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IIT (ISM) Dhanbad to host Nobel Laureate Kailash Satyarthi for centenary memorial lecture series

The **Indian Institute of Technology (Indian School of Mines) Dhanbad** is poised to witness a truly **momentous and historic academic occasion** as the institute prepares to host the **First Centenary Lecture of the Abanish Chandra & Binapani Sinha Memorial Lecture Series** on **March 21, 2026, at 11:00 AM, at the Penman Auditorium** of the institute. The distinguished lecture will be delivered by **Nobel Peace Laureate Shri Kailash Satyarthi**, one of the world's most revered voices for human dignity, children's rights and social justice. The forthcoming event marks a **landmark milestone in the academic journey of IIT (ISM) Dhanbad**, as the institute will have the rare honour of welcoming a **Nobel Laureate to its campus for the first time in its illustrious history**. The visit of **Nobel Peace Laureate Shri Kailash Satyarthi** is expected to transform the occasion into an inspiring intellectual gathering, bringing together faculty members, researchers, students, officers and staff of the institute.

The prestigious **Abanish Chandra & Binapani Sinha Memorial Lecture Series** has been instituted through a generous endowment by **distinguished alumnus Shri Mihir Sinha (1966 Batch, Petroleum Engineering)** in loving memory of his parents. Conceived as a tribute to their enduring values and legacy, the lecture series aims to create a vibrant intellectual forum where leading thinkers, scholars and global changemakers can engage with the academic community.

The lecture series seeks to nurture thoughtful dialogue that transcends disciplinary boundaries and reflects on the **vital intersections between science, technology and the humanities**—areas that increasingly shape the global discourse on **equity, innovation, sustainability and human well-being**. Through such engagements, the institute continues to strengthen its commitment to fostering socially responsible knowledge and a broader vision of education that connects technological progress with human values.

The address by **Nobel Peace Laureate Shri Kailash Satyarthi** is expected to offer profound insights drawn from his decades-long global movement for the protection of children's rights, access to education and the fight against child labour and exploitation. His inspiring journey and unwavering commitment to humanitarian causes have earned him worldwide respect and recognition, making his presence on the IIT (ISM) campus a source of immense pride and inspiration.

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