



Attaining global leadership in education – “IITK Vision 2020”

Vision 2020 discussion document

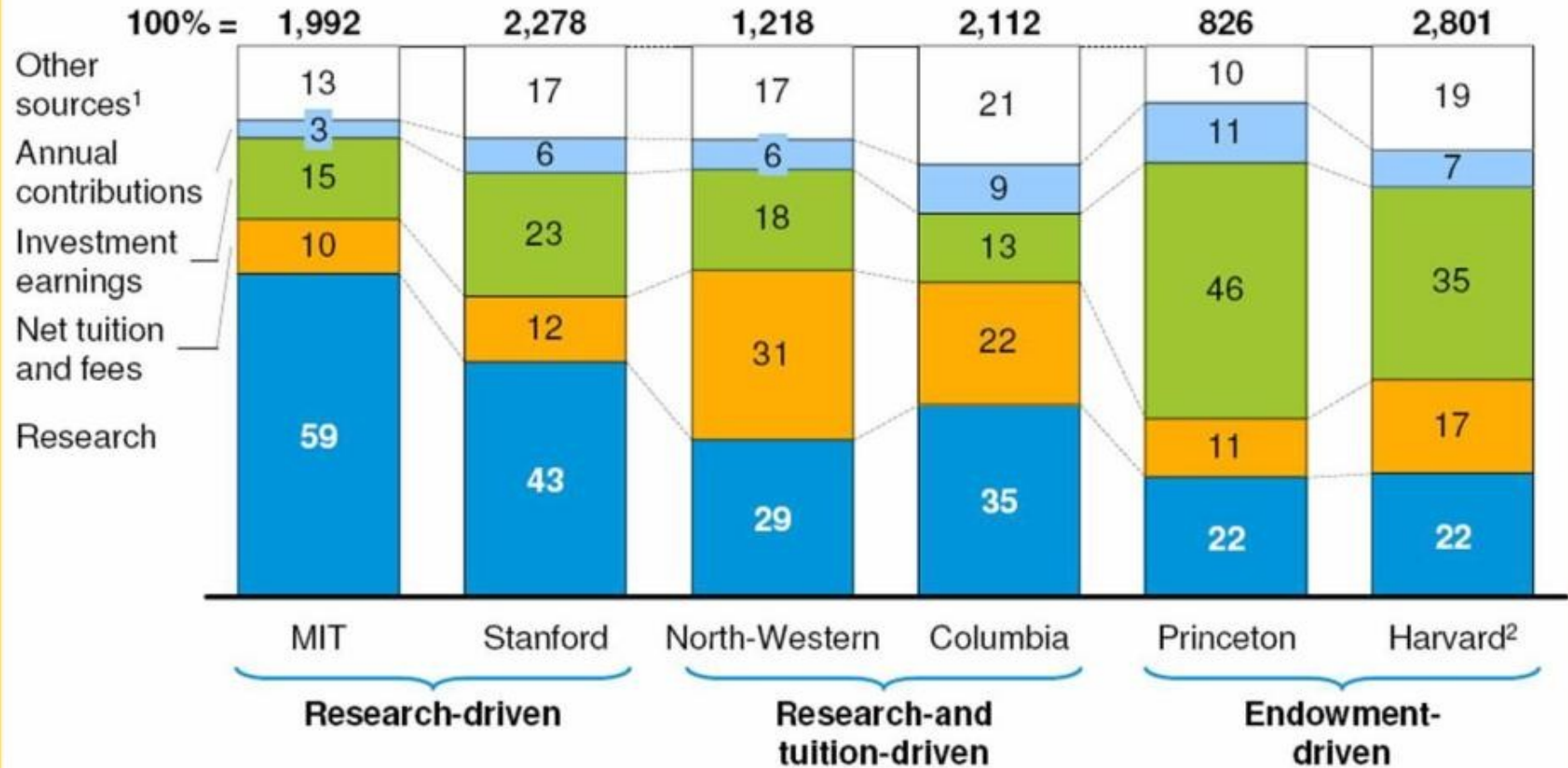
IIT K vision – Achieve ‘global leadership in science and technology’ through emphasis on ‘research excellence’ while maintaining ‘teaching excellence’



4 Prominent universities are diversifying sources of funding

Diversification of funding¹

Operating revenue³, percent



¹ The revenue data is taken over 2003-2007

² Excluding medical income

³ Some universities such as Harvard count individuals' foundations as foundations, others count them as individuals

Today, IIT Kanpur is seen as one of the leading schools in Asia; however, it lags behind on global rankings



University ranking; 2009

Institution	Location	Global		Asian
		THES ¹	SJTU ²	QS Rankings ³
 MIT	USA	9	5	N.A.
 Stanford University	U.S.A	16	2	N.A.
 University of California	U.S.A	39	3	N.A.
 National University of Singapore	Singapore	200+	200	10
 Tsinghua University	China	49	201-302	10
 IIT Kanpur	India	200+	500+	34
 IIT Bombay	India	163	500+	30
 IIT Kharagpur	India	200+	402-501	141

The IIT set consists of both a metro and a stand-alone IIT

¹ Times Higher Education Society rankings









² Shanghai Jiao Tong University academic ranking of world universities

³ Quacquarelli Symonds ranking

SOURCE: University websites; team analysis; THES report 2009; SJTU ARWU 2009; QS ranking (Asia) 2009

IIT Kanpur compares well with leading schools on the 'people' and 'teaching effectiveness' dimensions

 IIT Kanpur

Institution	Students 2006-2009			Faculty 2006-2009		
	Strength Numbers	Undergraduate students Percent	Admission selectiveness ² Percent	Student to faculty ratio Percent	International faculty Percent	Chairs by faculty ¹ Percent
 MIT	10,299	40	12	10	7	15-20 IITK has highest number of chairs of all IITs
 Stanford University	19,782	33	10	8	5	
 University of California	33,910	75	41	14	30	
 National University of Singapore	31,492	77	N.A.	15	62	
 Tsinghua University	27,822	53	8	5	14	
 IIT Kanpur	4100	56	2	12	~0	~14
 IIT Bombay	5,507	58	2	12	~0	<2
 IIT Kharagpur	5,350	52	2	12	~0	<2









1 Chairs by faculty represents the total number of chairs constituted per faculty member in %

2 Admission selectiveness represents the total number of successful candidates upon the total number of applicants for the undergraduate programs

SOURCE: Annual report of universities; university website

However, IIT Kanpur needs to improve its 'research effectiveness' to match global standards

 IIT Kanpur

Institution	Doctoral program ¹		Research output ¹		Research spend ²
	Ph.Ds awarded Number	Ph.D to faculty ratio Number	Patents granted Number	Publications per faculty Number	Research grant per faculty USD thousands
 MIT	3,521	3.5	102	10	685
 Stanford University	3,365	2.8	64	13	540
 University of California	NA	NA	275	11	345
 National University of Singapore	538	0.3	25	2	170
 Tsinghua University	5,316	<1	56	8	NA
 IIT Kanpur	105	0.4	7	1	27
 IIT Bombay	200	0.4	6	1	25
 IIT Kharagpur	228	0.5	5	1	NA

¹ For the period 2006-2009

² Research spend is the latest available data

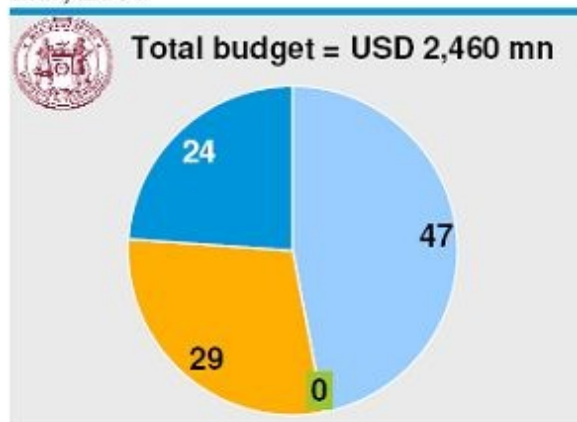
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IIT Kanpur today is heavily reliant on government funding



