

MoU Signed Between OPTCL, IIT-Bhubaneswar For Power Sector Development In Odisha

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Odisha Power Transmission Corporation Limited (OPTCL) and the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Bhubaneswar signed an MoU. This MoU was signed for the establishment of OPTCL Chair position in IIT Bhubaneswar.

As per the reports, the MoU between OPTCL and IIT was done in the presence of Odisha Energy Minister Dibya Shankar Mishra. The MoU was signed between Dean R&D Professor Dr Sujit Roy of IIT-Bhubaneswar and Director (HRD) Raghunath Pratihari on behalf of OPTCL.

Dibya Shankar Mishra stated that this agreement is a historic moment for our State as the collaboration with premier institute like IIT for development of Odisha Power Sector will enhance certain sectors. The absolute authority is extremely happy to know that IIT is restricted to academic service and helped for the development of the State.

He further stated that this Industry-Institute interface would be a win-win situation for both with regards to research & development and intensification of technical knowhow.



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The event was also graced by OPTCL Chairman Saurabh Garg and Bhubaneswar IIT Director Professor RV Rajakumar, OPTCL MD Sanjeev Singh, GRIDCO MD Trilochan Panda, Functional Directors of OPTCL & GRIDCO and Senior faculties from the IIT.

OPTCL Chairman Saurabh Garg, during the event, stated that the IIT would be a trouble-shooter for various technical issues surfacing in the Power Sector.

Professor RV Raja Kumar also stated that apart from education IIT Bhubaneswar is committed for the local area and social development through structured intervention. This Chair will act as an extended arm of the R&D wing for Odisha Power Sector. These synergies are sure to create lasting impact in addressing key issues about the power sector. We also assure that the proposed Centre of Excellence for Renewable Energy & SMART Grid will provide an amalgamation to both academics and industry in general.

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