



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **IIT Mandi adopts Joint Admission Test for M.Sc (JAM) for admission to M.Sc in Chemistry**

**MANDI, 6<sup>th</sup> May 2019:** Indian Institute of Technology Mandi has changed its admission process for the Master of Science (M.Sc.) program from 2019. The aspirants now need to qualify the Joint Admission Test (JAM) in order to take admission in IIT Mandi for M.Sc. program in Chemistry. Applications for the examination are accepted in April and results are declared in June of every year.

Joint Admission Test (JAM) admits candidates who have qualified the examination to M.Sc. (Two Years), Joint M.Sc.-Ph.D., M.Sc.-Ph.D. Dual Degree, and other Post Bachelor's Degree Programmes at various IITs like IIT Mandi, IIT Madras, IIT Kharagpur, IIT Bhubaneswar, IIT Bombay, IIT Delhi, among others. Admission to these Academic Programmes is made on the basis of merit. Candidates from any nation can apply for JAM and there is no age limit to appear in the exam.

JAM 2019 Examination was conducted in seven subjects; Biological Sciences (BL), Biotechnology (BT), Chemistry (CY), Geology (GG), Mathematics (MA), Mathematical Statistics (MS) and Physics (PH). This year, IIT Mandi is offering a total number of 40 seats for the M.Sc. program in Chemistry.

Prior to JAM, IIT Mandi admitted students by inviting applications from the interested candidates at the Institute level. This was followed by a preliminary entrance exam and personal interview. From 2019, IIT Mandi has made it mandatory for all the M.Sc. aspirants to clear JAM in order to apply for admission in IIT Mandi.

For more details: <https://jam.iitkgp.ac.in/jam2019/doc/JAM-2019AdmissionBrochure.pdf>

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#### **About JAM**

The Joint Admission Test for M.Sc. (JAM) is an admission test conducted every year for admission into Master of Science (M.Sc.) and other post-graduate science programs at the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), Indian Institute of Science (IISc, Bangalore), Indian Institutes of Science Education and Research (IISERs) and other top Indian institutes like National Institutes of Technology (NITs), NISER Bhubaneswar among others. It is being conducted from 2004 to provide admissions to M.Sc. (Four Semesters), Joint M.Sc.-Ph.D., M.Sc.-Ph.D. Dual Degree, etc. Programmes at the IITs and Integrated Ph.D. Degree Programmes at IISc for consolidating Science as a career option for bright students. These postgraduate programmes at IITs and IISc offer high quality education in their respective disciplines, comparable to the best in the world.

#### **About IIT Mandi (<http://www.iitmandi.ac.in/>)**

Since the first batch of 97 students joined in July 2009, IIT Mandi has grown to host 1,300 students including 274 PhD, 46 MS and 17 I-Ph.D. research scholars, besides 110 Faculty and 150 staff. With 1.5 lakh sq.m. currently under construction, IIT Mandi has a fully residential campus, in Kamand. IIT Mandi



has been ranked No. 20 in the Engineering Institutions Category in India Rankings 2019 released by National Institutional Ranking Framework, Ministry of Human Resources Development, Govt. of India (<https://www.nirfindia.org/>).

Since 2010, IIT Mandi's faculty has bagged nearly 180 projects worth more than Rs. 85 crore. A notable mention is the Advanced Materials Research Centre (AMRC), created in 2013 with an investment of about Rs. 50 crore, housing advanced instruments for characterization of materials. The Institute also hosts the 'Class 100 Clean Room' facility, a world-class research center that is first-of-its-kind in India. In 2017, Department of Biotechnology, Government of India, selected IIT Mandi to lead the prestigious Rs. 10 crore FarmerZone Project.

The unique, project-oriented B.Tech curriculum is centred on its 4-year long Design and Innovation stream. It is poised to become the first IIT to offer a B.Tech in Data Science & Engineering. There are many active MoUs with TU9 in Germany since May 2011. Several students from the Worcester Polytechnic Institute, U.S., have been visiting IIT Mandi every year since 2013.

Launched in 2016, IIT Mandi's Catalyst is the first Technology Business Incubator in Himachal Pradesh. EWOK (Enabling Women of Kamand Valley) is another innovative program run by IIT Mandi, which focuses on imparting Skills training to village-scale businesses by village women.

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