

IIM recalls all 1-year MBA students

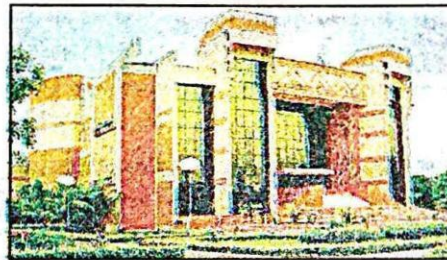
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Joka: IIM Calcutta has called all 80 students of the one-year MBA executive programme back to the campus for attending online classes from hostels.

As for the two-year MBA programme, 25 per cent of the students have been recalled from both first and second year because of connectivity constraints faced by them.

It was initially decided that 25 per cent of the students from the executive programme would be called back to the campus so they could overcome connectivity woes. But the institute later decided to recall all.

An official said many of those pursuing the executive



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programme were staying in rented accommodations on the outskirts of the city and appealed to be recalled because of connectivity issues.

“They were allowed entry last month. All are fully vaccinated,” said Manish Thakur, dean (new initiatives and external relations) and a member of the Covid committee of the IIM.

Twenty-five per cent of the students of the executive programme batch from small

towns and tier-III cities were recalled from July 4 and the remaining 75 per cent from July 21.

Even as the academic session for the executive programme started in April, classes are being held on online platforms.

A student pays Rs 27 lakh for pursuing the programme, considered to be a revenue earner.

Explaining what prompted a 100 per cent recall, Thakur told Metro: “Their academic year started in April. So we wanted to give them some time to experience the campus.”

The institute will soon conduct a survey on the status of vaccination among those from the two-year MBA programme who have been recalled.