## IIT-I all set for its convocation

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Indore: Final preparations for the first convocation of Indian Institute of Technology, Indore (IIT-I) to be held at the institute's proposed site in Simrol were almost over on the eve of President's visit. Students rehearsed for the ceremony on Friday so as to get accustomed with the process. President Dr Pranab Mukherjee will confer awards on students based on their performance during the last four years at the institute.

Ankit Goyal from electrical engineering branch will receive president of India Gold Medal from the country's first citizen or Pranab Mukherjee. Goyal will be conferred the award on the basis of his academic and werall performance at the in-

stitute. Apart from President's medal, Institute silver medal will be conferred on three students including Abhishek, Anamika Patel and Reema Saxena of computer science and engineering, electrical engineering and mechanical engineering branches respectively. The students whose projects were adjudged the best will also be awarded on the occasion. Anant Paliwal will be awarded for his work on low cost human interface-based teaching aids. Sarfraz Qureshi and V Sai Kiran will share the award on project SRAM design for low power applications. Keshav Kumar and Bharath Bhushan too will share award for their work on design. fabrication and testing of the experimental setup for abrasive jet machining (AJM) process.

## BTech degrees but no jobs

Who will be attending the convocation ceremony on Saturday will have BTech degrees but no jobs in hand. The placement process at the institute was down since November this year. Though institute made all efforts through academia-institute conclave but failed to woo the corporates. Those placed are also not reportedly very happy with the package they were offered by the recruiting companies this year. As per the institute figures, Microsoft offered highest package of Rs 17.38 lakh to a student at IIT-I. But the average salary only touched the figure of Rs 7 lakh per annum. TNN