



Semiconductor & ESDM Park in Collaboration with IIT Bhubaneswar: Prime Minister Lays Foundation Stone

Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has laid the foundation stone of the upcoming Semiconductor and ESDM (Electronic System Design and Manufacturing) Park in virtual mode from Jharsuguda, during his visit to Odisha today. The upcoming 200+ acres Park will be established in collaboration with IIT Bhubaneswar. The Union Cabinet has already approved a compound semiconductor fab and a 3-D Glass packaging unit together worth over Rs. 4000 Crores under the India Semiconductor Mission (ISM) in August this year. Last year, Odisha Govt. had approved another Compound Semiconductor project worth Rs 618 crore. These projects together with the upcoming park will position Odisha as a national hub in the emerging semiconductor landscape.



Speaking on this occasion, Prof. Shreepad Karmalkar, Director, IIT Bhubaneswar said: "IIT Bhubaneswar is passionately committed to the development of Academia-Government-Industry collaboration and entrepreneurship, aspects emphasized much in the NEP 2020. It is heartening to note that Govt. of Odisha has taken a strategic decision to establish a Semiconductor and ESDM Park near Bhubaneswar. IIT Bhubaneswar feels privileged to provide its land and intellectual input for this national effort".

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Global South Young Diplomats Visit IIT Bhubaneswar to Explore Innovation, Research, and Collaboration

A delegation of 39 young diplomats from 39 different countries, participating in the 3rd Special Course for the Global South Young Diplomats Forum (GSYDF) visited IIT Bhubaneswar on 13th September as part of their academic and cultural immersion in India. The visit highlighted India's commitment to strengthening the voice of the Global South through knowledge sharing, collaboration, and people-to-people engagement.



The flagship programme, organized by the Sushma Swaraj Institute of Foreign Service (SSIFS) from 8–19 September 2025, was launched in 2023 following the Voice of the Global South Summit convened by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India. This year's edition brings together young diplomats from across developing nations to build synergies on global priorities and challenges.



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At IIT Bhubaneswar, Prof. Shreepad Karmalkar, Director of the Institute, delivered a welcome address and presentation introducing the Institute's vision, academic ecosystem, and research strengths. Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Karmalkar said: "IIT Bhubaneswar is committed to advancing knowledge and innovation that address not only India's needs but also global challenges. We look forward to exploring opportunities for academic and research collaborations with the countries represented here today."

The visit provided the diplomats with an opportunity to engage in lively interaction with the Director and faculty members to explore the existing academic and international research collaborations. The discussions also showcased IIT Bhubaneswar's growing leadership in science, technology, and sustainable solutions. The delegation then explored some of the Institute's cutting-edge facilities, including the Silicon Carbide Research & Incubation Centre; Research and Entrepreneurship Park; Robotics Laboratory and Active Collaborative Learning Classrooms. These visits showcased IIT Bhubaneswar's commitment to advancing technology-driven innovation, entrepreneurship, and experiential learning.



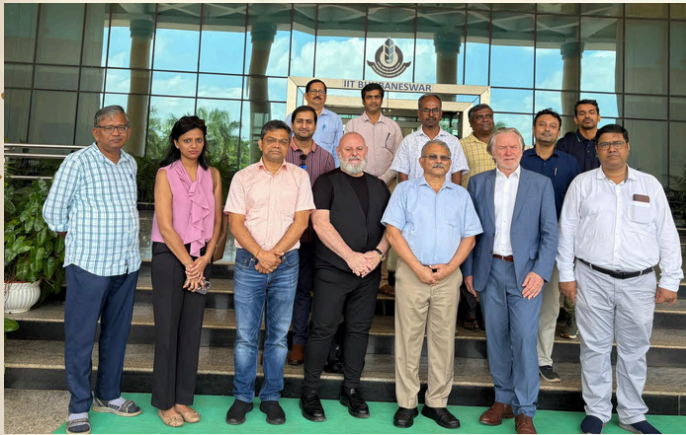
On behalf of SSIFS, Shri Raj Kumar Srivastava, Dean; Dr. Amrita Banerjee, Deputy Secretary and Dr. Sama Haq, Faculty accompanied the delegates. The programme was coordinated by Prof. Ashis Biswas, Dean (Alumni, Corporate and International Relations) and Shri Bamadev Acharya, Registrar of the Institute. Senior faculty members and officers were present on the occasion.



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Australian High Commissioner visits IIT Bhubaneswar

Australian High Commissioner to India Mr. Philip Green OAM visited IIT Bhubaneswar on 30th September 2025, underscoring the growing academic and research partnership between India and Australia. He was accompanied by Mr. George Thiveos, Minister-Counsellor (Education and Research) and Ms. Angelina Nair, Senior Research and Visits Officer. This visit served as an important opportunity to gain deeper insights into the Institute's key research priorities and the broader research and innovation ecosystem in Odisha.



During the interaction held on the occasion, the High Commissioner met with Prof. Shreepad Karmalkar, Director of IIT Bhubaneswar, along with Prof. Rajesh Roshan Dash, Dean (Alumni, Corporate & International Relations, In-Charge); Prof. Dinakar Pasla, Dean (Sponsored Research & industrial Consultancy); Heads of Schools, faculty members, and representatives from the Research and Entrepreneurship Park (REP). On this occasion, Prof. Karmalkar made a presentation introducing the Institute's unique strengths in teaching-learning, research, industry-academia collaboration, entrepreneurship development, teacher education, and mental wellness measures.



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The Australian delegation highlighted that with India now the second-largest source of students in Australia, the focus is on building a two-way education partnership through new campuses, collaborations in India including Odisha, and the upcoming Australia-India Education and Skills Council meeting in Bhubaneswar this December.



Discussions centered on aligning the Institute's research strengths with Odisha's economic drivers and long-term development goals, while also exploring potential areas of collaboration with Australian universities. Faculty members who are already engaged in research partnerships with Australian institutions also participated in the deliberations.

As part of the visit, the High Commissioner toured select research facilities, including the Central Research and Instrumentation Facility (CRIF), the Research and Entrepreneurship Park (REP) and the Silicon Carbide Research and Innovation Center (SiCRIC) of the Institute. The visit highlighted IIT Bhubaneswar's strong emphasis on research and innovation and its commitment to fostering international collaborations.

The visit comes ahead of the upcoming Australia-India Education and Skills Council meeting scheduled to be held in Bhubaneswar this December. The High Commissioner's interaction with IIT Bhubaneswar is expected to strengthen mutual understanding and lay the foundation for expanded cooperation in education, skills, and research between the two nations.



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IIT Bhubaneswar organizes talk on ‘Toward Green and Sustainable Pathways for Resource Utilization’

“India stands at a critical juncture in its mineral resource utilization. Rising demand for metals is inevitable, but it is equally important to rethink the environmental implications of extraction,” said Prof. B.K. Mishra, Distinguished Visiting Professor, IIT Bhubaneswar and Former Director, IIT Goa.



He questioned whether steel can be produced without coal, how India can meet rising demand for non-ferrous metals and rare earths, and what is needed to build a resilient base of critical minerals. Stressing a shift from linear to circular models, he highlighted recycling and valorizing by-products like fly ash and mine tailings, along with green innovations and secondary sourcing.

While immediate answers may be elusive, he noted, “asking the right questions and exploring sustainable practices will help strike a balance between industrial growth and environmental responsibility.”

Speaking on this occasion, Prof. Shreepad Karmalkar, Director of the Institute urged the students to understand the value of ‘multidisciplinary’ approach. He said: “Real world problems are multidisciplinary in nature. So, students should think out of the box.” He also asked the students to develop interest in entrepreneurship, so that they would contribute for the betterment of society.

At the outset, Prof. Dinakar Pasla, Dean (Sponsored Research & Industrial Consultancy) delivered the welcome address and introduced the chief guest. The event was witnessed by the Deans, Registrar, senior faculty members, staff and an overwhelming student population of the Institute.



IIT Bhubaneswar Hosts International Workshop on Fire Safety in Steel and Composite Structures

The School of Infrastructure, IIT Bhubaneswar, in collaboration with the Odisha State Disaster Management Authority (OSDMA), successfully organized a one-day International Workshop on Structural Instability Analysis of Thin-Walled Steel Structures Under Fire-Induced Thermo-Mechanical Loading, with a special focus on Fire Safety in Steel and Composite Structures, on 17th September 2025. The event was supported under the Scheme for Promotion of Academic and Research Collaboration (SPARC), Ministry of Education, Government of India. The workshop brought together leading experts, government officials, industry professionals, and students to deliberate on challenges and advancements in fire-safe structural design.



Other speakers included Prof. Gaurav Srivastava (IIT Gandhinagar) on fire-resistant design, Prof. M.Z. Naser (Clemson University, USA) on machine learning in fire response, and Dr. Anil Agarwal (IIT Hyderabad) on robust composite connections. The event drew participation from OSDMA, IDCO, PWD Odisha, RITES, AIMIL, and academia from IIT and OUTR Bhubaneswar. Discussions centered on material degradation, stability challenges, and design guidelines, with the valedictory session recognizing contributions and marking the workshop as a step forward in fire safety engineering and disaster preparedness.



IIT Bhubaneswar organizes Industry Academia Conclave 2025

The Career Development Cell of the Institute organized the Industry Academia Conclave 2025 on 30th August 2025. The event served as a platform to facilitate meaningful dialogue between industry leaders, academic experts, and students, aimed at strengthening synergies for innovation, research, and talent development.

The Conclave was inaugurated by Mr. Sashi Sekhar Mohanty, CEO & MD, Essar Minmet Ltd, who emphasized the need for deeper partnerships between academia and industry to address emerging technological challenges and workforce requirements.



The academic sessions were enriched by eminent representatives from leading global and national organizations such as Micron Technology, EATON Corporation, ZScaler, Exponent Energy, Boeing, AstraZeneca, Skyroot Aerospace, ICON plc, Volvo Group, SAP, Kristellar Aerospace, and Quantum Street AI who deliberated on emerging domains spanning aerospace, pharmaceuticals, advanced manufacturing, energy, and digital transformation.

Dr. Chetan, Convenor of the Conclave, delivered the welcome address in the inaugural session and Dr. Jothi Saravanan T., Co-convenor, proposed the vote of thanks. Dr. Srikant Gollapudi, Professor-in-Charge, Career Development Cell with the support of the CDC team consisting of Mr. Rabi Patnaik and others and student volunteers lead by Mr. Kumar Snehal coordinated the programme.

The sessions offered students insights into industry practices, innovations, and career trends, while delegates explored IIT Bhubaneswar's advanced labs. The Industry Academia Conclave 2025 reaffirmed the Institute's commitment to bridging academia and industry through impactful research, innovation, and talent development.



Our Faculty's Innovation gets recognition at National Level

The innovations made by Dr. Yogesh G. Bhumkar, School of Mechanical Sciences has garnered attention at the national level. It may be mentioned that the Indian Army, along with the Integrated Defence Staff, Indian Navy, and Indian Air Force, organised a Curtain Raiser at the Manekshaw Centre, New Delhi, for the Tri-Services Academia Technology Symposium on 22nd and 23rd September 2025. On this occasion, the unmanned boat USV (Unmanned Surface Vehicle) and underwater drone AUV (Autonomous Underwater Vehicle) exhibited by Dr. Bhumkar were appreciated and awarded as an ongoing R&D effort and identified for future adoption by the Army after further enhancements and testing. Dr. Bhumkar received the award from Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Hon'ble Union Minister of Education on 23rd September 2025.



It is to be noted that USVs and AUVs are used for surveillance in oceans, seas, and coastal areas. USVs move on the water's surface and can monitor ship traffic, detect illegal activities like smuggling or unauthorized fishing, and send real-time data to operators. AUVs work underwater and are useful for secretly observing areas below the surface, such as detecting submarines or underwater mines. Together, they help improve security and awareness in maritime environments without putting human lives at risk.

The event was aimed to boost collaboration between academia and the Armed Forces for advancing indigenous technologies. Research proposals and exhibits from different Institutes and startups were reviewed by Defence experts, with shortlisted entries showcased during the exhibition and recognised during the programme.



IIT Bhubaneswar Study warns of Overlooked Risks from Small Mountain Lakes

A new study published in Communications Earth & Environment highlights the underestimated risks posed by small lakes in mountain regions, exemplified by a destructive flood event in Nepal's Limi Valley.

On May 15, 2025, the remote village of Til in Northwestern Nepal was hit by a sudden debris-laden flood, which swept away vital infrastructure including a recently constructed 15 kW hydropower plant, bridges, roads, and nearly 0.25 km² of farmland. The flood also destabilized riverbanks, preconditioning further hazards in the valley. The study emphasizes that small high-mountain lakes, often overlooked compared to large glacial lakes, have the potential to cause severe disasters when they suddenly drain. The authors argue that such events are frequently mischaracterized or underestimated in risk assessments, leading to gaps in disaster preparedness.



Full Paper:
<https://www.nature.com/articles/s43247-025-02758-4>

The study calls for the recognition and monitoring of risks associated with small lakes in the Himalaya and other high-mountain regions, urging policymakers, scientists, and disaster management agencies to incorporate them in the current approaches to risk assessment.

The authors underscore the urgent need for revised hazard perception and improved disaster resilience strategies of mountain communities, where small lakes are often neglected in planning but can cause disproportionately large loss and damage.

“The Himalaya has many small lakes in the higher reaches,” says Dr. Sattar. “However, these conditions and processes are not only localised in High Mountain Asia, but other glacierized mountain ranges too, such as the Andes, highlighting the global dimension of this topic” adds Dr. Emmer. Therefore, effective decision-making and sustainable governance need to consider small lakes that can threaten vulnerable downstream communities with limited resilience and coping capacity. “Its high-time for science-based planning, strict policies, early warning systems, and community preparedness—before the next small lake outburst becomes another Himalayan tragedy.” says Dr. Mohd Farooq Azam, ICIMOD.

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IIT Bhubaneswar Faculty for being recognised Among
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IIT Bhubaneswar organizes Cleanliness Drive

IIT Bhubaneswar joined the nation in the Swachhata Hi Seva 2025 campaign with a cleanliness drive near the Institute Main Gate on 25th September 2025. As part of the nationwide initiative “Ek Din, Ek Ghanta, Ek Saath”, the members of the Institute came together with great enthusiasm to contribute to the vision of a cleaner and healthier India. The theme of this year’s campaign, Swachhotsav, reflects the festive spirit of collective action.



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Swachhata Hi Seva Special Campaign: IIT Bhubaneswar felicitates SafaiMitras

IIT Bhubaneswar felicitated its Housekeeping staff with the SafaiMitra Award-2025 for their significant contributions to cleaning activities inside and outside the campus during the Swachhata Hi Seva-2025 campaign. The Awards were handed over by Prof. Shreepad Karmalkar, Director, IIT Bhubaneswar on 26th September 2025. It may be mentioned that IIT Bhubaneswar joined the Nation in the Swachhata Hi Seva Special Campaign and conducted various activities reiterating its commitment towards cleanliness, in line with this year's theme 'Swachhotsav'.



On 26th September, Swachhata Pledge was administered to the members of the Institute. Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Shreepad Karmalkar, Director of the Institute stressed on the importance of cleanliness in the Institute. On this occasion, in addition to the distribution of the SafaiMitra Award, awards for poster and slogan competitions held earlier on Swachhata Hi Seva were handed over to the students and children of the campus. Prof. Rajesh Roshan Dash and Shri Bamadev Acharya also spoke on the occasion and highlighted on the various initiatives being executed and planned to ensure the cleanliness of the Institute premises.



