

INSTITUTE OF EMINENCE - KEY TAKE AWAY POINTS

- The Institute of Eminence Scheme(IOE Scheme) was announced in 2016 to improve the ranking of Indian higher educational institutions at the global level under top 500 global rankings.
- Under this scheme, twenty Institutes comprising ten from public and ten from private institutions.
- To empower them and compete with global institutions, these twenty institutions will be provided with some autonomy, grants and special preferences.

Criteria For Selection Of Institutions

- Institutions which are under top fifty in National Institutional Ranking Framework are eligible for applying for IOE status.
- Based on the performance, ten from public and ten from private institutions are selected.

Features of IOE status:

- Advantages like 1000 crores grant will be given for public institutions.
- In general, for both private and public institutions, administrative autonomy will be given. Curriculum, course structure, fee structure, salary structure can be designed by themselves.
- Up to 25% of faculties can be hired from abroad, about 30% of students from abroad can be given admissions, almost 20% of the courses can be given online.
- There will be no restrictions from UGC in terms and services conditions as the scheme aims to promote administrative autonomy for the better innovation ecosystem.

- Apart from public and private, IOE status can be also given to greenfield institutions (Institutions which is yet to start) for encouraging new players. For example, the proposed Jio university was selected for IOE status.