

## **KLU-CE Ranked No.1 in AP and Telangana by Government of India's NIRF 2016**

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KLU College of Engineering (KLU-CE)\* has emerged **Top 1** among all state government and private sector engineering colleges in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana states as per National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2016.

\* KLU-CE is represented in NIRF rankings as *Koneru Lakshmaiah Education Foundation (KLEF)*, the name by which the institution was originally registered with the University Grants Commission (UGC).

### **Great Honor**

With the evaluation being performed by the Government of India, the **top 1** rank is evidently a big honor for KLU-CE, also considering the fact that the college is placed ahead of not merely all private engineering colleges, but all of the state government run engineering colleges in the two states.

NIRF 2016 is a widely acclaimed and pioneering initiative of the Government of India's Ministry of Human Resources Development (MHRD) to evaluate and rank higher education institutions and universities in public and private sectors in India.

The final rankings (the outcome of NIRF 2016) published by the MHRD in April 2016 are also called **India Rankings 2016**. For detailed rankings of India's top engineering colleges and NIRF's methodology, visit <https://www.nirfindia.org/engg>.

### **All India Rank**

It is common knowledge that the Central Government funded T-schools in India fare much better than privately funded, self financed, and state government funded institutions. However, NIRF's comprehensive methodology and transparent approach has assessed and rated KLU-CE **ahead of** 11 Union Government funded engineering schools including 8 NITs and 2 IIITs. The said institutions (like KLU-CE) were termed *Category A* by MHRD and figure on NIRF's list of **top 100** engineering colleges – see *below*. KLU-CE is ranked top 59 in India.

1. *National Institute of Technology (NIT), Raipur (rank 63)*
2. *National Institute of Technology (NIT), Silchar (rank 65)*
3. *National Institute of Technology (NIT), Srinagar (rank 67)*
4. *National Institute of Science and Technology (NIST), Beharampur (69)*
5. *National Institute of Technology (NIT), Goa (76)*
6. *National Institute of Technology (NIT), Jamshedpur (78)*
7. *Indian Institute of Information Technology, Design and Manufacturing (IIITDM) Kancheepuram-Chennai (80)*
8. *Indian Institute of Engineering Science & Technology (IEST) Shibpur, West Bengal (83)*
9. *National Institute of Technology (NIT), Patna (89)*
10. *National Institute of Technology (NIT), Delhi (92)*
11. *National Institute of Engineering (NIE), Mysuru (96)*

*To be ranked **No.1** engineering college in both Andhra Pradesh and Telangana states, ahead of all state government run engineering colleges, and better than 11 Central Government institutions (8 NITs and 2 IIITs included) represents an unquestionable recognition of KLU-CE's vision, long-term investment, and commitment to achieving superior standards and performance in both education and research.*

### **Media Rankings in 2015**

Below are the ranks of KL University (KLU) and KLU College of Engineering (KLU-CE) in surveys by media groups in 2015:

- KLU-CE: **Top 1** in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana – Times of India [check](#)
- KLU: **Top 10** in India – Week [check](#)

### **NIRF: Overview**

NIRF 2016 is a widely appreciated initiative by the Government of India's Ministry of Human Resources Development (MHRD) to assess and rank India's public and private sector higher education institutions and universities. The initiative was formally launched in September 2015 and the rankings were announced in April 2016.

The framework outlines a robust methodology and transparent approach to evaluate and rank higher education institutions and universities across the country. The methodology was conceived from the recommendations of an MHRD set-up 16-member core committee. Participation by colleges and universities in the rankings was voluntary.

Ranking is based on 22 parameters under the following five broad heads:

1. *Teaching, Learning, and Resources*
2. *Research and Professional Practices*
3. *Graduation Outcomes*
4. *Outreach and Inclusivity*
5. *Perception*

Ranking methods have been worked out for six categories of institutions: *Engineering, Management, Pharmacy, Universities, Architecture, and Colleges*. However rankings for architecture and general degree colleges were not carried out since participation in the NIRF rankings by Architecture colleges was very limited, while the performance of general degree colleges that participated in the rankings failed to meet the minimum benchmark of standards.

Rankings of *Category B* engineering institutions have not been announced for this year, since data from most of them showed major inconsistencies and lacked the much needed credibility for proper evaluation.

Category A institutions are those that are engaged in both teaching and research, while Category B institutions are predominantly engaged only in teaching. *Considering the very significant amount of fundamental and sponsored research KLU-CE undertakes each year, the college has been classified as Category A institution.*

**Collaborators:** National Board of Accreditation (NBA), All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE), University Grants Commission (UGC), INFLIBNET Center, Web of Science (Thompson Reuters), SCOPUS (Elsevier), and India Citation Index have all collaborated with the MHRD's Department of Higher Education in the massive effort of conducting India Rankings 2016.

For *India Rankings 2016 Flip Book*, check <https://www.nirfindia.org/index.html#p=1> .

## About KLU

Recognized as a **Deemed University** in 2009 by the Government of India's (GoI's) apex higher education regulator University Grants Commission (UGC), KL University is a large, multidisciplinary, and non-governmental technical university in India with the vision to be among **South Asia's top 5** independent universities by 2020.

Based out of Guntur district, in the capital region of the sunrise state of Andhra Pradesh in the economically developed southern India, KLU has two undergraduate and three postgraduate schools, with over 720 faculty, 640 staff, and 65,000 successful alumni in diverse professions around the world. Consistently ranked among India's **top 10** private technical universities, KLU offers 15 bachelor's, 26 master's, 14 dual-degree, and 14 doctoral programs to over 12,000 students and 1200 PhD scholars from across India and 16 countries from Asian, African, and North American continents.

ISO-9000 certified since inception, KLU has been accredited twice in a row at **A** grade (valid up to Jan 2018), by the GoI's National Assessment and Accreditation Council ([NAAC](#)) and recognized as Scientific and Industrial Research Organization (SIRO) by the GoI's Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR).

In the last three years (2012-15), KLU faculty published over 2600 papers in national and international conferences and journals. Over 80 sponsored projects worth Rs.18-crore from the government and industry are currently being carried out at KLU.

For more details about KLU, visit [www.kluniversity.in](http://www.kluniversity.in).

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## Recent recognition for KLU

[KLU Leads Digital Learning's Technology University Rankings 2016](#)

[Leaders Speak Education Summit 2015 Award to KLU's OBE Project](#)

[KLU Inks MoU with University of the Virgin Islands \(UVI\)](#)

[KLU Bags 16 Educational Excellence Awards at Indo-Global Education Summit 2015](#)