IIT Bhubaneswar organises Hindi Workshop and Hindi Kavi Sammelan



The Official Language Unit, Rajbhasha Ekak of the Institute organized a Hindi workshop for all the officers and staff members of the Institute on 8th September 2025. Dr. Rajeev Rawat, Senior Hindi Officer, IIT Kharagpur graced the workshop as the chief guest and shared his experiences and knowledge on 'Important Aspects to be considered during Official Letter Writing and Technical Translations'.



The workshop was inaugurated by Dr. Avijit Kumar, Professor-in-charge of the Official Language Unit, who welcomed all the participants. Officers and staff members actively participated in this programme. The workshop was coordinated by Mr. Hemant Kumar Yadav, Hindi translator and he also proposed a vote of thanks. Prior to this, the annual Hindi Kavi Sammelan 'Kavyanjali' of the Institute was organised on 6th September 2025, which witnessed the magical recitation of Hindi poems by luminaries like Mr. Shambhu Shikhar, Mr. Swayam Srivastava, Ms. Manika Dubey, Mr. Chirag Sharma and Mr. Vikramaditya Singh. Organised jointly by the Rajbhasha Ekak and Abhivyakti, the Hindi Literary Society of the Institute, the programme enthralled the audience with enchanting recitations of own powerful Hindi poetic creations. The students of the Institute also performed on this occasion. Dr. Rajeev Rawat moderated the programme.



Hindi Book Exhibition

As part of the Hindi Pakhwada celebrations, a Hindi book exhibition was inaugurated today at the Central Library of IIT Bhubaneswar. On this occasion, the exhibition was formally inaugurated by Shri Bamdev Acharya, Registrar, in the presence of Dr. Avijit Kumar, Professor-in-Charge (Official Language Unit),



Plantation Drive under Ek Ped Maa ke Naam



As part of the 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam Campaign-2.0' and 'Swachhata Hi Seva' programme, IIT Bhubaneswar, organised a mass plantation drive in its premises on 17th September 2025. The members of the Institute participated in the drive in a large number with enthusiasm and vigour and planted about 100 avenue, fruit-bearing and ornamental saplings in IIT Bhubaneswar campus.

Prof. Rajesh Roshan Dash, Dean (Student Affairs); Shri Bamadev Acharya, Registrar; Dr. Sivaiah Bathula, Coordinator-NSS and Shri K. Rabin Kumar Dora, Superintending Engineer of IIT Bhubaneswar led the plantation drive and planted saplings. Mr. K.V. Reddy, Horticulturist coordinated in the event.

Meeting with Japanese Delegates on Research and Academic Collaboration



A meeting with delegates from Tottori Prefecture, Japan, was held on 2nd September 2025. The discussions focused on potential research collaborations, faculty exchange programmes, student internships, signing of MoUs, and placement opportunities.

The delegation highlighted opportunities in sectors such as tourism, agriculture, healthcare, and IT, emphasizing Tottori's natural beauty and growing industries. IIT Bhubaneswar expressed keen interest in academic collaboration through faculty exchange programmes, joint research activities, student internships, and placement opportunities in IT and AI sectors in Japan.



Key attendees included Prof. Ashis Biswas, Dean (AC & IR), Dr. Naresh Chandra Sahu, Dr. Akshay Kumar Rath, Ms. Mami Kimura, JICA, KIIT Bhubaneswar, Shri Pradeep Kumar Sahoo, Dy. Registrar (AC & IR) and Shri Rabi Kumar Patnaik, CDPO.

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Blood Donation Camp

The NSS Bureau, Pravaah and Social & Cultural teams of Students Gymkhana of the Institute, in collaboration with NGO Sahaya and S.C.B. Medical College and Hospital, Cuttack, organized a mega blood donation camp, namely 'Umeed 5.0' today. 195 units of blood were collected during the camp, held at the Community Centre inside the Institute campus.



