



# UNNAT BHARAT ABHIYAN



## IIT BHUBANESWAR

### Short-Term Training Course on Basic Computer Skills

With a focus on digitally empowering security guards of IIT Bhubaneswar and young residents from nearby villages of Khudupur, Padanpur, Podapada, and Aragul, a short-term training course on fundamental knowledge of computer applications and practical skills was conducted from 08 July 2024 to 22 August 2024. Comprising sixteen sessions the program was jointly organized by UBA (Unnat Bharat Abhiyan) and CDC (Career Development Cell), IIT Bhubaneswar.

The sessions were conducted by UBA volunteers Krishna, Harsh, Swastik, Sandeep under the mentorship of Sanatan the UBA Theme Leader for Education; staff members from School of Basic Sciences (SBS) Dr. Nihar Ranjan Panda (Assistant Technical Officer-SBS), Mr. Samir Kumar Jena (Junior Technical Superintendent), Mr. Tarapada De (Junior Technical Superintendent) and Mr. Rabinson Behera (Junior Technician) from CITSC. The chief security guard of IIT Bhubaneswar played a crucial role in informing and encouraging the active participation of security personnel. Abouts 40 participants successfully attended the program.

The classes were held in computer labs at the institute in the laboratory complex and the School of Earth, Ocean and Climate Sciences. The training covered modules from Post Graduate Diploma in Computer Applications (PGDCA) and additional practical lessons on using net banking, uses of UPI and the Universal Ticketing System (UTS). Additionally, topics like addressing real-life applications of technology, enhancing the participants' digital competency were also discussed.



This program by UBA and CDC IIT Bhubaneswar was a successful attempt at empowering rural youth and security personnel to adapt to the growing demands of the digital world.

A certificate distribution program was organized in the seminar hall of the School of Basic Sciences on 21 December 2024. The program was attended by Prof. Shreepad Karmalkar, Director, IIT Bhubaneswar; Dr. Seema Bahinipati, Chief Coordinator, UBA; Dr. Srikant Gollapudi, Professor-in-Charge, CDC; Dr. Tarakanta Nayak, Co-coordinator, UBA and Dr. Raj Kumar Singh, UBA theme Leader for Environmental Awareness and Agriculture.

Prizes including 32 GB pen drive and certificates were awarded to the top three participants. Certificates of participation were presented to the participants who contributed to the successful completion of the program. Participants were given the chance to give feedback and express about their experiences during the course. The program concluded with a votes of thanks by Dr. Tarakanta Nayak (Co-coordinator, UBA).

