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IT'S OFFICIAL Collector says new campus ready for function

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Talking to HT, district collector Akash Tripathi said, "The land allotted to the institute would be the venue. It has been sanitised properly and would be properly guarded." The collector had earlier visited the site to take a stock of the situation.

President Pranab Mukherjee has already accepted the invitation for the convocation ceremony that would be held on June 8. The

collector said the construction of helipads was being done and as per the protocol there would be three helipads. "We have informed the President secretariat about the entire programme and they have approved everything right from the reception, dais and schedule," he added.

The director said, "We wanted Simrol to be the venue and this was decided from the very beginning. We just had to get the security issues sorted and the district administration has ensured that."

About 501 acres of land has been allotted to IIT-I at Simrol, nearly 25kms from the city. It is being operated from IET campus of Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyala and one building at PACL campus — both at a distance of nearly 20kms.

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