Prof. Rajesh Roshan Dash, Dean (Student Affairs), and Shri Bamadev Acharya, Registrar of the Institute, graced the occasion and motivated the donors. Among others, Dr. Seema Bahinipati, Professor-in-Charge (Healthcare); Dr. Santhoshkumar G (Chairperson, Pravaah); Dr. Suvradipta Mullick (Faculty Advisor, Social & Cultural); Secretary (Student Gymkhana), Chief Coordinator (Pravaah), Representatives of Souls for Solace, and Chandra Sekhar (NSS Coordinator); Dr. Samhati Tripathy, Blood Bank Officer; and the team from S.C.B. Medical College and Hospital, Cuttack, along with Shri Kailash Sarangi and team from NGO Sahaya were present on the occasion. Dr. Sivaiah Bathula, Coordinator-NSS, coordinated the camp. The members of the faculty, staff, students, and residents of the Institute participated in this noble initiative and donated blood.



Talk on “Reducing Consumption of Sugar, Salt and Oil”

As part of the National Nutrition Month, Sanjeevan Health Centre, IIT Bhubaneswar, in collaboration with Kalinga Hospital, organized an awareness talk on "Reducing Consumption of Sugar, Salt and Oil" today at the Community Centre, IIT Bhubaneswar. The session was delivered by Dr. Anjana Tripathy, Clinical Nutritionist, Kalinga Hospital, Bhubaneswar, and was accompanied by millet food sampling and sale to encourage healthier food choices.



Addressing the gathering, Dr. Tripathy emphasized that excess sugar, salt, and fat are “silent culprits” behind obesity, diabetes, and heart ailments. She urged adopting small changes like opting for fruit-infused water, limiting salt in cooking, and measuring oil use. Highlighting the role of preventive nutrition, she added, “Food is medicine — by choosing whole grains, fruits, vegetables, and healthy fats, we can safeguard our overall health and liver function.”

As part of the programme, millet-based foods were showcased, sampled, and made available for sale, underscoring their value as a sustainable and nutritious dietary option. The initiative reinforced the message of “Nutrition for All – Together Towards a Healthy India.”

Smt. Shruti Karmalkar, Advisor, Residents’ Clubs, IIT Bhubaneswar graced the programme. Dr. Seema Bahinipati, Professor-in-Charge (Healthcare), Dr. Sivaiah Bathula, NSS Coordinator and Dr. Mansoor Ahmed Khan, Senior Medical Officer, were present on the occasion.



Health Check-up Camp as part of Sewa Parv and Swasth Nari, Sashakt Parivar Abhiyaan

As part of the ongoing 'Sewa Parv' and 'Swasth Nari, Sashakt Parivar Abhiyan', Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bhubaneswar, organised a Health Check-up Camp for the female fraternity of the Institute; residents of the migrant workers' colony and the sanitary workers of the campus on 21st September 2025. The camp was conducted jointly by the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA), Women Welfare Committee (WWC), Team NSS, Sanjeevan Health Center, and Team Literacy Mission of IIT Bhubaneswar.



As part of the health camp, Dr. Anu Bansal of Sanjeevan Health Center conducted an awareness session on breast, cervical, and oral cancers, emphasizing early detection and recommending HPV vaccination for cervical cancer prevention. The camp offered health screenings, including blood pressure, blood sugar, and hemoglobin tests, followed by doctor consultations, free medicines, and guidance on childcare and nutrition. Participants were also advised on menstrual hygiene, and reusable sanitary pads were distributed. Around 75 women benefited from the camp, organized with the support of NSS, WWC, and UBA volunteers.



Dr. Seema Bahinipati, Professor-in-Charge (Health Care); Dr. Madhusmita Dash, Coordinator (UBA); Dr. Anasuya Roychowdhury, Chairperson (WWC); Dr. Sivaiah Bathula, NSS Coordinator and Dr. Mansoor Ahmed Khan, Senior Medical Officer, Sanjeevan Health Center were present on this occasion.