Share of funding; percent

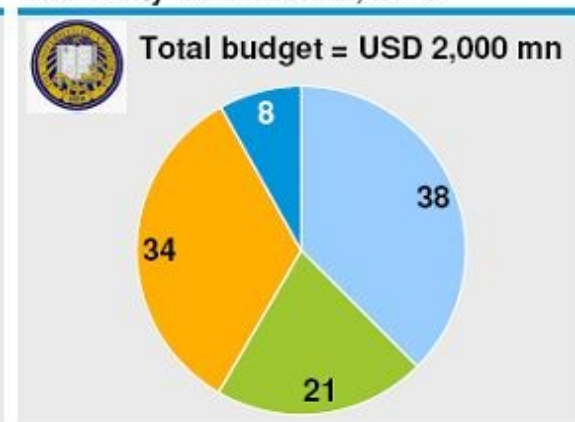
MIT, 2009



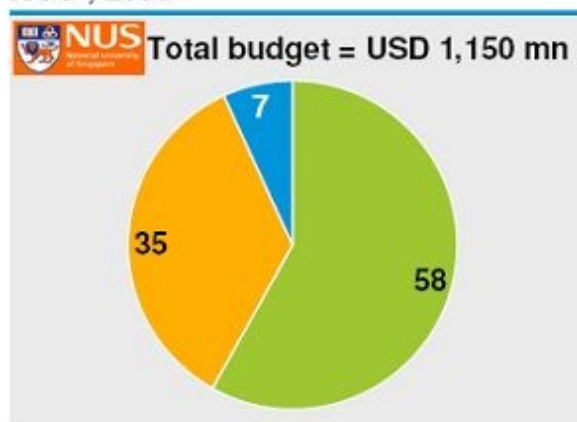
Stanford², 2009



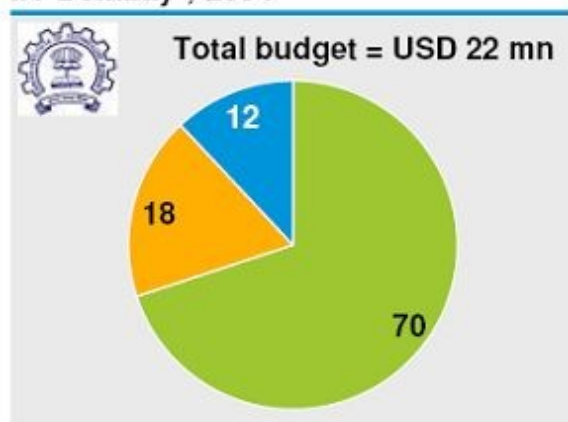
University of California, 2009



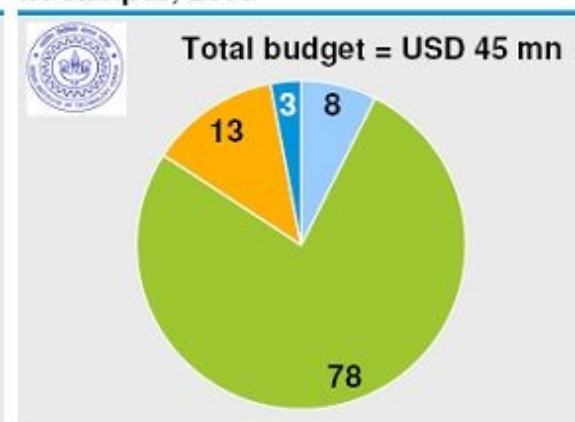
NUS¹, 2009



IIT Bombay¹, 2004



IIT Kanpur, 2009



¹ For NUS and IIT Bombay, sponsored research generated revenue data has been clubbed with others as the break up is not available

² Alumni contribution includes other endowments for Stanford university

IIT Kanpur is strongly positioned across multiple dimensions

1

Global reputation of the IIT brand

- IIT's **academic programme** is considered amongst the best in the world
- IITK has successfully built an **ecosystem** which continues to attract some of the sharpest and the brightest minds in India
 - More than 3,00,000 aspirants sit for Joint Entrance Exam (JEE) of which ~5,000 are selected every year

2

Superior research capabilities in select fields

- IIT K's wind tunnel is the largest across all educational institutes in India
- IITK has its own device **fabrication lab**
- Total lab infrastructure spend ~Rs.40 crores per annum
- ~367 sponsored projects, **30 patents** filed during 2008-09
- State of the art laboratories/centres, such as, **4-i laboratory**, **Centre for internet security**, National information centre for earthquake engineering
- IITK faculty has won **international accolades** for top-quality research

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Emphasis on socioeconomic initiatives

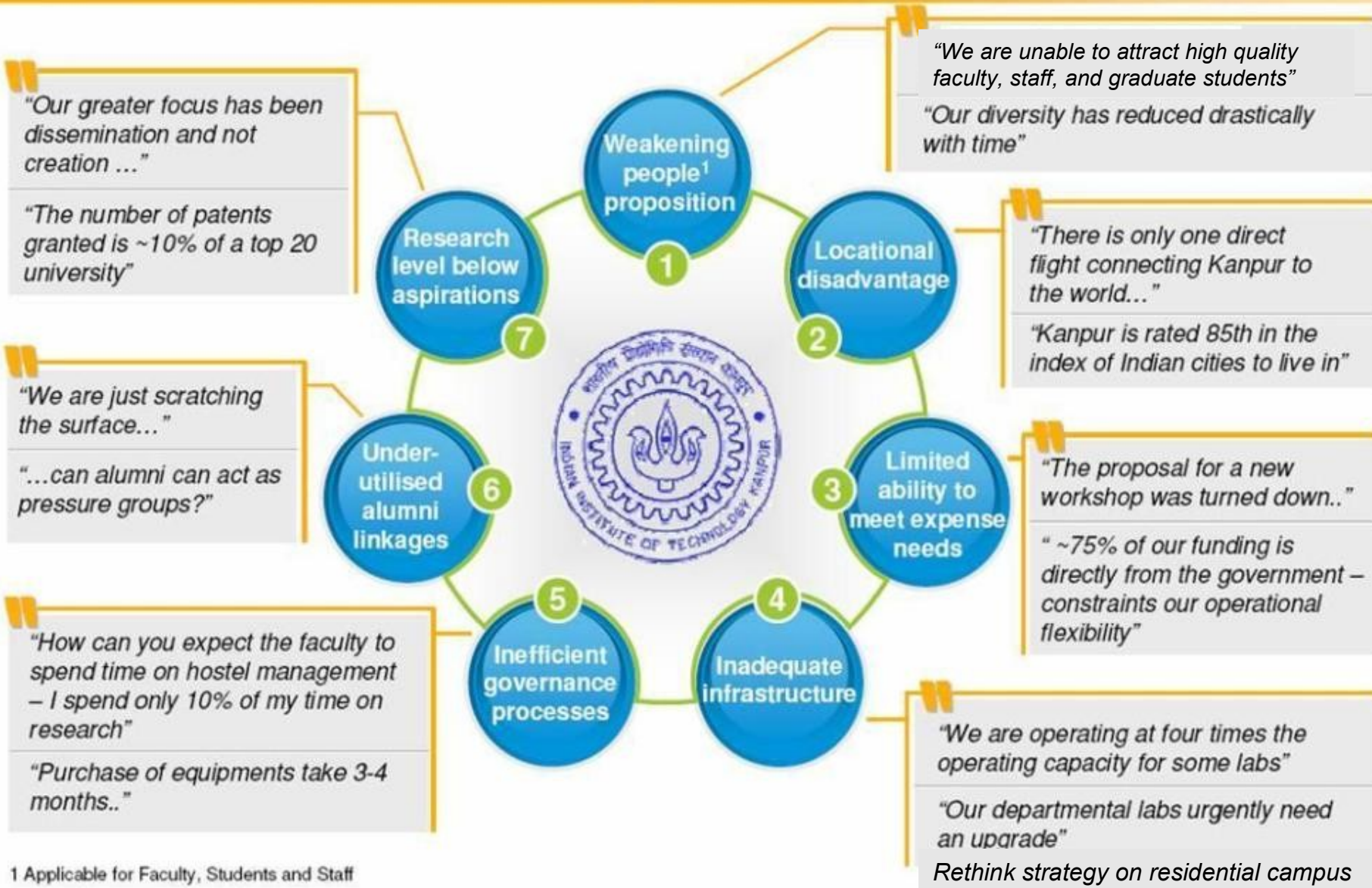
- **Strong commitment towards socio economic projects**
 - River water cleaning (e.g., **Ganga river project**)
 - Social entrepreneurship (e.g., low cost education tool '**Akansha**' piloted in rural areas by Ministry of Human Resources and Development)
 - Agropedia project to develop an agricultural encyclopaedia
 - Indian history (e.g., decoding mystery of the iron pillar)
 - **TMRs** projects focused on enhancing railway security
- **Space research**
 - Mobility module for the Indian rover (Chandrayaan II)
 - A UG research initiative to build a nano-satellite at IITK

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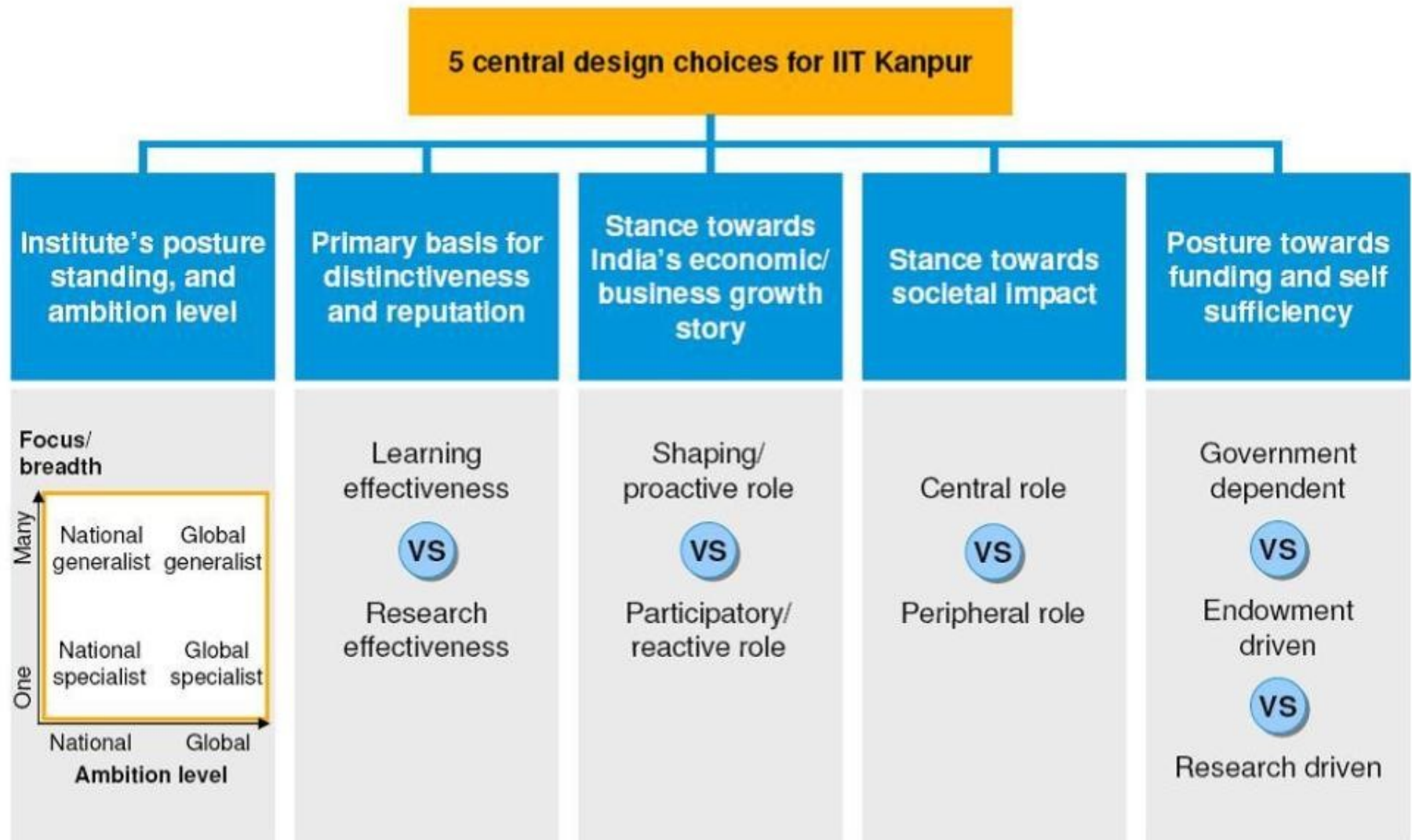
Strong and supportive alumni

