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Education institutions celebrate 72nd Republic Day

Awards, flag-hoisting and competitions mark the day

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The NCC Girls marching contingent. Image Source: Twitter

Educational institutions across the country celebrated the 72nd Republic Day in blended mode. The on-campus celebrations were in strict adherence to COVID-19 safety guidelines.

The University Grants Commission (UGC) had asked universities and colleges to organise virtual events to celebrate Republic Day.

IIT Kharagpur

The board of governors of the institute announced the Distinguished Service Award 2020 to recognise outstanding service to the institute and its alumni community. Those honoured were Vipin Popat (1976 BTech), director of Raghuvanshi (P) Ltd and partner in Jaybee Engg. works owner Dolphin Inc, Kolkata; Shiladitya Basu (1999 BTech), technical professional leader of Marine, KBR Consulting, Houston; Pankaj Kr Singh (1985 BTech), chief bridge engineer, South Eastern Railway, Kolkata.

IIM Calcutta

The B-school felicitated alumnus Shyam Srinivasan, managing director and CEO of Federal Bank, as the Business Standard Banker of 2019-20 for his bank's consistently healthy

performance at a time when most of its peers witnessed large stress on asset quality and registered losses.

IIT Bhubaneswar

IIT Bhubaneswar celebrated the 72nd Republic Day with patriotic fervour. The ceremony started with unfurling of the National Flag, followed by review of the parade by R.V. Raja Kumar, the director of the institute. Kumar reminded everyone that Republic Day marks the adoption of the Constitution of India with its assurance of justice, equality and liberty. He called on everyone at IIT Bhubaneswar to uphold the core values of Constitution.

IIT Bombay

IIT Bombay appreciated the corona warriors from the institute who worked during the lockdown and lent a helping hand to the needy during the pandemic. As a token of gratitude, 938 IIT Bombay staff, faculty and students were felicitated and given online certificates in appreciation of their contribution.

The winners of an essay-writing competition on *Satark Bharat*, *Samriddh Bharat* (Vigilant India, Prosperous India): My Roadmap held during Vigilance Awareness Week 2020 were displayed on screen during the live event. Respecting the COVID-19 guidelines, the institute decided not to organise march past this year.

IIT Hyderabad

IIT Hyderabad and IIIT Raichur celebrated the 72nd RepublicDay with minimum gathering and live broadcast of the event. The same can be seen by **clicking here**.

IIM Bangalore

The SPIC MACAY IIM Bangalore Chapter is holding Yamini 2021, the biggest dusk-to-dawn musical extravaganza in Bangalore. Enjoy the music live by <u>clicking here.</u>

The flag-hoisting ceremony was presided over by T Krishnan, director, IIM Bangalore.

IIT Madras

Environmentalist Sunita Narain addressed a webinar hosted by IIT Madras on Republic Day and spoke on Gandhi and Cities: Challenges of Affordable and Sustainable Growth. Professor Sudhir Chella Rajan, department of humanities and social sciences and Indo-German Centre for Sustainability, IIT Madras, moderated the discussion. Narain is director-general, Centre for Science and Environment, New Delhi. She has also been appointed a member of One Health Global Leaders Group on Anti-microbial Resistance, which reports to the secretary-general of the United Nations. The institute wished its students, staff and the nation of this solemn occasion.

IIT Delhi

The institute organised a tennis ball cricket match between employees and students to mark Republic Day.

Kendriya Vidyalaya

At Kendriya Vidyalaya, Joka, teachers were present on campus for Republic Day celebrations. Students joined virtually. Kendriya Vidyalaya, NER, Bareilly, celebrated the day in hybrid (both physical and virtual) mode.

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