminary verification of certificates of achievement | 19 June 2025 at 17:00 hrs |
| **Round 1 Allotment and Display of SRL Rank** | 21 June 2025 at 17:00 hrs |
| Last Date for Payment of Seat Acceptance Fee | 25 June 2025 at 17:00 hrs |
| Resolution of Fee Payment Issues | 26 June 2025 at 17:00 hrs |
| Last Date for Withdrawal of Seat | 26 June 2025 at 17:00 hrs |
| Last date for Responding to Queries (if any) raised by Document Verification Officers | 27 June 2025 at 17:00 hrs |
| **Round 2 Allotment** | 28 June 2025 at 17:00 hrs |
| Start of Withdrawal from SEA | 29 June 2025 at 10:00 hrs |
| Last Date for Payment of Seat Acceptance Fee | 02 July 2025 at 17:00 hrs |
| Last Date for Withdrawal of Seat | 02 July 2025 at 17:00 hrs |
| Resolution of Fee Payment Issues | 03 July 2025 at 17:00 hrs |
| Last date for Responding to Queries (if any) raised by Document Verification Officers | 03 July 2025 at 17:00 hrs |
| **Round 3 (Final Round) Allotment** | 04 July 2025 at 17:00 hrs |
| Start of Withdrawal from SEA | 05 July 2025 at 10:00 hrs |
| Last Date for Payment of Seat Acceptance Fee | 08 July 2025 at 17:00 hrs |
| Last Date for Withdrawal of Seat | 08 July 2025 at 17:00 hrs |
| Resolution of Fee Payment Issues | 09 July 2025 at 17:00 hrs |
| Last date for Responding to Queries (if any) raised by Document Verification Officers | 09 July 2025 at 17:00 hrs |

For the academic year 2025-2026, the SEA will consider the scores obtained by the candidates only in the sports listed in Appendix C to ensure the availability of facilities at the admitting IIT so that the candidates can continue to excel in sports.

Two seats per academic program will be allotted in all the B.Tech. and B.S. programs of IIT Madras under this scheme. Of the two seats in each

department, one seat will be female-only, and the other will be gender-neutral.

One Gender-Neutral seat per academic program will be allotted in all the B.Tech. programs of IIT Indore under this scheme.

After a seat is allotted to a candidate in Round 1, (s)he MUST "Accept" or "Reject" the allotted seat before the deadline for the payment of the seat acceptance fee. If the candidate rejects the seat, (s)he will be removed from the SEA allotment permanently. If the candidate accepts the seat, they should (1) pay the Seat Acceptance Fee before the deadline specified and (2) choose one of the two options ("Freeze" or "Slide") described below.

**Freeze** – If the candidate chooses the "Freeze" option, it means that the candidate accepts the seat and is not interested in waiting for any other seat in other academic programs (which are higher up in his/her preference list) at IIT Madras or IIT Indore. The candidate has to pay the seat acceptance fee and agree to authorize the SEA committee to remove him/her from further rounds of SEA and JoSAA processes.

**Float** – If the candidate chooses the "Float" option, it means (1) the candidate accepts the allotted seat, and (2) the candidate would like to be considered for the next round in SEA for a seat in an academic program of his/her higher preference if a vacancy arises. In case, the candidate does not get a better allotment in the second round, the candidate should take the already accepted seat and agree to authorize the SEA committee to remove him/her from further rounds of JoSAA.

**Slide** – If the candidate chooses the "Slide" option, it means (1) the candidate accepts the allotted seat, and (2) the candidate would like to be considered for the next round in SEA for a seat in an academic program of his/her higher preference in the same institute where (s)he accepted the seat if a vacancy arises. In case, the candidate does not get a better allotment in the second round, the candidate should take the already accepted seat and agree to authorize the SEA committee to remove him/her from further rounds of JoSAA.

Eligibility to participate in SEA in future

If a candidate accepts a seat allotted through SEA, (s)he will not be eligible for admission through SEA at IIT Madras or IIT Indore in future. The candidate may withdraw from the SEA process without accepting a seat, and in such a case, they may be eligible to participate in SEA, provided they also satisfy the other eligibility conditions announced by the respective SEA business rules.

## SEAT ACCEPTANCE FEE

The candidates should pay a Seat Acceptance Fee (SAF) upon accepting the allotted seat. The seat acceptance fee is Rs. 30,000 for General, Gen-EWS and OBC-NCL category students and for all others, it is Rs. 15,000. The SAF, excluding a processing fee of Rs. 5,000 will be adjusted against the first-semester admission fee to be paid at the time of joining the institute.

