## HOMI BHABHA CENTRE FOR SCIENCE EDUCATION, TIFR

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## National Initiative on Undergraduate Science (NIUS) PHYSICS programme

## Criteria for Selection for NIUS (Physics) 14.1 (2017-2018)

We usually receive a large number of excellent applications from the student community all over the country. However, accommodation, lecture hall and laboratory facilities available at HBCSE are constraining factors, which often oblige us to limit the total intake to about 70. This number may change from year to year.

A selection committee will be appointed by the National Coordinator, NIUS programme. The committee will categorize the applications in the following four groups

- i) 3 year BSc/BSc(H) with Physics as one of the subject.
- ii) 4 year BS/BTech/BE in Physics/Applied Physics/Engineering Physics
- iii) 5 year MS/MSc (Integrated) with Physics as one of the subject.
- iv) 4 or 5 year BTech/BE any Branch of Engineering/Technology

Each application will be examined in depth, independently by at least two members of the committee. Subsequently all short listed applications will be discussed and finalized by the committee.

Selection guidelines are the following:

- a) Performance in STD X and XII examination
- b) Recommendations from two referees
- c) A 250 word write up on student's interest in and expectations from the NIUS (Physics) programme.
- d) Additional qualifications like KVPY, INSPIRE, NGPE, participation in OCSC and International Olympiads, etc

Based on the above,

- A) about 30 students will be selected from the 3 year BSc/BSc(H) with Physics as one of the subject.
- B) about 25 students will be selected from the 4 year BS/BE/BTech in Physics/Applied Physics/Engineering Physics and 5 year MS/MSc (integrated).
- C) about 10 students will be selected from the 4 or 5 year BTech/BE any Branch of Engineering/Technology.

In addition, about 5 best performers from IAPT – National Graduate Physics Examination 2017, who are in FIRST YEAR of their B Sc/B Sc (H) will also be selected.

The list of selected students will be made available on the HBCSE website by March 25, 2017 and a letter will be sent to every applicant by March 31, 2017.