

The 54th edition of Inter-IIT Sports Meet set to kickstart on December 14



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India's premier institute for engineering the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) is going to host the 54th edition of the Inter IIT Sports Meet from 14 December 2019. The meet will be organised across the IIT Kharagpur and IIT Bhubaneswar campuses where over 3,500 students will be participating from all the 23 IITs across the country. This will be the first time the meet will be co-hosted by two IITs.

The nine-day sports meet will conclude on 22 December 2019 which will see students of the institutions participating in 12 different sports, comprising athletics, badminton, basketball, chess, cricket, football, hockey, lawn tennis, squash, table tennis, volleyball and weightlifting.

Bearing in mind the welfare of the upcoming meet, the sports fraternity at IIT Kharagpur has made some magnificent infrastructural development within the campus of the institution. While the Tata Sports Complex has been renovated with new lights, the Jnan Ghosh Stadium

was installed with floodlights recently. Besides, a new synthetic athletics track has been set up in the Stadium, which is the second IIT to have it after IIT Madras.



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Here's how the results panned out for men's and women's swimming, and water polo events at the IIT Aquatics meet this year

Last year the 53rd Inter IIT Sports Meet was hosted by IIT Guwahati. The edition held a special significance for IIT Guwahati as it was being conducted to celebrate the silver jubilee year of the institute. IIT Delhi ranked first in the overall points tally for the championship with a whopping 106.8 points, while IIT Roorkee secured the second position with 80.4 points and was closely followed by IIT Kharagpur with 80 points. The hosts, IIT Guwahati finished at 7th position with 35.4 points.

Started in 1961, the Inter IIT Sports Meet is the annual sports tournament of the IIT and is organised in December every year. The seven old IITs take turns hosting the event. It is the longest-running Inter-collegiate meet in India. Out of the 53 editions held so far, IIT Madras has emerged as winners 22 times, followed by IIT Bombay and IIT Kharagpur winning 12 times each.