

Counselling through JoSAA portal to commence today

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The Ministry of Education constituted a Joint Seat Allocation Authority (JoSAA), consisting of the Central Seat Allocation Board (CSAB) and the Joint Admission Board of IITs (JAB-IITs), for joint counseling and seat allocation to IITs and the NIT+ System.

The NIT+ system comprises 31 NITs, IIEST Shibpur, 26 IITs, 3 Schools of Planning and Architecture (SPAs) and 37 GFTIs (Central/State Government Funded Technical Institutions).

The CSAB - 2024 is entrusted with the National Institute of Technology Karnataka (NITK) Surathkal under the chairmanship of Prof B Ravi, Director, NITK who is also the Co-Chairman of the JoSAA-2024. NITK Surathkal is jointly coordinating with IIT Madras (JAB-IIT) for JOSAA-2024.

The entire seat allotment, fee payment and certificate verification processes are online (<https://josaa.nic.in>).

Five rounds of counselling will be conducted through the JoSAA portal starting from June 10. The candidates can start registration, choose and prioritize the courses of their choice (choice-filling) from 121 different higher education institutions from June 10 and lock their choices by June 18. The first round of allotment will be done on June 20.

The seats remaining vacant in the NIT+ System after five rounds of JoSAA will be filled through two special rounds called CSAB Special Rounds, conducted by CSAB-2024 and starting from July 29.

The candidates willing to upgrade their seats and/or the fresh candidates entering the system should register afresh for the CSAB Special Rounds at the CSAB portal (<https://csab.nic.in>).

In addition, CSAB-2024 will also conduct a separate counselling process called the "CSAB-Supernumerary round" to fill the seats earmarked for the candidates from some of the Union Territories in selected NITs (NIT

Durgapur, NIT Calicut and SVNIT, Surat) during August 14 to 19.

Fifty-two document Verification Centres (VCs) and Help Centres (HCs) have been established across the country to assist JoSAA/CSAB-2024 counselling process.

A multilingual help desk (10 Indian languages) has been established at the CSAB headquarters at NITK Surathkal to facilitate the counselling process for all the stakeholders.

The online registration and uploading of documents for the counseling process to allot seats through the CSAB-NEUT-2024 will be carried out from June 17 to 24.

Prof B Ravi has advised the parents to make themselves available and be with the candidates during critical moments of the counselling process so that informed and confident decisions can be taken without anxiety. The candidates and their parents are requested to frequently visit the JoSAA/CSAB-2024 website for updates.