

## Cherish your dream despite challenges' IIT BBS holds convocation

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Strive hard to cherish the dreams despite the enormous challenges to be faced in the coming time, said chief guest Union Minister of Education Ramesh Pokhariyal Nishank at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Bhubaneswar's 9th Convocation on Friday.

Gracing the occasion via videoconferencing, Pokhariyal in his convocation address congratulated all the graduating students and their parents.

He complimented the institute for the outstanding wellness, teaching excellence and research aura the institute has created. He specially complemented the Director and his team for facilitating the cream of global class education through several innovations during the pandemic and serving as a role model about which the nation can be proud of.

Union Minister of State for Education Sanjay Dhotre congratulated the students and commended the work done by faculty, students, researchers in innovating different techniques, innovations, studies undertaken by them during the course of the ongoing pandemic.

He expressed confidence that the students would contribute by their way of innovations and research by fulfilling the dream of Prime Minister's visionary programme "Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan" by being self-reliant leading to creation of employment opportunities inside the nation.

On the occasion, Pokhariyal inaugurated the Student Activity Centre (SAC), the play courts, and the School of Humanities, Social Sciences and Management (SHSSM) of the institute.

IIT, Bhubaneswar Board of Governors Chairman Dr Rajendra Prasad Singh expressed confidence that the students of the Institute will be the torch bearers for nation building and paving the path for a modern and decisive India. He insisted that achievement and excellence should go hand in hand in integrity and discipline and our students will prove it right in the journey ahead

Director Prof RV Raja Kumar presented the Director's report and presented degrees to 35 PhD, 141 MTech. 70 MSc and 200 BTech students.

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