

If you can take shots of viscosupplementation, you can buy time and postpone the operation. 15 years after the operation, the condition worsens when one undergoes a revision surgery.

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'Quality of research sets IITs apart'

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INDORE: With the second academic year of the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Indore in progress, research activities have also started full throttle.

IIT is known for its research works in the fields of technical expertise. IIT-I director Pradeep Mathur told Hindustan Times that research work was given as much significance as teaching in almost every IIT. "Promotions of teachers are based on the qual-

ity of research work they put in," he said.

"The faculty members at the IITs are expected to be well oriented in their knowledge of subject and teaching skills and proficiency. But what makes them stand out is the quality of research work and its implementation in their teaching," he added.

"IIT Indore encourages its faculties to tie-up with major funding agencies to carry out research processes," Mathur said. "We do have tie-ups with several European agencies like the Indo-French programme,

which carry out the research reports and we have faculty members who have been getting international grants for their research works."

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The teachers also aim at getting their research works published in journals that give them an international exposure. "In the first year, several faculty

members had research grants and have had the opportunity to get their works published in renowned journals worldwide," said Mathur.

In addition to this, the institute promotes contenders for different Ph D streams and has been accepting applications for the same. For the Ph D courses, the benchmark is high with many students bringing in their own fellowship. The institute currently has 16 students in their Ph D programme for the second academic session.

However, a major chunk of

research equipment is awaited to be installed at the IIT, with some of it already being fixed-up while the remaining being transported. The institute, which is now functioning from the DAVV campus, has space constraints, due to which the equipment have not been installed.

IIT Indore still waits land to be handed over to it, though, the institute has already received an expression of interest (EoI) for master planning, architectural and engineering consultancy services for IIT Indore Campus Development.