



## **IIT BBS's Techno Management Fest 'Wissenaire-2021' begins**

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BHUBANESWAR: Wissenaire 2021, the 11th edition of the popular techno management festival, was inaugurated at the IIT Bhubaneswar campus on Thursday. It is based on the theme of 'Transhumanism'.

The four-day-long event was inaugurated by VK Aatre, former chief of Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO), via video conferencing. The student festival was presided over by RV Raja Kumar, IIT Bhubaneswar director, and coordinated by MNSS Shashank, chief coordinator of Wissenaire'21.

Aatre spoke about the potential of new age technologies in various domains in solving some of the crucial challenges associated with science and technology. "We as humans may not be able to surpass the nature despite the technological revolutions," he added. He complimented the students for coming up with 'Transhumanism', a well thought of futuristic theme.

Raja Kumar while welcoming the participants said the outbreak of the pandemic posed several challenges on all fronts across the globe, but has been responsible for rising of innovative spirits and emergence of new age technologies in the country. His institute has been successful in making several innovations including conventional pen and paper examinations online.

"Following the same spirits, the students too raised to organize the pre-events of E-Summit, Wissenaire and Alma Fiesta in hybrid mode. He further complimented the students for conducting Wissenaire '21 in hybrid mode," said the director.

The event (April 1 to April 4) will include interesting workshops, competitions, sessions on technology and innovations along with series of talks on the second and third day tagged 'TekNite'.

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