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NIT Raipur Organized Induction Program for First-Year Students of 2026 Batch and Inaugurated Smart Classrooms and Sports Grounds



NIT Raipur organized the **Induction Program** for the newly admitted 2026 batch on 21st Aug. 2026 at Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Auditorium. Before the main program, the institute inaugurated several new academic and sporting facilities on campus in the presence of **Dr. Suresh K. Haware**, Chairman, Board of Governors, NIT Raipur, **Shri Sanjay Som**, Director (Mining and Construction), BEML, **Shri Sudhir Vasudeva**, Former Chairman & Managing Director, ONGC and Former Chairman, Board of Governors, NIT Raipur, **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, Director, NIT Raipur, **Shri Umesh Chitlangia**, President, Alumni Association GEC-NIT Raipur, **Prof. Shubhashis Sanyal**, Dean (CR & RM), **Prof. Narendra D. Londhe**, Registrar, NIT Raipur along with other officials. The inauguration commenced with the ONGC-supported smart classrooms, marking an important addition to the institute's academic infrastructure. This was followed by the inauguration of BEML-supported volleyball and basketball grounds, further strengthening the institute's sports facilities.

Following the inaugurations of the academic and sports facilities, the main Induction Ceremony was held at the Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Auditorium to formally welcome the newly admitted 2026 batch. It was graced by the presence of **Shri Manish Patil**, Director (Human Resources), ONGC, along with **Dr. Suresh K. Haware**, **Shri Sanjay Som**, **Shri Sudhir Vasudeva**, **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, **Shri Umesh Chitlangia**, **Prof. Shubhashis Sanyal**, **Prof. Narendra D. Londhe**, HoDs, faculty members, officials, staff, students and parents. In his address, **Prof. Rao** welcomed the incoming students and highlighted NIT Raipur's national standing, its academic programmes and an overall intake of 5,938 students, while encouraging them to remain curious and continue learning beyond the classroom. **Shri Chitlangia** highlighted the role of the Alumni Association in mentoring, career

guidance, internships and placement support. **Shri Vasudeva** emphasized problem-solving, perseverance and learning from failure, while **Shri Som** spoke about character building, leadership and the lasting value of the students' academic journey. In his address, **Shri Patil** emphasized the importance of developing teamwork, versatility, leadership, reading habits, and other essential soft skills alongside strong technical knowledge. The ceremony also witnessed the formal launch of the book *NIT Raipur: A Legacy of Excellence*, authored by **Dr. Suresh K. Haware**. Speaking on the occasion, **Dr. Haware** highlighted the institute's achievements and its rich legacy, including the contributions of its alumni to the Chandrayaan missions and the atomic energy sector. He also drew attention to the recognition of 15 NIT Raipur professors in the Stanford list of the world's top two percent of scientists, as well as the institute's growing startup ecosystem.

The second half of the induction programme commenced with an address by **Prof. Manoj Kumar Chopkar**, Dean (SW), who briefed the students on the institute's anti-ragging policy and encouraged them to follow institutional rules while actively participating in campus life. Further, **Prof. Subhojit Ghosh**, Associate Dean (Academics), introduced the students to the academic scheme, ordinances, syllabus and programmes offered at NIT Raipur. **Prof. Vivek Kumar Gaba**, Faculty (I/C), Placement Cell, explained the Career Development Centre and its Training, Placement, Innovation and Entrepreneurship Cells, and **Prof. Suvendu Rup**, Professor (I/C), Cultural Committee, outlined the student clubs, committees and extracurricular activities. **Dr. Deepmala Sharma**, Warden, Girls' Hostel, and **Prof. Pradeep Singh**, Warden, Boys' Hostel, briefed the students on hostel facilities, allotment and day-to-day functioning, while **Dr. Shivli Shrivastava**, Co-Founder & CEO, BetterSpace, introduced the students to the mental health and wellbeing services available at NIT Raipur. The Induction Program concluded with a closing note, formally marking the beginning of the academic journey of the newly admitted students at NIT Raipur.

NIT Raipur Hosted Ehime University Delegation for India-Japan Academic and Cultural Exchange

NIT Raipur hosted a 17-member delegation from **Ehime University**, Matsuyama, Japan, from 12th to 14th Sept. 2026 under the Academic, Teaching and Cultural Visit Programme for Students. Organized under the guidance of **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, Director, NIT Raipur, the three-day

programme provided an enriching platform for academic interaction, cultural exchange, and student engagement between the two institutions. The programme was marked by the presence of **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, *Director (I/C), NIT Raipur*, **Dr. Akira Yamanaka**, *Associate Professor & Delegation Head, Ehime University*, **Prof. Shubhashis Sanyal**, *Dean (CR&RM)*, **Prof. G. D. Ramtekkar**, *Dean (P&D)*, **Prof. Manoj Kumar Chopkar**, *Dean (SW)*, and **Prof. Dilip Singh Sisodia**, *Chief Coordinator of the programme*, along with other faculty members and students.



As part of the visit, **Sakura-Sangam**, a welcome and cultural programme, was organized at NIT Raipur to foster academic and cultural exchange between India and Japan. The programme featured popular Japanese and Hindi songs by Raga-The Music Club, a sitar presentation of *Padharo Mhare Des* by Abhinay Club, and dance presentations by Nrityam-The Dance Club showcasing various *Rasas* as well as patriotism. Students from Ehime University also presented a musical performance and participated in Garba.



On the second day of the visit, the delegation explored NIT Raipur's research and incubation facilities and engaged with startups, research, and emerging technologies. The highlight of the day was the delegation's meeting with the *Hon'ble Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh*, **Shri Vishnu Deo Sai**, at his residence office in Raipur. During the interaction, discussions covered India-Japan cultural and spiritual ties, education, research, technological innovation, startups and youth exchanges. The Hon'ble Chief Minister also introduced the students to Chhattisgarh's archaeological and cultural heritage and highlighted opportunities for greater academic and technological cooperation. **Prof. Bajpai** highlighted the historical and cultural ties between India and Japan, including

their shared Buddhist heritage, and emphasized the role of student exchanges in strengthening friendship and cooperation between the two countries. **Dr. Yamanaka** expressed appreciation for the opportunity to visit India and gain a closer understanding of Indian culture and highlighted opportunities for joint research and student participation through JSPS-DST, Sakura Science, and other academic exchange programmes.

On the third day, the visit concluded with the exposure of the delegation to academic and cultural activities in Chhattisgarh, including a visit to Sirpur to learn about the region's Buddhist heritage, architecture, art and cultural history. The programme provided opportunities for interaction between students and faculty of NIT Raipur and Ehime University across academic, technological and cultural domains.

80th Independence Day Celebration



NIT Raipur celebrated the 80th Independence Day on 15th Aug. 2026 with great enthusiasm and patriotic spirit. The programme commenced with the hoisting of the National Flag by **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, *Director, NIT Raipur*, followed by the singing of the national anthem and a parade review of the NCC cadets. The occasion was also graced by **Prof. Narendra D. Londhe**, *Registrar, NIT Raipur*, along with Deans, HoDs, faculty members, officers, staff, and students.

Addressing the gathering, **Prof. Rao** commemorated the sacrifices of freedom fighters and marked the 150th anniversary of *Vande Mataram*, emphasizing national unity, the legacy of independence, and the pivotal role of youth power in nation-building. He attributed the institute's progress in academics, research, infrastructure, entrepreneurship, and placements to collective effort, while urging the youth to lead the nation forward. Thereafter, *Har Ghar Tiranga* rally was organized across the campus, resonating with patriotic slogan including *Vijayi Vishwa Tiranga Pyara, Jhanda Uncha Rahe Hamara*. Under the *Green and Clean Campus Initiative* of **Go Green Club**, a tree plantation drive was conducted in the Oxygen Zone to foster environmental sustainability, followed by an *Independence Day Run*.

The celebrations concluded with cultural performances, featuring a poetry recitation and musical renditions of *Bekhauf Azaad Hai Jeena Mujhe* and *Jai Ho* by **Raaga - The Music Club**, and a dance performance on *Luka Chupi & Bharat Ye Rahna Chahiye* songs by **Nrityam - The Dance Club**. A documentary honoring regional freedom fighters was screened by Public & Media Relations Cell (PMRC), followed by a theatrical production on freedom and partition staged by **Abhinay-The Dramatics Club**, reaffirming the institute's collective commitment to national progress.

NIT Raipur Achieved NBA Accreditation for UG Programs in Civil Engineering and Electronics & Communication Engineering

NIT Raipur has achieved **NBA Accreditation** for its Undergraduate (UG) programs in **Civil Engineering (CE)** and **Electronics & Communication Engineering (ECE)**. The accreditation recognizes the academic standards and quality of education maintained by these programmes and reflects the institute's continued focus on strengthening its academic framework and educational practices. The Accreditation Status for the UG-Civil Engineering program has been decided by NBA from 1st Jul. 2025 to 31st Dec. 2025 and from 1st Jan. 2026 to 31st Dec. 2031. The Accreditation Status for the UG-Electronics & Communication Engineering program has been decided by NBA 1st Jan. 2026 to 31st Dec. 2028. The NBA Accreditation marks an important milestone in the academic journey of NIT Raipur and further highlights the institute's efforts towards maintaining and enhancing the quality of its undergraduate programmes.

NIT Raipur Secured Rank 16 in India Today-MDRA Top Technical University Rankings 2026

NIT Raipur has secured **Rank 16** among India's Top Technical Universities in the **India Today-MDRA Top Technical University Rankings 2026**. This marks NIT Raipur's first participation in the rankings, which assess parameters including PG/PhD education, research infrastructure, and research outcomes. The recognition highlights the institute's academic and research performance and its continued development as a technical institution.

NIT Raipur Secured Rank 22 in India Today-MDRA Best Colleges Ranking 2026

NIT Raipur has secured **Rank 22** among the Top Engineering Government Colleges in the **India Today-MDRA Best Colleges Ranking 2026**. The recognition

reflects the institute's academic performance, research, innovation, quality education and institutional growth. The achievement acknowledges the collective efforts of faculty members, staff, students, alumni and stakeholders in strengthening NIT Raipur's academic and institutional standing.

NIT Raipur BoG Chairman Dr. Suresh K. Haware Nominated to Three-Member Search Committee for Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust CEO

In a significant recognition, **Dr. Suresh K. Haware**, *Chairman, BoG, NIT Raipur*, was nominated as a member of the prestigious three-member Search Committee entrusted with selecting and recommending the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for the day-to-day administration of the **Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust**. The committee also comprised **Pradeep Kohli**, *Justice (Retd.)*, and **Vishnukant Chaturvedi**, *Lt. General (Retd.)*. The committee was entrusted with the responsibility of strengthening the temple's administrative framework through the selection of capable leadership.

NIT Raipur organizes Felicitation Programme to honour Dr. Suresh K. Haware on his continued tenure as Chairman, Board of Governors, NIT Raipur



NIT Raipur organized a felicitation programme on 20th August 2026 to honour **Dr. Suresh K. Haware** on the continuation of his tenure as *Chairman, Board of Governors, NIT Raipur*, until 27th Feb. 2027. The event was graced by **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, *Director, NIT Raipur*, **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, *Professor, CE*, **Dr. Prabhath Diwan**, *Chief Vigilance Officer (CVO)*, **Mr. Umesh Chitlangia**, *President, Alumni Association, GEC-NIT Raipur*, **Prof. Shubhrata Gupta**, *Dean (Academics)* and **Mr. D. K. Soni**. This program was coordinated by **Prof. Narendra. D. Londhe**, *Registrar, NIT Raipur*, **Dr. Anuj Shukla**, *Assistant Professor, ME*, and **Dr. Mridu Sahu**, *Associate Professor, IT*. All the Deans, HoDs,

faculty members, officers, and staff of the Institute were present at the event.

Prof. Rao expressed his gratitude to Dr. Haware and appreciated his contributions to the institute and concern for its employees. He highlighted Dr. Haware's personal sponsorship of the first smart classroom, which paved the way for the development of smart classrooms at the institute. **Dr. Diwan** highlighted the institute's achievements over the past three years, including its entry into the Times Higher Education University rankings. **Mr. Chitlangia**, spoke about **Dr. Haware's** contributions to society, highlighting his efforts towards digital empowerment, innovation, and collaboration. **Prof. Bajpai** expressed his happiness over the extension of **Dr. Haware's** chairmanship and appreciated his efforts towards encouraging entrepreneurship. **Prof. Gupta** appreciated **Dr. Haware** and **Mrs. Haware** for their support and extended her best wishes to them.

Dr. Haware, in his address, shared his learnings from his life, the importance of teamwork, meaningful friendships, working for institutional causes, recognizing everyone's value, developing qualities of greatness. He thanked everyone for their support and congratulated the students on their achievements. This gracious programme concluded with felicitating Dr. Suresh Haware and Mrs. Nalini Haware.

NIT Raipur Hosted Khelo India Samvaad on National Sports Day



NIT Raipur hosted the nationwide *Khelo India Samvaad* on 27th Aug. 2026 on the occasion of *National Sports Day*, commemorating the birth anniversary of Major Dhyan Chand. The event was graced by **Mr. Tilak Varma**, *International Cricketer, Team India*, **Shri Arun Sao**, *Deputy Chief Minister and Minister of Sports and Youth Welfare, Government of Chhattisgarh* and **Dr. Priyanka Bissa**, *Youth Icon*. The programme was graced by the presence of **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, *Director, NIT Raipur*, **Shri Yashwant Kumar**, *Secretary, Department of Sports and Youth Welfare, Government of Chhattisgarh*, **Ms. Akanksha Shiksha Xalxo**, *Director, Department of Sports and Youth Welfare,*

Government of Chhattisgarh, and **Shri Arpit Tiwari**, *State Director, MY Bharat*, alongside faculty members and department officials. The gathering was virtually addressed by **Hon'ble Shri Narendra Modi**, *Prime Minister of India*, and **Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya**, *Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports*.

In his virtual address, **Hon'ble Shri Narendra Modi** stated that sports extend beyond winning medals, serving as a unifying force that connects sporting prowess and youth power towards national development. He remarked that flourishing in sports signifies holistic personality development and national pride, reiterating the government's commitment to building a modern 21st-century sports ecosystem through dedicated universities, advanced training facilities, and global scientific collaborations. Addressing the gathering, **Shri Arun Sao** emphasized that significant achievements stem from relentless hard work, overcoming flaws, and staying disciplined. He urged the youth to stay entirely away from substance abuse, stressing that a drug-free generation is vital to realizing a developed nation. Responding to students, **Mr. Tilak Varma** stated that sports instil resilience, composure under pressure, teamwork, mental fortitude, and health awareness, citing how legends like Kapil Dev, Sachin Tendulkar, Virat Kohli, and Neeraj Chopra inspire the nation. **Dr. Bissa** called upon the youth to take ownership of public initiatives and actively contribute to governance.

The nationwide initiative connected over eight lakh youths across nearly 1,600 locations, providing a platform to deliberate on sporting infrastructure expansion, talent development for the 2036 Olympic Games, substance abuse eradication, youth leadership, and youth empowerment for building a *Viksit Bharat*. The programme featured *Yuva* suggestions on sports policies and concluded with participants taking the *Nasha Mukta Pledge*.

