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## BTech, Dual Degree students admitted in IIT-B

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The IIT Bhubaneswar started admitting its 1st year BTech and Dual Degree students for the academic session 2021-22. A total of 472 students amongst which 90 (20%) are women and 139 (29%) are under 18, were offered admission after the 6th and last round of JOSAA counselling. The IIT counselling was started on October 27.

226 students (182 boys and 44 girls) have reported at the campus already. The institute gave the option of staying at home and take education online for those under 18. Only 20 (4%) of them opted to stay back at home.

Speaking on the occasion, Director Prof Raja Kumar said, "It is heartening to note that a majority of those under 18 who are yet to be vaccinated have also chosen to join the campus hostels for education with physical presence. The IIT system is residential in nature and importance is given to peer learning too which is an essential component of creating tomorrow's leaders, today."

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"At IIT Bhubaneswar we have been implementing Covid protocols in a spirited way, vaccinated all in the first opportunity, and have been protecting the campus in extremely high standards while permitting the students to stay on the campus," he added. The institute is going to bring its 3rd year BTech students in December making it 100% on-campus.