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## IIT (ISM) Dhanbad celebrates Janjatiya Gaurav Divas with a host of cultural programs.

Janjatiya Gaurav Divas was celebrated this evening at the Golden Jubilee Lecture Theatre of IIT (ISM) to mark the 150th Birth Anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda with a host of events, including a recitation of poetry by the members of Chaynika Sangh, Hindi Society of IIT (ISM); a musical performance by Manthan, the music club of the institute; and a cultural performance by LITM, the stage dance crew, besides a quiz contest organized by Quiz Club during which questions related to the life and works of Bhagwan Birsa Munda were asked to the participants.

The program began with the lamp lighting and garlanding of the historic photograph of Bhagwan Birsa Munda by Prof. MK Singh, Dean Academic, as Chief Guest in the presence of others, including Prof. SK Gupta, Dean Students Welfare, and Prof. Sanjoy Madal, Associate Dean (Student Activities), Students Welfare.

This was followed by the performance by members of Chaynika Sangh, followed by a musical performance by Manthan, a quiz competition by Quiz Club, and a cultural performance by LITM.

Speaking during the occasion as Chief Guest, Prof. MK Singh, who is also the Director, threw light on the life and work of legendary Birsa Munda, a revered figure known as "Bhagwan" among the tribal communities.

"Born in 1875 in present-day Jharkhand, Birsa Munda led a movement against the British Rule and saved the Jal, Jangal, and Jamin by rallying tribal people behind him," said Prof. Singh during his address.

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