- IITK alumni (**25,000+**) have performed exceedingly well in both industry and research
- IITK foundation alone has raised over **USD 5 million** since its inception in 2000
- Acted as the catalyst for
 - Seeding the **PanIIT movement** and multiple alumni chapters world wide
 - Supporting **IITK-Caltech student exchange** program
 - Setting up **~50 faculty chairs**, establishing numerous scholarships,
 - Providing funds to attend international conferences
 - Seeding the IITK 2020 Vision effort

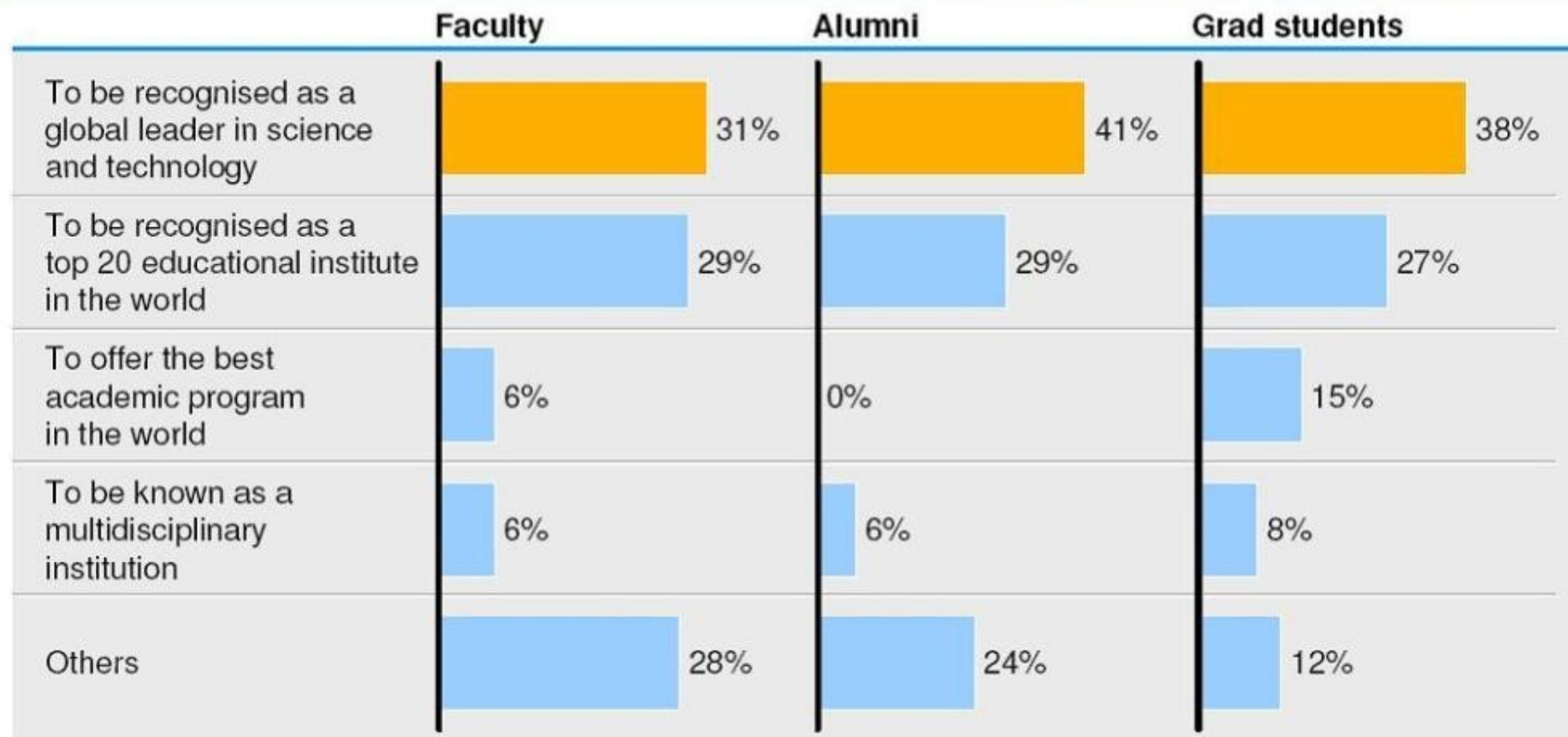
However, seven structural challenges need to be addressed



Design choices to frame the vision and strategic posture for IIT Kanpur



There is agreement among faculty, alumni and students on proposed vision - “To be recognised as a global leader in science and technology”



“International comparison is irrelevant, IITK should respond to the problems of our country.”

– Faculty

“IITK should aim for excellence in both research and education, somewhat like MIT”

– Alumnus

“IITK should be a place where true research can be done”

– Grad student

In order to realise its vision, IIT K should launch initiatives across six transformational themes



Transformation themes for IIT Kanpur – “Teaching/learning effectiveness”

Attract world class faculty,
strengthen the graduate program
and retain the leadership in
undergraduate program

1

**Teaching/learning
effectiveness**

Strengthen research in
science and
technology as the
primary basis for IITK's
distinctiveness and
reputation

2

Research
effectiveness

**Achieve “global
leadership in science
and technology” by
2020 through emphasis
on “research
excellence”**

Indian
economy
societal
impact

3

Catalyse
transformation of select
sectors of Indian
economy by
broadening/deepening
participation; thereby
making tangible
societal impact

Governance

4

To transform the governance to
ensure quick decision making

Funding

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To be self reliant
in funding by
broadening the
funding mix;
increase it to 6x
by 2020

6

Alumni
collaboration

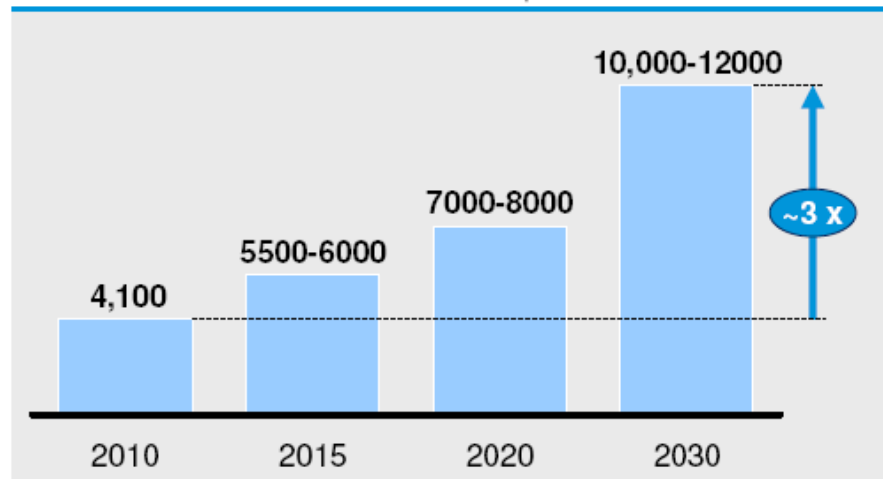
To proactively invest
in building alumni
linkages and increase
support to 20x by
2020

1. Teaching/learning effectiveness

IIT Kanpur should aspire to have ~10000 students and ~1000 faculty members by 2030

