

# 60-acre land for IIM- Nagpur campus in Pune likely to be finalised soon

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NAGPUR: The Indian Institute of Management Nagpur's (IIM-Nagpur) quest for a full-fledged campus on at least 60 acres of land or more for its Pune centre and space for transit campus to run high-end programmes for top executives in holiday destination Goa is likely to be over soon.

The premier B-school had launched its satellite centre from a makeshift facility at Central Institute of Road Transport (CIRT) in Pune in 2021 and moved to Vaikunth Mehta National Institute of Cooperative Management (VAMNICOM), Ganeshkhind Road, near Pune University, this year.

The B-school, which has a sprawling campus on a 132-acre prime land parcel in Mihan-SEZ in Nagpur, is pushing for early allocation of land in Pune. IIM-N infrastructure is built on a 60-acre land while the second phase expansion will see an addition of 55,000 sqm infrastructure on the remaining land.

Although a few sites including some on the outskirts have been offered in Pune, none has been finalised yet, said IIM-N director Bhimaraya Metri on Friday.

Metri said they would need at least 60-acre or more land for the Pune campus. "We are looking for a strategic location which is close to industrial belt and well connected with the city also," he said.

IIM-N officials said Pimpri-Chinchwad MLA Mahesh Landge had identified 60-acre land in Moshi on Nashik

highway and suggested to start the campus there. “DyCM Devendra Fadnavis and the state government have responded positively to our request. We are hoping to finalize the land in the next couple of months,” they said.

Goa chief minister Pramod Sawant and Fadnavis, who is credited for bringing the IIM to Orange City, are scheduled to address the Zero Mile Samvad (ZMS) on Saturday. While Fadnavis’s presence is confirmed, Sawant may not be able to attend the event.