If a candidate later validly withdraws from the seat allocation process, then the seat acceptance fee paid will be refunded after deducting the withdrawal processing charges of Rs. 7000. If a candidate's seat is cancelled due to not meeting the eligibility criteria or due to unresolved discrepancy(ies) in the uploaded document(s), then the seat acceptance fee paid will be refunded after deducting the processing charges of
Rs. 5000.

The SAF can be paid online using the payment gateway options provided on the SEA portal.

## GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL / QUERIES

- In case of any query/grievance with respect to the admission process, please contact: 044 2257 8220 or email us at ugadmissions@iitm.ac.in

- The decision(s) by the concerned authorities with regard to such grievance shall be final.

# APPENDICES

| Appendix – A (International Events) | | |
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| Sl. No. | Event Name | Weightage |
| 1 | World Championship | 1 |
| 2 | Olympics | 0.95 |
| 3 | CommonWealth Championship | 0.9 |
| 4 | Asian Games | 0.85 |
| 5 | World University | 0.8 |

| Appendix – B (National Events) | | |
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| Sl. No. | Event Name | Weightage |
| 1 | SAF Games | 1 |
| 2 | Senior National | 0.95 |
| 3 | Federation Cup | 0.9 |
| 4 | All India Inter - University | 0.85 |
| 5 | Khelo India University Games | 0.8 |
| 6 | Khelo India Youth Games | 0.75 |
| 7 | Khelo India School Games | 0.7 |
| 8 | Junior/Youth/Sub-Junior National | 0.65 |
| 9 | All India School Games (SGFI) | 0.6 |

| Appendix – C (List of Inter IIT Sports/Games) ||
|---------|-----------------------------------------|
| Sl. No. | Inter-IIT Sport/Game |
| 1 | Aquatics |
| 2 | Athletics |
| 3 | Chess |
| 4 | Cricket |
| 5 | Badminton |
| 6 | Basketball |
| 7 | Football |
| 8 | Hockey |
| 9 | Squash |
| 10 | Table Tennis |
| 11 | Lawn Tennis |
| 12 | Volleyball |
| 13 | Weightlifting |

**Annexure D**

**List of Documents to be uploaded by Candidates for Online Reporting**
**[for Admission to in IIT Madras/IIT Indore through Sports Excellence Admission]**

1. Class X Mark Sheet/Certificate or Aadhar Card or Birth Certificate (for Date-of-Birth)

2. Class XII Mark Sheet (Qualifying Examination)

3. Sports Achievement Certificates

4. Certificate of category (SC/ST/OBC-NCL/GEN-EWS), if applicable [in the format provided in the application portal, issued by the competent authority]

   In the case of the OBC-NCL/GEN-EWS category, the certificate must be issued on or after April 01, 2025.

5. Original Certificate for Persons with Disabilities (PwD), if applicable [in the format provided in the application portal, issued by the competent authority]

6. Original Certificate for persons having less than 40% disability and having difficulty in writing, if applicable [in the format provided in the application portal, issued by the competent authority]

7. Crossed Bank Cheque copy / Image of Passbook with bank account details

8. Medical Certificate [in the format provided in the application portal, issued by the competent authority]

9. OCI certificate/PIO card, if applicable

10. Passport / Citizenship certificate, if applicable

Note: If the original certificates are not in English/Hindi, English/Hindi version/translation of such certificates, duly certified by the Principal/Director or other competent authority of the graduating Institute, will be required during the verification of documents.

**Annexure E**

## Form for Withdrawal of Allotted Seat through SEA
## in IIT Madras/IIT Indore

(To be printed out, signed, scanned and uploaded on the application portal by the candidate while applying for withdrawal. This form will not be accepted or processed unless it contains the signature of the parent / guardian)

I, _____ (Candidate's Name), bearing the Application number _____ have been allotted a seat through SEA in the UG Program _____ in    the    Indian Institute of Technology Madras/Indore.  My father's name is _____  .

I would like to withdraw my allotted seat (by not accepting the same) and I do not want    to    be    considered    for    seat    allocation/allotment    of    UG program_____ at IIT Madras/Indore due to the following reasons:

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I understand that any seat allocated to me shall stand cancelled. I will be out of the SEA Admission process in 2025. Thus, I will forfeit the eligibility for admission to UG Programs through SEA in IIT Madras/Indore in future.

(Signature of the Candidate)                    (Signature of the Parent/Guardian)

Name:                                          Name:

Date & Place:                                  Relationship: