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NEP to transform educational institutions into world-class centres:

Union minister

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**BHUBANESWAR:** The National Education Policy (NEP) launched by the Modi government will transform higher education institutions into world-class centers, Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan said on Friday in the state capital, Bhubaneswar.

Pradhan made these comments when inaugurating the Pushpagiri Conference Hall Complex and Rishikulya Residence at IIT Bhubaneswar here.

To reshape the country's educational landscape, the Modi government launched the NEP, 2020, based on the foundation of affordability, accessibility, equity, and quality. "It is not simply a policy, but a vision document for our future that aims to establish a student-centered educational system by empowering students with flexibility and power of choice," added the Union minister.

He said that IIT Bhubaneswar, which is a leading educational institute in Odisha, should take the lead in the effective implementation of NEP, 2020, and pave the way for comprehensive and multidisciplinary education and thus help the poor sectors of the society.

In the spirit of 'Nation First', young people will be the torchbearers of a self-sufficient India in the 21st century. Pradhan said that the Union government has taken various steps to provide opportunities for our young people by supporting higher education institutions in every way possible.

The Minister expressed his joy at the opening of the largest hostel and conference complex in Odisha and hoped that the added infrastructure facilities would allow students to strive for greater excellence. With a focus on quality research and innovation, IITs have become the symbol of India's progress and success in higher education, he added.

He congratulated IIT Bhubaneswar for its teaching excellence and quality education.

On this occasion, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the Director of IIT Bhubaneswar, RV Raja Kumar and the President of the Skill Development Institute (SDI), Bhubaneswar, Ranjan Kumar Mohapatra in the presence of Dharmendra Pradhan.

The MoU aims to enhance skills development activities for unemployed, underemployed and disadvantaged youth with relevant technical education in industry under the experience and guidance of IIT Bhubaneswar.

Pradhan said that the collaboration between IIT, Bhubaneswar and SDI, Bhubaneswar will help address local and environmental issues in disaster-prone Odisha and thus act as a role model for the entire country.

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