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446 students to be awarded degrees in IIT BBS convocation

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Bhubaneswar: In view of Covid-19, IIT Bhubaneswar will hold its 9th annual convocation on Friday in hybrid mode where students can either participate physically or online. Union education minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank will grace the occasion through video-conference as chief guest and address the convocation.

As many as 446 students including 35 PhD scholars will get their degrees on the occasion, RV Raja Kumar, director of the institute, told the media here on Wednesday.

The Union minister will inaugurate the student activity centre (SAC), play courts and the building of the school of humanities, social sciences and management. The SAC and the play courts form a major part of the 42-acre sports complex the institute is creating under phase II infrastructure development with support from the Union education ministry.

Raja Kumar said the President of India's gold medal will be awarded to Aditya Pal of the computer science and engineering department for best academic performance among BTech students.

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awarded to Sanket Dey Chowdhury of the school of infrastructure for best academic performance among MTech students while Souvick Chakraborty of physics department will get the director's gold medal among MSc students.

The institute silver medals will be awarded to meritorious students of B Tech, M Tech and MSc students for the best academic performance in respective schools. Besides PhD students, 141 MTech, 70 MSc and 200 BTech students will be given awards.