

## IIT Bhubaneswar conducts orientation online for UG students



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**NEW DELHI:** Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bhubaneswar conducted the orientation programme for newly-admitted students of the undergraduate and dual degree programmes online on Nov 18 and 19, 2020, a statement from the institute said.

Speaking on the occasion, R.V. Raja Kumar, director of the institute said, “In view of the ongoing pandemic, we have decided to start the first year UG classes after holding orientation programme for the newcomers on the virtual mode.”

This year, 475 students were admitted to IIT Bhubaneswar’s six BTech and nine dual-degree programmes (BTech–MTech).

The number of seats has also increased from 419 to 475 this year. “Seats have been increased by 18 percent across IITs,” added Raja Kumar.

### Online classes

The IIT Bhubaneswar will conduct the autumn semester classes of 2020-21, by live streaming of classes as per the time table from Nov 19, 2020.

The students will be brought to the campus and education will continue in the normal mode when the situation becomes conducive, the statement read.

Also, to maintain learning by students at a proper pace avoiding associated stresses, “education for the first year Btech will be imparted in full with no shortening of lectures and no cramping of time,” Raja Kumar further added.

The fresh students will be completing their first year by mid-July and continue their education online.

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