Design Innovation Center @ IIT Bhubaneswar

Under the national initiative on setting up off Design Innovation Centers (DIC) across the country the Ministry of Human Resource and Development (MHRD) has a plan of setting up 20 DICs across the country. Initially 5 DICs were setup and are functional atIISc Bangalore, IIT Delhi, IIT Bombay, IIT Guwahati and University of Delhi. In the second phase few more DICs have been sanctioned. IIT Bhubaneswar is one among those newly announced DICs and only one to have such a center among the new IITs. The DIC at IIT Bhubaneswar is working as a hub and has four spokes as per the hub and spoke model suggested by the MHRD. The spokes are College of Engineering and Technology Bhubaneswar, Ravenshaw University Cuttack, BOSE Cuttack and Kendriya Vidyalaya — I Bhubaneswar. The first brainstorming session to plan the path forward was organized on 27th June, 2015 where experts from existing DICs, eminent artisans, reputed industries along with the spoke institutes participated. The center is coming up in full swing by establishing itself in the area of children product.



Brainstorming session in progress to plan the path ahead of DIC IITBBS



Dr. S N Panigrahi (PI) presenting the Design Innovation Center to the delegates