

IIM Ranchi Debuts in QS Executive MBA Ranking 2026

QS ranking: IIM-R bags 4th position

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Indian Institute of Management, Ranchi, (IIM-R) has secured the fourth position among the participating IIMs in the QS executive MBA ranking 2026, which is among the world's most prestigious benchmarks for evaluating business schools. The IIMR sta-



IIM-Ranchi director Deepak Kumar Shrivastava (centre) said the institute ranks 33rd in the Asia pacific region in MBA ranking-2026

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ted that it has been ranked 33rd in the Asia pacific region in its debut in the ranking competition.

Free coaching in RU

Ranchi University' commerce department launched a free coaching class for the students aspiring to take national eligibi-

lity test and the junior research fellowship competition. Amar Kumar Choudhary said that the initiative would strengthen educational and research capabilities of students.

World Veterinary Day

Birsa Agriculture University (BAU) vice-chancellor SC Dubey said the pro-

fession of veterinarians is more pious as they serve animals and birds who cannot explain their ailment. Speaking on the World Veterinary Day, he stressed on improving safe and quality nutritional content in animal products. In India, 90 per cent of them suffer from malnutrition.

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RANCHI : The Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Ranchi has strengthened its global standing by securing its first spot in the QS Executive MBA Rankings 2026. This achievement is a proud moment not only for the



institute but also for Jharkhand, as IIM Ranchi has become the first institute from the state to be ranked in this prestigious international ranking.

In its very first attempt, IIM Ranchi has proven its academic quality and the rising standard of management education by securing fourth place among other IIMs in the country. "Globally, the institute has been ranked in the 201+ band, while it has been ranked 33rd in the Asia-Pacific region. This ranking is considered a key benchmark for business schools worldwide," said IIM Ranchi Director Deepak Kumar Srivastava.

In the QS rankings, institutions are evaluated based on several key parameters, including employer reputation (30%), academic reputation (25%), career outcomes (20%), executive profile (15%), and diversity (10%). IIM Ranchi has achieved a strong presence by achieving a balanced performance across all these parameters. The institute has performed particularly well in the area of career outcomes, where students' salary increases and promotion rates were considered important.

The Executive Profile assesses participants' work experience, managerial potential, and leadership level. Diversity also considers gender and international representation. IIM Ranchi's achievements in all these aspects reflect its holistic development and global outlook.

The institute has consistently strengthened its position through quality research, industry engagement, and international collaborations. This is why IIM Ranchi is now recognized as an emerging global business school.

IIM Ranchi Debuts in QS Executive MBA Rankings 2026, Becomes Jharkhand's First Institute Ranked in QS

IIM Ranchi has marked its debut in the globally renowned QS Executive MBA Rankings 2026, achieving a significant milestone in its journey towards global recognition and academic excellence.

In its first appearance, IIM Ranchi has secured the 4th position among participating IIMs, reflecting its growing stature in executive management education. In the debut of QS Ranking institute has been placed in the 201+ global band and ranked 33rd in the Asia-Pacific region.

2026 QS Executive MBA Global Rankings, reflecting its growing global presence in management education. The QS ranking evaluates institutions across five key parameters:

Employer Reputation (30%), Thought Leadership/Academic Reputation (25%), Career Outcomes (20%), Executive Profile (15%), and Diversity (10%). The institute demonstrated balanced performance across indicators, with notable strengths in career outcomes, including salary growth and promotions, and a strong executive profile, reflecting participants' work and managerial experience.

Under Career Outcomes, the ranking evaluates average salary increase and promotion rates of graduates, reflecting the real return on investment for participants. The Executive Profile measures the depth of professional experience, including aver-



age work experience, managerial exposure, and C-suite representation, indicating the peer learning environment. Employer Reputation is derived from global recruiter surveys, highlighting industry trust in graduates, while Thought Leadership reflects academic excellence through global academic perception.

The Diversity parameter assesses gender and international representation, ensuring inclusive and globally relevant learning environments. The ranking also considers employer perception and academic credibility, where IIM Ranchi continues to strengthen its position through quality research, industry engagement, and global collaborations. Its inclusion in the QS rankings highlights the institute's com-

mitment to delivering industry-relevant education, enhancing employability, and fostering leadership among working professionals.

This milestone marks a significant moment in the Institute's journey towards global recognition and academic excellence. The QS Executive MBA Rankings are among the world's most prestigious benchmarks for evaluating business schools, assessing institutions on parameters such as employer reputation, thought leadership, executive profile, and career outcomes. The inclusion of IIM Ranchi in this global framework underscores its expanding international footprint and the increasing relevance of its executive programmes.

The Institute's recognition

reflects its sustained focus on academic excellence, industry relevance, and global engagement. It further reinforces IIM Ranchi's vision of developing responsible leaders capable of navigating complex global business environments. IIM Ranchi's entry into the QS rankings signals its emergence as a competitive and forward-looking business school. An Institute of National Importance, IIM Ranchi has consistently strengthened its academic ecosystem through innovative programmes, industry-aligned curricula, and impactful research initiatives. The Institute's MBA (Executive) programme, designed for working professionals, reflects this commitment by integrating contemporary business practices

with academic rigor. Working professionals seeking to enhance managerial skills and business acumen while employed. It is a comprehensive two-year programme designed for participants of any discipline, having graduate equivalent educational qualification with a full-time work/professional/entrepreneurial experience of a minimum of 3 years. The two-year programme spans six terms, covering core subjects like Accounting & Finance, Economics, Marketing Management, Operations, Strategic Management, and Organisation Behaviour & Human Resource Management, with electives from the mentioned areas of management. The programme calendar is arranged to suit the work requirements of individuals with varying professional needs. It has a hybrid course delivery mode, broadly a blend of online and residential modules. Each term starts with an online module which is organised on weekends only. This enables participants to take care of their professional/work engagements during the weekdays. At the same time, to have a rich and immersive campus life experience, participants come to IIM Ranchi for a residential module towards the end of each term. The hybrid mode reduces travel requirements and study leaves needed from the workplace and helps to sustain real connections with the campus and among people.

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