

IIT plan to promote start-up ecosystem

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Bhubaneswar: The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Bhubaneswar will promote start-ups in their centre of excellence.

“This endeavour would help in creating facilities needed to foster research development activity, technology incubation, create start-ups, new generation entrepreneurs and initiation of academic programmes to generate human capital and contribute towards creating an ecosystem in this and other related areas,” said institute director R.V. Raja Kumar.

The institute celebrated its seventh annual convocation on its permanent campus at Argul in Jatni on Saturday.

Ashutosh Sharma, secretary, department of science and technology of the Centre, congratulated students and mentors for sowing seeds of innovative ideas in these fresh, young and fertile minds. “This is the clear evidence of the IIT Bhubaneswar’s commitment to the cutting-edge engineering education and research,” he said.

He called upon students to



MOMENT OF PRIDE: Students pose with their graduation certificates during the convocation ceremony at IIT, Bhubaneswar, on Saturday. Picture by Ashwinee Pati

be job creators and not job seekers. “There are unprecedented global stress and challenges in sustainable economic growth and job creation. But, there are also huge opportunities for technology-led transformative changes in the sectors such as energy, water, environment, transport, cyber physical systems and health. A strong team work is the key to the solutions of the real interdisciplinary problems,” he said.

The director congratulated the gold medal winners. He

stressed upon the plans of alumni to promote interest of the mentor and the country as a whole.

The President of India Gold Medal was awarded to Nanduri Divakar of the School of Mechanical Sciences for best academic performance among the outgoing BTech batch of students.

The Director’s Gold Medal was awarded to Sayan Roy of the School of Basic Sciences for best academic performance among the outgoing MSc batch of students.