NIT Raipur Inaugurated Ladies Club



NIT Raipur's **Ladies Club** was inaugurated by **Mrs. Nalini Suresh Haware** on 20th Aug. 2026, in the august presence of **Dr. Suresh K. Haware**, *Chairman, BOG, NIT Raipur*, **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, *Director, NIT Raipur*, **Mrs. Jyothi**

Ramana Rao and other distinguished club members of the ladies' club. The inauguration marked a memorable milestone for the women of NIT Raipur, with the Ladies Club envisioned as a welcoming platform that fosters togetherness, meaningful interactions, and a spirit of participation through diverse activities. The event also reflected the institute's commitment to fostering an inclusive and connected campus community, where members can come together, celebrate shared interests, and contribute to a positive and supportive environment.

NIT Raipur Celebrates Himalaya Day 2026

NIT Raipur celebrated **Himalaya Day 2026**, organized by **Department of Applied Geology (DAG)**, **Department of Civil Engineering (CE)**, and **Department of Information Technology (IT)** on 9th Sept. 2026. The event was held on the theme *Himalaya Hai To Hum Hai: For Water, Climate and Human Well-being*, with the support of the **Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC)**, **Government of India**, under the National Mission for Himalayan Studies (NMHS), in collaboration with **L&P, Leh, Ladakh** and **Paryawaran Sanrakshan Gatividhi**. The programme was graced by **Mr. Amit Dharwadkar**, Deputy Director General, Geological Survey of India, Raipur, CG, as Chief Guest, **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, Director (I/C), NIT Raipur, **Dr. Ranjan Kumar Ray**, Regional Director, RGI, CGWB, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government of India, and **Dr. B. R. Lamsoge**, Regional Director, NCCR, CGWB, Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government of India. At this event, **Dr. Prabhat Diwan**, Chief Vigilance Officer (CVO), NIT Raipur, **Prof. Neeraj Vishwakarma**, HoD, Applied Geology, and **Prof. Sudhakar Pandey**, HoD, IT, faculty members, officials, and students were also present. The programme was convened by **Prof. D. C. Jhariya**, Professor, DAG, and coordinated by **Dr. Mridu Sahu**, Associate Professor, IT, **Dr. Chandan K. Singh**, Assistant Professor, CE and **Dr. Vikas K. Vidyarthi**, Assistant Professor, CE.



Dr. Sahu provided an overview of the whole event's student activities, comprising a quiz competition, poster-making competition, and innovative ideas presentation. **Prof.**

Vishwakarma highlighted the geological significance and formation of the Himalayas and stressed the need for scientific awareness and collective action for their conservation. **Prof. Pandey** emphasized moving beyond awareness towards measurable environmental action and highlighted the impact of rapid urbanization.

Mr. Dharwadkar highlighted the direct and indirect significance of the Himalayas for the Indian subcontinent and emphasized the need for environmentally sustainable development based on his experience in the Trans-Himalayan region. **Prof. Bajpai** discussed the role of the Himalayas in shaping India's climate, ecology, and civilization, along with the impacts of anthropogenic activities, industrial growth, and climate change. The inaugural event concluded with the Vote of Thanks by **Prof. Jhariya**, who emphasized translating awareness into action for Himalayan conservation. The event was followed by expert sessions and Himalayan-themed student activities, including quiz, poster, and Ideathon competitions, with participation from students of NIT Raipur and other academic institutions.

The Valedictory Ceremony was graced by the presence of **Dr. Alok Sahu**, Director, CIPET, Raipur, **Dr. Prashant Kaviswar**, Director General, CCOST, Chhattisgarh, and **Prof. Narendra D. Londhe**, Registrar, NIT Raipur. In his address, **Prof. Londhe** expressed his gratitude to all the participants and stated that the efforts undertaken by the Institute for the Himalayan region are commendable. **Dr. Alok Sahu** congratulated everyone on the successful organization of the programme and remarked that such initiatives play an important role in creating awareness against pollution. During the ceremony, the winners and participants of various competitions were felicitated.

NIT Raipur Hosted Professor Kanhaiya Tripathi, Special Monitor for Human Rights Advocacy (Human Rights Education and Gender Equality)

NIT Raipur had the privilege of hosting **Professor Kanhaiya Tripathi**, Special Monitor for Human Rights Advocacy (Human Rights Education and Gender Equality), National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), Government of India, on 27th Jul. 2026 during his official visit to the institute. The programme was graced by **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, Director (I/C), NIT Raipur, **Prof. Narendra D. Londhe**, Registrar, NIT Raipur, along with the Deans, HoDs, faculty members, and officials. After the formal welcoming of the dignitaries, **Prof. Londhe** highlighted the institute's initiatives and activities related to human rights, gender sensitization, student welfare,

and inclusive development. The presentation showcased NIT Raipur's ongoing efforts to foster a safe, equitable, and progressive academic environment.



Addressing the gathering, **Prof. Tripathi** shared valuable suggestions for strengthening the culture of human rights at NIT Raipur. He proposed establishing a Human Rights Club to promote awareness and student participation and encouraging constructive action against injustice through mutual respect and dialogue. He stressed the importance of women's rights, gender equality, and creating a safe and inclusive campus. He also emphasized the inclusion and empowerment of the third gender and concluded by urging everyone to uphold equality, support one another, and work collectively towards social harmony and progress. In his concluding remarks, **Prof. Bajpai** thanked **Prof. Tripathi** for his valuable suggestions and assured that the institute would make sincere efforts to implement them.

The programme concluded with an interactive feedback session, during which participants shared their views and discussed ways to further strengthen human rights awareness and practices within the institute.

NIT Raipur Scales New Heights in Campus Placements 2025-26

NIT Raipur's Placement Cell, under the Career Development Centre (CDC), has announced a strong close to its 2025–26 placement season for the graduating class of 2026. Under the leadership of **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, Director, NIT Raipur, **Dr. Suresh K. Haware**, Chairman, Board of Governors (BoG), **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, Head, CDC, and **Prof. Vivek Kumar Gaba**, Faculty (I/C), Placement Cell, the campus welcomed a record 217 recruiters, who collectively extended 821 offers and placed 738 students on a single-offer basis across undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. The highest package reached ₹60.3 LPA.

At the undergraduate level, the heart of this year's success, 636 B.Tech and B.Arch students secured placements on a single-offer basis, with 82.9% of eligible students receiving at least one offer and the UG placement rate rising to a four-year high of about 74%. The average undergraduate package stood at a

healthy ₹12.39 LPA with a median of ₹10 LPA, while the top undergraduate offer of ₹60.3 LPA (D. E. Shaw) went to students of Computer Science, Information Technology and Electronics & Communication Engineering. The defining feature of the season was the sharp expansion of the recruiter base. The number of companies engaging with the campus rose by 87 in a single year, from 130 to 217, marking an increase over the four years. Marquee recruiters this year included Amazon, Microsoft, D. E. Shaw, BlackRock, Oracle, Visa, Texas Instruments, Samsung R&D, Schlumberger, Deloitte, Accenture, ZS Associates, L&T, JSW, Vedanta, Reliance Industries and Aditya Birla Group, among many others.

Several undergraduate branches recorded outstanding outcomes, led by CE (98%), EE (90%), DCE (87%) and ME (86%), with strong showings from CSE, IT and MME. Recruitment spanned a healthy spread of sectors: IT & Software Development and Core Engineering anchored the season, along with demand from Analytics & Data Science and selective hiring across Finance, Consulting, R&D / AI-ML and the Education sector, reflecting the versatility of NIT Raipur's talent pool.

NIT Raipur Organized Internal Hackathon for Smart India Hackathon 2026

NIT Raipur organized the Internal Hackathon for **Smart India Hackathon 2026** on 29th Aug. 2026. The event witnessed participation from students across various disciplines who presented technology-driven solutions to real-world problems. A total of 135 teams registered for the hackathon, of which 80 teams were shortlisted following a preliminary screening process. The shortlisted teams presented their ideas, technical approaches, and working prototypes before expert evaluation panels.



For the evaluation process, the 80 shortlisted teams were distributed across 10 parallel panels comprising faculty members of NIT Raipur along with external and industry experts. The teams were evaluated on problem understanding, innovation, technical approach, implementation, feasibility, impact, scalability, and presentation. Participants had the

opportunity to showcase their solutions and receive technical feedback from the evaluators.

The Internal Hackathon brought together students from different academic disciplines and provided a platform for interdisciplinary collaboration, teamwork and technology-driven problem-solving. The event was coordinated by **Prof. Dilip Singh Sisodia**, HoD, CSE, and **Dr. Deepak Singh**, Assistant Professor, CSE, who oversaw the preliminary screening, evaluation, panel management, and overall conduct of the hackathon. The final institutional nominations for Smart India Hackathon 2026 will be made after completion of the prescribed evaluation and verification process.

NIT Raipur Conducted Educational Visits for School Students



NIT Raipur hosted students from PM Shri JNV Kanker, Atmanand School Kanker for an educational exposure tour under the Vigyan Jyoti Scheme on 17th Aug. 2026. The Institute also hosted students from Shivam Educational Academy Raipur, CG on 25th Aug. 2026 and JNV Mahasamund School on 2nd Sep. 2026. The programme was aimed at providing young learners with practical exposure to academic and research facilities across diverse technical and scientific fields to inspire and motivate them toward higher technical education.

During the visit, students were guided through state-of-the-art departmental laboratories and the Central Library, gaining firsthand insights into engineering disciplines and campus innovations.

NIT Raipur Organized a Two-Day Awareness Program for People with Disabilities

NIT Raipur inaugurated a two-day awareness program for persons with disabilities on 30th Jul. 2026. The Chief Guest of the event was **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, Director, NIT Raipur, and **Dr. Suresh Kumar Kushwaha**, Assistant Director (Employment), National Career Service Centre for Differently Abled, as the Guest of Honor. The objective of the program was to raise awareness among persons with disabilities about their rights, government schemes,

employment opportunities, skill development, and avenues for self-reliance, while also promoting the development of an inclusive society. The event witnessed the presence of **Prof. Narendra D. Londhe**, Registrar, NIT Raipur, **Mr. Bansilal**, **Mr. Ankesh Pathak**, **Mrs. Shikha Verma**, Superintendent (I/C), Govt. Multiple Disabled Home, Mana Camp Raipur, and **Mr. Rajesh Tiwari**. The program was coordinated by **Prof. Londhe**, **Dr. Bunil Kumar Balabantaray**, Assistant Professor, CSE, and **Dr. Satya Eeswari Jujjavarapu**, Associate Professor, DBT.



Dr. Balabantaray, in his welcome address, emphasized the importance of inclusivity, dignity, and equal opportunities for persons with disabilities. **Prof. Londhe** appreciated the increasing awareness, initiatives, and programs being organized for persons with disabilities and warmly welcomed the specially invited children with disabilities participating in the event. In his address, **Dr. Kushwaha** emphasized that an individual's personality is greatly shaped by their environment and the company they keep. **Prof. Rao** stated that NIT Raipur is fully committed to safeguarding the rights and addressing the needs of persons with disabilities. The inaugural ceremony concluded with a Vote of Thanks delivered by **Dr. Jujjavarapu**.

At the first technical session, **Prof. Rao** emphasized that the real challenge lies in barriers created by society and the surrounding environment, not in an individual's impairment. He also discussed the *United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD)* as the global standard for disability rights. On the second day, **Mrs. Verma** delivered a session on Government Schemes Awareness, about welfare benefits and financial assistance available through the *Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment* and the *National Handicapped Finance and Development Corporation (NHFD)*. **Dr. Kushwaha** delivered the concluding technical session on Career Guidance and Placement Support on the topics of job readiness, resume preparation, interview skills, and career opportunities.

The Valedictory Ceremony was held on 31st Jul. 2026 and was graced by **Prof. Londhe**, **Dr. Kushwaha**, **Dr. Balabantaray**, and **Dr. Jujjavarapu**. Participants appreciated the workshop for providing valuable knowledge on their rights, government

schemes, digital technologies, vocational skills, and career opportunities. The ceremony concluded with the distribution of certificates and gifts.

NIT Raipur Organized Traffic Hackathon-2026 in Collaboration with IEI and Raipur Police Commissionerate



NIT Raipur in collaboration with the Police Commissionerate, Raipur and The Institution of Engineers (India), Chhattisgarh State Centre (IEI), conducted Traffic Hackathon-2026, under the theme *Our City | Our Roads | Our Ideas*. The event was launched on 17th Aug. 2026 with the aim of making Raipur city's traffic system safer, smoother, more organized and technology driven. The event was graced by **Dr. Sanjeev Shukla**, Police Commissioner, Raipur, as the Chief Guest, **Prof. N.V. Ramana Rao**, Director, NIT Raipur, as the Guest of Honor, and **Dr. Amit Tukaram Kamble**, IPS, Additional Police Commissioner, Raipur and **Mr. Puneet Choubey**, CET/SAIL & Chairman, The Institution of Engineers (India), Chhattisgarh State Centre as Special guests. The event was also attended by **Prof. Narendra D. Londhe**, Registrar, NIT Raipur, **Dr. Archana Jha**, DCP (Traffic & Protocol), **Mr. Robinson Guria**, IPS, DCP (West), **Mrs. Deepmala Kashyap**, DCP (North), **Mr. Ramkumar Barman**, ADCP (Traffic), **Mr. Rahul Dev Sharma**, ADCP (West), ACPs (Traffic), **Mrs. Snehil Sahu**, **Mr. Ramesh Yerewar**, **Mr. Satish Thakur**, **Mr. Kamaljit Patle**, and **Mrs. Seema Ahirwar**. The organizing committee included **Prof. L.K. Yadu**, HoD, CE and **Dr. Sunny Deol**, Associate Professor, CE alongside **Mr. Arvind Rastogi** and **Mr. A. Y. V. Chenulu** from IEI. The Special invitees included experts from various technical and professional fields, such as **Mr. Vineet Nair**, **Mr. Umesh Chitlangia**, **Mr. Saurabh Rahatgaonkar**, **Mr. Manish Pillivar**, **Mr. Yogesh Sharma**, **Prof. Debashish Sanyal** and **Mr. K.K. Pipri**.

In his address, **Dr. Shukla** remarked that traffic management is a shared responsibility of the entire city, aligning with the campaign's theme. He urged participants to propose such solutions, that are actionable ideas which could be implemented at the Police Commissionerate level or submitted

to the government for further action. **Prof. Yadu** delivered the welcome address, while **Dr. Jha** outlined the framework and objectives of the Traffic Hackathon. The Police Commissionerate, Raipur, has appealed to the residents of Raipur to actively participate in this campaign and propose practical, implementable solutions for Raipur's traffic issues. This Raipur Traffic Hackathon was a collaborative initiative involving the police, experts, and citizens, aimed at improving Raipur's traffic system through collective thinking and participation.

