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IIT Bhubaneswar, AICTE Partner to Execute PM Modi's Scholarship Scheme for Jammu and Kashmir Students

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The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bhubaneswar signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE) at New Delhi for providing a research internship and exposure to youth from Jammu and Kashmir studying in various AICTE accredited institutions under Prime Minister's Special Scholar Scheme to the field of science and technology.

The MoU was signed between Dr. Anil Sahasrabudhe, Chairperson, AICTE and Prof. RV Raja Kumar, Director, IIT Bhubaneswar. The MoU was exchanged between officials of AICTE and Prof. VR Pedireddi, Dean, Student Affairs, IIT Bhubaneswar who represented the Institute in presence of Ramesh Pokhriyal, HRD Minister, Government of India.

Under this MoU, IIT Bhubaneswar will enroll students from Jammu and Kashmir for research internship with the objective to provide exposure in the fields of academics, education and research, said a release from the institute.

On the occasion, Ramesh Pokhriyal, Union HRD Minister expressed his happiness and stated that the MoU will facilitate in providing the much-needed exposure to the youth from Jammu and Kashmir under Prime Minister's Special Scholar Scheme to the academic culture at Higher Learning Institutes of India. He further encouraged other IIT's also to be involved in this nation-building initiative.

Speaking on the occasion, Prof. RV Raja Kumar, Director, IIT Bhubaneswar said: "The welfare of Jammu and Kashmir has always been a priority of Government of India. So IIT Bhubaneswar has always believed in empowering beyond its campus and own students. This exchange of agreement will channelize the energy of the talented youth from Jammu and Kashmir by providing them exposure to cutting edge laboratory technologies, knowledge sharing and exchange, several co-curricular activities along with deep insight to the in-depth research and academic culture followed at IITs. IIT Bhubaneswar is sensitive and passionate to implement such initiatives effectively. We are thankful to Shri. Ramesh Pokhriyalji, Hon'ble HRD Minister for his constant support and encouragement."

The MoU includes academic, education and research collaboration. Under this IIT Bhubaneswar will be responsible for designing a detailed programme with popular science and engineering lectures from distinguished IIT Bhubaneswar faculty as well as guest faculty from outside IIT Bhubaneswar. The nature of the internship will primarily be research-based. It will be conducted under various professors at the university.

Besides, the Centres will also demonstrate advanced model experiments in their respective departments. The accommodation and food arrangements for these interns will be made in the various hostels of IIT Bhubaneswar. In addition the internship module will also cover Yoga, Sports Group Activities in line with the EAA activities of BTech program of the Institute along with heritage trips for making them aware of rich culture and traditions from the state of Odisha.



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