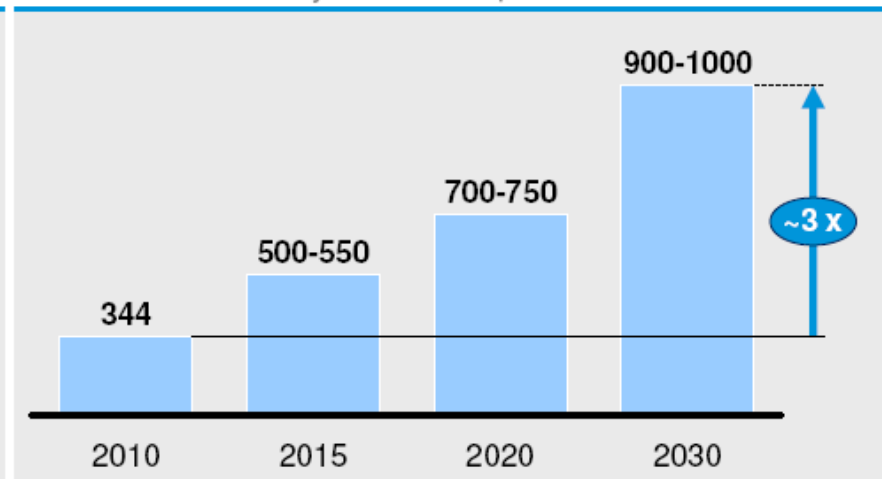
Students

Total number of students across disciplines



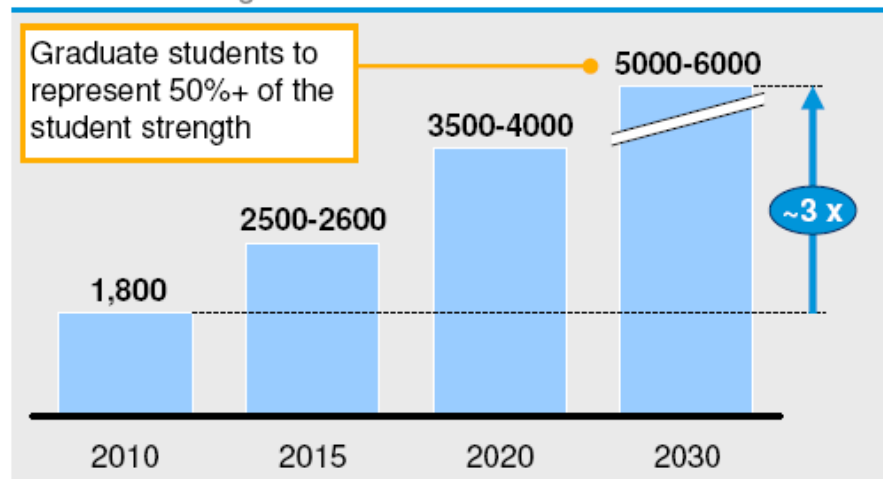
Faculty strength

Total number of faculty across disciplines



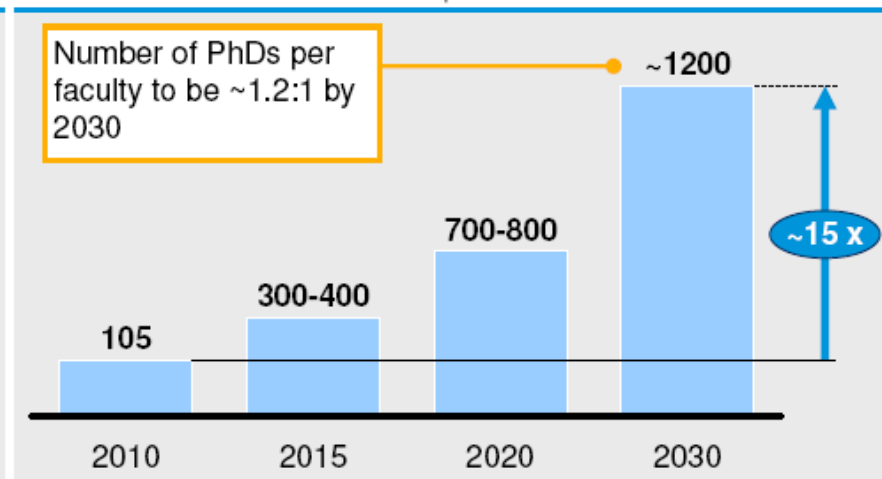
Number of graduate students

Total number of graduate students



Ph.D awarded

Total number of Ph.D awarded per annum

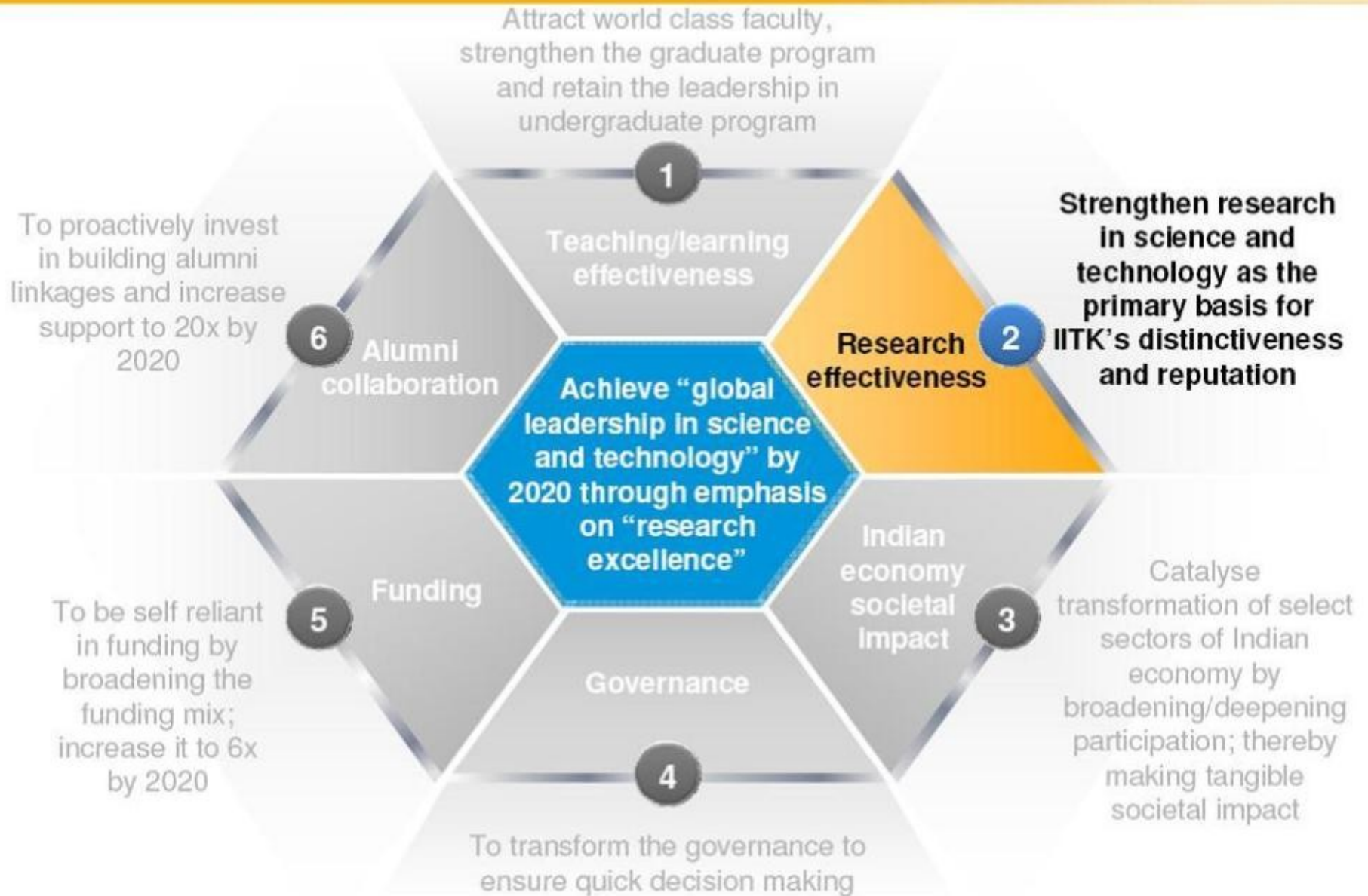


1. Teaching/learning effectiveness

We recommend a set of 10 initiatives for IIT K to sustain its leadership on teaching and learning effectiveness

A	Attract and retain best in class faculty	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Ensure a faculty value proposition which is competitive with global standards (includes compensation, fellowships, greater freedom, dual appointment across universities, 2 body program for spouses etc)2. Introduce differential compensation and strengthen the performance management model3. Explore hiring from new sources of talent (e.g., PhDs from industry, part-time model)4. Create job options for spouse within and outside campus; invest significantly in improving the social infrastructure (e.g., schools, restaurants, recreation clubs etc.)
B	Strengthen the graduate/ PhD program	<ol style="list-style-type: none">5. Broaden selection process for the graduate/PhD program<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Attract foreign students (e.g. south-east Asia) and simplify admission processes– Collaborate with industry for targeted PhD programs, publicize industry sponsored projects to attract students6. Enhance the overall value proposition for prospective students through<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Research focus, diversity, stipends, scholarships, infrastructure, exchange programs– Creation of joint degree options with prestigious universities7. Adequate post doctoral support (e.g., exit options, recruitment)
C	Continue to improve teaching pedagogy	<ol style="list-style-type: none">8. Upgrade the infrastructure to keep pace with the increase in student strength9. Update curriculum with emphasis on soft skills10. Invest in continuing to build on student exchange programs

Transformation themes for IIT Kanpur – “Research Effectiveness”

