



## **Rejuvenation & Orientation Programme (R&O) for BTech Students at IIT Bhubaneswar**

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**Bhubaneswar:** IIT Bhubaneswar conducted registration programme for the newly admitted B Tech students on 23rd July, 2019. IIT Bhubaneswar will run a month long Rejuvenation and Orientation (R&O) programme for these students from 24th July, 2019. The programme will start with the address by Prof. R.V. Raja Kumar, Director on 24th July 2019 at 10 am followed by addresses Prof. V.R. Pedireddi, Dean, Student Affairs and Dr. P.R. Sahu, Dean, Academic Affairs, IIT Bhubaneswar.

By 5pm, about 402 B.Tech students reported at the institute. Prof R.V. Raja Kumar, Director, IIT Bhubaneswar said that the intake and number admitted have been significantly raised this year. On 15th of this month, the institute inaugurated an 800 seater Brahmputra Hall of Residence for boys and 400 seater Ganga Hall of Residence for girls, by Prof Ganeshi Lal, hon'ble Governor of Odisha. The fresh BTech students are allotted accommodations in these Halls of Residences.

Prof. R.V. Raja Kumar, Director, IIT Bhubaneswar congratulated and welcomed all the newly admitted students and said that, "Here at IIT Bhubaneswar we strongly believe that the admission into the B.Tech programme is actually the beginning of a challenging and rewarding professional journey which paves way to the real empowerment of a student in the chosen domain towards an ambitious future, rather than a foregone ambition of getting admitted into an IIT. IIT Bhubaneswar is committed to provide its students with holistic education for producing tomorrow's leaders by nurturing their personality, encouraging creativity, innovative mind-set and capability in Science & Technology, Humanities, Management and other domains of human excellence. I wish the students, a meaningful, memorable and rewarding stay at IIT Bhubaneswar."

The R&O programme conceptualized personally by Prof. R.V. Raja Kumar, is a very innovative and unique programme aimed at helping the students to change over from the unhealthy effects of the examination centric coaching for the JEE (Adv) test to true education which empowers a student. That is, it helps a fresher B.Tech student to unlearn the whatever unhealthy unhealthy practices they were subjected earlier, and to put them on course of real education.

The programme has several components in it. There will be an English Language diagnostic Test (Written and Listening) specially designed and developed by the Institute for the Undergraduate Students on the same day aiming making the students appraised about the own weaknesses. In addition, the wellness centre has organized counselling session for the fresher in order to help them understand the nuances of campus life at IIT Bhubaneswar. This will be followed by "Know Yourself" programme through Online submission of questionnaire from

23rd Aug to 28th Aug, 2019 along with a Heritage Trip to Konark Temple, Dhauli, Khandagiri, Udayagiri, Ekamra walks and Barunei Hills in the month of August and September. The institute adopts, a cycling culture, yoga, lectures on life skills to students, as a part of the programme. In addition, there is a Fresher's (Fachakas) got talent" programme on 11th Aug, 2019 respectively for UG students at Brahmaputra Halls of Residence at IIT Bhubaneswar. The other sessions include Introduction to Engineering on 25th July, 2019 and a program by Sri Sri University which will be from 26th July to 28th July, 2019. The Counselling services team will be releasing a booklet post completion of the all the events.

Classes will start from 29th July 2019.