

No. IIT(ISM)/JEE/1-2022

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NOTICE FOR APPLYING FOR CHANGE OF BRANCH

Students who were admitted through JEE (Advanced) during the academic session 2021 – 2022 in first year and moving to 2nd Year of 4-Year B. Tech/5-Year Integrated M. Tech courses, may apply for change of branch.

THE CHANGE OF BRANCH WILL BE CONSIDERED ON THE BASIS OF PERFORMANCE IN THE FIRST AND SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS 2021-22 [THAT IS, CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE (CGPA) OBTAINED AT THE END OF 2ND SEMESTER], THE STRENGTH CONSTRAINT OF THE BRANCH/PROGRAMME AND ABIDING THE RULES OF BRANCH CHANGE [NOTIFICATION No. 639004/S-10/Branch Change Rules /2019 Date: 11.10. 2019].

For details of branch change rules, please see attached **Annexure – I** and **Annexure – II** (Note that the eligibility criteria for EWS candidates are same as those for GENERAL and OBC candidates).

Students willing to opt for change of branch must apply through MIS from 01 - 09 July, 2022, without waiting for the declaration of 2^{nd} semester examination result. Once the application is submitted, no further modification or withdrawal is allowed. Therefore, students are requested to take utmost care while applying for change of branch. No handwritten/hardcopy of the application will be entertained.

The final list of students permitted for change of branch will be hosted on the Institute website tentatively on **06 August, 2022**. The permitted students are required to reregister on MIS for the changed branch at the time of commencement of Monsoon Semester 2022 - 23.

Subindu Kumar Chairman / JEE (Advanced)

Indian Institute of Technology, (Indian School of Mines), Dhanbad Admn. Deptt; Academic Section

No.639004/S-10/Branch Change Rules /2019

Date: 11.10.2019

NOTIFICATION

Modification in existing branch change rules.

The Senate in its 10th meeting held on 20.08.2019 has approved the modification in the existing branch change rules to allow the branch toppers (two places of decimal) to be eligible for branch change irrespective of the department strength requirement. In case of tie, the student with higher JEE-Advanced Rank will get preference. In addition, it was also decided that change of branch will be allowed to the top 1% of eligible students (Rule iii), irrespective of strength restrictions.

Accordingly, the updated rules for Change of Branch/ programme for all students admitted through JEE (Advanced) from the session 2019 - 20 shall be as follows:

1. A student may be allowed change of branch / programme subject to his/her academic performance in the first two semesters of the branch/programme, and the strength constraint of the branch/programme as detailed below. Change of branch/programme is a matter of privilege, and not a right:

Provided that a student who has foreign nationality and has been either sponsored by her/his Government and/or by the Government of India, under any bilateral or other programme, to pursue a course of study in a particular branch/programme, will NOT be allowed branch/programme change.

- 2. Eligibility Criteria:
 - (i) A Student, who has been admitted to an academic programme through JEE (Advanced), will be eligible for branch/programme, change if he/she has passed all the subjects for which he/she was registered in the first two Semesters of the First Year of the programme, without appearing in any Special Examination or Summer Semester Examination.
 - (ii) The student must not have been punished by the Institute for any misdemeanour/offence.
 - (iii) Subject to fulfilling condition as stated in (i) and (ii) above, a student is eligible to change her/his branch/programme to any other branch/programme, if she/he is in the top 1% of all the eligible students. If the need arises, supernumerary seats may be created.
 - (iv) Subject to fulfilling the conditions as stated in (i) and (ii) above, a student is eligible to seek branch change provided that his/her CGPA is:
 (a) ≥ 8 : for General Category and OBC Category students;
 (b) ≥ 7 : for SC/ST/PD Category Students.

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Provided that the maximum number of students in a branch/programme does not exceed 110% of the sanctioned strength in that branch/programme, and that the minimum number of students in a branch/programme does not deplete below 80% of the sanctioned strength in that branch/programme. This means that the maximum increase shall not exceed 10% or the maximum decrease shall not exceed 20% of the sanctioned strength of a branch/programme, because of branch/programme change.

However, branch toppers (two places of decimal) of each branch/programme will be eligible for branch change irrespective of the department strength requirement.

- 3. Change of branch/programme shall be carried out strictly in order of merit. The guidelines and the eligibility criteria stipulated in (i) to (iv) above and the reservation policy in force in the Institute, shall apply in all cases. In case of a tie in the order of merit, the student with a higher JEE (Advanced) rank will be considered to be in the higher order of merit in all cases.
- 4. A student fulfilling the above eligibility criteria can seek change in her/his branch/programme by filling an application online through MIS of the Institute and submitting it on-line to the Associate Dean, Academics (UG).
- 5. Student, who has applied and has been allowed for branch/programme change, will NOT be permitted to revert back to his original branch, under any circumstances.

CC: Director, IIT (ISM), Dhanbad /Dy Director /Dean (SW) / DEAN(IS) Chairman JEE (Advanced)/Asso. Dean (UG-Acad)/All HOD/Joint Registrar (E&A)/ DR (F&A)/AR (E&A)

Reservation policy to be adopted for Branch Change at IIT (ISM) Dhanbad

- Change of branch/programme shall be carried out following Notification No. 639004/S-10/Branch Change Rules /2019, Dated: 11.10.2019
- To supplement the above guidelines, the following reservation policy will be adopted while allocating new branches to the desirous students:
 - (i) The additional seats in a branch, limited to the maximum of 10% of the sanctioned strength of the branch, will be defined as "unreserved" or open to all. These seats will be allocated strictly in order of merit.
 - (ii) The seats, in category X in branch A, that remained vacant after admission in the previous year, will be reserved for that category X in the branch A.
 - (iii) A vacant seat in Branch B, when allocated to a student in branch A belonging to category X, will create a vacant seat in branch A of type "reserved for category X", which will be available for reallocation only to students of category X.
 - (iv)Category of a student applied for branch change will be same as his/her category at the time of admission

Clarification:

There are three types of seats available in a particular branch to be allotted to desirous students. These types of seats and their proposed reservation policy are as follows:

SI. No.	Type of seats	Reservation policy
1.	Seats remained vacant after the admission process of the previous year	Reserved to the category in which seats remained vacant
2.	Additional seats – 10% of sanctioned strength of a particular branch	Unreserved or open to all. Seats will be allocated strictly in order of merit
3.	Vacancy created by leaving students	Reserved to the respective category, in which the leaving students belong

Suppose, for a branch A, the sanctioned strength is 100 and vacancy of seats after admission in the previous year are as follows: Unreserved: 3, OBC: 3, SC: 2 and ST: 2 (Total vacancy = 10).

These are Type 1 seats available for branch change and will be reserved for the respective category students.

Additional seats = 10% of 100 = 10. These are Type 2 seats will be unreserved or open to all.

Then the minimum numbers of seats available in Branch A in different categories are:

Open/unreserved: 3 + 10 = 13; OBC: 3; SC: 2; and ST: 2. (Total available seats: 20)

Type 3 seats are incidental and will be available only if some students are permitted to leave Branch A. These seats will be reserved to the respective categories of the leaving students. Thus, if a student of category X is permitted to leave Branch A to join any another branch B, the seat created in Branch A will be made available for branch change and will be reserved for category X students.