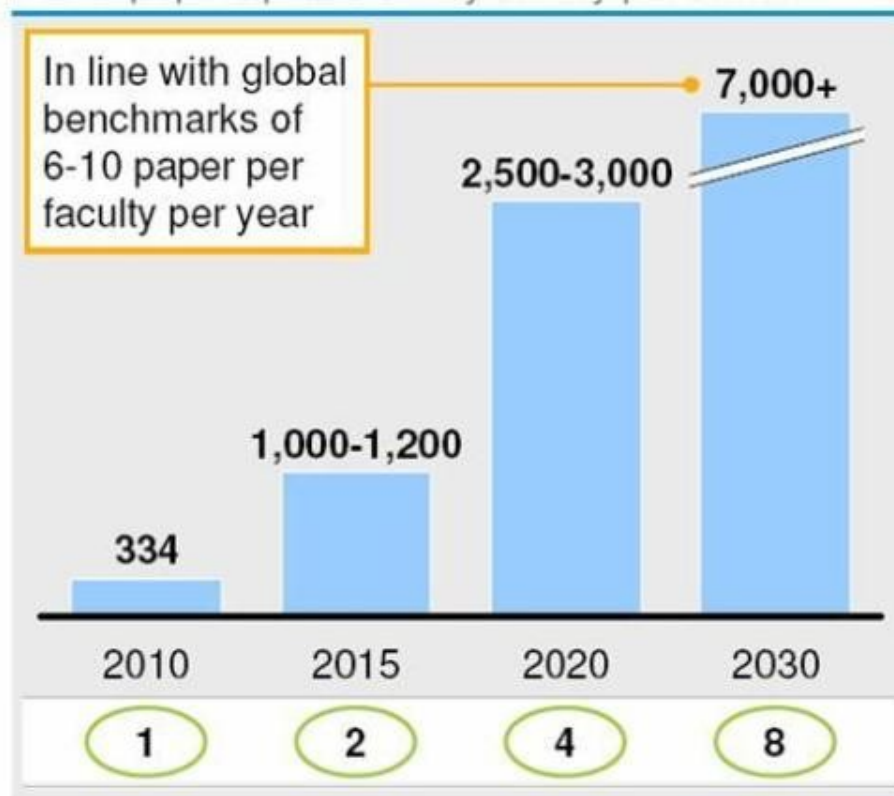


Achieving world class 'research excellence' would require IIT K to achieve a step change in current research output

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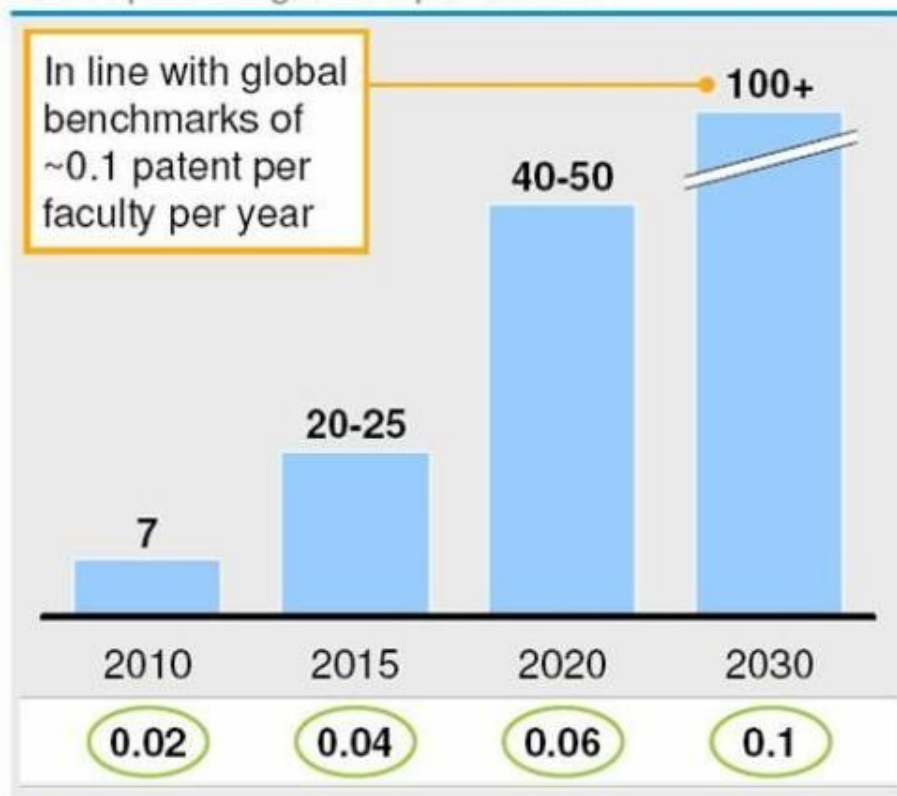
Research publications

No. of papers published by faculty per annum



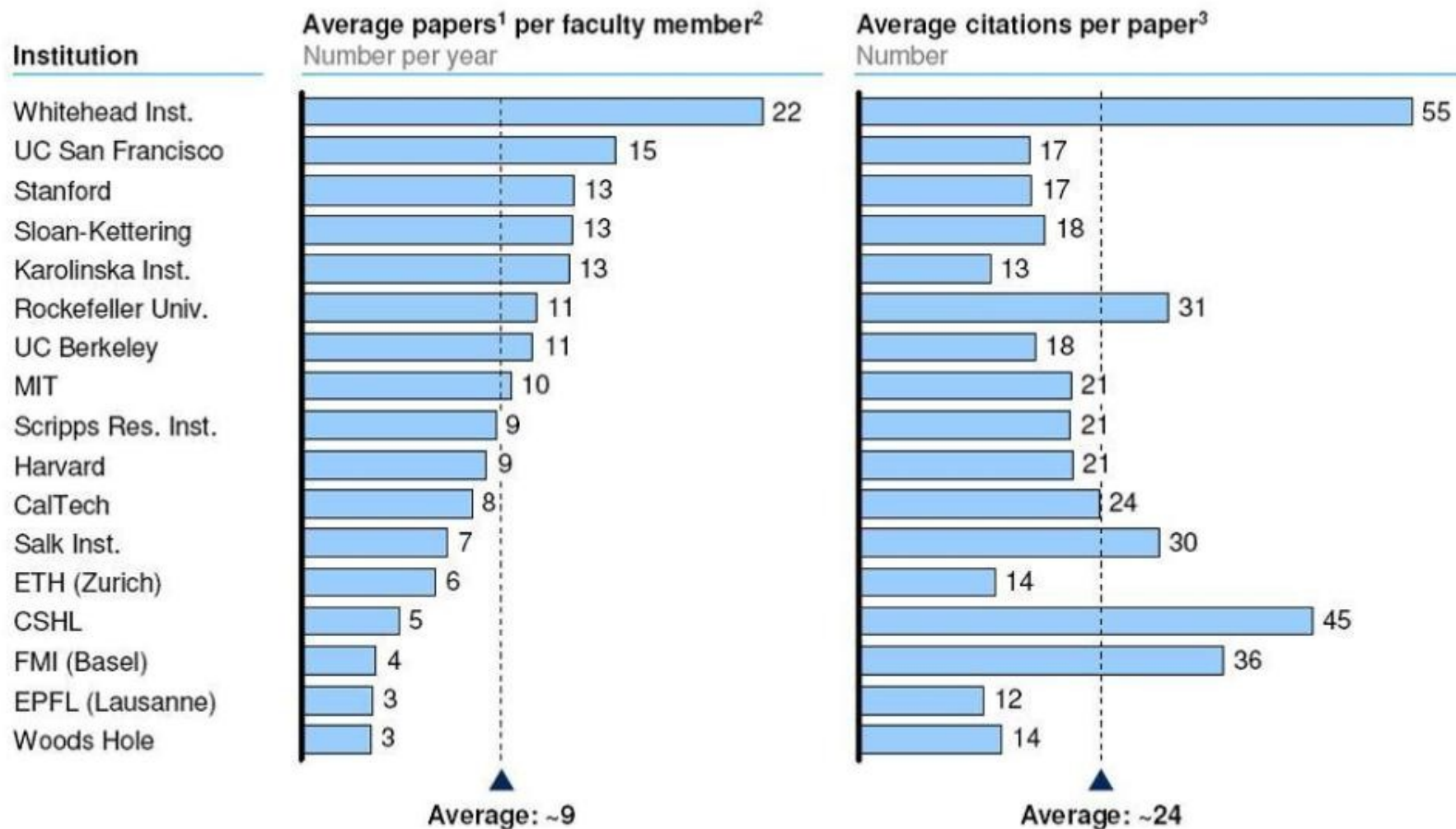
Patents

No. of patents granted per annum



Research output per faculty would need to double over next five years

Track the quality of publications by benchmarking against number of citations received



¹ Articles included in the e-SCI Thompson index only (excludes arts, humanities, and social sciences) and affiliated with each institution in the 2006-9 period

² Only ladder faculty counted (tenured and tenure track), as non-ladder faculty tend not to direct research laboratories

³ Citations received from 2006 to 2009 by the papers published in the 2006-9 period

