



Event

Snapshots



# Utkal Divas Celebration

IIT Bhubaneswar has celebrated Utkal Divas in a grand manner. Prof. Parthasarathi Ajay Barik, an eminent speaker of Odia & English Literature and Editor of a weekly newspaper 'The Chira Sandhaan' graced the occasion as Chief Guest, in the presence of Director Prof. Shreepad Karmalkar, Dean (Student Affairs) Prof. Rajesh Roshan Dash, Registrar Shri Bamadev Acharya.



In his presidential address, Prof. Karmalkar described his experience in Odisha during more than a year of his stay in Odisha. He said that IIT Bhubaneswar is committed and working consistently towards transforming the education sector of Odisha, with special focus on reshaping the technological education scenario of the State.



In his address to the gathering, Chief Guest Prof. Barik appreciated IIT Bhubaneswar for upholding and promoting the heritage of Odisha by organising such programmes. Through various literary references, and poetic inferences, he recollected the contributions of different Odia leaders, who made efforts towards making Odisha an independent State.



Speaking on the occasion, Registrar Shri Bamadev Acharya cherished the rich legacy and heritage of the land of Odisha. He remembered the role of great leaders like Utkal Gaurav Madhusudan Das and others in establishing Odisha as an independent state based on language. He also introduced the Chief Guest of the occasion.



At the outset, Dr. Remya Neelancherry, Coordinator, Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat (EBSB) delivered the welcome address. The programme was coordinated by the EBSB Team of IIT Bhubaneswar. Ms. Geetanjali Suar was the anchor of the programme.

The celebration also included a Quiz on Odisha. A vibrant cultural programme by the members of the Institute showcased the spirit of the occasion and enthralled the audience.





To mark the occasion, the Central Library of the Institute had initiated a special book display celebrating the enchanting land of Odisha and its rich cultural heritage for the members of the Institute. This special collection of books, that delves into various facets of Odisha's heritage, including its history, art, culture, language, and literature were displayed from 1st April to 3rd April 2024.



# Utkal Divas Exhibition

Showcasing  
Odisha's  
Art & Culture

On the eve of Utkal Diwas, on 31st March 2024, the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA) of IIT Bhubaneswar organized an Exhibition-cum-Sale of various traditional foods like poda pitha, arisha pitha, rasabali, millet items etc. and handicrafts of Odisha like Pattachitra products, Pipili Chandua, Sabai Ghasa Products, home decors and jewelry with traditional artwork etc., representing the rich culture and heritage of the State. As many as 14 organisations, including Self Help Groups from nearby villages adopted under UBA, start-ups incubated at IIT Bhubaneswar, and women entrepreneurs of Kalinga Swaraj Foundation (Women's Wing) participated in this programme and showcased their handcrafted products and culinary delights.





This Exhibition-cum-Sale witnessed a footfall of around 700 visitors, including the residents of IIT Bhubaneswar campus and the vicinity of the Institute. Director Prof. Shreepad Karmalkar encouraged the participants and handed over prizes to the top three stalls and the top three dishes presented in the exhibition. Dr. Seema Bahinipati, Coordinator, UBA, IIT Bhubaneswar and Dr. Madhusmita Dash, along with the volunteers of the team managed this event.



# Technical Talks @ School of Infrastructure

School of Infrastructure has organised Technical Talks titled 'Travel Behaviour Modelling using Emerging Data Sources' by Prof. Charisma Choudhury and 'Casting a Long Shadow: The Role of Long Distance Travel in Carbon Emissions from Passenger Travel' by Prof. Zia Wadud on 2nd April 2024.

Prof. Charisma Choudhury from the Institute for Transport Studies and School of Civil Engineering at the University of Leeds (UoL) and Prof. Zia Wadud, an Associate Professor at the Institute for Transport Studies and School of Chemical and Process Engineering at the University of Leeds, are distinguished experts in the field of travel behaviour modelling. They discussed the key concepts, shared practical applications, and offered valuable advice for those interested in travel behaviour modelling.



The talks were intended to help the participants gain insights from the leading experts in travel behaviour modelling; expand your understanding of travel behaviour modelling and discover new opportunities and avenues for personal and professional growth.





# Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti

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Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Jayanti was celebrated at IIT Bhubaneswar on 28th March 2024. The event commenced with the unveiling of a poster dedicated to Maharaj, followed by a solemn floral tribute to his statue, evoking a sense of profound respect and admiration. Enlightening speeches shed light on the life and teachings of Chatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, highlighting his unwavering commitment to justice and righteousness. A poignant poem eloquently captured the essence of his remarkable journey, inspiring all present to uphold his timeless ideals.





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