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### Press Release

### **IIT Bhubaneswar joins the Nation in celebrating 76<sup>th</sup> Republic Day**

**Bhubaneswar, 27<sup>th</sup> January 2025:** Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bhubaneswar has joined the Nation in celebrating the 76<sup>th</sup> Republic Day with patriotic fervour, aligned with the national theme of the year: 'Swarnim Bharat: Virasat aur Vikas'. Prof. Shreepad Karmalkar, Director, IIT Bhubaneswar unfurled the National Flag on the occasion. In his address, he said: "Heritage conservation versus modern development has been a debating point. The task is to understand the advantages of both and learn how to pursue one without sacrificing the other. Inclusive and sustainable development is impossible without the recognition of a common history and culture. Our efforts at IIT Bhubaneswar resonate with this year's Republic Day theme, as we work towards the Viksit Bharat@2047 vision. On the one hand, we are contributing our might in the field of education, research, entrepreneurship and solving societal problems. On the other hand, we are introducing our students to Indian Knowledge Systems via courses or modules and doing research to establish their relevance to present day needs."

The celebration also showcased March-Past by the security unit, National Cadet Corps (NCC), Inter-IIT Students' Sports Contingent and exciting performances by the students of the Institute. Dr. Rajendra Prasad Singh, Chairman, Board of Governors, IIT Bhubaneswar graced the occasion. Among others, Prof. Rajesh Roshan Dash, Dean (Student Affairs), Shri Prashant Kumar Sahoo, Dean (Alumni Affairs & International Relations), Shri Bamadev Acharya, Registrar, Dr. Srinivasa Ramanujam Kannan, Professor In-Charge, Extra-Academic Activities, senior members of faculty and senior officers of the Institute were present on the occasion. A vibrant cultural programme by the students was also organised in the evening to mark the Republic Day celebrations enjoyable and eventful.

Kendriya Vidyalaya, IIT Bhubaneswar also celebrated the Republic Day with great enthusiasm. Prof. Sarat Kumar Panda, Professor, IIT Bhubaneswar unfurled the Tiranga, in the presence of Guest of Honour Dr. Raj K Singh, Associate Professor, IIT Bhubaneswar, Principal KV IIT Bhubaneswar Mr. Chakradhara Prusty, Teachers, staff and students of the school. The students of the school also performed various cultural programmes to mark the celebrations.

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