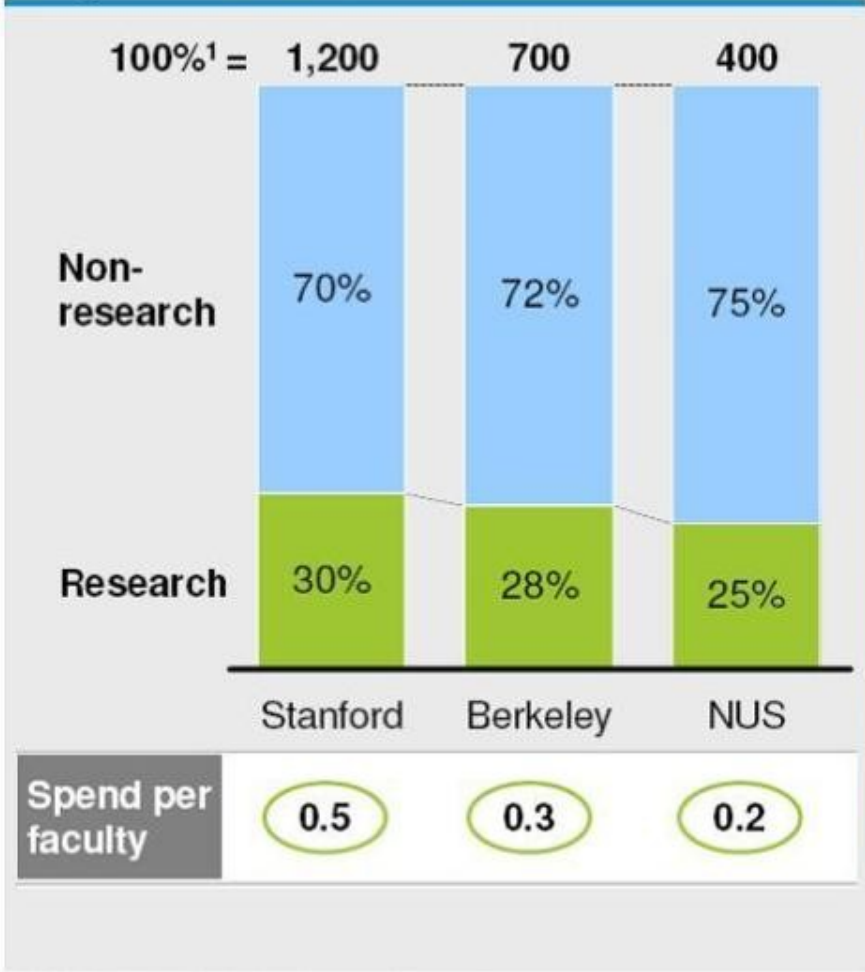
SOURCE: Thompson Web of Science, team analysis

2. Research effectiveness

In line with leading research led institutions, IIT K would need to devote as much as 25%+ of its total budget towards research

Research spend, USD million

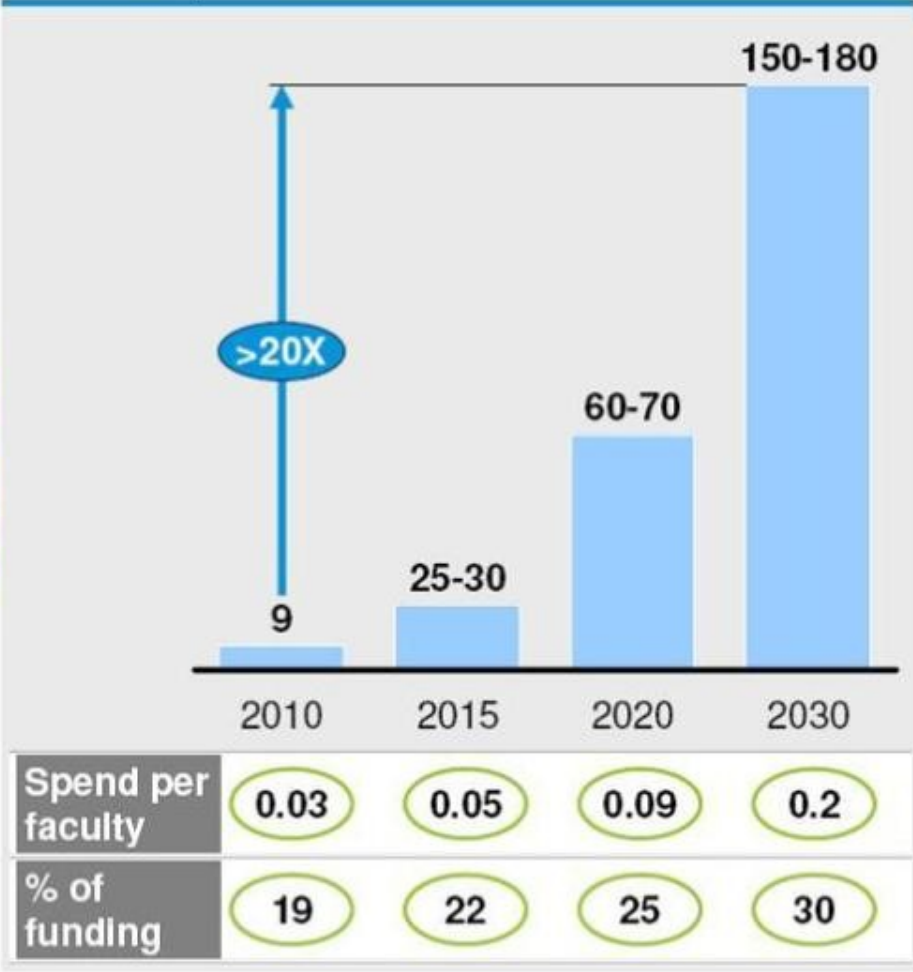
World class universities devote 25-30% of the budget towards research



¹ 100% indicated is the total research spend

SOURCE: Annual reports; McKinsey analysis

IIT K would need to dramatically increase its research spend

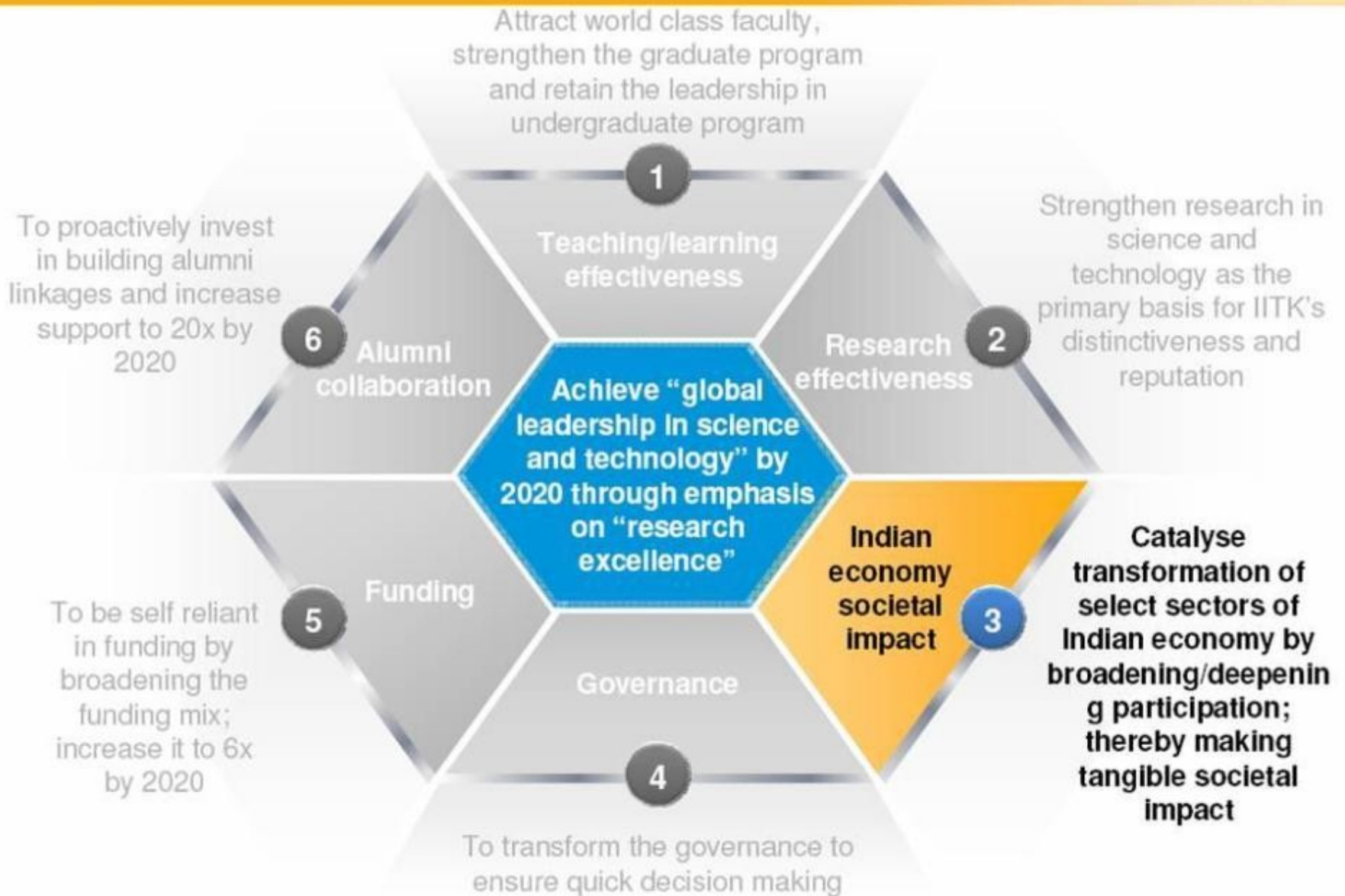


2. Research effectiveness

We recommend a set of 11 initiatives to strengthen research effectiveness and output at IITK

