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## Inter-IIT sports, sanskrit meet

## Express Features

IT Bhubaneswar successfully conducted the 54th Inter IIT Sports Meet-between December 14 and 21 at the greenfield sports complex with grandeur. For the first time in the history of Inter IIT, a second generation IIT co-hosted the event.

"I am happy that all the participating teams made use of this wonderful opportunity to interact with the rest, put across their best talent and spirit of sportsmanship. This Sports Meet in particular has brought the students, faculty members and staff of all IITs together," said IIT Bhubaneswar director, RV Rajakumar. State sports minister Tusharkanti Behera encouraged students to take sports seriously as it was sincerely being recognized as an important aspect of attaining success and creating a healthy mind, soul and body. He also talked about youth empowerment and highlighted the importance of sports to shape up one spersonality in a holistic manner-bringing a synergy between mind, body and spirit.

The valedictory ceremony also featured some spell-binding cultural performances. Odissi exponent Aruna Mohanty enthralled the audience with her performance. This was followed by the result declaration of the winners in their respective categories.

Recently, the institute had also organized a colloquium on functional and communicative Sanskrit in association with Holistic Science Research Center, Surat. Gujarat. Professor Amba Kulkarni of University of Hyderabad presented some of the language tools which were created by her over the years during the colloquium. The colloquium also had interesting talks on Sanskrit language and linguistics by professor Siniruddha Dash.

The colloquium will also be a preparation for new courses in Indian Philosophy and sciences to be taught at ITT Bhubaneswar next year. The colloquium also highlighted the various online resources and e-tools.



IIT Director Prof RV Rajakumar presenting a memento to Sports Minister Tusharkanti Behera at Sports Meet