NIT Raipur in Collaboration with CG Police Organized a Cyber Awareness Program



NIT Raipur in association with the Chhattisgarh Police, organized a Cyber Awareness Campaign on 10th Sep. 2026. The event was graced by **Shri Dayaldas Baghel**, Minister of Food and Civil Supplies, Government of Chhattisgarh, as the Chief Guest, **Dr. Sanjeev Shukla**, Commissioner of Police, Raipur, **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, Director (I/C), **Shri Robinson Guria**, IPS, DCP (West), **Shri Gaurav Mandal**, ADCP (Cyber), along with other police officials, institute administrators, faculty members, and students. The event was coordinated by **Shri Rahul Dev Sharma**, ADCP West, **Shri Ishu Agrawal**, ACP, Azad Chowk, **Dr. Rupesh Kumar Dewang**, Associate Professor, IT and **Dr. Nitesh K. Bhardwaj**, Assistant Professor, CSE.

The event focused on protection against phishing, UPI/OTP fraud, sextortion, and digital arrest. During the program, students and attendees were educated on several ways of identifying cybercrimes and were provided with practical measures to avoid them. **Shri Mandal** stated that cyber criminals do not merely target mobile phones or bank accounts, they also exploit human psychology to make people victims of fraud. **Prof. Bajpai** encouraged students to play an active role as cyber volunteers and become aware of safe digital practices. **Dr. Shukla** described cyber fraud as a crime of a global nature and emphasized that awareness is the most effective means of protection against cybercrime. **Shri Baghel** highlighted the growing use of digital technology and advised contacting the helpline number 1930 in the event of cyber

fraud. The event concluded by presenting mementos to the guests.

NIT Raipur Organized Awareness Programme on Environmental Conservation and Disaster Management

NIT Raipur, in collaboration with the **Prajapita Brahma Kumaris Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalaya**, organized an awareness programme on **Environmental Conservation and Disaster Management**. The event was held as part of a nationwide campaign aimed at promoting environmental protection, disaster preparedness, and a healthy lifestyle. The Keynote Speaker was **Brahma Kumar Piyush**, *Zonal Coordinator of the Scientists, Engineers and Architects (SEA) Wing of the Rajyoga Education and Research Foundation*. The programme was attended by **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, *Director (I/C), NIT Raipur*, along with **Brahma Kumari Neeta**, **Brahma Kumari Soumya**, faculty members, staff, and students, who participated enthusiastically.



Addressing the gathering, **Prof. Bajpai** welcomed the Chief Guest, **Brahma Kumar Piyush**, and stated that his visit to the institute was a matter of great honour and privilege. He highlighted that the occurrence of climate change-related incidents continues to rise. Expressing his gratitude, **Brahma Kumar Piyush** enlightened the audience about the **Brahma Kumaris** organization and how the organization promotes moral values, spirituality, and positive living among people of all faiths. The programme concluded with a Vote of Thanks to all the guests and participants, along with a message encouraging everyone to remain committed to environmental conservation and disaster preparedness.

NIT Raipur Hosted Expert Interaction Session of Distinguished Alumnus Mr. Prakash Chandrakar

NIT Raipur hosted an Expert Interaction Session on **Net Zero Energy Systems** on 7th Sep. 2026, featuring **Mr. Prakash Chandrakar**, *Alumnus, EE, NIT Raipur (1984 Batch), former Managing Director & CEO of C&S Electric Limited (A*

Siemens Group Company) and former CEO, Siemens MV Power Distribution System & Future Grid. The session was organized by the **Electrical Engineering Association (EEA)**, **NIT Raipur**, with the objective of providing students and faculty members with meaningful exposure to industry perspectives, emerging technologies, and career opportunities. The programme was held under the guidance of **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, *Director (I/C), NIT Raipur*, and was attended by **Prof. Shubhrata Gupta**, *Dean (Academics), NIT Raipur*, along with faculty members, research scholars, officials, students, and startup founders associated with the NITRRFIE Incubation Centre.



Delivering the expert talk, **Mr. Prakash Chandrakar** shared insights into the evolving landscape of Net Zero Energy Systems and emphasized the importance of technical excellence, continuous learning, innovation, leadership, entrepreneurship, and adaptability. He highlighted the growing industry demand for engineers with strong technical fundamentals, problem-solving skills, entrepreneurial thinking, and an understanding of real-world challenges. He also interacted with startups incubated at the Incubation Centre, offering valuable industry perspectives and guidance. The session provided opportunities for mentorship, career guidance, startup support, and strengthening the alumni–industry–institute connect. The programme concluded with a vote of thanks to **Mr. Chandrakar** for sharing his experience and insights with the NIT Raipur community.

NIT Raipur Organised Seminars on World Suicide Prevention Day

NIT Raipur's **Department of Humanities and Social Sciences (DHSS)** organised specialized seminar sessions on 10th Sept. 2026 to mark *World Suicide Prevention Day*. The programme was organized to foster mental health awareness and stress management across the student community, featuring expert lectures on value education. The event was organised under the guidance of **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, *Director (I/C), NIT Raipur*. The technical sessions were delivered by chief speakers **Mr. Surendra Pal**, *Value Education Expert, Madhyasth Darshan*, and **Dr. Heena Chawda**, *Value Education and Psychological Counsellor, NIT Raipur*. The

seminar witnessed enthusiastic participation in the presence of **Prof. Shubhashis Sanyal**, *Professor, ME & Dean (CR&RM), NIT Raipur*, **Prof. Manoj Kumar Chopkar**, *Professor, MME & Dean (Student Welfare), NIT Raipur*, alongside faculty members and students.

In the opening session, **Dr. Chawda** explained human stress in physical and mental dimensions, focusing on psychological triggers behind severe depression. She advised participants on the necessity of seeking professional and medical support when facing psychological distress. In the subsequent lecture titled *Breaking the Cycle of Overthinking and Depression*, **Mr. Pal** shared insights from his industrial background in CNG and LNG sectors and introduced the philosophy of Human Engineering. He urged attendees to overcome consumerist anxieties such as YOLO and FOMO and guided students to pursue foundational fulfilment. Addressing the gathering, **Prof. Sanyal** highlighted the historic legacy of value education at the institute dating back to its foundation as Government Engineering College (GEC), advising students to give equal priority to emotional health alongside academic performance.

NIT Raipur Organized Faculty Upgradation Program on Mental Health

NIT Raipur's Mental Health and Wellbeing Cell in collaboration with **BetterSpace** inaugurated a two-day Faculty Upgradation Program on 14th Jul. 2026. The program was organized to enhance faculty members' understanding of student mentoring, mental health, and the creation of a positive learning environment. The keynote session was delivered by **Dr. Shivli Shrivastava**, *Co-founder, BetterSpace*. The event was graced by **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, *Head, CDC*, **Prof. Manoj Kumar Chopkar**, *Dean (SW)*, and faculty members of the institute.

During the inaugural session, **Prof. Bajpai** noted that stress has become a part of everyday life, affecting both teachers and students due to increasing emotional and academic pressures. He remarked that having a beautiful mind is important, but having a beautiful heart is even more important. **Dr. Shrivastava** emphasized that discussions on the mental health of students should not remain limited to formal settings. It should take place in an informal manner using language that students can easily relate to. She added that students need teachers who listen patiently, demonstrate empathy, build trust, maintain an open mindset, and encourage them to seek professional help whenever required.

The program also featured a range of interactive activities designed to help faculty members develop empathy, effective

communication skills, self-awareness, and the qualities of an effective mentor. These activities underscored the importance of fostering positive and supportive teacher-student relationships.

NIT Raipur Organized an Expert Speaker Session on Opportunities in the Social Sector

NIT Raipur's Training & Placement Cell, Career Development Centre (CDC), in collaboration with the **Open Links Foundation (OLF)**, organized an expert speaker session on **Opportunities in the Social Sector** on 11th Sept. 2026. The session was led by **Mr. Sanjay Dalmia**, *Founder & CEO, Open Links Foundation, an alumnus of IIT Delhi and IIM Ahmedabad*. **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, *Director (I/C)*, along with officials and students, was present. The session aimed to introduce students to career opportunities in the social sector and provide insights into how technology, leadership, mentoring and management skills can contribute to addressing large-scale social challenges.

During the session, **Mr. Dalmia** presented the *Vinoba Program*, OLF's flagship initiative focused on improving the quality of education in government schools, behavioural science, teacher engagement, data-driven decision-making, and targeted interventions. A key component of the session was the **Polestar Program**, which provides students of NITRR an opportunity to mentor talented government-school students. Polestars guide students in JEE/NEET preparation, build confidence, and encourage them to pursue ambitious educational goals.

NIT Raipur Organized Umbrella Distribution Programme for Cleaning and Horticulture Staff



NIT Raipur's faculty members organized an **Umbrella Distribution Programme** for the Institute's **Cleaning and Horticulture staff**, demonstrating a strong commitment to social responsibility and employee welfare. The initiative was made possible through the voluntary financial contributions of faculty members, reflecting their collective appreciation for the dedicated services rendered by the sanitation and

horticulture workforce in maintaining a clean, green, and healthy campus environment. The programme was supported by the contributions of **Prof. D. C. Jhariya**, Professor, DAG, **Prof. Debasisha Mishra**, Professor, DoM, **Prof. Sharada Nandan Raw**, Professor, DoM, **Prof. Ebha Koley**, Professor, EE, **Dr. Mridu Sahu**, Associate Professor, IT, **Prof. Bikesh Kumar Singh**, Professor, BME, **Prof. Neeraj Vishwakarma**, Professor, DAG, **Prof. Suraj Kumar Mukti**, Professor, ME, **Dr. Himanshu Poptani**, Assistant Professor, DAP, **Prof. Amit Raj Singh**, Professor, ME and **Dr. Neha Gupta**, Associate Professor, MME and several staff members of the Institute. A total of 154 workers from cleaning and horticulture were present, along with faculty members and Staff from various departments.

NITRRFIE

NITRRFIE Organized Two-Day Mentorship Workshop for 40 INSPIRE–MANAK Student Innovators

NIT Raipur Foundation for Innovation & Entrepreneurship (NITRRFIE) organized a two-day **Mentorship Workshop** for 40 INSPIRE-MANAK student innovators from 20 districts of Chhattisgarh on 2nd and 3rd Sept. 2026. Sponsored by the *National Innovation Foundation, India*, the workshop was conducted for students shortlisted for the national-level exhibition scheduled for October 2026. The inaugural session was graced by **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, Director (I/C), NIT Raipur and Board Director, NITRRFIE, **Dr. Vivek Kumar**, Scientist F, NIF India, **Mr. Satish Maheshwari**, Assistant Director, Directorate of Public Instruction & Assistant State Nodal Officer, INSPIRE, **Dr. Anuj Kumar Shukla**, Faculty (I/C), NITRRFIE, **Mr. Pawan Kataria**, Officer (I/C), NITRRFIE, **Dr. Prajna Ritaparna**, Senior Fellow, NIF India, **Mr. Rahul Prakash**, Principal Associate, NIF India, **Ms. Medha Singh**, CEO, NITRRFIE and **Mr. Sunil Dewangan**, Manager, NITRRFIE, along with faculty members and participants.



Dr. Shukla congratulated the selected students and highlighted the role of young innovators in strengthening the

innovation ecosystem. **Mr. Maheshwari** encouraged the participants to make effective use of mentorship and pursue original ideas despite limited resources. **Dr. Kumar** advised the students to engage openly with experts and use constructive feedback to improve their innovations. **Mr. Kataria** introduced NIT Raipur and NITRRFIE and emphasized the importance of converting ideas into actionable solutions that create value. **Prof. Bajpai** highlighted the need for innovations to address social problems at their root and emphasized usability, financial viability, environmental sustainability, and social and cultural acceptability. The workshop included domain-wise mentoring and brainstorming sessions with NIT Raipur faculty across mechanical, electronics, electrical, and science disciplines.

The second day featured an expert session on entrepreneurship by **Dr. Shukla** and a session on design thinking by **Mr. Abhijeet Sharma**, CEO, *Udyamitra Foundation*, focusing on user-centric innovation, prototyping and learning from early-stage failures. The participants also visited the physics, chemistry, computer, electrical, electronics, mechanical, and 3D-printing laboratories and prototyping facilities of NIT Raipur to understand the processes of fabrication, testing, and development of working prototypes. The sessions provided the students with practical exposure to project development, innovation, entrepreneurship and documentation.

The workshop concluded with a valedictory session attended by **Dr. Prajna Ritaparna**, Senior Fellow, NIF India, and **Mr. Himanshu Bharatiya**, Deputy Director, Directorate of Public Instruction and State Nodal Officer, INSPIRE. **Dr. Ritaparna** encouraged the students to continue testing and refining their ideas, while **Mr. Bharatiya** highlighted the importance of developing a problem-solving approach towards everyday challenges. The programme concluded with the distribution of participation certificates and a group photograph. The 40 student innovators will proceed to prepare their innovations for the national-level INSPIRE–MANAK exhibition scheduled for October 2026.

NIT Raipur Celebrates World Entrepreneurs' Day with Entrepreneurs' Meetup 2026

NIT Raipur's Foundation for Innovation & Entrepreneurship (NITRRFIE) organised **Entrepreneurs' Meetup 2026** on 21st Aug. 2026 on the occasion of World Entrepreneurs' Day. The event was held under the **MeitY IndiaAI Chhattisgarh Centre of Excellence in Artificial Intelligence (AI-CoE)**, NIT Raipur, in collaboration with **VikaasGarh** and **Startup Grind Raipur**. More than 200

people took part, including startup founders, entrepreneurs, students, faculty members, staff, innovators, and others working in the startup ecosystem. The programme was organized under the guidance of **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, Director, NIT Raipur and Board Director, NITRRFIE, and **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, Board Director, NITRRFIE. Speakers at the event included **Mr. Vinay Kumar Shreerangam**, Founder, WiseBooks, **Dr. Neeta Kanwar**, Director, Pranaa, **Mr. Abhishek Nakhate**, Founder, Sreegen AI, and **Dr. Saurabh Gupta**, Associate Professor, BME. The speakers shared their experiences and insights on entrepreneurship, highlighting the key aspects of transforming ideas into viable businesses, understanding market needs, overcoming challenges, and building sustainable ventures.



Mr. Kataria gave participants an overview of the incubation and innovation facilities available at NIT Raipur. He explained how NITRRFIE supports startups at every stage, from an early idea to a funded and growing company. The partnership with **VikaasGarh**, led by **Mr. Meraj Meer**, Founder & CEO, VikaasGarh and Director, Vigsia Global, and **Ms. Saniya Sheikh**, Co-Founder & COO, VikaasGarh, and Co-Director, Startup Grind Raipur, brought people from different parts of the startup ecosystem to the campus and helped the programme reach a wider audience. The event also included an awareness session on Jagriti Yatra. A 15-day national train journey that takes young entrepreneurs and changemakers across the country to meet enterprises that are solving real problems in small towns and villages.

