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Centenary Basant 2026 Begins at IIT (ISM) Dhanbad with Grand Inaugural Celebrations

Centenary Basant 2026, the Annual Alumni Reunion of IIT (ISM) Dhanbad, commenced today with warmth, pride and deep emotional connect as alumni from different batches gathered to celebrate 100 years of institutional excellence. Scheduled from 6 to 8 February 2026, this special centenary edition marks a historic milestone in the journey of the institute.

The inaugural day, themed “Reconnect – Alumni & Alma Mater,” began with the arrival and registration of alumni and special invitees at the Penman Quadrangle, followed by a luncheon at the Scolomin Club. The formal Reception and Inauguration Ceremony was held at the Penman Auditorium in the afternoon, setting the tone for three days of celebration, reflection and recognition.

Addressing the gathering, Director Prof. Sukumar Mishra extended warm greetings to alumni and participants, describing Basant 2026 as a proud moment in the institute’s centenary year. He highlighted that the event reflects the creativity, innovation and talent that define IIT (ISM) Dhanbad and emphasized the importance of alumni engagement in strengthening the institution’s legacy and inspiring future generations.

The inaugural evening featured a Rabindra Nritya presentation by a representative of the institute, followed by musical performances by Rahul Mukherjee and Shikha Joshi. The day concluded with a dinner at the Scolomin Club, where alumni reconnected with old friends, faculty members and the campus environment that shaped their journeys.

The celebrations will continue over the next two days with a wide array of academic, commemorative and cultural programmes. Day 2 will feature alumni sports activities including the Centenary Cricket Match, a flower show, a photo exhibition titled “Down the Memory Lane,” the AGM of the Alumni Association, and a special Thanksgiving & Giving Back session. A grand cultural evening will include performances by noted artists along with in-house presentations by students and international participants.

Day 3 will focus on legacy and recognition, including a Campus Heritage Walk, alumni networking sessions, and the presentation of the Distinguished Alumnus Awards, Basant Samman and Special Centenary Awards. The three-day celebration aims to honor alumni contributions across diverse sectors while reinforcing the enduring bond between the institute and its global alumni community.

Centenary Basant 2026 stands as a tribute to a century of excellence and a renewed commitment to academic leadership and nation-building.

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