

Indian Institute of Science

FAQ - OPEN DAY-2020

What is IISc?

Indian Institute of Science (IISc), popularly known as the “Tata Institute” is India’s premier higher education and research institution in the field of science and engineering. It was established in the year 1909 in Bengaluru.

Where is IISc located?

IISc is situated near the 18th cross, Malleshwaram in Bengaluru. It is spread over 440 acres of green campus replete with rare species of flora and fauna.

How to reach IISc?

The google map link provided in the website <https://openday.iisc.ac.in> could be used for easy access.

What is special about IISc?

IISc is India’s premier and top ranked research institute in the field of Science and technology. Ever since the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) of the Ministry of HRD started ranking universities in India, three years ago, based on research and teaching performance, IISc has been ranked as India’s Number 1 University for all the three years successively. It is a research university with approximately 65% of its 4500 students being Ph.D. students. The Institute lays equal emphasis on science and engineering, and, nurtures a wide spectrum of disciplines spread over 40 departments and centres. For more details, please look up <https://iisc.ac.in>.

What is the Open Day?

The Open Day of the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, is an annual event, showcasing IISc’s research and development activities to the student community and the general public. In the year 2020 it will be held on **SATURDAY, 29th February 2020** from 9 am to 5 pm. On this day, students, science and technology enthusiasts, and the public, will have an opportunity to visit the Institute and go around the campus to explore the exciting science and technology initiatives and activities of the Institute. The Open Day will feature popular lectures, experimental demos, poster presentations, quiz contests, scientific competitions, and exhibitions that will be showcased in the various departments and centres. A “Kids-Zone” will offer a special attraction for all the younger students, with a number of science and technology demos will be on display.

Is the entry to the Open Day is free?

Yes. Entry to the OPEN DAY is free.

How does one register to participate in the Open Day?

Educational and other institutions and individual public are strongly encouraged to register for the event by accessing the following links. There are two types of registrations.

Institutional registration:

<https://forms.gle/KYXkWk3HT3soh9Mt6>

Individual registration:

<https://forms.gle/E1JqTyRuxiCPxHBp9>

Is online registration mandatory?

It is strongly encouraged. If you are unable to register for some reason, you are still welcome to visit the IISc Campus on the Open Day. If you register, you will get periodic updates on the programs.

Are there any special attractions for younger participants including children?

Yes. An enchanting program 'kids zone', that includes many exciting scientific experiments will be hosted by the IISc students.

Would I be able to see scientific equipment and experimental facilities?

Yes. Many sophisticated scientific equipment, facilities will be displayed with live demos. Visitors will have an opportunity of seeing many such facilities and their usage.

Can we interact with IISc researchers?

Yes, without any restrictions. The visitors are encouraged to interact with faculty members and students, research scholars. Popular lecture demos will also be conducted on selected subjects.

Where do we park the school bus or cars?

Vehicle parking is arranged at two locations: (1) 18th cross, Malleshwaram ground, near Circle Maramma Temple and (2) IISc gymkhana. Visitors in school vans and buses may drop their students at the Main Gate of IISc and then park the vehicles at parking lots mentioned above. No private vehicles will be allowed inside the IISc campus on the Open Day.

Where do we park two wheelers?

Some of the two wheelers will be accommodated near the the J N Tata Auditorium ground behind the Circle Maramma Temple (for two wheelers arriving from Malleshwaram side) and also on the peripheral road nearer to the D Gate (for two wheelers arriving from Yeshwantapur and Mathikere sides).

Are there food stalls available?

Yes. There will be a number of food stalls spread across the campus serving a variety of menus. All food stalls are hygienic and are FSSAI certified.

Will be there any help desks?

Yes. There will be as many as 15 help desks offering help, advice, and directions to assist visitors to navigate easily within the IISc campus. These help desks provide information about live demos, lectures, experiments etc. Garbage collection bins also kept near all the help desks.

What about drinking water facility?

Drinking water facility is provided at all the 15 help desks. The visitors are requested to bring their own bottles and tumblers/cups to fill water from these drinking water facilities. No paper cups, plastic bottles are provided. Only stainless steel glasses will be provided.

What about washrooms/rest rooms?

Yes. Bio toilets will be available at 15 places across the campus.

Is there any transportation system within the campus for the elderly and for younger children?

Yes. Battery operated vehicles will be available for aged persons and young kids.

Is the above transport facility available free of cost?

Yes. This facility is free of cost.

Whom should we contact in the event of a medical emergency?

You may contact IISc Health Centre helpline 080 22932227. Please inform the nearest help desk.

Is there an ambulance facility available?

Yes. Three ambulances are available for handling any kind of emergency. Visitors may contact IISc Health Centre helpline 080 22932227 or the nearest helpdesk.

What are the various programs/demos/lectures etc that will be organized?

Detailed information is available in the Open Day Booklet. Please look up our website <https://openday.iisc.ac.in>. Wish you all an enthralling experience and an enjoyable visit!

Is there any security help line?

Yes. In any emergency case on Open Day at IISc campus you may call security help line: 08022935555. Our security personnel will help you in emergency situation.