It was organised by the NITRRFIE team, which includes **Dr. Anuj Kumar Shukla**, Faculty (I/C), NITRRFIE, **Mr. Pawan Kataria**, Officer(I/C), NITRRFIE, **Ms. Medha Singh**, Chief Executive Officer, and **Mr. Sunil Dewangan**, Manager, NITRRFIE. Their continued efforts help build a campus culture that encourages innovation, entrepreneurship, industry collaboration, and technology-based problem-solving. Entrepreneurs' Meetup 2026 showed NITRRFIE's commitment to strengthening the startup ecosystem in Chhattisgarh and to making good entrepreneurial support available to founders within the state itself.

NITRRFIE Organized Capacity-Building Workshops on GST and GeM for Startups

NIT Raipur Foundation for Innovation & Entrepreneurship (NITRRFIE) organized two Capacity-Building Workshops on GST and GeM for Startups, under MeitY India AI Chhattisgarh Centre of Excellence in Artificial Intelligence (AI-CoE) under the visionary leadership of **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, Director, NIT Raipur & Board Director, NITRRFIE, and **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, Board Director, NITRRFIE. The programmes were coordinated by **Dr. Anuj Kumar Shukla**, Faculty (I/C), NITRRFIE, **Mr. Pawan Kataria**, Officer (I/C), NITRRFIE, **Ms. Medha Singh**, CEO and **Mr. Sunil Dewangan**, Manager. These capacity-building programmes aimed at enhancing compliance knowledge, business readiness, and market access capabilities for startups, entrepreneurs, and MSMEs.

The online workshop on GST for Startups – Compliance, Growth & Opportunities was held on 13th Aug. 2026, conducted by **Mrs. Pratishtha Thakur Haritwal**, Deputy Commissioner, State Tax (GST) Office of the Commissioner, Nava Raipur. The session covered GST registration, return filing, invoicing, Input Tax Credit, GST notices, and compliance requirements for SaaS, digital services, and e-commerce businesses. An interactive Q&A enabled participants to seek practical clarification on GST-related challenges.



Further the hybrid training programme Procurement through Government e-Marketplace (GeM) – Capacity Building for Government Officials and Startups, was held on 17th Aug. 2026, was led by **Shri Rakesh Tiwari**, GeM Trainer. The programme introduced participants to the GeM ecosystem, buyer and seller modules, and government procurement processes, featuring a live demonstration of the GeM portal, followed by an interactive Q&A.

NITRRFIE Organised Future 6.0 Interaction on Path to Success with Yi National Chair

NIT Raipur's Foundation for Innovation & Entrepreneurship (NITRRFIE) organised a thought-provoking session titled *Future 6.0 – Path to Success with National Chair* on 25th Aug. 2026. The programme brought together students, faculty members, and guests for an engaging interaction focused on personal growth, goal setting, leadership, and building a meaningful future. The programme aimed to encourage students to develop leadership qualities, take ownership, and prepare themselves to make meaningful contributions to society.

The session was graced by keynote speaker **Mr. Arun Rathod**, *National Chair, Young Indians (Yi)*, alongside **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, *Director, NIT Raipur*, **Dr. Anuj Kumar Shukla**, *Faculty (I/C), NITRRFIE*, **Mr. Pawan Kataria**, *Officer (I/C), NITRRFIE*, and **Ms. Medha Singh**, *CEO, NITRRFIE*. The event was supported by jury members **Ms. Gitanjali Dasgupta**, **Ms. Alka Panda**, **Mr. Mitesh Singhania**, **Ms. Aditi Srivastava Khandelwal**, and **Dr. Neha Agrawal**, whose involvement contributed to the smooth conduct of the programme. The session was coordinated by the Young Indians (Yi) team comprising **Mr. Alok Agrawal**, **Mr. Pankaj Somani**, **Mr. Kavitha Passary**, **Ms. Priyanka Dulhani**, **Mr. Aditya Agrawal**, and **Ms. Ishika Chowdhary**. Addressing the gathering, **Mr. Rathod** shared insights from his personal and professional journey, highlighting that success is shaped by challenges, decisions, setbacks, and continuous learning. He encouraged students to set clear goals, understand their purpose, act with discipline, overcome procrastination, and make mindful choices regarding their peer groups and environment. The programme concluded with an interactive exchange between **Mr. Rathod** and the students, focusing on resilience, self-awareness, purposeful decision-making, and consistent effort. The session encouraged students to reflect on their aspirations and approach their personal and professional journeys with discipline and perseverance.

COSINE

COSINE Celebrated National Space Day with ISRO-NRSC Interaction and Ideathon



NIT Raipur's Centre of Space & Interplanetary Exploration (COSINE), in association with the **National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC)**, *ISRO*, organized a National Space Day celebration on 13th Aug. 2026, featuring expert sessions on India's space milestones, the *Gaganyaan Mission*, and the *Human Space Flight Programme*, followed by an *Ideathon Challenge*. The event was graced by *Chief Guest* **Shri Prashant Kavishwar**, *Acting Director General, CCOST*, *Guest of Honour* **Shri Rajendrasingh P. Byali**, *Deputy Director, HSFC, ISRO*, **Dr. BHM Daruksha**, *Group Head, HSFC, ISRO*, **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, *Director (I/C), NIT Raipur*, and **Prof. Shubhashis Sanyal**, *Mentor, COSINE*, under the coordination of **Dr. Saurabh Gupta**, *Head, COSINE*, **Dr. Jaya Saxena**, *NRSC, ISRO*, **Dr. Himanshu Govil**, *Member, COSINE*, and **Dr. Kapil Soni**, *Member, COSINE*.

Addressing the gathering, **Dr. Jaya Saxena** highlighted the significance of the day in commemorating the historic soft landing of *Chandrayaan-3*. **Shri Kavishwar** emphasized making space advancements accessible to society, connecting innovation with youthful energy through $E = mc^2$. **Prof. Bajpai** praised the multidisciplinary nature of space technology, while **Shri Byali** provided insights into astronaut training, crew safety systems, and plans for the *Bharatiya Antariksh Station*, encouraging NIT Raipur to contribute to microgravity research. **Dr. Daruksha** delivered an expert lecture on life-support systems, crew escape mechanisms, and biomedical engineering applications such as monitoring astronaut bone density in microgravity.

The second half featured an *Ideathon Challenge* on geospatial solutions. First place was secured by **Team Sanjeevani**, *SSIPMT, Raipur*, second by **Team Sail IGKV**, *IGKV, Raipur*, and third by **Team Fuego**, *CSVТУ*. Consolation prizes were awarded to **Team Pookie Rangers** and **Team Bio Extreme** from NIT Raipur.

COSINE Organized Interactive Session on Space Technology

Centre of Space and Interplanetary Exploration (COSINE), **NIT Raipur**, in collaboration with **TakeMe2Space**, organized an interactive session on space technology focusing on satellite development, on-orbit data centres, high-performance computing, and aerospace industry collaborations. The keynote speakers were **Mr. Tanuj Joshi**, *Head of Solutions, TakeMe2Space*, and **Mr. Priyanshu Sahu**, *Head of Business, TakeMe2Space*, in the presence of **Dr. Saurabh Gupta**, *Head, COSINE*, along with students, research scholars, and faculty members.

The speakers shared technical insights into *MOI-1A*, featuring advanced power, sensing, and communication systems for on-orbit data processing. The session also highlighted plans for satellite-based data centres with NVIDIA GPUs, an upcoming ISRO PSLV launch, and partnerships with Spacely for deploying multiple satellites by 2028.

MoUs

NIT Raipur and AIIMS Raipur Signed MoU for AI-Driven Healthcare Solutions

NIT Raipur Foundation for Innovation & Entrepreneurship (NITRRFIE) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Raipur on 19th Aug. 2026 under the MeitY IndiaAI Chhattisgarh Centre of Excellence in Artificial Intelligence (AI-CoE). Established at NIT Raipur under the IndiaAI Mission with the support of the Government of Chhattisgarh, the AI-CoE has a project outlay of ₹20 crore and focuses on Healthcare & Multidisciplinary, Mining & Minerals, and Steel & Industries. The collaboration with AIIMS Raipur will facilitate AI-based healthcare solutions through real-world clinical problem statements and domain expertise.



Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao, Director, NIT Raipur & Board Director, NITRRFIE, highlighted the importance of converting genuine healthcare challenges into responsible, effective, and scalable technology solutions. **Ashok Jindal**, Lt. Gen (Retd.), Executive Director & CEO, AIIMS Raipur, emphasized the role of clinical expertise and real-world validation in translating. The ceremony was attended by senior officials, faculty members, and representatives from AIIMS Raipur and NIT Raipur, including **Dr. D. K. Tripathi**, Head, SRIJAN, **Dr. Abhiruchi Galhotra**, Dean (Research), **Dr. Eli Mohapatra**, Dean (Academics), **Dr. Ekta Khandelwal**, Associate Dean (Research), **Dr. Naman Agrawal**, Member Secretary, SRIJAN, **Dr. Roshan Mathew**, AI Nodal, SRIJAN, **Dr. Pushpawati Thakur**, Professor, OBG & Member, SRIJAN, **Dr. Anuj Kumar Shukla**, Faculty (I/C), NITRRFIE, **Mr. Pawan Kataria**, Officer (I/C), NITRRFIE and **Mr. Sunil Dewangan**, Incubation Manager, NITRRFIE.

Quadripartite MoU Signed to Establish MeitY IndiaAI Centre of Excellence



NIT Raipur signed a landmark Quadripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 27th Aug. 2026 for the establishment and operation of the MeitY IndiaAI Chhattisgarh Centre of Excellence in Artificial Intelligence (AI-CoE) under the IndiaAI Mission of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India. The agreement brings together NIT Raipur through the NIT Raipur Foundation for Innovation & Entrepreneurship (NITRRFIE), **Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee International Institute of Information Technology**, Naya Raipur through IIIT-NR FTBIE, the **Chhattisgarh Infotech Promotion Society (CHiPS)**, Department of Electronics & Information Technology, Government of Chhattisgarh, and **AIC@36Inc Society**, Raipur.

The MoU was formally signed by **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, Director, NIT Raipur, **Prof. O. P. Vyas**, Director, IIIT Naya Raipur, **Shri Mayank Agrawal**, CEO, CHiPS, and **Shri Anupam Ashish Toppo**, CEO, AIC@36Inc Society. The ceremony was graced by **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, Board Director, NITRRFIE, who provided strategic guidance to the initiative. The event was attended by **Dr. Anuj Kumar Shukla**, Faculty (I/C), NITRRFIE, **Mr. Pawan Kataria**, Officer (I/C), NITRRFIE, **Ms. Medha Singh**, CEO, NITRRFIE, **Dr. K. G. Srinivasa**, Dean (Academics), IIIT Naya Raipur & Director, IIIT-NR FTBIE, **Dr. Amit Agarwal**, Associate Professor, IIIT Naya Raipur & Director, IIIT-NR FTBIE, and **Mr. Sweekar Pawar**, Manager (Technology and Innovation), AIC@36Inc.

The AI-CoE will operate through NIT Raipur and IIIT Naya Raipur, with NIT Raipur focusing on Mining & Minerals, Steel & Industries, and Healthcare & Multidisciplinary Applications, and IIIT Naya Raipur on Agriculture & Education, Smart City & Good Governance, and Medical Care & Multidisciplinary Applications. CHiPS will facilitate government coordination, while the respective Section 8 companies will manage institutional operations and AIC@36Inc will provide incubation, mentorship, and industry

linkages to support hackathons, startups, and applied AI research in Chhattisgarh.

NIT Raipur Signed MoU with Ecostem Materials

NIT Raipur signed a **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)** with **Ecostem Materials Pvt. Ltd.** on 30th Jun. 2026 to establish academic and industrial collaboration. Bhilai-based **EcoSTEM Group** works towards converting abundant agricultural waste, particularly the millions of tonnes of banana pseudo-stems that are burned or wasted across India each year, into high-value, sustainable materials using AI-enabled processes. The group includes **Ecostem Materials Pvt. Ltd.** and allied initiatives in sustainable materials and agri-tech, driven by a long-term vision to become a leading banana-plant materials company supplying AI-verified, science-backed, sustainably produced materials to global industries.

The MoU ceremony was graced by **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, Director, NIT Raipur, **Mr. Bavesh Kumar**, CEO and Director, Ecostem Materials Pvt. Ltd., **Prof. Shubhashis**

Sanyal, Dean (CR&RM), NIT Raipur, **Prof. N. V. Swamy Naidu**, Professor & HoD, ME, **Mr. Vikas Mishra**, Director (Sales), Ecostem Materials Pvt. Ltd., and **Dr. Srinivasu Gangi Setti**, Associate Professor, ME & Coordinator, NIT Raipur.



The key objectives of the MoU included promoting academic and industrial collaboration, supporting applied research, development, and innovation in the fields of bio-based materials, sustainable manufacturing, agro-processing, and the circular economy, exchanging knowledge, expertise, and institutional resources to address practical industrial challenges and cultivate a culture of practical learning, and creating dedicated opportunities for students and faculty.

Industry-Institute Collaboration by IICC

NIT Raipur Organized an Expert Talk on Coal Carrying and Handling Processes in a Thermal Power Plant

Department of Mechanical Engineering (ME), NIT Raipur in collaboration with **Industry-Institute Collaboration Cell (IICC)**, NIT Raipur, hosted an expert talk titled *Coal Carrying and Handling Processes in a Thermal Power Plant* by **Dr. Suparna Mukhopadhyay**, Additional General Manager, NTPC Raipur, on 17th Aug. 2026. The session offered students with valuable insights into the processes and practices involved in coal handling and transportation in thermal power plants. Students were also introduced to the functioning of key equipment and conveyor systems used in coal handling, along with the importance of maintaining efficiency, safety, and reliability throughout the process. The session helped participants understand the practical aspects of coal handling operations and their crucial role in ensuring the continuous and efficient functioning of a thermal power plant.

NIT Raipur Organised an expert lecture on Building a Career in Research and Industry

Department of Mechanical Engineering (ME), NIT Raipur, in collaboration with **Industry-Institute Collaboration Cell (IICC)**, NIT Raipur organised an expert lecture on 9th Sept. 2026 on *Building a Career in Research and Industry*. The *keynote speaker* for the programme was **Dr. Renuka Sahu**, Scientist, Corning, Pune, an alumna of NIT Raipur (B.Tech) and PhD holder from IISc Bangalore. She shared valuable insights on research opportunities, industry expectations, higher studies, and career pathways after graduation, followed by an interactive session with students and faculty members.

NIT Raipur Organised an Expert Lecture on Research & Planning

Department of Mechanical Engineering (ME), NIT Raipur in collaboration with **Industry-Institute Collaboration Cell (IICC)**, NIT Raipur organised an expert lecture on 16th – 17th Sept. 2026 by **Dr. Shubham Agrawal**, Assistant Professor, NIT Silchar, an Alumnus of NIT Raipur. The session provided valuable guidance to researchers and students on planning and pursuing impactful research in a structured and effective manner, with insights into developing a focused and systematic approach to research.

