PhD Admission (Spring 2026–27) – IIT Bombay (Chemistry)

FAQs

Q1. How does a candidate proceed with hostel booking if he/ she is attending the PhD interview (Spring 2026–27) at IIT Bombay?

If you require accommodation for any in-person admission test/interview, you can request hostel booking through the admission portal.(*Note: Hostel accommodation portal will be closed 3 days prior to the respective Interview dates)

Steps:

- Go to portal.iitb.ac.in
- Click on PhD Admission
- Select Online Application (for registered applicants)
- Log in using your login ID and password
- After successful login, request hostel accommodation

For hostel accommodation and related queries,

Contact: Deputy Registrar, Hostel Coordinating Unit (HCU), Ground Floor, Main Building, IIT Bombay. Phone: 022-25768900 / 8901.

Email: arhcu@iitb.ac.in / hcu.office@iitb.ac.in

Make sure you book the hostel accommodation well in advance. You may have to report to HCU office after reaching IIT Bombay

Q2. What if a candidate wants to change the PhD interview date or committee preference (Chemistry)?

PhD interviews for the Chemistry Department (Spring 2026–27) are scheduled on 27th, and 28th November 2026.

If you wish to change your interview date (within these dates), change your committee preference (Physical / Inorganic / Organic), or have any other query, you should send a request to **admission@chem.iitb.ac.in**

Q3. What is the mode of the PhD interview?

The interview will be conducted strictly in offline mode. There will not be any PPT presentation. But it will be chalk/board format; candidates will answer on the board.

Q4. What are the reporting time and venue for the PhD Spring 2026 Chemistry interview?

Reporting Time: 9.00 am on the date of the Interview.

Venue: LH301, third floor, Lecture Hall Complex, L1 building (between Physics and MEMS Dept.)

Separate emails regarding time, venue and contact person have been sent to all shortlisted candidates who submitted the Google Form circulated by the Department of Chemistry and based on the date preferences indicated by the candidates, interviews have been scheduled on **27th & 28th November 2026**.

Q5. What do candidates need to bring on the day of the interview?

Candidates must bring original documents plus one set of copies of all the mentioned documents—degree certificate/marksheets and relevant certificates (CSIR JRF/LS-NET, INSPIRE provisional letter, GATE scorecard, caste/EWS/PwD certificate), whichever is applicable. These will be verified before the interview by the assigned departmental Staff.

Q6. Where can candidates find information about research topics and faculty for the PhD interview (Chemistry)?

Visit the Official PhD Admissions Page

-Clicking the faculty name will redirect you to their research group webpage and research-related information.

Q7. Will there be separate interview panels for Organic/Inorganic/Physical?

Yes, there will be separate interview panels. Depending on the number of candidates, there can be two panels for organic/inorganic. You will be interviewed by one of the panels.

Q8. Can I attend two committees for an interview?

Yes, If your first choice is inorganic/organic, you can attend physical. Similarly, if your first choice is physical/organic, you can appear for Inorganic. However, for the Organic panel, the second choice option will not be entertained.

Q9. How can candidates contact faculty for more information about research topics?

Candidates can contact faculty members using the Email IDs mentioned below their names in the **PhD admission Spring 2026-27** link on the Chemistry, IIT website. You can directly email the faculty for further information on their research topics. Alternatively, you may also interact with faculty members on the day of the interview, subject to their availability in their offices.

Q10. When will the results of the interviews be announced?

The results will be typically announced within two weeks after the interview. You may keep checking the admission portal for updates.

Q11. When will the assignment of supervisors be done?

The assignment of supervisors will take place only after students have joined the programme. While every effort will be made to accommodate students' first-choice supervisors to the greatest extent possible, this may not always be feasible, particularly when the number of applicants for certain groups exceeds the number of available projects.

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