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IIT (ISM) Dhanbad Kicks Off Parakram 2025 – The Largest Sports Extravaganza of Eastern India

The Indian Institute of Technology (Indian School of Mines) Dhanbad, witnessed the grand inauguration of Parakram 2025, the largest sports festival of Eastern India, this evening at the Penman Auditorium. Scheduled from **March 21 to March 23**, this three-day sporting spectacle brings together some of the brightest and most talented athletes from across the region.

Shri Ashok Dhyanchand, Former National Hockey Player, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest, inaugurating the event in the esteemed presence of Prof. Sukumar Mishra, Director, IIT (ISM), who presided over the ceremony.

Several distinguished faculty members, including **Prof. SK Gupta, Dean of Students' Welfare; Prof. Sanjoy Mandal, Associate Dean of Student Activities (Students' Welfare); Prof. Ajit Kumar, Assistant Professor, Mechanical Engineering, and Convenor of Parakram 2025; and Shri DN Acharya, Physical Education and Sports Officer,** were present at the inaugural function alongside enthusiastic student coordinators and participants.

Parakram 2025 features a wide array of sporting competitions, including Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Squash, Table Tennis, Chess, Lawn Tennis, Volleyball, Cricket, Hockey, Football, Kabaddi, Weightlifting, Powerlifting, and Karate. The event has attracted participants from renowned institutions, including IIT Kharagpur, BIT Sindri, BIT Mesra, NIT Jamshedpur, and several other esteemed technical and academic institutes.

This mega sporting event not only provides a platform for competitive excellence but also fosters teamwork, discipline, and sportsmanship among students. IIT (ISM) Dhanbad looks forward to witnessing thrilling performances and high-spirited sportsmanship as Parakram 2025 unfolds.

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