Academic Activities

NIT Raipur Organized International SPARC-Sponsored Workshop on Next-Gen Quantum Intelligence

Department of Information Technology (IT), NIT Raipur organized a five-day International Workshop titled **Next-Gen Quantum Intelligence: AI for Network Optimization and Entanglement (NGQI-AINE-26)** from 6th to 10th Jul. 2026. Sponsored by the Scheme for Promotion of Academic and Research Collaboration (SPARC), Ministry of Education, Government of India, the workshop brought together academicians, researchers, experts, and students to discuss emerging developments in quantum computing, artificial intelligence, quantum communication, and next-generation networking.



The inaugural ceremony was graced by **Chief Guest Prof. Sanjeev Prashar**, Director, IIM Raipur, **Chief Patron Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, Director, NIT Raipur, Guests of Honour **Prof. Rajkumar Buyya**, Redmond Barry Distinguished Professor, University of Melbourne, Australia, and **Dr. Titash Mondal**, SPARC Member, IIT Kharagpur. The programme was coordinated by **Prof. Sudhakar Pandey**, HoD, IT and organized under a collaborative SPARC research project led by **Dr. Chandrashekar Jatoth**, Associate Professor, IT, in collaboration with **Prof. Gautam Das** and **Prof. Soumya K. Ghosh**, IIT Kharagpur, with University of Melbourne and Curtin University, Australia.

Prof. Pandey highlighted the importance of integrating Artificial Intelligence with Quantum Computing and Quantum Communication for secure and scalable next-generation networks. **Prof. Prashar** emphasized interdisciplinary research, innovation, and collaboration in emerging technologies, with a focus on linking academic learning with practical applications. **Prof. Rao** highlighted the significance of advanced computing, academic collaboration, and knowledge exchange in quantum computing, AI, and next-generation networking. **Prof. Buyya** discussed the growing role of cloud computing, quantum computing, and intelligent systems in addressing future computational challenges. **Dr.**

Mondal highlighted SPARC's role in promoting academic collaboration, research mobility, and knowledge exchange, while **Dr. Chandrashekar** emphasized the project's collaborative focus on quantum intelligence, AI-driven network optimization, and next-generation communication technologies.

The workshop brought together over 70 faculty members, research scholars, and students from leading institutions in India and Germany. The technical programme featured expert lectures, hands-on sessions, and discussions on quantum technologies, including quantum key distribution, machine learning, post-quantum security, optimization, networks, and industrial applications. Eminent experts contributed to the programme through technical sessions, sharing insights on emerging developments in quantum technologies and artificial intelligence.

The valedictory ceremony was graced by **Chief Guest Prof. Samir Bajpai**, Director (I/C), NIT Raipur, Guest of Honour **Prof. Buyya**, **Prof. Pandey** and Special Guest **Dr. Siddhartha Santra**, Associate Professor, IIT Bombay. **Prof. Bajpai** highlighted the relevance of emerging technologies and the need for interdisciplinary research and collaboration. **Prof. Buyya** emphasized the role of quantum technologies and advanced computing, along with international research partnerships and knowledge exchange, in advancing innovation. **Prof. Pandey** reflected on the successful conduct of the workshop and its role in facilitating knowledge exchange, while **Dr. Santra** highlighted the need for continued research and collaboration in quantum computing and intelligent systems. The programme concluded with the distribution of participation certificates and a Vote of Thanks by **Dr. Chandrashekar**, who acknowledged the support of SPARC, the Ministry of Education, collaborating institutions, speakers, organizing committee, faculty members, volunteers, and participants.

NIT Raipur Conducted Five-Day International Workshop on Breaking and Securing AI



Department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE), NIT Raipur conducted a Five-Day International Workshop titled **Breaking and Securing AI: Adversarial Attacks, Deepfakes, and Healthcare Systems** from 22nd to 26th Jun. 2026. Sponsored by the Ministry of Education, Government of India, under the Scheme for Promotion of Academic and Research Collaboration (SPARC), the workshop focused on emerging challenges in artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, deepfakes, adversarial attacks, and healthcare systems. The inaugural ceremony was graced by *Chief Guest Shri Gurjinder Pal Singh, DGP, Chhattisgarh Police*, along with *Guests of Honor Dr. Rabibrata Mukherjee, National SPARC Coordinator & Professor, IIT Kharagpur*, and **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao, Director, NIT Raipur**. Special Guests **Dr. Zahid Akhtar, Professor, SUNY Poly, USA**, and **Dr. Arijit Karati, Professor, NSYSU, Taiwan**, also attended the ceremony. The programme was chaired by **Prof. Dilip Singh Sisodia, HoD, CSE**, and coordinated by **Prof. Naresh Nagwani, Professor, CSE**, and **Dr. Preeti Chandrakar, Associate Professor, CSE**.

Dr. Chandrakar welcomed the dignitaries and highlighted the growing role of AI in healthcare, along with the challenges posed by deepfakes and adversarial attacks. She also noted the participation of around 100 registered participants from India and abroad. **Prof. Sisodia** highlighted the increasing impact of AI on daily life and the need for innovative and responsible AI solutions. Delivering the keynote address, *Chief Guest Shri Singh* traced the evolution of technology from punch cards and early PCs to modern AI, highlighting the growing use of AI in sophisticated crimes through voice scams, fake identities, and manipulated digital evidence. **Dr. Mukherjee** appreciated the initiative of NIT Raipur and highlighted the role of SPARC research and mobility programmes in strengthening academic collaboration, while stressing the need to support victims of AI-driven crimes. **Prof. Rao** highlighted the importance of international collaboration and global partnerships, particularly in addressing adversarial attacks in healthcare, such as manipulation of ECG signals. **Dr. Akhtar** emphasized that AI systems must increasingly focus on reliability, security, trust, and responsible deployment rather than only larger models. **Dr. Karati** highlighted the role of cryptography, model robustness, and international knowledge exchange in securing AI systems and encouraged participants to explore practical challenges through continuous inquiry.

The five-day workshop featured a series of technical sessions, expert lectures, and discussions on artificial intelligence, deepfake detection, cybersecurity, blockchain, and the security of AI-driven healthcare systems, with active participation from students, researchers, and academicians.

The sessions provided participants with insights into emerging technological challenges, practical approaches to AI security, and the need for responsible and reliable deployment of advanced AI systems.

During the valedictory ceremony held on 26th Jun. 2026, **Dr. Akhtar** emphasized the importance of developing AI systems that are secure, trustworthy, accurate, and responsible, while encouraging participants to pursue innovation and research in AI and cybersecurity. **Dr. Karati** highlighted the significance of international collaboration, academic mobility, and knowledge exchange in addressing emerging challenges related to artificial intelligence, cybersecurity, and deepfake technologies. **Dr. Chandrakar** reflected on the successful conduct of the workshop, noting the enthusiastic participation of students and researchers and its focus on promoting learning, research, and innovation. The programme concluded with the distribution of certificates to the participants, followed by a formal Vote of Thanks by **Prof. Nagwani**.

NIT Raipur inaugurated 5th International Conference on Computing, Communication, and Learning (COCOLE-2026)

Department of Computer Science & Engineering (CSE), NIT Raipur, inaugurated the three-day **5th International Conference on Computing, Communication, and Learning (COCOLE-2026)** on 2nd Sept. 2026. The conference brought together researchers, academicians, professionals, and students to discuss emerging developments in computing, communication, and learning. The ceremony commenced with the presence of **Prof. Bidyadhar Subudhi, Director, NIT Warangal**, and *Professor, IIT Goa*, as the Chief Guest, **Prof. Samir Bajpai, Director (I/C), NIT Raipur**, **Prof. Narendra D. Londhe, Registrar, NIT Raipur**, **Prof. Dilip Singh Sisodia, HoD, CSE**, **Prof. Siba K. Udgata, Professor, Central University of Hyderabad** and **Prof. Prasanta Kumar Jana, Professor, ISM Dhanbad**. The Conference was coordinated by **Dr. Bunil Kumar Balabantaray, Assistant Professor, CSE**, **Dr. Madhukrishna Priyadarsini, Assistant Professor, CSE**, **Dr. Jitendra Kumar Rout, Associate Professor, CSE** and **Dr. Manu Vardhan, Associate Professor, University of Delhi**.



Dr. Priyadarshini welcomed the guests and provided an overview of the programme, noting that 285 papers were received from India and abroad, with 42 shortlisted for presentation. **Prof. Sisodia** highlighted the relevance of Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning, while **Prof. Bajpai** emphasized emerging technologies including artificial intelligence and quantum computing. **Prof. Londhe** outlined the CSE department's initiatives in critical technologies, research, publications and consultancy. **Prof. Jana** discussed applications of computing in agriculture, traffic management and smart systems, while **Prof. Udgata** emphasized the need for responsible, robust and ethical AI. **Prof. Subudhi**, discussed the evolving landscape of computing, communication and learning and highlighted the growing role of AI across sectors, along with the importance of cybersecurity and responsible technology adoption. The inauguration concluded with the unveiling of the conference booklet *COCOLE-2026*.

The valedictory ceremony was held on 4th Sept. 2026. The ceremony was graced by **Dr. Gupteswar Majhi**, *Scientist F, Optical and Quantum Section, C-DOT, New Delhi, Government of India* as the *Chief Guest*, **Prof. Samir Bajpai** as *Patron*, and **Prof. Dilip Singh Sisodia** as the *Conference Chairman*. **Dr. Balbantaray** began the session by welcoming the distinguished guests, faculty members, and the students and gave a brief overview of the conference. **Prof. Bajpai** thanked the guests and speakers for contributing to the conference's success and highlighted the three-day deliberations on AI and IoT. **Prof. Ghosh** and **Prof. Sisodiya** expressed gratitude to the Chief Guest, speakers, and participants, and appreciated the organizing faculty for successfully overcoming challenges to conduct the conference in hybrid mode. **Dr. Majhi** highlighted C-DOT's contribution to indigenous communication infrastructure and the transition to next-generation networks. The valedictory function concluded with a formal Vote of Thanks proposed by **Dr. Rout**.

NIT Raipur Organized Five-Day National Workshop on Quantum Technologies for Underwater Robot Navigation (QTURPNT-2026)



Department of Information Technology (IT), NIT Raipur organized a five-day hybrid National workshop titled **Quantum Technologies for Underwater Robot Positioning, Navigation and Timing (PNT): Principles, Challenges and Future Direction (QTURPNT-2026)** from 31st Aug. to 4th Sept. 2026. The workshop was conducted under the DST-sponsored research project titled *Design and Development of a Quantum-based PNT System for Underwater Robot Navigation*, sponsored by the **Navavishkar I-Hub Foundation (IITNiF)**, **IIT Tirupati**, under the **National Mission on Interdisciplinary Cyber-Physical Systems (NM-ICPS)**, *Department of Science and Technology, Government of India*. The programme focused on emerging quantum technologies and their applications in positioning, navigation, and timing for underwater robotic systems.

The inaugural ceremony was graced by **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, *Director, NIT Raipur*, as *Chief Patron*, and **Dr. Laxminarayana Parayitam**, *Professor & Director, Research & Training Unit for Navigational Electronics (NERTU), Osmania University*, as *Chief Guest*, along with **Dr. Sanjay Kumar**, *HoD (I/C), IT*. **Dr. Rajesh Doriya**, *Associate Professor, IT*, presented an overview of the workshop, outlining its objectives, themes, participation, and expected outcomes. The programme was coordinated by **Dr. Kapil Kumar Soni**, *Assistant Professor, IT*, and **Dr. Chandrashekar Jatoth**, *Associate Professor, IT*. The technical sessions covered quantum sensing, inertial navigation, precision measurement, underwater positioning and navigation, autonomous systems, quantum communication and security, artificial intelligence and quantum machine learning. The workshop featured expert sessions by academicians, researchers and industry professionals from institutions including Osmania University, IIT Palakkad, Raman Research Institute, IIIT Sri City, IIT Indore, Ananth Technologies, Andhra University, NIT Raipur and BosonQ Psi. The programme provided participants with exposure to principles, technologies, and emerging research directions related to quantum-enabled PNT and underwater robotics. A total of 321 participants from 167 distinct institutions across 21 states of India participated in the workshop, including 135 UG students, 50 PG students, 23 Ph.D. scholars, and 113 faculty and industry professionals.

The valedictory ceremony was graced by **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, *Director (I/C), NIT Raipur*, as *Chief Guest*, **Prof. Manish Kumar**, *HoD, IT, IIIT Allahabad*, as *Special Guest*, and **Dr. Sanjay Kumar** as *Co-patron*. The dignitaries highlighted the importance of interdisciplinary research, continuous learning and capacity building in quantum technologies, robotics and

navigation systems. The programme concluded with the distribution of certificates to the participants.

NIT Raipur and Chhattisgarh Rajya Police Academy Organized Expert Sessions on Blockchain Technology and Digital Authentication in Cybercrime Investigation

Department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE), NIT Raipur, in collaboration with Chhattisgarh Rajya Police Academy (CRPA), Chandkhuri, Raipur, organized expert sessions on **Blockchain Technology and Digital Authentication in Cybercrime Investigation** under the **Scheme for Promotion of Academic and Research Collaboration (SPARC)**, Ministry of Education, Government of India. The programme focused on emerging technologies that are reshaping cybersecurity, digital investigations, secure information management, and modern law enforcement. The expert speakers for the programme were **Dr. Preeti Chandrakar**, Associate Professor, CSE, NIT Raipur, and **Dr. Arijit Karati**, Associate Professor, National Sun Yat Sen University, Taiwan. The sessions witnessed enthusiastic participation from Deputy Superintendents of Police (DSPs), Deputy Collectors under training, and other police officers of the academy, who actively engaged with the speakers throughout the programme.



Dr. Chandrakar delivered a session on *Blockchain Technology: Basic Concepts, Applications and Global Perspectives*, covering the fundamentals, evolution, structure and working of blockchain networks, along with consensus mechanisms and their role in ensuring security and reliability. The session also emphasized the importance of cybersecurity education. The second expert session was delivered by **Dr. Karati** on *Digital Gatekeepers: Authentication in Cybercrime Investigation*, focusing on digital authentication, authentication factors, and modern security practices for protecting digital infrastructure. The programme concluded with an interactive discussion on blockchain technology and emerging cybersecurity challenges, enhancing participants' awareness of evolving cybercrime issues.

NIT Raipur Hosted IEEE EMBS Distinguished Lecturers Programme on Neurorehabilitation and Neuroscience

Department of Biomedical Engineering (BME), in association with IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society (IEEE EMBS), organized the **IEEE EMBS Distinguished Lecturers Programme** on **Neurorehabilitation and Neuroscience** on 27th Jun. 2026. The aim of the event was to provide a vibrant platform for students, researchers, faculty members, healthcare professionals, and industry experts to engage with internationally acclaimed researchers working at the forefront of neurorehabilitation, assistive technologies, robotics, and neuroscience. The programme was graced by **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, Director(I/C), NIT Raipur, as the *Chief Guest*. The programme was conducted under the supervision of **Dr. Sudip Paul**, Associate Professor, BME.



