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IIT-Indore student will be Google ambassador

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INDORE: For the first time, a student from Indian Institute of Technology, Indore has been selected as the Google Student Ambassador (GSA) for 2012-13. Ashok Pancily Poothiyot, a soft spoken, well-mannered third year B Tech computer science and engineering student, who hails from Kerela, would represent his institute as well as the city.



■ Ashok Pancily Poothiyot

This year, over 1,000 students have been selected from 65 countries for the Google Student Ambassador Programme. In all, there are

123 students from India including a handful from other IITs as well. The students were selected after Google scrutinised their applications which had a few questions including their plans to utilise this prospect.

So, what would Ashok do for his institute and the city as an ambassador? "I would serve as a liaison between Google, my institute and Indore. Being in touch with the management of Google would help in bringing good

opportunities for the students of IIT and also for the city," he says.

Google Student Ambassador Programme aims at building lasting relationships with Googlers (those working at Google) and fellow ambassadors. "My role would be to coordinate with Google to plan events on our campus. This would help Google to understand our institute's culture and we would also get to know

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their culture. Google is dynamic and progressive and I am delighted to be associated with them," said Ashok.

Ashok would be representing IIT-I in the Google Student Ambassador's Summit at Hilton Hotel, Goa from September 7 to September 9 this year.

"I am in touch with the other ambassadors from IITs and we all are very excited about our session in Goa. We would know our roles once the summit is over."

Faculty for placement Prof Santosh Vishwakarma said, "We are already in touch with Google but with this, we are hoping that our students will have better placement opportunities and internships."

OTHER LAURELS

■ Monalisa Sharma, assistant professor of computer science and engineering at IIT Indore, has been selected for IBM Shared University Research Award. The award is designed to promote collaborative research projects that bring value to IBM and to the technology community. It strives to connect the research and researchers at universities with personnel in IBM

■ Priti Ram and Anil Birla have been selected for IIT Indore-Agilent Technologies-Aimil Summer Fellowship Programme on

X-ray Crystallography

■ IIT Indore joins the ALICE International Collaboration at the Large Hadron Collider (LHC), CERN, Geneva, Switzerland

■ Sachin Londhe, Rahul Nanda, Akshat Kumar and Anshul Rawat qualified in French Language (DELF A1) test. Coordinator for this French class Anjali Bandiwadkar said, "Looking at the response, we have started offering elective course for French which would help the students to study and work in France."

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