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IIT BHUBANESWAR TO PARTNER WITH AOTS



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BHUBANESWAR: IIT Bhubaneswar will partner with Association for Overseas Technical Co-operation and Sustainable Partnerships (AOTS), an organisation for human resources development to promote technical co-operation. The AOTS is established under the Japanese government, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI), and currently functions as their policy implementation organisation in the field of industry and HR development in developing countries as well as implements some self-sustainable-social business-based projects in cooperation with Japanese companies.

Welcoming the delegates, Prof RV Rajakumar, Director, IIT Bhubaneswar said, "The part-

nership will have a strong focus towards professional development of students, creation of multiple academic and business opportunities, including events to promote education, internships and employment for students. We would want to explore the broader options and beyond."

According to Prof Rajakumar, the synergies will be greatly beneficial for the both the nations for their new technological developments which will be of paramount importance. IIT Bhubaneswar would also explore collaboration in areas like robotics, augmented and virtual reality, energy climate change and other areas."

Prof R.K. Panda, Dean (R&D) and Head of School of Infrastructure, Prof Sujit Roy, Head of School of Minerals, metallurgical & materials engineering,

Prof Swarup Kumar Mahapatra (Dean, Continuing Education, Dean Alumni Affairs and International Relations), Dr Sandeep Pattnaik, Head, School of Earth, Ocean and Climate Sciences, Dr Arun Kumar Pradhan, Head, Career Development Cell, IIT Bhubaneswar, were also present during the discussions.

To start with, AOTS will be establishing projects to bridge Japanese companies and students of IIT Bhubaneswar through Japan Desk, Japan Week and Japanese language training. Japan Desk will locate one native Japanese person to help to connect between Japanese companies and IIT students. Japan Week will have company introduction seminars and placement fairs by Japanese companies for IIT students.

Japan language classes along with Japanese soft skill programme will aim to provide for IIT students valuable insights about Japan and its organisations. There will be a dedicated Japanese desk where the students can approach to learn more about the Japanese companies.

In addition, there would be planning business-to-business, research-to-research and business and research bridging projects, which will serve IIT Bhubaneswar and Japanese companies in addition to helping both the nations.