The lecture series featured two distinguished international speakers. **Prof. Ruwan Gopura**, Bionics Laboratory, ME, University of Moratuwa, Sri Lanka, delivered a lecture titled *Uplifting Quality of Life of Physically Weak Individuals: Role of Power-Assist Robotic Systems*. His talk highlighted recent advances in robotic assistive systems and their transformative role in improving mobility, independence, and quality of life for individuals with physical impairments. The second distinguished lecture was delivered by **Prof. Marianna Semprini**, IIT-INAIL Rehab Technologies Lab, Italian Institute of Technology, Italy, titled *Challenges and Future Directions for Reliable Assessment in Neurorehabilitation*. The lecture focused on emerging methodologies, current challenges, and future directions for achieving reliable and evidence-based assessment in rehabilitation practice.

The IEEE EMBS Distinguished Lecturers Programme reflects the commitment of NIT Raipur to advancing interdisciplinary research, fostering international academic collaborations, and promoting innovation at the intersection of engineering, medicine, and healthcare technologies. The event is expected to stimulate meaningful discussions and open new avenues for collaborative research in biomedical engineering, rehabilitation robotics, neuroscience, and digital health.

NIT Raipur Organized First National Conference on Next-Generation Innovations in Drug Discovery (NGIDD 2026)

Department of Biotechnology (DBT), NIT Raipur organized a two-day National Conference on Next-Generation Innovations in Drug Discovery (NGIDD 2026) on 27th Aug. 2026. The event was graced by **Dr. Birendranath Banerjee**, Founder of JBS Haldane Centre for Molecular Medicine Institute & Founder Director, in-DNA Life Sciences Company, Bhubaneswar, Odisha, as the Chief Guest, **Dr. Rukmankesh**, Associate Professor, Bioscience & Biomedical Engineering, IIT Bhilai, as the Special Guest, **Prof. Shubhrata Gupta**, Dean (Academics), **Prof. Shubhashis Sanyal**, Dean (CR&RM), and **Prof. Pratima Gupta**, Chairperson of the conference & HoD, DBT. The event was coordinated by **Dr. J. Satya Eswari**, Associate Professor, DBT, and **Dr. Dijendra Nath Roy**, Assistant Professor, DBT.



Prof. P. Gupta delivered the welcome address and highlighted the need for innovative healthcare solutions. **Prof. Sanyal** spoke on product development, technology transfer, and startups, while **Prof. S. Gupta** highlighted the significance of drug discovery in improving quality of life. **Dr. Banerjee** discussed the Institute's vision and the role of DNA in drug discovery and development. **Dr. Rukmankesh** highlighted challenges in drug development and clinical trials in India and stressed the need for greater scientific understanding and reforms.

The Valedictory Ceremony was held on 28th Aug. 2026 in the presence of **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, Director, NIT Raipur, **Prof. Subhojit Ghosh**, Chairman, CEC, **Prof. P. Gupta**, **Dr. Eswari** and **Dr. Roy**, along with participants and researchers. **Prof. Rao** appreciated the diverse participation and highlighted the need for advanced technologies in drug discovery. **Dr. Eswari** noted the role of the conference in promoting interaction among academia, professionals and students and strengthening industry-academia collaboration. **Prof. Ghosh** appreciated the organizers and stakeholders. The session concluded with certificate distribution, participant feedback, and the Vote of Thanks by **Dr. Roy**.

NIT Raipur inaugurates Indian Institute of Metals (IIM) Student Chapter to Strengthen Industry-Academia Collaboration

Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering (MME) successfully inaugurated the Student Chapter of the Indian Institute of Metals (IIM) in the esteemed presence of **Prof. B. S. Murty**, President, IIM, and Director, IIT Hyderabad. The IIM Student Chapter was inaugurated for the benefit of students of both NIT Raipur and O.P. Jindal University, Raigarh. The event marked a significant milestone in promoting professional excellence, industry-academia collaboration, and skill development among students pursuing metallurgy and allied disciplines. The event was organised in the gracious presence of **Prof. N.V. Ramana Rao**, Director, NIT Raipur, and **Mr. R. D. Patidar**, Vice Chancellor, O.P. Jindal University, Raigarh, along with **Prof. Manoj Kumar Chopkar**, Dean (SW), **Dr. Subhas Ganguly**, HoD, MME, **Dr. Manwendra Kumar Tripathi**, Associate Professor, MME, accompanied by other faculty members, PhD scholars and students from NIT Raipur as well as Faculty members and students from O.P. Jindal University, and other institute.



Welcoming the guests, **Dr. Ganguly** highlighted the journey of the department and the region's industrial ecosystem. He stated that the IIM Student Chapter would promote technical excellence, professional ethics, lifelong learning, and leadership while strengthening student connection with the metallurgical community. **Prof. Rao** welcomed **Prof. Murty** and highlighted the benefits of free IIM membership for students and faculty, including technical resources, networking, research access, and placement support. **Prof. Patidar** emphasized the importance of institutional collaboration in strengthening India's steel industry and providing students exposure to academicians and industry experts.

Prof. Murty formally inaugurated the IIM Student Chapter and outlined the evolution of the Indian Institute of Metals since 1946. He noted that IIM has around 50 chapters across India and highlighted the role of student chapters in

connecting young engineers with professional bodies. He also discussed IIM initiatives supporting innovation, entrepreneurship and technological self-reliance, along with opportunities for students to interact with industry leaders and contribute to the vision of Viksit Bharat.

NIT Raipur Inaugurated National-Level Five-Day Online Workshop on Next Generation Trends in AI and Scientific Computing with Hands-on Using Python

Department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) and Department of Information Technology (IT), NIT Raipur, in collaboration with the Continuing Education Cell (CEC), successfully inaugurated a five-day National-level online workshop on **Next Generation Trends in AI and Scientific Computing with Hands-on Using Python** on 20th Jul. 2026. The inaugural ceremony was graced by **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, *Director(I/C), NIT Raipur*. Other distinguished dignitaries present were **Dr. Sanjay Kumar**, *HoD (I/C), IT*, **Dr. Santosh Kumar Vipparthi**, *Associate Professor and Head, School of AI and Data Engineering, IIT Ropar*, who attended as the keynote speaker, and **Prof. Subhojit Ghosh**, *Chairman, CEC*. The workshop was coordinated by **Dr. Sonal Yadav**, *Assistant Professor, CSE*, and **Dr. Anita Murmu**, *Assistant Professor, CSE*, and **Dr. Rajesh Doriya**, *Associate Professor, IT* was the convener of the workshop.

Dr. Murmu delivered the welcome address, framing AI as a transformative technology across healthcare, agriculture, and daily life. **Dr. Yadav** outlined the workshop's goals to teach AI tools and build foundational problem-solving skills for complex real-world challenges. **Dr. Kumar** highlighted the program's academic and career benefits for participants at all levels. The keynote speaker, **Dr. Vipparthi**, remarked that the workshop addressed a relevant and rapidly evolving area of technology, and that AI is transforming almost every sector, and its significance continues to grow. **Prof. Ghosh** emphasized the balance between theory and hands-on sessions, while **Prof. Bajpai** praised the comprehensive integration of key modern technology domains.

The Valedictory Ceremony was held on 24th Jul. 2026. **Dr. Murmu** emphasized the importance of innovation. Presenting the workshop report, **Dr. Yadav** highlighted the enthusiastic participation of nearly 60 participants from across the country and summarized the sessions conducted over five days. Addressing the gathering as a *Chief Guest*, **Prof. Rao** congratulated the organizers and participants and emphasized the growing importance of Artificial Intelligence and Scientific Computing. **Prof. Ghosh** appreciated the successful

conduct of the workshop and encouraged participants to provide constructive feedback. **Dr. Shitala Prasad**, *Assistant Professor, IIT Goa*, the Special Invitee, appreciated the workshop for effectively integrating theoretical concepts with practical Python-based learning. **Prof. Dilip Singh Sisodia**, *HoD, CSE, NIT Raipur*, appreciated the positive response received from participants and congratulated the coordinators for successfully organizing the workshop.

NIT Raipur Inaugurated Five-Day Online STTP on Spatial Exploration.

Department of Architecture & Planning (DAP), NIT Raipur inaugurated a five-day Online Short Term Training Programme (STTP) on **Spatial Exploration: Abstract to Form** on 20th Jul. 2026. The programme aimed to provide participants with valuable insights into architectural design thinking and spatial exploration through expert-led sessions. The *Chief Patron* for this STTP was **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, *Director, NIT Raipur*, **Prof. Guru Prasad Subas Chandra Mishra**, *Dean (R&C), NIT Raipur*, was *Patron*, while **Prof. Subhojit Ghosh**, *Chairman, CEC, NIT Raipur*, served as the *Co-Patron*. The programme was organized under the guidance of **Prof. Debashish Sanyal**, *HoD, DAP, NIT Raipur*. The STTP was coordinated by **Dr. Shruti S. Nagdeve**, *Assistant Professor, DAP*, **Dr. Vivek Agnihotri**, *Assistant Professor, DAP, NIT Raipur*, and **Dr. Mekhla Parihar**, *Assistant Professor, School of Planning and Architecture (SPA), New Delhi*.

At the Inaugural Session, **Dr. Nagdeve** welcomed the participants and introduced the distinguished panel of experts for the five-day programme. Addressing the gathering, **Prof. Sanyal** encouraged the participants to make the best use of the workshop by learning from the expertise of the invited resource persons and applying the acquired knowledge in architectural education and professional practice. **Prof. Parihar** outlined the objectives and structure of the STTP, highlighting the fundamental principles of architectural design, their practical applications, site planning practices, and the importance of a human-centric approach.

The Valedictory Session was held on 24th Jul. 2026 at NIT Raipur. The Ceremony was graced by **Prof. Sanyal**, **Prof. Abir Bandhopadhyay**, *Professor, DAP*, **Dr. Nagdeve**, **Dr. Agnihotri**, faculty members, participants, and students. The programme commenced with a welcome address by **Dr. Nagdeve**, who expressed her gratitude to the resource persons, participants, and the organizing team for their enthusiastic involvement and collective efforts in making the programme a success. **Prof. Sanyal** appreciated the enthusiastic response

received during the programme and reaffirmed the department's commitment to organizing more such academic initiatives in the future. **Dr. Agnihotri** highlighted the importance of such training programmes in fostering creative thinking and encouraging innovative approaches to architectural design. The programme concluded on a positive note with participants expressing their appreciation for the enriching sessions and interactive learning experience.

NIT Raipur Conducted Five-Day Workshop on Number Theory and Cryptography

Department of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE) and Department of Mathematics (DoM), NIT Raipur, in association with the Continuing Education Cell (CEC), NIT Raipur, organized a Self-Sponsored Five-Day Online Workshop titled **Number Theory and Cryptography: Theory, Algorithms and Applications** from 13th to 17th Jul. 2026. The inaugural ceremony was graced by *Chief Guest Prof. Samir Bajpai, Director (I/C), NIT Raipur*, along with Guests of Honour, **Dr. Mehendra Pratap Singh, Assistant Professor, NIT Surathkal**, and **Prof. Narendra D. Londhe, Registrar, NIT Raipur**. The ceremony was also attended by **Prof. Subhojit Ghosh, Chairman, CEC, NIT Raipur**, **Prof. Pradeep Singh, HoD (I/C), CSE**, and **Dr. Sujit Kumar Samanta, HoD, DoM**. The workshop was coordinated by **Dr. Bunil Kumar Balabantaray, Convenor**, along with **Dr. Shailendra Kumar Tripathi, Assistant Professor, CSE**, **Dr. Deepmala Sharma, Associate Professor, DoM**, and **Dr. Nabin Kumar Meher, Assistant Professor, DoM**. The five-day programme featured expert lectures and interactive sessions by academicians and researchers from premier institutions, covering advanced concepts in number theory, cryptographic protocols, algorithms, data security, blockchain technologies, and emerging research directions. The workshop provided a platform for academic interaction, knowledge sharing, and interdisciplinary learning and their applications in modern technological systems.

The valedictory ceremony held on 17th Jul. 2026 was graced by **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao, Director, NIT Raipur**, **Prof. Jagdish Chand Bansal, South Asian University, New Delhi**, **Prof. Londhe, Prof. Ghosh, Dr. Samanta** and **Prof. Singh**. **Dr. Sharma** delivered the welcome address, while **Dr. Meher** presented an overview of the workshop. **Dr. Samanta** emphasized the importance of strong mathematical foundations in advancing research in cryptography, while **Prof. Singh** highlighted the growing relevance of cryptography in the digital era. **Prof. Ghosh** highlighted the role of continuing education in academic development.

Prof. Londhe encouraged participants to apply the knowledge gained during the workshop in their academic and research pursuits, while **Prof. Bansal** highlighted the importance of number theory and cryptography in the modern technological landscape. In his valedictory address, **Prof. Rao** congratulated the organizers and encouraged participants to pursue continuous learning and innovation.

NIT Raipur Organized One-Week Virtual Workshop on Exploring New Frontiers in English Research

Department of Humanities and Social Sciences (DHSS), NIT Raipur organized a one-week self-sponsored virtual workshop titled **Exploring New Frontiers in English Research** from 7th to 11th Sept. 2026. The workshop received 83 registrations and brought together faculty members, research scholars, postgraduate and undergraduate students, and English literature enthusiasts from institutions across the country. The programme aimed to familiarise participants with contemporary trends in English literature and language research and provide training in emerging and interdisciplinary areas.

The inaugural programme was graced by **Prof. Samir Bajpai, Director (I/C), NIT Raipur**, as *Chief Guest*, who delivered the inaugural address. The workshop was convened by **Prof. Jaya Dwivedi, Professor, DHSS**, with **Dr. Yeddu Vijaya Babu, Associate Professor, DHSS**, and **Dr. Sandip Sarkar, Associate Professor, DHSS**, serving as Course Coordinators. The workshop provided a platform for academic interaction and exchange of ideas through sessions by experts from various IITs and other reputed institutions. Over five days, resource persons from IIT Kanpur, IIT Roorkee, IIT Madras, IIT Bhilai, BHU, IIIT Naya Raipur, and Central University of Rajasthan interacted with participants on emerging areas of English research. The sessions focused on contemporary theoretical, methodological, and technological developments in English studies.

The workshop concluded with a Valedictory Function graced by **Prof. Shubhashis Sanyal, Dean (CR & RM)**, as *Chief Guest*. In his address, **Prof. Sanyal** encouraged participants to continue exploring emerging dimensions of English studies. Certificates were distributed to all successful participants.

NIT Raipur Organised Five-Day STTP on LaTeX for Research Excellence

Department of Information Technology (IT), NIT Raipur, in association with the Continuing Education Cell (CEC),

organised a five-day online self-financed Short Term Training Programme (STTP) titled *LaTeX for Research Excellence: A Comprehensive Hands-on Workshop on Academic, Scientific, and Professional Document Preparation* from 7th Sept. 2026 to 11th Sept. 2026. The programme received an enthusiastic response, drawing 179 participants from 25 states and 56 cities across India, including faculty members, research scholars, and students, and featured 19 technical sessions covering document preparation, mathematical typesetting, TikZ, PGFPlots, Beamer, journal publisher templates, collaborative writing, and AI-assisted documentation. The inaugural session was graced by **Prof. Anil Kumar Singh**, Professor, CSE, MNNIT Allahabad, as the *Chief Guest*, and **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, Director (I/C), NIT Raipur, as the *Guest of Honour*. The event was graced by **Prof. Subhojit Ghosh**, Chairman, CEC, NIT Raipur, **Prof. Sudhakar Pandey**, HoD, IT, and **Prof. Suvendu Rup**, Professor, IT. The programme was coordinated by **Dr. Rupesh Kumar Dewang**, Convenor, alongside coordinators **Dr. Deepika Agrawal**, Assistant Professor, IT, and **Dr. R. Praneetha Shree**, Assistant Professor, IT.