UBA organises Outreach Programme as part of the Sewa Parv



As part of the ongoing Sewa Parv, the student volunteers of the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA) Cell of IIT Bhubaneswar conducted an outreach programme in Khudupur village on 27th September, 2025. The session was inaugurated by Dr. Madhusmita Dash (UBA Coordinator) and Dr. Debasree Purkayastha (Assistant Professor, School of Infrastructure), who briefed the villagers about the vision and mission of UBA.

Student volunteers Sriram G, Devansh, Harsh, Krishna, Pritam, Surendra, Subodh, Aswini, G. Sugamani and Pratigyana Sahoo conducted experiential sessions focused on women's digital literacy. Villagers were guided in essential skills like using mobile phones for photos, WhatsApp messaging, document scanning, YouTube for learning, UPI payments, and railway ticket booking. Women showed great enthusiasm, eager to apply these skills for both personal and family benefit.

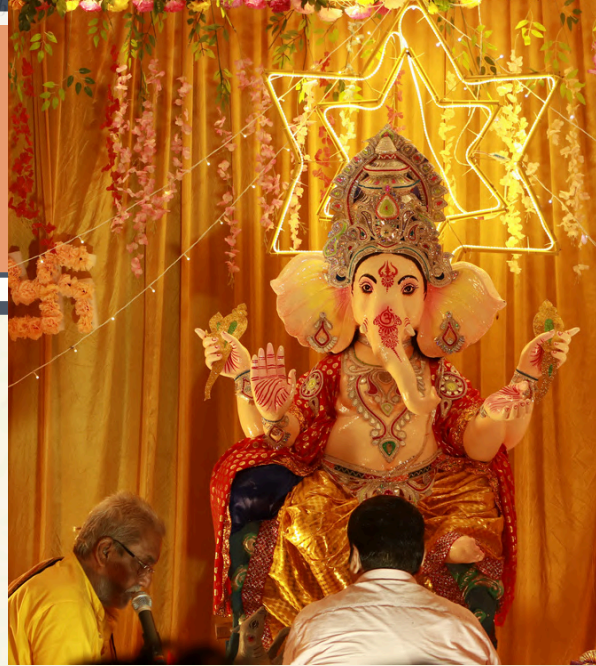


The session also became a forum for villagers to share their needs, leading to a joint action plan. Initiatives include English and Hindi lessons for children, and Yoga and tailoring courses for women to enhance wellness and vocational abilities—strengthening both livelihood and community growth.



The Khudupur outreach under Sewa Parv and Unnat Bharat Abhiyan demonstrated how blending knowledge, technology, and cultural sensitivity can empower rural communities. It highlighted how motivated youth can meaningfully contribute to the vision of a Viksit Bharat.

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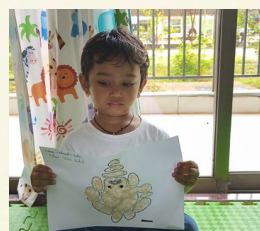
IIT Bhubaneswar celebrated Ganeshotsav 2025 with devotion and cultural vibrance from 26th to 31st August 2025 at the Student Activity Center. The week-long festival united students, faculty, staff, and their families in rituals, fun, and togetherness.



The celebrations began with a lively Mehendi Night, followed by the traditional Murti Sthapana. One of the highlights of the event was the Laddu Auction, where a 5 kg laddu was bid at ₹5200. Fun-filled activities like Human Ludo, Cubing, and Musical Chairs added cheer, with winners receiving practical keepsake cups.

On 30th August, over 2400 members of the IIT community gathered for Mahaprasad, reinforcing unity and sharing. The festival concluded with the emotional Visarjan of the idol.

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"To see a World in a Grain of Sand
And a Heaven in a Wild Flower,
Hold Infinity in the palm of your hand
And Eternity in an hour."

William Blake – "Auguries of Innocence"



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