

International Statistical Education Centre (ISEC), Kolkata, India

International Statistical Education Centre (ISEC), run by the Indian Statistical Institute, under the auspices of the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation (MOS &PI), Government of India has been providing training in Statistics to sponsored trainees mainly from the countries in the Middle East, the South and the South East Asia, the Far East and the Commonwealth Countries of Africa since 1950. In addition to offering various short-term courses in Statistics, the Centre has been providing a Regular Training Course in Statistics, formally called **Statistical Theory and Applications**, given over a term of 10 month duration. The 77th Term of the Regular Course on Theoretical and Applied Statistics will commence from **August 1, 2025**.

Candidates are usually officials from national statistical offices, some government departments and business organizations who have experience in statistical work. They may also be teachers and research workers in Statistics from universities and other institutions and officials in non-statistical fields, desiring to acquire knowledge in Statistics.

This course is being sponsored by the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India (GoI) and participants do **not** have to pay any fee. In fact, the Government of India offers a number of grants for training of foreigners in India under the Indian Technical and Economic Co-operation (ITEC) Programme, the Special Commonwealth African Assistance Plan (SCAAP) & the Colombo Plan Training Grants (TCS of Colombo Plan).

All applications for admission to a course and/or seeking any Government of India Fellowship should be forwarded through the respective Indian Missions. All new applications for Regular Course are now required to be filled in at https://www.itecgoi.in/courses_listinst?salt6=XFWqvheMJ3cZTAUcNwD5bQ== by the applicants themselves.

An overview of the course may be found in the previous year prospectus. The previous year prospectus may also be downloaded from the ISEC website <https://www.isical.ac.in/~isecweb/dnld.html>.

The last date of application has been extended up to **4th July 2025**.

The other short-term courses being offered this year are the following:

1. **Data Analytics For Decision Making** during July 09-29, 2025;
2. **Conducting Household Surveys - Sampling Methodologies And Analyses** during August 6-19, 2025;
3. **Workshop On Data Needs For Planning Sustainable Development** during September 15-20, 2025 at NSSTA, Greater Noida (near Delhi); and
4. **Workshop On Statistical Quality Control Techniques** during November 6-19, 2025.

Kindly publicize these short-term courses.

The ISEC is celebrating its Platinum Jubilee in Sept 2025. The **Workshop on Data Needs for Planning Sustainable Development** during September 15-20, 2025 is a part of this celebration. In addition an International Conference on **Statistics and Data Science for Development Planning** is to be held in ISI Kolkata during September 23-25, 2025. You are requested to kindly publicise these events.