During the ceremony, **Dr. Agrawal** noted that the five-day programme would deliver comprehensive hands-on training in research papers, theses, technical reports, and reference management. In his inaugural address, **Prof. Rup** highlighted the critical importance of LaTeX in technical writing, while **Prof. Pandey** encouraged participants to actively engage in the practical sessions. Welcoming the gathering, **Prof. Ghosh** remarked that LaTeX saves time and enables research manuscripts to be presented more effectively to reviewers. **Prof. Bajpai** stated that alongside conducting research, communicating findings effectively in accordance with international standards is equally essential, which is made seamless through the practical application of LaTeX. **Prof. Singh** shed light on the history and widespread adoption of LaTeX, explaining that systematic management of equations, references, and citations brings clarity to scholarly work.

The Valedictory Session was held on 11th Sept. 2026, graced by **Prof. Ghosh**, **Prof. Pandey**, **Dr. Dewang**, **Dr. Agrawal** and **Dr. Sree**, along with the participants. The session included participant evaluation and certificate distribution and concluded with the Vote of Thanks by **Dr. Dewang**.

NIT Raipur Organised National Level STTP on Frontiers in Applied Mathematics

Department of Mathematics (DoM), NIT Raipur, in collaboration with the Continuing Education Cell (CEC), organised an online National-level Short Term Training

Programme (STTP) titled **Frontiers in Applied Mathematics: Modelling, Nonlinear Dynamics, Chaos, Fractal Geometry, and Quantum Cryptography (FMNCFQ-2026)** from 7th to 11th Sept. 2026. The programme aimed to explore emerging research paradigms in mathematical modelling, biology and physics applications, and quantum cryptography. The inaugural ceremony was graced by **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, Director (I/C), NIT Raipur, as the *Chief Patron*, **Prof. Narendra D. Londhe**, Registrar, NIT Raipur, as the *Guest of Honour*, **Prof. Arvind Kumar Gupta**, Professor, Mathematics, IIT Ropar, as the *Chief Guest*, **Prof. Subhojit Ghosh**, Chairman, CEC, NIT Raipur, and **Dr. Sujit Kumar Samanta**, HoD, DoM. The STTP was coordinated by **Prof. Sharada Nandan Raw**, Professor, DoM, **Dr. Deepmala Sharma**, Associate Professor, DoM, and **Dr. Lavudya Bhaskar**, Assistant Professor, DoM.

In his welcome address, **Prof. Raw** emphasized the objective of linking advanced mathematical concepts with practical real-life applications. **Dr. Sharma** outlined the course modules focusing on mathematical modelling in biology and physics, highlighting the platform as an opportunity for interdisciplinary exploration. **Dr. Samanta** spoke on the evolving role of mathematics in resolving real-world engineering challenges, and **Prof. Ghosh** emphasized the discipline's value in building analytical thinking and computational capabilities. **Prof. Londhe** discussed the complexity of engineering systems and encouraged participants to explore the convergence of mathematics, AI, computer science, signal processing, and physics.

Prof. Gupta highlighted the contemporary relevance of nonlinear dynamics and fractal geometry. Delivering the patron address, **Prof. Bajpai** appreciated the faculty's mentorship, urging participants to engage directly with computational software and pursue research collaborations that extend beyond the training programme.

The Valedictory Session was held on 11th Sept. 2026 in the presence of **Prof. Manoj Kumar Chopkar**, Dean (SW), NIT Raipur, as the *Guest of Honour*, and **Dr. Maheshwar Rao Valluri**, Chief Scientist, Quinfosys Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad, as the *Chief Guest*, alongside **Prof. Ghosh**, **Dr. Samanta**, and **Prof. Raw** and **Dr. L. Bhaskar** as the coordinators. The session highlighted the importance of interdisciplinary research and the growing relevance of advanced mathematics.

Establishment of Cognitive Neuroscience and Medical Device Laboratory

Department of Biomedical Engineering (BME), NIT Raipur, has established **Cognitive Neuroscience and Medical Device Laboratory** under the guidance of **Dr. Sudip Paul**, Associate Professor, BME. The laboratory is envisioned as interdisciplinary research and its particular emphasis is placed on emerging technologies for cognitive assessment,

neurological disorders, Parkinson's disease, post-stroke rehabilitation, and AI-assisted healthcare solutions. The laboratory aims to foster multidisciplinary collaboration, student training, translational research, innovation, and technology-driven solutions addressing contemporary challenges in neuroscience and healthcare.

Research Frontier

Expert Lectures delivered by Institute Faculty/Staff

- **Dr. Anil Manjhi**, Assistant Professor, DHSS, delivered an expert lecture on *The Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act 2019* on 24th Aug. 2026 at State Resources and Rehabilitation Centre, Mana Camp (Social Welfare Department, Government of Chhattisgarh) in the State Level Residential Training Program.
- **Dr. Tungabidya Maharana**, Associate Professor, DoC, delivered an expert lecture on *From Molecules to Megawatts: Conducting Polymer nanocomposites powering Next-Generation Supercapacitors* on 27th Jul. 2026 at Kalinga University during an AICTE ATAL Faculty Development Programme (FDP).
- **Dr. Tungabidya Maharana**, Associate Professor, DoC, delivered an expert lecture on *Development of Nickel Nanoparticle -Polypyrrole Hybrid Electrodes for Flexible Energy Storage* on 11th Sept. 2026 at KV College Kantabanji, Odisha during the PM-USHA sponsored National Seminar on Frontiers in Physical Sciences: Recent Advances and Emerging Trends.
- **Dr. Alekha Kumar Sutar**, Associate Professor, DoC, delivered an expert lecture on *Metal Alkoxide Complexes: Efficient Catalysts for the Synthesis of Biodegradable Polymer PLA* on 12th Sept. 2026 at KV College Kantabanji, Odisha, during the PM-USHA sponsored National Seminar on Frontiers in Physical Sciences: Recent Advances and Emerging Trends.
- **Dr. Naeem Ahmad**, Assistant Professor, MCA delivered an expert lecture on *How AI Learns Time: RNN and LSTM Explained* at E & ICT Sponsored Online FDP on Applied Data Science for Real-World Problem Solving organised by Electronics and ICT Academy, NIT Warangal on 28th Aug. 2026.

Patents

- A patent titled **Neuro Ergonomic Chair**, developed by **Ms. Tanvi Bangale** and **Dr. Sudip Paul**, Associate Professor, BME was granted on 29th Jul. 2026, with file number 507322-001.
- A patent titled **Smart Neuropathic Footwear**, developed by **Mr. Vijay Kumar** and **Dr. Sudip Paul**, Associate Professor, BME, was granted on 28th Aug. 2026, with file number 507320-001.
- A patent titled **Wearable Cognitive Cueing Device**, developed by **Ms. Bhagyashree Naidu** and **Dr. Sudip Paul**, Associate Professor, BME was granted on 27th Aug. 2026, with file number 507321-001
- A patent titled **Flexible Carbon Cloth Electrode Enrobed with Polypyrrole-Coated MnFe2O4 Nanoparticles for Supercapacitor and Method of Fabrication**, developed by **Ms. Rama Devi**, **Mr. Jagabandhu Patra**, **Prof. Kavita Tapadia**, Professor, DoC, **Dr. Alekha Kumar Sutar**, Associate Professor, DoC, **Prof. Jeng-Kuei Chang**, and **Dr. Tungabidya Maharana**, Associate Professor, DoC was granted on 4th Aug. 2026, with file number 202521094359.
- A patent titled **AI-Powered Smart Baby Monitoring System to Prevent Fall** filed by **Omprakash Yadav**, Ph.D. Scholar, **Durga**, **Dr. Naeem Ahmad**, Assistant Professor, MCA, was published by the **Indian Patent**, Government of India on 31st Jul. 2026.

Ph. D. Thesis Defended

- **Mr. Tikam Chand Soni** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Supercapacitor Material Discovery through Natural Language Processed Dataset, Machine Learning, Ab-initio calculations and COMSOL Simulations* under the supervision of **Dr. Manwendra Kumar Tripathi**, Associate Professor, MME, **Dr. Manoranjan Kumar Manoj**, Associate Professor, MME and **Dr. Mohan Lal Verma** on 3rd Jun. 2026.
- **Mr. Shourya Shukla** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *On the Design and Development of Efficient Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS)* under the supervision of **Dr. Ajay Singh Raghuvanshi**,

Associate Professor, ECE, and **Dr. Saikat Majumder**, Associate Professor, ECE on 26th May 2026.

- **Mr. Nitin Gudadhe** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Experimental Study & Modelling of Welding Parameter on Weldability of Pipeline Steels Weldments Using Robotic MIG Welding Process* under the supervision of **Dr. Mridul Singh Rajput**, Associate Professor, ME and **Dr. Sanjeev Kumar**, Assistant Professor, ME on 8th Jun. 2026.
- **Mr. Amit Kumar** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *A Study of Anisotropic Permeability's Effect on Newtonian/non-Newtonian Fluid Flow through a Porous Medium* under the supervision of **Dr. M. Krishna Prasad**, Associate Professor, DoM on 24th Jun. 2026.
- **Ms. Dolly Singh** defended her Ph.D. thesis entitled *Development of sol-gel derived metal and metal doped nanomaterials, characterization and their applications* under the supervision of **Dr. Sagarika Bhattacharya**, Assistant Professor, DoC, and **Dr. Vikas Kumar Jain** on 4th May 2026.
- **Mr. Dileshwar Kumar Sahu** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Sustainable Industry 5.0 with Technology Commercialization: An Ecosystem Model in Context of Indian Steel Sector* under the supervision of **Prof. Suraj Kumar Mukti**, Professor, ME on 23rd Jun. 2026.
- **Mr. Jagendra Kumar Narang** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Improvising Cyber Security in Power System Using Deep Learning Based Techniques* under the supervision of **Dr. Baidyanath Bag**, Associate Professor, EE on 15th Jul. 2026.
- **Ms. Dewashri Pansari** defended her Ph.D. thesis entitled *Intelligent Machine Learning - Based Protective Relaying Schemes for Modern Power Systems with High Penetration of Renewable Energy Sources* under the supervision of **Prof. Anamika Yadav**, Professor, EE on 3rd Aug. 2026.
- **Ms. Kajal Tiwari** defended her Ph.D. thesis entitled *Blockchain Assisted Privacy Preserving Framework for Secured Medical Record Sharing with AI-Driven Predictions* under the supervision of **Dr. Sanjay Kumar**, Associate Professor, IT on 22nd Aug. 2026.
- **Mr. Sathishkumar Adapa** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Development and Characterization of Natural Fiber Impregnated Hybrid Filament composites for FDM Process* under the supervision of **Dr. G. Srinivasu**, Associate Professor, ME, and **Dr. Jagadish** on 25th Aug. 2026.

- **Mr. Avinash Kumar Pandey** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Study and Investigation of Fuzzy Logic-Based fast and Efficient MPPT Algorithms for PV Systems* under the supervision of **Dr. Varsha Singh**, Associate Professor, EE, and **Prof. Sachin Jain**, Professor, EE on 26th Aug. 2026.
- **Mr. Salik Ram Dewangan** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Reduced order modelling and control of renewable energy integrated power systems* under the supervision of **Dr. P. D. Dewangan**, Associate Professor, EE and **Dr. Vinay Pratap Singh** on 8th Sept. 2026.
- **Mr. Konda Naresh** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Performance Investigation on Sensorless Speed Control of Brushless Direct Current (BLDC) Motor for Electric Vehicle (EV) Applications* under the supervision of **Dr. Dhanavath Suresh**, Assistant Professor, EE, and **Prof. Swapnajit Pattnaik**, Professor, EE on 7th Sept. 2026.
- **Ms. Priyanka Arya** defended her Ph.D. thesis entitled *Integrated Assessment of Surface - Groundwater Interactions and Water Quality Dynamics in the Chokra Nala Sub-Watershed, Raipur, Chhattisgarh* under the supervision of **Prof. Neeraj Vishwakarma**, Professor, DAG and **Prof. D. C. Jhariya**, Professor, DAG on 31st Aug. 2026.
- **Mr. Anurag Mishra** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Fluorescent Carbon Dots for Sensing and Catalytic Applications* under the supervision of **Dr. Sagarika Bhattacharya**, Assistant Professor, DoC on 25th Aug. 2026.
- **Mr. Naveen Kumar Sureddy** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Synthesis, In Silico Studies, and Biological Evaluation of Hybrid Heterocycles Incorporating 1,2,3-Triazole Bearing Oxepinopyridines, Bis-1,2,3-Triazole Linked Quinoxalines, and Thiadiazole-Thiazolidinone-Quinoxaline Moieties* under the supervision of **Dr. Tungabidya Maharana**, Associate Professor, DoC and **Dr. Santosh Penta**, Assistant Professor, DoC on 23rd Jun. 2026.
- **Mr. Rahul Jain** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Development of Triply Periodic Minimal Surface (TPMS) Lattice Structures for Improved Heat Dissipation* under the supervision of **Dr. Neha Gupta**, Associate Professor, MME, on 1st Jul. 2026.
- **Mr. Sagar Kumar Rajak** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Sustainable Approach for the Green Synthesis and Characterization of Nanoparticles and their Applications for the Analysis* under the supervision of

Prof. Kavita Tapadia, Professor, DoC on 13th Jul. 2026.

- **Mr. Pydi Rakesh** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Characterization of Geotechnical Properties of Soil Treated with Biopolymers* under the supervision of **Prof. L. K. Yadu**, Professor, CE, and **Dr. Sandeep Kumar Chouksey**, Associate Professor, CE on 24th Jul. 2026.
- **Mr. Nihar Ranjan Mohanta** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Parametric Study on Properties of Steel Slag Aggregate Concrete with Fibers* under the supervision of **Dr. Meena Murmu**, Associate Professor, CE, on 5th Aug. 2026.
- **Mr. Arun Kumar Dey** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Towards Design and Development of Cyber-Security Threats Detection Frameworks for IoT-enabled Networks using Machine Learning Techniques* under the supervision of **Dr. Govind P. Gupta**, Associate Professor, IT, and **Dr. Satya**

Prakash Sahu, Associate Professor, IT on 8th Aug. 2026.