A	Attract and retain best in class faculty	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Invite top 25 companies to set up R&D centres at the campus (e.g., Yahoo at IIT Mumbai, Texas Instruments at IIT Kharagpur, ST Microelectronics at BITS Pilani)2. Partner with industry associations (e.g., knowledge partner for Indian Chamber of Commerce)3. Actively lobby with state and central government to establish an SEZ in Kanpur4. Build a research consortium of international universities for enhancing research cooperation (Kanpur Indo American Program v2.0)5. Create joint research proposals in partnership with government in areas such as defence, water etc6. Offer options of research focused career tracks for faculty
B	Strengthen the graduate/ PhD program	<ol style="list-style-type: none">7. Reform student administration procedure8. Use graduate student body to augment teaching capacity<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Invest in enhancing teaching skills of the Ph.D. students (e.g., preparing modules on ‘how to teach’)– Link scholarships and incentives to amount and quality of teaching– Have graduate students for conducting tutorials and examination grading
C	Continue to improve teaching pedagogy	<ol style="list-style-type: none">9. Relieve faculty from pure administrative jobs through creation of shared secretarial staff10. Set up shared service centres across select areas (e.g., workshops, analytic, IT, secretarial services)11. Ramp up strength of administrative and technical staff and significantly invest in training programs to upgrade skills

Transformation themes for IIT Kanpur – “Indian economy societal impact”



3. Societal Impact

R&D Effectiveness

- **Introduce norm-based hierarchy in internal research funding.**
 - **Areas of national importance**
 - **Technological developments**
 - **Intramural support**

Transformation themes for IIT Kanpur – “Governance”



4. Governance

Our interviews with stakeholders, suggest several issues in decision making processes and support structures

Slow and circuitous administrative processes

- Decisions are phased upwards. As a result, approval for even basic academic activities tends to take a long time (e.g., a student conducting elementary workshop could not get approval till the last date in spite of several attempts)
- Lack of understanding of roles and poor initiative stops people from taking quick decisions

Lack of adequate support systems

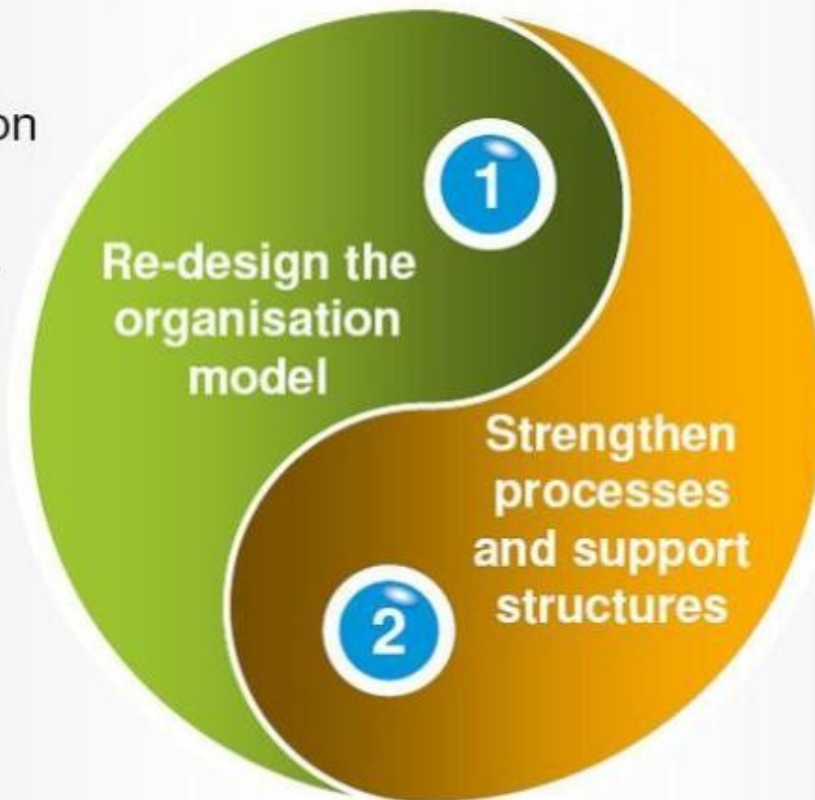
- Diversion of faculty time to almost all administrative activities is unproductive. As a result ~40% of precious faculty time is spent on purely administrative work
- Inadequate administrative support (both quality and quantity) across all levels
- Lack of focus on skill up-gradation for middle management through on the job training

Weak accountability/ incentive models

- Lack of incentives offered for administrative positions make them unattractive
- No performance management system to assess and evaluate the performance of the administrative positions
- Certain leadership roles (e.g., resource generation) require industry experience which are often not available within the faculty group

IIT K should re-visit two critical elements of the overall governance model

- Enabling organisation model
- Clear and non overlapping roles and responsibilities
- Well defined decision making rights and selection processes



- Simplified decision making processes
- Adequate support staff
- Use of technology
- Outsourcing of non core processes
- Performance management and reward system for support staff

4. Governance

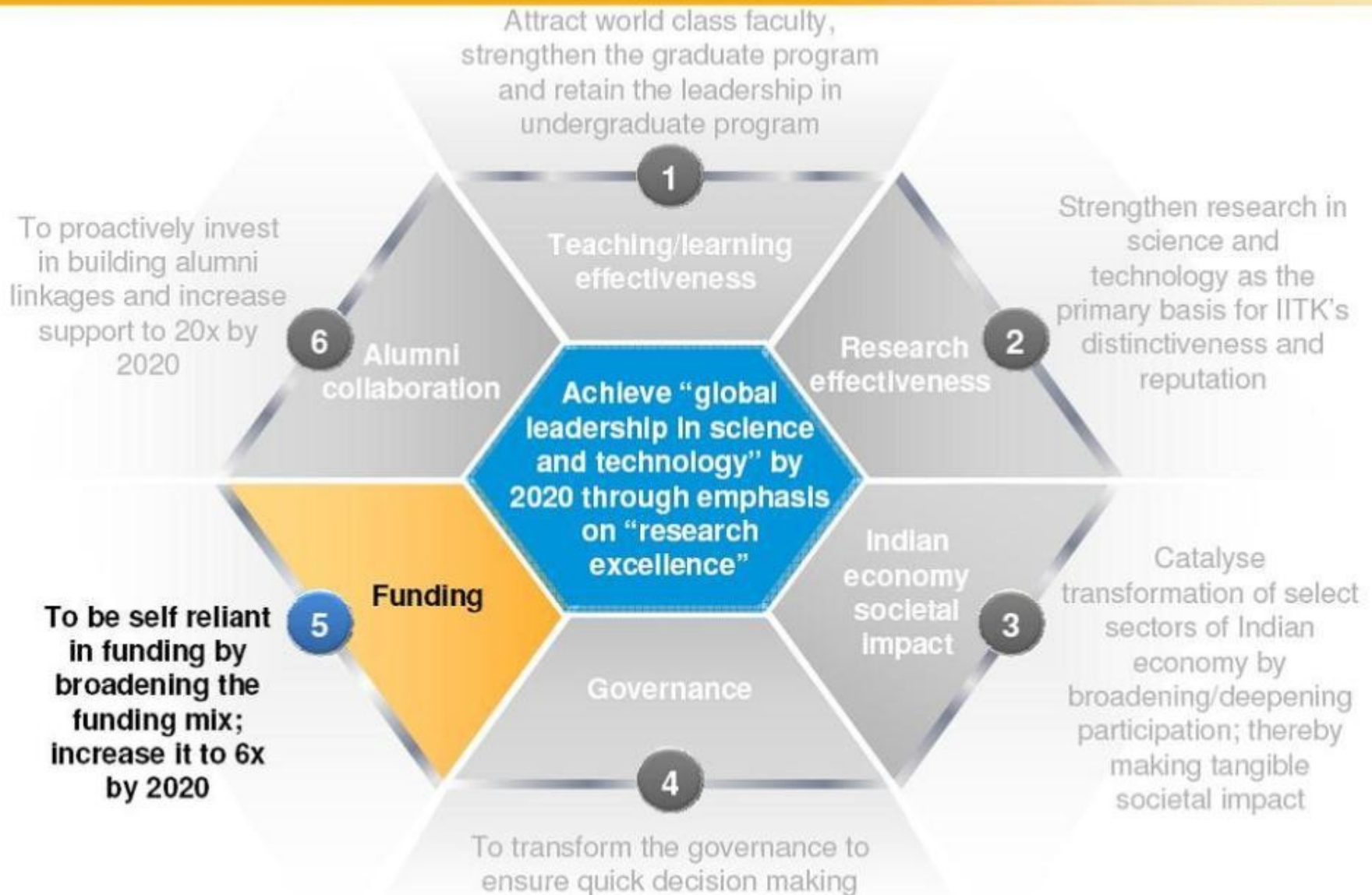
IIT Kanpur should consider a set of eight initiatives to transform overall governance model

A	Redesign organization model	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Redesign organization model to<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Empower deputy director on the lines of Provost role with focus on internal affairs; Director to primarily focus on external relations (e.g., reputation building, fund raising, etc.)– Consider creation of specialist role (CFO equivalent from Industry) to manage finance and resources2. Re-define decision making rights to ensure greater accountability<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Delegate powers to Deans/Deputy Directors to resolve majority of internal issues– Add associate Deans and clarify power structures– Empower the HODs to enable faster decision making (e.g., broader role to play in faculty promotions, recruitment, greater financial autonomy etc.)– Rationalize roles of committees and senate3. Redesign ‘selection’ mechanism for critical positions
B	Strengthen processes/ support structures	<ol style="list-style-type: none">4. Simplify processes to minimize paper work and touch points (e.g., critical processes like new project approval, grant allotment, etc.)5. Leverage technology to improve process efficiency (e.g., online approvals, digitization of records, digital signatures, e-faxes, etc.)6. Rationalize support staff deployment and create shared service platform for administrative roles to augment capacity7. Selectively outsource non core activities through robust SLA and stringent supervisory8. Strengthen the performance management system and incentive model for support staff

