



Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani

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DIRECT ADMISSION TO BOARD TOPPERS IN INTEGRATED FIRST DEGREE (B.E., M.Sc., and B.Pharm.) PROGRAMMES

Direct admission to board toppers has given a very vital input of highly meritorious students from all over India. Continuing this tradition, the Institute will give direct admission to first rank students of all the central and state boards to the programme of their choice according to the eligibility criteria given below, irrespective of their BITSAT-2024 score. While the first rank student in Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics (PCM) stream will be considered for admission to any of the first-degree programmes of his/her choice, the first rank holder of Physics, Chemistry, Biology (PCB) stream will be considered for admission to B. Pharm. programme only.

Moreover, they should have obtained the minimum marks in PCM/PCB subjects in 12th class examination, as described above. For more details, see the later sections in this part and also the BITS website.

Eligibility criteria for admission under 'Direct admission to Board toppers' scheme:

To be eligible for admission under the 'Direct admission to Board toppers' scheme, the candidate should be the topper from the science stream having taken Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics or Physics, Chemistry, Biology subjects in 12th standard. The candidate with Physics, Chemistry, Biology is eligible for admission to B. Pharma only. To identify the topper, the following criteria will be adopted.

The topper is the student who fulfils the following criteria:

- The topper must have taken Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics/Biology subjects in 12th class examination and
- He/She has obtained the highest aggregate percentage of marks in the 12th class among all the students who have taken Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics/Biology subjects in **2024** from the Board. For the purpose of calculating the aggregate percentage, the aggregate marks should include the marks of Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics and /or Biology subjects in addition to other subjects which are required to pass the 12th class examination from the Board under consideration. Further, the Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics/Biology subject marks should be included in the aggregate, irrespective of whether the Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics/Biology subjects are identified as main/optional/elective in his marksheet(s).
- This offer of admission is open only to the student who has obtained the first rank in the board as per the announcement by the Board. If more than one candidate has been declared as the first rank holder by a Board, BITS Pilani will offer admission to a maximum of 4 candidates only under this scheme. If there are more than four candidates declared as first rank holders by a Board, the tie shall be eliminated using the following criteria:

- I. First, their scores obtained in Mathematics in 12th grade examination will be considered for separating them.
- II. If the tie still exists, then their scores in Physics in the 12th grade examination will be considered.
- III. If the ties still exist, then they will be eliminated using their scores in Chemistry in the 12th grade examination.
- IV. If the tie still exists, then the score in Mathematics in the 10th-grade will be considered for separation.
- V. If the tie still exists, then the score in Science in the 10th grade will be considered for separation.
- VI. If the situation warrants, the Admission committee reserves the right to add any additional criteria including a written test, to break the tie. Any such criteria will be announced to the candidates who have applied for admission under this scheme.

In the case of first rank candidate of Physics, Chemistry, Biology stream, the criteria are same as above, replacing the word 'Mathematics' with 'Biology' in the above paragraph. However, the first rank holder of PCB stream will be considered for admission to B. Pharm. programme only.

Accordingly, applicants are asked to attach documentary proof in support of their claim, along with the 12th mark sheet and a letter from the Board declaring the candidate as the topper in the specified stream. The Institute will also make efforts to get these data from the different boards on its own. In all cases, the Institute will be guided by the data provided by the concerned Board. In cases where for a particular board, the data available before the deadline is insufficient or inconclusive, the admission committee may decide not to make any offer under the scheme for that specified Board. In all such cases, the decision of the Vice chancellor will be final and binding on the applicants.

The applications of such cases (if any) are to be submitted online on or before the deadline mentioned in the brochure. See the BITS website for more details.

