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## **PRESS-RELEASE**

### **IIT (ISM) to Host Grand Cultural Extravaganza on Monday (December 8) with Pt. Vishwa Mohan Bhatt and Dhanbad's First-Ever Drone Show**

As part of its ongoing **Centenary Foundation Week**, IIT (ISM) Dhanbad is set to host a spectacular **Pre-Foundation Day Cultural Extravaganza** on December 8, bringing together a blend of world-class classical music and cutting-edge visual innovation. The evening will begin with a soulful **Mohan Veena performance by Padma Bhushan and Grammy Award winner Pt. Vishwa Mohan Bhatt**, organised in association with SPIC MACAY, at 6:00 PM in the Penman Auditorium. This will be followed by a landmark moment in the city's cultural calendar—**Dhanbad's first-ever Drone Show**, scheduled at 7:30 PM at the Gymkhana Ground, where synchronized illuminated drones will narrate the historic journey and futuristic aspirations of IIT (ISM).

The announcement comes a day after the institute witnessed an electrifying cultural showcase on the fourth day of the Centenary Foundation Week. The **10-member troupe led by acclaimed Rajasthani folk artist and Young Sangeet Natak Academy Awardee Bhungar Khan Manganiyar** captivated audiences with a powerful medley of Rajasthani folk music, Sufi renditions, Qawwali and traditional dance. The performance offered a vibrant tapestry of desert melodies and rhythmic improvisations, highlighted by the iconic sound of the *khartal*, masterfully presented by Bhungar Khan, who is internationally celebrated for his virtuosity.

With the Pre-Foundation Day celebrations promising an unforgettable blend of classical heritage and technological brilliance, IIT (ISM) invites students, faculty, alumni and residents of Dhanbad to join the festivities as the institute approaches its historic Foundation Day during this landmark centenary year.

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