Options for organisation structure for IITK

1		Pros	Cons
	<pre>graph TD; Director[Director] --> DeputyDirector[Deputy Director]; Director --> CFO[\"CFO/DRPG\"];</pre>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Reduction of internal administration load on the Director▪ Clear role division enables faster and effective decision making<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Director focuses on external linkages– Deputy Director as the unified Academic and Admin leader– CFO / DRPG responsible for resource management	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Hiring an outsider might be difficult and could raise compensation issues vis-à-vis faculty▪ Challenge to find a home-grown faculty member with the requisite skill sets to play the role of Deputy Director (Academics and Administration)
2	<pre>graph TD; Director[Director] --> DeputyDirAdmin[\"Deputy Director (Administration)\"]; Director --> DeputyDirAcad[\"Deputy Director (Academics)\"]; Director --> CFO[\"CFO/DRPG\"];</pre>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Reduction of internal administration load on the Director▪ Clear role division enables faster and effective decision making<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Director focuses on external linkages– 2 Deputy Directors – Academics and Administration– CFO / DRPG responsible for resource management	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Hiring an outsider might be difficult and could raise compensation issues vis-à-vis faculty▪ Conflict between academic and administrative roles would be escalated to the Director
3	<pre>graph TD; Director[Director] --> AD1[Assistant Director]; Director --> AD2[Assistant Director]; Director --> AD3[Assistant Director]; Director --> AD4[Assistant Director]; Director --> AD5[Assistant Director]; Director --> CFO[\"CFO/DRPG\"];</pre> <p>R&D, AA, FA, SA and Admin</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Reduction of internal administration load on the Director▪ Clear role division enables faster and effective decision making<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Director focuses on external linkages– Dedicated Assistant Directors across five roles– CFO / DRPG responsible for resource management	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Hiring an outsider might be difficult and could raise compensation issues vis-à-vis faculty▪ Higher coordination effort to manage conflicts across 5 Deputy Directors▪ Conflict between various functions would be escalated to the Director

Transformation themes for IIT Kanpur – “Funding”

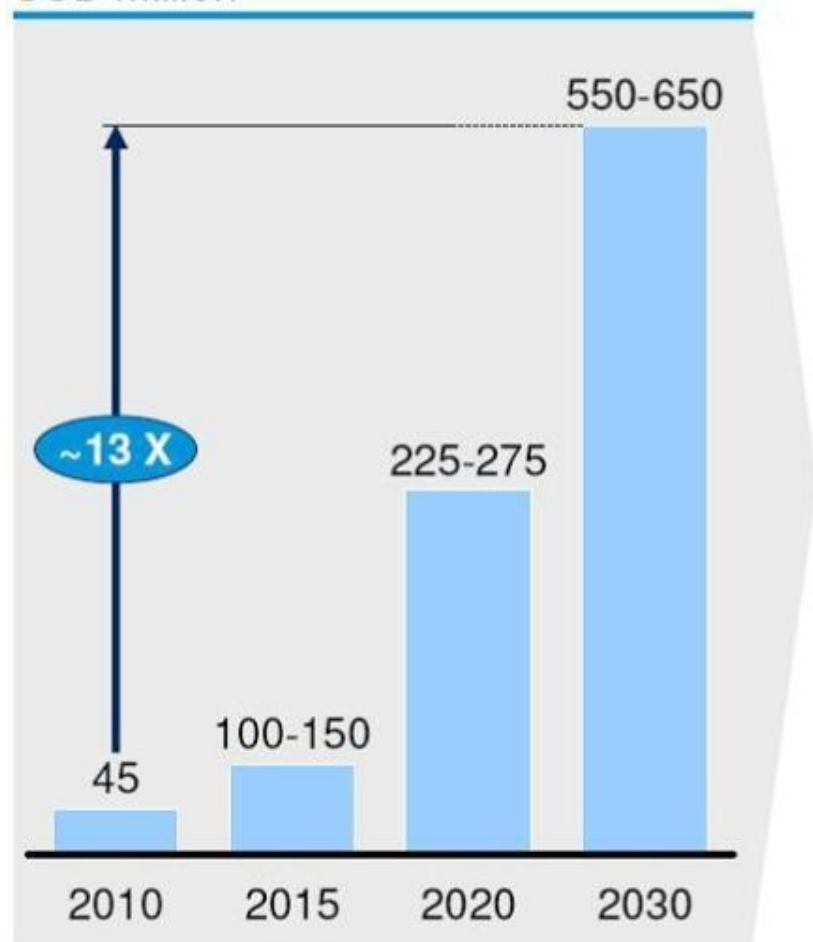


5. Funding

IIT K would need to increase its funds several folds to realise its aspirations

Projected budget estimates for IIT K

USD million



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World-class university benchmark⁴

What would this mean for IITK?

	2010	2015	2020	2030
Budget per student (USD '000s)	10	20	35	60
	80			
Budget per faculty (USD '000s)	130	225	350	650
	850			

1 Average rate of inflation has been taken as 2% during the period of 2010-30 (US currency)

2 Average rate of return on capital has been taken as 15-20% during the period of 2010-30

3 Purchase power parity factor has been taken as 5:1 for 2010-20 and 4:1 for 2020-2030

4 Currency conversion rate has been taken as Rs 45 = USD 1 for 2010-2020 and Rs 35 = USD 1 for 2020 - 2030

IIT should tap into six sources of funds

1 Sponsored research



- In line with international benchmarks, IITK should aim to generate 30% of its budget through sponsored research projects (both with industry and government)

2 Endowment income



- IIT K should actively seek to improve its income from endowments by
 - Growing the size of the corpus several fold
 - Professionalising investment management

3 Tuition fees



- IIT K should strengthen its executive education program to generate additional revenues
- The student tuition should increase to account for inflation

4 Government grants



- IIT K should plan to increase the size of its government grants in proportion with increase in number of students and inflation

5 Alumni contribution



- IIT K should aim at improving the levels of Alumni contributions (chairs, scholarships, exchange programs) through improved connectedness and wider bouquet of options to contribute

6 Other sources



- IIT K should increasingly leverage other sourced of revenue (e.g. start ups, festivals, placement etc.)

IIT Kanpur would need almost USD 600 million of funding by 2030 – Proposed funding build up plan for IIT Kanpur

PRELIMINARY

	2010	2015	2020	2030	Rationale
Sponsored research	2	10	50	165-190	▪ Most US universities generate between 20-40 % of their income through sponsored research. Accordingly, a target of 25% by 2030, 15% in 2020 and 8% in 2015 has been taken for IITK
Endowment income	2.5	20	~40	~50	▪ Leading universities have endowments greater than USD5 billion (e.g., Harvard has an endowment of USD45 billion, market value of MIT endowment is USD8.5 billion). Accordingly, a target of USD500 million by 2030 has been taken for IIT K
Tuition fees (including student and executive education programs)	1.5	10	50-75	160-185	▪ Considering average US tuition fee is to be USD40 k, IIT K fees for 2030 has been taken to be USD10 k, considering PPP and inflation
Government grants	36	75	75-100	125-150	▪ Government grants to increase in proportion with the size of the institute (inflation adjusted)
Alumni contributions	1	5	20	50	▪ Alumni contribution for leading universities is close to USD0.9 k per alumni (e.g., Harvard with 300,000 alumni receives 237 mn USD annually, Stanford with 189,000 alumni receives 200 mn annually). We have accounted for PPP and inflation to arrive at a target in line with world class universities
Other sources	1.5	3	10	25	▪ Assuming a 10% increase y-o-y
Total income	45	~125	~250	~600	

We recommend a set of 6 initiatives for IIT K to significantly grow its funding base

A

Strengthen the DRPG office

- 1 Hire a full time non-academic professional (e.g., equivalent of a CFO from Industry) to manage and drive the fund campaign
– IIT Kanpur needs to make the position financially attractive and in line with industry standards

B

Develop an actionable fund raising strategy

- 2 Define a 5-10 year funding plan including sources and mix of funds
- 3 Create actionable out-reach campaigns (e.g., roadshows, alumni events, etc.)
- 4 Identify sponsors to drive targeted campaigns – both internal as well as influential alumni from industry and academia

C

Create a wider bouquet of options

- 5 Create a wider bouquet of product offerings (e.g., “Adopt a desk” on the lines of ‘adopt a kid’ could be a small denomination product to naming of lecture complexes)
- 6 Ensure better visibility for major donors (e.g., creation of a wall with all donor names for significant contributions)

Transformation themes for IIT Kanpur – “Alumni collaboration”



IIT Kanpur should consider a set of six initiatives to benefit from Alumni collaboration

A	Strengthen the alumni network	<ul style="list-style-type: none">1 Restructure the alumni network<ul style="list-style-type: none">– A global alumni council with a chapter in each country– Each chapter to have sub chapters on a city basis
B	Enhance connectivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">2 Explore options of organising more frequent reunions (e.g., organise reunions every five years)3 Design a buddy program with a recent alumni (2-5 years) mentoring pre-final year students4 Overcome locational challenge through technology and creation of satellite location
C	Benefit from Alumni linkages	<ul style="list-style-type: none">5 Actively identify and seek support from IIT K Alumni at large companies and institutions (e.g., Fortune 500) – research, training and funding6 Seek support from IIT K Alumni in academia to strengthen research and teaching effectiveness<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Build exchange programs with the universities– Invite to conduct guest lectures/take courses