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Murthy pep talk for IIT

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Bhubaneswar: Infosys founder N.R. Narayana Murthy on Wednesday exhorted students of the Indian Institute of Technology, Bhubaneswar, to try to excel in whatever they do and not to consider anything small

"You must need to change yourself if you want to see change in the world. Look at every lacuna as an opportunity for change. You are the leader to bring about the change," Narayana Murthy said while addressing students at the 10th convocation of IIT Bhubaneswar.

Addressing students through the virtual mode, he urged them to develop entrepreneurship attitude and show the character of a leader.



NR Narayana Murthy

"Leadership is about action" and not about rhetoric," Narayana Murthy said.

Urging the students to be good citizens, he said that everybody needs to work to develop a society where every citizen gets equal opportunity and every child gets food.

Urging the students to demonstrate excellence in whatever they do, Narayana Murthy said: "The only way to solve poverty is to create more and more jobs with better and better income. This requires entrepreneurship. We have too much underemployment in the agriculture sector. Hence, we must create jobs in the manufacturing and service sectors," he said, adding that the best way to escape from a problem is to solve it.

He also stressed on the need for a good English education system.

"Please remember that English is the only window to the modern world for Indians to access knowledge to achieve progress in science, technology, medicine and economy for India," Narayana Murthy said.

The IIT conferred degrees upon 559 students, including 35 PhD, 153 MTech, 79 MSc, 256 BTech and 36 dual degrees.