

How to Reach IIT Mandi Campus

Mandi is a small town at the centre of Himachal Pradesh, on the way to the popular resorts of Kullu and Manali. The main campus of IIT Mandi is situated in Kamand village, which is 19 km away from Mandi Inter-State Bus Terminus (ISBT). The travel time between Mandi bus stand and IIT Mandi campus is around 45 min. Regular bus services are available between Mandi town and IIT Mandi Campus. During the congress days special busses will be arranged for the participants to travel between Mandi Town and IIT Mandi Campus (tentatively, at 8 a.m. from Mandi Town to IIT Mandi Campus, 6:30 p.m. from IIT Mandi Campus to Mandi Town).

Please note that IIT Mandi has two campuses (South campus/Kamand campus and North Campus/Salgi campus). Both the campuses are well connected by regular campus buses. The congress related activities will be held in the North campus. However, hostel accommodation (only with prior registration through online portal) will be provided as per the availability in either campuses.

To Reach Mandi, Himachal Pradesh by Air

Mandi is well connected by road from three airports (i) Chandigarh airport (IXC), (ii) Dharmshala (Gaggal) airport, (DHM), and (iii) Kullu (Bhuntar) airport (KUU). Most preferred way to travel by air among all the above three is via Chandigarh airport, which is well connected with non-stop flights from Delhi, Mumbai, Hyderabad, Bangalore, Kolkata and Chennai. Mandi is 214 km away from Chandigarh with travel time of about 6 hours. Dharamshala airport is about 130 km from IIT Mandi campus and it takes about 3.5 hours to reach from there. Kullu airport is around 50 km from IIT Mandi campus with travel time of about 1.5 hours. However, please make a note that the airports at Kullu and Dharmshala are weather depended and often remain close in the winter due to low visibility.

To Reach Mandi, Himachal Pradesh by Road/Bus

Mandi is well connected from all nearby major cities specially with Delhi and Chandigarh. From Delhi, frequent service of buses (ranging from ordinary, air conditioned deluxe and Volvo/Scania) are provided by both state and private transporters. Buses ply from Maharana Pratap ISBT, Kashmiri Gate, Delhi towards Mandi/Joginder Nagar (via Mandi)/Kullu/Manali. Mandi is around 435 km far from Delhi and travel time is around 10-12 hours depending on the traffic conditions. The buses to Mandi/Manali ply from Sector 43 bus stand, Chandigarh. The distance between Chandigarh bus stand to Mandi is about 185 km and typically covered in around 5-6 hours.

Online booking for bus: www.hrtchp.com, www.redbus.in.

To Reach Mandi, Himachal Pradesh by Train

Nearest well-connected railway stations to Mandi are (i) Kiratpur Sahib, and (ii) Chandigarh. Delhi to Kiratpur Sahib can be travelled by Delhi-Una Himachal Express (Train Number 14553). It takes about 4 hours to reach Mandi from Kiratpur Sahib by road. However, there are well connected trains to Chandigarh from all parts of India.

Online booking for train: www.irctc.co.in.

Preparing for Weather

Temperature in Kamand during mid-December typically varies between 20°C (day) to 10°C (night). The temperature may fall below 5°C in extreme case if it snows in surrounding regions.

For more on weather forecast please visit

(i) https://www.yr.no/place/India/Himachal_Pradesh/Mandi/long.html,

(ii) <https://www.accuweather.com/en/in/kamand/3021922/weather-forecast/3021922>