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Ahmedabad: The Gujarat State Institutional Rating Framework (GSIRF) initiated by the Knowledge Consortium of Gujarat (KCG) in partnership with the Indian Centre for Academic Rankings & Excellence (ICARE), released the rankings for universities and colleges in the state on Friday. The ratings surprised many academicians and educational institutions.

The GSIRF conferred the first rank among 28 universities that participated in the exercise to Gujarat University (GU). Behind GU are Nirma University, Cept University, PDPU, and Junagadh Agricultural University. The KCG website said that teaching, learning and resources, research and professional practice, graduation outcomes, and outreach and inclusivity were the parameters.

Among the colleges, St Xavier's in Ahmedabad was adjudged No. 1, followed by Sir PT Sarvajanik College of Science, Surat; MG Science Institute, Ahmedabad; Manibhai Virani Science College, Rajkot; and MTIN, Changa. In all, 68 colleges had participated in

STATE RANKINGS

Rank	University	CGPA
1	Gujarat University	4.13
2	Nirma University	3.91
3	Cept University	3.64
4	PDPU	3.62
5	Junagadh AU	3.61
6	SP University	3.59
7	DAIICT	3.54
8	GTU	3.51
9	CHARUSAT	3.49
10	IITRAM	3.48

the process. The state has 65 universities and 550-odd colleges, said experts.

KCG officials said that the exercise is to improve the rankings of the institutions in the state at the national level. "It's a welcome step at the state level to understand the parameters and to work to score high," said a vice-chancellor on the condition of anonymity. "But it's surprising to see so many better ranked institutions at a lower rank than comparatively newer institutions." In the 2019 NIRF rankings, only IIT Gandhinagar and Anand Agricultural University (AAU) could get into the Top 100 from Gujarat.