- **Mr. Satya Eswara Sanyasi Rao Kolli** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Parametric Study on Seismic Response Control of R. C. Frame Buildings using Negative Stiffness Device* under the supervision of **Dr. Govardhan Bhatt**, Associate Professor, CE, on 6th Aug. 2026.
- **Mr. Anmol Kulshreshtha** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Multifactorial Study of Inter-kingdom Polymicrobial Biofilm and Development of Antibiofilm Therapy* under the supervision of **Prof. Pratima Gupta**, Professor, DBT on 14th Aug. 2026.
- **Mr. Thippa Pavan Kumar** defended his Ph.D. thesis entitled *Study on Effect of Multiple Earthquake Excitations on Irregular RC Frame Structures* under the supervision of **Prof. R. K. Tripathi**, Professor, CE and **Dr. Govardhan Bhatt**, Associate Professor, CE on 3rd Aug. 2026.

Awards, Recognition and Fellowship

- **Dr. J. Satya Eswari**, Associate Professor, DBT, NIT Raipur, has been selected for the **INAE Young Innovative & Entrepreneur Award 2026** for contributions towards innovative, affordable, and socially relevant technologies. The recognition acknowledges her work on a paper-based microfluidic bio-electrochemical sensor for rural water safety and a non-invasive plant-scaffold biosensor platform for early oral cancer screening. The award will be conferred on 04th Dec. 2026 at the Annual Convention 2026.
- **Dr. Ashish Kumar Vishwakarma**, Assistant Professor, DME, NIT Raipur, received the **IEI Young Engineers Award 2026** for his contributions to the field of Mining Engineering. The award was presented during the *36th National Convention of Mining Engineers* held in Nagpur on 11th - 12th Sept. 2026. The recognition acknowledges his contributions to mining engineering and research in the field.

Research Publications

- **Dharmendra, Chandra Kumar, Manikant, Dr. Alekha Kumar Sutar**, Associate Professor, DoC, and **Dr. Tungabidya Maharana**, Associate Professor, DoC, published a research paper titled *High-energy supercapacitor electrodes enabled by polythiophene-polypyrrole/nickel oxide nanocomposites* in **Synthetic Metals**, Volume 322, 2027, Article 118281, ISSN 0379-6779, (IF-4.5).
- **Mahendra Kumar, Sushanta Kumar Samal, Dr. Alekha Kumar Sutar**, Associate Professor, DoC, and **Dr. Tungabidya Maharana**, Associate Professor, DoC, published a research paper titled *MnFe₂O₄@polyindole/carbon cloth electrodes for high-energy long-life symmetric pseudocapacitors* in **Journal of Energy Storage**,

Volume 164, 2026, Article 122213, ISSN 2352-152X, (IF-10.7)

- **Dharmendra, Jagabandhu Patra, Rajiv Nayan, Anjaiah Sheelam, Dr. Alekha Kumar Sutar**, Associate Professor, DoC, **Dr. Tungabidya Maharana**, Associate Professor, DoC, and **Prof. Jeng-Kuei Chang**, published a research paper titled *Polythiophene-RuO₂-Polyaniline Ternary Nanocomposite for High-Performance Supercapacitor electrodes* in **ACS Applied Engineering Materials**, Volume 4, Issue 7, Pages 3631–3643, 24th Jul. 2026, (IF-3.5)
- **Mahendra Kumar, Sushanta Kumar Samal, Dr. Alekha Kumar Sutar**, Associate Professor, DoC, and **Dr. Tungabidya Maharana**, Associate Professor, DoC, published a research paper titled

*Symmetric faradaic assembly of Zn-Ferrite@Polyindole enrobed carbon cloth for high-performance flexible pseudo-capacitor device in **Journal of Power Sources**, Volume 677, 2026, Article 240028, ISSN 0378-7753, (IF-8.4)*

- **Lakeswer Dadsena, Dr. Tungabidya Maharana**, Associate Professor, DoC, and **Dr. Satya Eswari Jujjavarapu**, Associate Professor, Biotechnology, published a research paper titled *Enhancing durability and stability of microbial fuel cells through nanomaterial engineering and artificial intelligence optimization* in **Fuel**, Volume 418, 2026, Article 138686, ISSN 0016-2361, (IF-7.8)
- **Dr. Ashish Kumar Vishwakarma**, Assistant Professor, DME have published a journal titled *Predictive modelling of blast-induced ground vibration: integrating neural networks and multivariate regression*, in **Innovative Infrastructure Solutions**.

- **Dr. Ashish Kumar Vishwakarma**, Assistant Professor, DME have published a journal titled *An Approach to Predict and Reduce Ore Dilution in Ringhole Blasting Using Experimental and Numerical Simulations*, in **Journal of Inst. Eng. India Ser. D**.
- **Dr. K. Jairam Naik**, Associate Professor, CSE, **Aditya Kumar Rai**, B. Tech student, **Anurag Sharma**, B. Tech student, have published a journal titled *MAQDRL: QuadTree-Based Multi-Agent Federated Deep Q-Learning for Collision Avoidance and Routing Optimization with MEC-Aware Communication Analysis in Cognitive Computation* [SCI, Q1 Jr., IF-7.4]
- **Dr. K. Jairam Naik**, Associate Professor, CSE, **Dr. Achyut Shankar**, Associate Professor, Bennet University, have published a journal titled *DQ-FAST: A dueling Q-learning framework for federated adaptive scheduling and task offloading in multi-agent edge systems* in **Computer Communications** [SCI, Q1 Jr., IF-4]

Students' Achievement

- **Aditya Baghel**, 3rd Sem., ECE, received the **Shubhra Kar Linux Foundation Training (LiFT) Scholarship**. The scholarship covers 100% of the cost of one e-learning training course and one certification examination. He was also awarded a cash prize along with a certificate of recognition.

Club/Committee Activities

NIT Raipur Celebrated Munshi Premchand Jayanti

Rajbhasha Committee, NIT Raipur organized a dignified ceremony and an essay writing competition on 31st Jul. 2026 to commemorate the birth anniversary of the legendary Hindi novelist and storyteller Munshi Premchand. The event was graced by **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, Director, NIT Raipur, **Dr. Pavan Kumar Mishra**, Associate Dean (SW), **Dr. Sanjay Kumar**, Professor-(I/C), Literature Committee, **Prof. Sharada Nandan Raw**, Faculty (I/C), Rajbhasha Samiti, along with faculty members, staff, and students at the institute.

Welcoming the guests and participants, **Dr. Mishra** remarked that great literature emerges from the realities and experiences of society. He emphasized that through his writings, Munshi Premchand gave voice to the common people, especially the middle class and the underprivileged, and connected literature through his simple yet powerful language. In his address, **Prof. Rao** highlighted the enduring relevance of Premchand's

literary works in contemporary society. He observed that it is worth reflecting on how Premchand would perceive today's social conditions if he were among us. He also extended his best wishes to the participants of the essay competition and appreciated the Rajbhasha Committee for organizing the event. The celebration also featured poetry recitations and other literary performances by students based on the life, personality, and literary contributions of Premchand.



The presentations were warmly appreciated by the audience. Following the ceremony, an essay writing competition on

Today's Society Through Premchand's Pen was held, in which students participated enthusiastically. The event served not only as a tribute to Munshi Premchand's remarkable literary legacy but also as a meaningful initiative to foster greater interest in Hindi language and literature among students.

NIT Raipur Organized Nasha Mukh Yuva for Viksit Bharat Sankalp Abhiyan

National Service Scheme (NSS) and **National Cadet Corps (NCC)** of **NIT Raipur** jointly organised the **Nasha Mukh Yuva for Viksit Bharat Sankalp Abhiyan** on 02nd Aug. 2026, an initiative of the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India, to raise awareness against substance abuse and build a drug-free society. The event was conducted under the guidance of **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, Director, NIT Raipur, who administered the *Nasha Mukh Pledge* to all participants. The programme was graced by the presence of **Prof. Narendra D. Londhe**, Registrar, NIT Raipur, along with **Prof. G. D. Ramtekkar**, Dean (P&D), **Prof. Shrish Verma**, Professor, ECE, **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, Head, CDC, **Prof. Shubhashis Sanyal**, Dean (CR & RM), **Prof. Sudhakar Pandey**, HoD, IT, **Dr. Meena Murmu**, Associate Dean (SW), **Dr. Pavan Kumar Mishra**, Associate Dean (SW), **Prof. D. C. Jharyia**, Professor, DAG, and other faculty members. Volunteers from NSS, NCC, **Sahyog**, **Shaurya**, **Raaga**, **Go Green**, and the **Rajbhasha** actively participated, reflecting the institute's united commitment.



The campaign witnessed the enthusiastic participation of over 250 students and faculty members. Participants virtually attended an address delivered by *Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi*, in which he underscored the pivotal role of youth in building a healthy, drug-free nation. The address was followed by an awareness rally across the institute campus, where participants marched with slogans promoting a healthy, addiction-free lifestyle. The programme concluded with students pledging their support to the vision of a *Nasha Mukh Bharat* and resolving to carry the message of awareness beyond the campus and into society at large.

IDEATHON 2026 Organized by Innovation Cell (I-Cell)

Innovation Cell (I-Cell), **NIT Raipur**, in collaboration with **E-Cell, IIT Bhilai**, successfully organized **IDEATHON 2026**, an innovation-driven ideation event centered on the theme of *Micro Gravity*. The event brought together enthusiastic student innovators and aspiring entrepreneurs to explore the potential of microgravity and develop ideas aimed at creating a better future on Earth and beyond. The event was organized under the guidance of **Dr. Saurabh Gupta**, Faculty (I/C), Innovation Cell.



The event featured teams of three members, with participants presenting their ideas through concise three-slide presentations. The format enabled students to communicate their concepts clearly while focusing on innovation, feasibility, and potential impact. The theme, *Micro Gravity*, encouraged participants to explore innovations that harness the possibilities of reduced-gravity environments for applications with wider benefits to society.

The *Innovators* emerged as the winners of the competition, while *Team Outliners* secured second place and *Team Rocket* claimed third place. The winning teams were recognized for their innovative ideas and presentations. E-certificates were provided to all participants in recognition of their contribution and participation. The successful organization of IDEATHON 2026 reinforces commitment of NIT Raipur to encouraging innovation, entrepreneurship, and interdisciplinary problem-solving among the student community.

ROBOTiX Club Organised Five-Day Workshop on AI, Robotics and Industry 4.0 for Innovation

ROBOTiX Club, **NIT Raipur**, under the aegis of the **Institution's Innovation Council (IIC)** and the Ministry of Education's Innovation Cell, organised a five-day online workshop titled **AI, Robotics and Industry 4.0 for Innovation** from 19th to 23rd Aug. 2026. The workshop witnessed around 170 registrations across 15 engineering colleges from eight states and delivered expert-led sessions on ROS/ROS2,

computer vision, autonomous navigation, sensor fusion, prototyping, and startup innovation.

The inaugural ceremony was graced by **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, Director, NIT Raipur, **Prof. Shrish Verma**, Professor, ECE, **Dr. Rajesh Doriya**, Faculty (I/C), ROBOTiX Club, and **Mr. Aryan Jagushte**, Robotics Engineer, Robotry, under the guidance of **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, Head, CDC. Addressing the inaugural gathering, **Prof. Rao** expressed happiness over the initiative, characterizing it as a vital step forward. Welcoming the participants, **Dr. Doriya** underlined the evolution of robotics into ML and IoT, urging students to identify local problems and turn engineering solutions into startups. **Mr. Jagushte** advised participants to actively clarify doubts and adapt to the rapid pace of modern automation, while **Prof. Verma** emphasized understanding both the opportunities and ethical challenges of autonomous robotics.

The Valedictory Ceremony was conducted on 23rd Aug. 2026 in the presence of *Chief Guest* **Prof. Bajpai**, *Special Guest* **Dr. Avinash Kumar Singh**, Brane Enterprises Pvt. Ltd., and **Dr. Doriya**, celebrating participant milestones following the singing of *Vande Mataram*. During the valedictory session, **Dr. Singh** shared insights on human-robot interaction and identifying startup challenges in daily surroundings. **Prof. Bajpai** guided students on professional development, encouraging them to learn from setbacks and advocating for future hands-on offline workshops. **Dr. Doriya** offered formal closing remarks on continuous innovation.

NIT Raipur Organized Three-Day Photo Exhibition Aura 2026



Click Club, NIT Raipur organized a three-day photo exhibition **Aura 2026** from 24th to 26th Aug. 2026. The exhibition showcased the creative talents of the club members, highlighting the vibrant blend of visual art and storytelling through photography. The inauguration ceremony was graced by the presence of **Prof. N. V. Ramana Rao**, Director, NIT

Raipur, as the *Chief Guest*. On this occasion, **Prof. Samir Bajpai**, Head, CDC, **Prof. Shubhashish Sanyal**, Dean (CR & RM), **Prof. Manoj Kumar Chopkar**, Dean (SW), and students were also present. The event was organized under the guidance of **Dr. Ankur Gupta** and **Dr. Ramavath Bheekya Naik**, Faculty(I/C(s)), Click Club. The exhibition presented a rich collection of photographs by the club members, encompassing diverse genres such as wildlife, architecture, landscape, street, and lifestyle photography. Sharing his remarks, **Prof. Rao** appreciated the dedication and hard work of the club members in organizing this visually captivating exhibition.

NIT Raipur Organized Green Ganesha Competition



Go-Green Club, NIT Raipur organized an eco-friendly **Green-Ganesha Idol Making Competition** on 12th Sept. 2026. The objective of this competition was to spread awareness about environmental conservation and to make the traditional Ganesh festival more eco-sensitive. The event was graced by the presence of **Prof. Shubhashis Sanyal**, Professor, ME, as the *Chief Guest*, while the judges were **Dr. Devanshi Gaur**, Assistant Professor, DAP, **Mr. Mithilesh Barik**, Artist, and **Dr. Shruti S. Nagdeve**, Assistant Professor, DAP. The program was organized under the guidance of **Dr. Govind P. Gupta** and **Mrs. Kabita Biswas Sharma**, Faculty in Charge(s), Go Green Club, and **Dr. Shashi Kant Verma**, Assistant Professor, ME.

The participants included students from various schools of Raipur as well as students at the institute. Nearly 352 students ranging from class 1 to college level enthusiastically took part in the competition. During the event, a plant seed was placed inside each idol so that after the idol is immersed, the seed can germinate into a plant, thereby contributing to environmental conservation. With great enthusiasm, the students created beautiful clay idols of Lord Ganesha, showcasing their artistic skills. The event concluded with the announcement of the winners of various categories and the distribution of prizes.

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- NIT Raipur congratulates **Mr. Subhash Sharma** (1986/Elect) on his promotion and posting as *Executive Director (Projects)* at CSPGCL (Chhattisgarh State Power Generation Co. Ltd.).
- NIT Raipur congratulates **Mr. Manoj Arora** (1987/Civil), Ex Commissioner of Railway Safety, Mumbai recently taken over as *Director (Infra)*, Maha Mumbai Metro Operation Corporation Limited.
- NIT, Raipur congratulates **Dr. Rohit Kumar Gupta** (1998/Meta) on his appointment as *Director*, Jawaharlal Nehru Aluminium Research Development and Design Centre (JNARDDC), Nagpur.



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