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MCOPS ranked first among Pharmacy colleges in India

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Manipal: Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Manipal (MCOPS) was ranked the top Pharmacy College in the country by the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) released by Union Human Resource Development Minister Smriti Irani on Monday at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.

This first-of-its-kind indigenous ranking framework for higher education institutions has ranked institutes in Engineering, Management and Pharmacy.

Dr Mallikarjuna Rao, Principal of the College said, “It is a dream come true for us and a befitting reward for 53-years of hard work.” He said that it was because of the hard work done by his predecessors and credited the immediate past Principal Dr N Udupa for his contribution. “The quantum of research done during the 16-years when he was the Principal is worthy of praise,” Dr Rao said.

Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Manipal was ranked first while University Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences Chandigarh was second and Jamia Hamdard, New Delhi stood third.

As per the NIRF, ten best institutions have been named in each stream and Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Manipal was declared the best in Pharmacy. “There are over a thousand pharmacy colleges in the country and to be chosen as the finest is a great honour indeed,” said Manipal University, Manipal Vice Chancellor Dr H Vinod Bhat. “I am delighted to know that Manipal College of Pharmaceutical Sciences has been ranked the best in the country,” he added.