

**Vinod Gupta School of Management
IIT Kharagpur
FAQs for Executive MBA Programme**

1. Will the degree be awarded at the IT convocation?

Yes, the degree will be awarded at the convocation.

2. Will we be treated as IIT Kharagpur alumni?

Yes, you will be treated as alumni of IIT Kharagpur.

3. How does this programme compare with other EMBA courses offered by other premier institutes?

This programme has the following unique features:

- * The certificate will be an MBA Degree.
- * The programme will be an eligible qualification for pursuing Doctoral degree.
- * The programme structure has very minimal impact on work, personal and social commitments amongst all part time programmes.

4. Will I have access to online database and library?

You will have access to database, library and all other academic facilities of IIT Kharagpur. However, you will have very limited / nil access to some of the facilities in off campus locations where the programmes are being conducted. All efforts will be made to provide desirable facilities in order to enhance the learning. You will also have access to Kampus Konnect, the online private social network that is used by students of the regular MBA program.

5. Does the programme emphasize group learning? How will it be operationalized?

Group learning is an essential component of MBA education. This will be course specific and concerned instructors will design necessary modalities for the same. Kampus Konnect may be used to facilitate group learning for students and faculty who may not be able to meet physically on a regular basis.

6. Will the outside faculty entertain queries after class hours?

Yes. In addition to face to face queries, email and other modes can be used. Kampus Konnect may be used for this.

7. What would be the minimum attendance requirement?

One of the major components of learning in MBA programme is through class participation, interaction with fellow participants, etc. Accordingly, a high level of attendance is mandated in MBA programmes. However, some relaxation can be made to take care of exigencies on case to case basis. IIT Kharagpur rules for students specify 100% attendance, with 12 days of Casual leave per year with prior permission, 10 days of medical leave.

8. What would be the arrangement for stay during classes and who would pay for the stay?

Arrangements for accommodation can be made and charged to the participant.

9. Would the programme provide books and other course material?

Study materials and books, as required, will be prescribed. The study materials and books will be provided as recommended by the instructor(s).

10. Am I allowed to change my project if I am transferred or I change my job/location?

In case you have not made substantial progress and the time spent is not substantial, it may not be difficult to change the project. However, if it is not so, the programme faculty will take a decision after considering all factors.

11. Do I need to buy a laptop?

Preferably

12. How does this course prepare me for taking up a higher level assignment?

By giving you an overview in all aspects of management and in-depth understanding in the area of your choice

13. Does the course emphasize leadership?

Yes, both in the curriculum and through group work

14. How is a student assessed? Is it only through exams?

Through continuous evaluation through class performance, assignments, quizzes and end term examination.

15. Will there be speakers from industry? How are the interactions designed?

Yes, the programme draws upon speakers from industry.

16. How will the EMBA students participate in mainstream events at IIT Kharagpur?

All EMBA students would be invited to IIT Kharagpur events.

17. What are the events/activities planned at IIT Kharagpur?

At least one weekend of activities are planned at IIT Kharagpur Campus.

18. What is the cost of the programme?

Fees are ` 600,000, which includes course pack and text books.

19. What is the schedule of payment?

The fee payment is spread over a period as mentioned in the EMBA brochure for a particular batch.

20. Are there some bridge or preparatory courses for students who are weak in say statistics?

Given the compressed nature of the programme, we have not planned for any bridge courses in statistics or mathematics.

21. What kind of placement assistance will be available from IITKGP?

This programme is meant for working executives. We have not planned for placements. However based on the students' initiatives then, required support will be provided by the School.

22. Will we be taught by IIT VGSOM faculty?

IIT Kharagpur faculty would take up most of the teaching with support from teachers of reputed Bschools.

Some senior practicing managers will also take up specialized courses.

23. How much time will faculty devote, outside the regular scheduled class hours to meet and interact with students? For clearing doubts and career counseling?

During the working weekends, the students can interact with the faculty. During other times, they may interact through Kampus Konnect.

24. If there is an emergency or a requirement in my career, can I take a break from the course and rejoin after one year? Or two years?

Temporary withdrawal is permitted under extenuating circumstances.

25. Is EMBA approved for higher education?

Students graduating with EMBA degree are eligible to register for PhD.

26. What would be the mode of delivery of the programme?

The delivery of the programme will be primarily on the basis of direct contact. However other modern learning facilitation techniques like video conferencing may be used in a limited way.

27. What are provisions for bank loan?

Punjab National Bank has agreed to provide education loan to EMBA at same preferential rates available to our MBA students.

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