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IIT (ISM) faculty members impart computer training to tribal students of remote Basia village of Gumla District.

A team of faculty members of Department of Management Studies of IIT (ISM) today visited Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) in remote Basia village of Gumla and apprised around 200 tribal students about the significance of Information Technology and Computer Training in career excellence as well in securing jobs.

The team led by Dr Rashmi Singth, Assistant Professor of Department of Management Studies & Industrial Engineering who is also the coordinator of the Centre of Excellence (CoE) for Tribal Development at IIT (ISM) during the interaction with the beneficiary students of Class IX to XIII of the ongoing capacity building programme on basic level information technology and computer training also assessed the knowledge gained by them as part of training which has been launched on July 1,2024 itself.

The team comprising of others including, Prof Niladri Das, Associate Professor of the Department of Management Studies and Industrial Engineering (DMS&IE) during their interaction with the school Principal, Sanjay Kumar Singh also checked status of availability and utilization of the study materials in Hindi and Santhali which has been provided by the CoE for Tribal Development at the institute library.

The IIT (ISM) team during the visit also witnessed of the wide range of tribal potteries and utensils made by the villagers of Basia, including some of parents of Beneficiary students and their family members.

Notably, Capacity Building on basic level Information Technology and Computer Training has been launched at altogether seven EMRS Schools across the state by Center of Excellence for Tribal Development at IIT (ISM) on July 1 this year and the one year training courses divided into two semesters and training is being provided in both online and offline mode and as part to offline training the IIT (ISM) faculty members visited EMRS Basia in Gumla.

The Centre of Excellence for Tribal Developement has been established at IIT (ISM) as per the fund grant worth Rs 1.92 Crore provided by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs (MoTA) of Government of India and Capacity Building Programme on Information Technology and Computer Training is the 1<sup>st</sup> project taken up by the CoE which is being implemented in seven EMRS schools.

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