IIT-I starts centre for translational research

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Indore: Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Indore inaugurated the centre for translational research on the occasion of its 15th foundation day on Saturday.

The translation research centre was established to formalize the translation research ecosystem and extend the commercialization of technology from research to product stage, the institute said in a statement.

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The chief guest on the occasion Professor Abhay Karandikar, Secretary, Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India said, "The new National Education Policy has aimed to make an Atmanirbhar Bharat and I am indeed delighted to see that IIT Indore has taken several initiatives in line with the objectives and vision of NEP. It is heartening to know that IIT Indore has programs to include meritorious students from MP Govt Colleges of Engineering in the curriculum of the Institute during their final year. I am happy to note that IIT In-

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dore is one of first IITs to establish the Department of Astronomy and Space Engineering and have a B.Tech program in Space Science and Engineering and I am confident that this department will play a pivotal role in the growth of space sector in the country."

"The landscape of higher education in India is experiencing a phenomenal transition and NEP 2020 has emphasized a lot of thrust in innovation. DST has been spearheading the research and innovation ecosystem in the country and has notified the Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF) which will help in creating a robust R&D ecosystem not only to select universities but also educational institutes across the country. DST has also launched a national quantum mission wherein thematic hubs will be set up in the area of quantum computing, quantum communication, quantum sensing and quantum materials and devices," said Karandikar.

On the occasion, the institute awarded five translational research fellowships for upgrading the current technologies to higher Technology readiness levels to bring out market ready products. An exhibition showcasing technologies evolved out of the research at IIT Indore including researches done by the Centre for Rural Technology Development was also organised.

A technology handbook, compilation of 135 sessions of a popular programme of IIT-I, Vigyan Par Charcha and a compilation of minutes of Board of Governors meeting were released on the occasion.

Professor Suhas Joshi, Director, IIT-I said, "In the years to come, we have made major plans and thought processes underway for the expansion of our teaching and research activities and making them more relevant to industries and society. In this context, we are planning for some of the new UG and PG academic programs. Development of a new Industrial Research Park where industries can cross-over the industry academia boundary and come closer to us. On this 15th Foundation Day, let us reaffirm our commitment to excellence, innovation, and societal impact. May the years ahead be filled with even greater breakthroachievements, ughs, and contributions to the advancement of knowledge and the betterment of humanity."