

# Big pay packets for ISB students

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**New Delhi, April 2:** The class of 2008, Indian School of Business, Hyderabad, has reason to be pleased. With an average annual salary of no less than Rs 58 lakhs for those who have got international placements and Rs 19 lakhs annually for those with placements within India, they are expectedly wearing huge smiles on their faces. Why wouldn't they, given that these stu-

dents of one of India's leading private B-school are commanding placement pay-packages that match up to the prestigious IIMs. The class of 2008 comprised 450 students with nearly 25 per cent of them being women.

The ISB authorities will not reveal what the highest pay-packet pocketed by a student is or the salaries of a few students who are at the upper end of the scale. They have their reasons for this. Says the ISB dean, M. Ram-mohan Rao: "We believe

that announcing the CTC of a handful of students out of a large class of 450 does not give a clear and fair picture of the entire class's performance. In keeping with the tradition followed by international B-schools, we will henceforth share information that is representative of the student body."

But here are the average salaries of students who have been placed abroad. The highest average salary per year is for those who have found placement in

Europe with it being an astounding Rs 62.7 lakhs. Those with placements in the Asia Pacific region will be earning an average salary of Rs 58.2 lakhs while those with jobs in West Asia will be earning an average of Rs 50.2 lakhs. Those who have found placements in the US will be taking home an average pay-packet of Rs 55.4 lakhs.

The ISB admits only those students who have at least two years of work experience.