

# Postgraduate Diploma in Education- International (PGDE-I) with IBEC

## *Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)*

### **UK Level 7 Programme**

**Certified by Birmingham City University, UK**

**Delivered at Indus Training and Research Institute (ITARI), Bangalore**

**Batch Commences on September, every year**

### **1. What is the Postgraduate Diploma in Education - International (PGDE-I)?**

The PGDE-I is a UK Level 7 qualification delivered at Indus Training and Research Institute (ITARI), Bangalore, and certified by Birmingham City University (BCU), UK. The programme is designed to develop highly skilled, confident, creative, and committed teachers aligned with the highest British Teacher Education Standards.

### **2. What are the eligibility criteria for the PGDE-I programme?**

Applicants must be graduates from a recognized university. In-service teachers as well as individuals transitioning from other industries into education are highly encouraged to apply.

### **3. What is the duration of the PGDE-I programme?**

The PGDE-I programme spans over a period of 9 months.

### **4. What are the modes of learning available for the PGDE-I programme?**

We offer flexible learning methods including:

- **In-Person:** 5 days a week on-campus sessions, conducted from 8:30

AM to 2:30 PM at ITARI, Bangalore.

- **Blended:** Primarily online learning with periodic in-person sessions at the ITARI campus, conducted from 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM.
- **Hybrid:** Evening online sessions from 4:30 PM to 6:30 PM IST, combined with three 1-week residential sessions at ITARI, Bangalore.

#### **5. What are the two phases of the PGDE-I programme?**

- a. Phase I: PGCE with 60 credits.
- b. Phase II: PGDE-I with 60 credits.

#### **6. Are alternative options available for fee payment?**

We offer EMI options from an accredited third-party financial institution. Details of assistance will be provided upon enrollment.

#### **7. Are there any EMI options available for paying the course fee?**

Yes. We offer EMI options through **GrayQuest**, our accredited financial partner, to make payments more manageable.

#### **8. What is the timeline for the PGDE-I programme?**

- Stage I (September – Feb): PGCE consisting of 60 credits.
- Stage II (March– June): PGDE consisting of 60 credits

#### **9. What modules are included in the PGDE-I programme?**

The programme includes 6 research-based modules:

- a. **EDU 7408:** Expert to Educator
- b. **EDU 7409:** Pedagogy
- c. **EDU 7410:** Contexts in Learning
- d. **EDU 7411:** Professional Study Programme
- e. **EDU 7393:** Research Proposal
- f. **EDU 7412:** Reflecting in Professional Contexts

#### **10. What kind of support is available for students during the programme?**

One of the unique features of the ITARI-BCU programmes is that the participants

receive personalized mentoring and have access to support materials, including the extensive online library of Birmingham City University and continuous support from highly qualified and experienced mentors from both ITARI and BCU.

### **11.What kind of placement assistance is provided?**

We offer comprehensive placement support with reputable international schools (IB, IGCSE, and others). Our alumni have secured positions in some of the most prestigious national and international schools, including Woodstock School, United World College, Oberoi International School, Mallya Aditi International School, The International School Bangalore (TISB), Legacy School, Greenwood High, Neev Academy, Tech Avant-Garde, Pathways World School, Shiv Nadar School (Chennai), Indus International Schools (Bangalore, Hyderabad, Pune, Belagavi), United World Academy, Oakridge International School, Wockhardt Global School (New York), Ambitus World School, SRV International School, Nahar International School, JBCN International School, Harvest International School, Bangalore International School, Welham Boys' School, The Learning Curve International School, and many more. The programme's reputation, academic rigor, and strong placement support make it a valuable steppingstone for educators aspiring to grow in international education.

### **12.What is the success rate of the PGDE-I programme?**

We have consistently achieved a 100% programme completion rate, with graduates securing excellent placements.

### **13.What is a Level 7 programme?**

A prestigious Level 7 qualification (UK level 7 qualification) represents a postgraduate qualification, equivalent to a Master's degree, just one level below a doctorate (Level 8). This makes it a prestigious and advanced degree that is widely recognized internationally.

### **14.Can I pursue further studies after completing the PGDE-I?**

Yes, you have the opportunity to pursue a Master of Arts in Education (M.A.Ed.) through credit transfer to Birmingham City University (BCU), UK.

### **15.How does the PGDE-I programme enhance my career prospects?**

The PGDE-I is a highly respected qualification among international schools,

especially IB schools, where educators often earn up to 10 times more than CBSE/ICSE teachers. Our alumni are in high demand globally and hold positions of influence in leading institutions.

#### **16.What is the average salary offered to graduates?**

Our graduates earn an average monthly salary of approximately INR 75,000.

#### **17.Where can I verify the programme's credentials?**

ITARI is listed on the Birmingham City University website, reflecting our esteemed partnership. You can check the credentials on: <https://www.bcu.ac.uk/international/policies-agents-partnerships/partner-information>

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#### **19.How do I apply for the PGDE-I programme?**

To apply for the PGDE-I programme, you have to

- Complete the [Application Form](#) and submit a Statement of Purpose.
- Review of eligibility and SoP
- Faculty interaction/interview (if need be)

For assistance, feel free to contact us Office of Admissions Phone: + 91 6381728282 / 82176 90832/ 9108178163 or [admissions@itari.in](mailto:admissions@itari.in) / [enquiry@itari.in](mailto:enquiry@itari.in).

#### **20.Can I visit the campus before enrolling in the programme?**

Yes. We encourage all prospective students to visit our Bangalore campus to experience the learning environment firsthand. Contact us to schedule your visit.

#### **21.What opportunities will this programme provide in terms of teaching in**

## **international schools?**

The programme equips you with globally recognized credentials and skills to teach in top international schools across India and abroad. Our alumni are highly regarded for their professional excellence.

## **22.How can I contact ITARI for more information?**

- a. **Phone:** +91 6381728282 / 8217690832/ 9108178163
- b. **Email:** enquiry@itari.in

## **23.Does this programme include QTS/ iQTS qualification**

NO

## **About ITARI**

### **24.What is ITARI?**

Indus Training and Research Institute (ITARI) is a leading teacher education institution in India, dedicated to innovative practices in personalising learning and teacher augmentation. Co-located on the Indus International School, Bangalore campus, ITARI offers a diverse and dynamic learning environment.

### **25.What is ITARI's vision?**

ITARI is committed to creating educators who place humanity at the center of learning. Our vision is to innovate and personalize learning, integrating technology and research to enhance teaching practices. We aim to prepare educators who can meet the challenges of 21st-century education.

### **26.What other programmes does ITARI offer?**

Apart from the PGDE-I, ITARI offers various programmes including:

- a. Master of Arts in Education (M.A. Ed. RPL), Birmingham City University, UK
- b. Cambridge International Diploma in Teaching and Learning (CIDTL)
- c. International Educator Certificate (IEC) for International Baccalaureate (IB)
- d. Postgraduate Programme in Early Childhood Education [Merited with a Diploma]
- e. Professional Development Workshops for Schools and Other Education Institutions

**27. Where are ITARI alumni currently working?**

Our alumni are making significant contributions in various educational institutions worldwide, including prestigious international schools. They are recognized for their skills and are in demand across different countries.