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IITs bat for increasing seats

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Bhubaneswar: Directors of various IITs here on Sunday stressed the need to increase admission capacity of the elite institutions to accommodate more students from undergraduate to PhD level.

Director of IIT Bhubaneswar (IITBBS), R V Raja Kumar, who chaired the meeting in this regard, said the general view was that the available seats are far low given that lakhs of students aspire to join these institutions. Similarly, taking more PhD scholars would improve research, he said.

The meeting was attended by 13 directors (nine in person and four through Skype).