

Arrival Information : Getting to TIFR

The TIFR campus is situated by the seashore at the south end of Mumbai in an area called Navy Nagar, in Colaba. To get to TIFR you should ask to be taken to “Navy Nagar bus terminus” via Cuffe Parade. Once you get there, someone should be able to guide you to TIFR. The bus terminus is on Homi Bhabha Road, at the end of which TIFR is located. The inset to the Mumbai map overleaf shows an enlarged view of Colaba area, and the location of TIFR and the Churchgate and CST railway stations.

Arrival by Rail:

Mumbai’s main long-distance train stations are at:

1. Mumbai Central, Bandra Terminus and Dadar, for trains on the Western and Northern Railways.
2. Chattrapati Shivaji Terminus (C.S.T., also known by its old name “VT”-Victoria Terminus), Kurla Terminus (Lokmanya Tilak Terminus) and Dadar, for trains on Central, Eastern, Konkan and Southern Railways.

Mumbai Central and CST are the closest long-distance train stations to TIFR (local suburban trains come till Churchgate on the Western line). Taxis and buses are the common transport modes from the rail terminals, the former are most convenient especially when you have luggage. Taxis are almost always available on demand. *We advise you not to hail a taxi from solicitors who may approach you at the railway stations.* The taxis run by meter (insist on going by the meter) with a card to map the figure on the meter to the actual amount you will be charged. Always ask for the card. The meter reading is to be multiplied by approximately 13 to 14 to arrive at the fare. There are different rates for day and night (night = midnight to 6:00am). The night rates are one and a half times the day rates. You may be charged extra for luggage.

If you are coming to Mumbai by Central Railway, first get to CST/VT Railway Station (take a local train from Dadar/Kurla if you arrive there), From VT, one can take BEST bus route numbers 3, 6, 11, 125 all of which terminate at Navy Nagar. Get off the bus and walk ~ 250m down the road to the Institute. The taxi fare from CST to TIFR is about Rs 70/-. Ask the driver to take you to Navy Nagar and go past the Navy Nagar bus depot. .

If you are coming to Mumbai by Western Railway, take a local train from Mumbai Central/Dadar/Bandra to come to Churchgate Railway Station. BEST bus route number 137 comes to Navy Nagar. The stop is opposite Asiatic Departmental Store on the road in front of Churchgate Railway Station. The taxi fare from Churchgate to TIFR is about Rs 50/-. The taxi fare from Mumbai Central to TIFR is about Rs 125/-.

Arrival by Air: Airport Terminals

1. Santacruz terminal 1A (Indian Airlines flight) and Santacruz terminal 1B (All other domestic airlines): Outside each of these terminals there is a queue of waiting taxis regulated by a traffic policeman who will help you secure a cab.
2. Sahar International Terminal (all international flights and some night domestic flights run by Air India). A **prepaid** taxi service counter is at the exit and is recommended. You pay at the counter and get a voucher that is given to the taxi driver; you should not pay anything extra to the driver at the destination! The prepaid taxi fare to TIFR is Rs. 400/-.

If you encounter any difficulties please call TIFR : 22782000.

Approx. Taxi fares to TIFR

Taxi Fare to TIFR From	Approx Rs.
Sahar Intl. Airport <i>(Take PREPAID Taxi!)</i>	400
Santacruz Domestic A'port	275
Chatrapati Shivaji Train Terminus, CST (VT)	70
Kurla Train Terminus (Lokmanya Tilak)	250
Dadar Rly Stn.	170
Bandra Train Terminus	225
Mumbai Central Rly Stn.	125
Churchgate Rly Stn.	50
Cuffe Parade	20
Gateway of India	40

Conversion factor: 13-14 times Meter Reading (day), add 50% for night.

