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Independence Day to be celebrated with traditional gaiety and fervour at IIT (ISM)

Like every year Independence Day will be celebrated at IIT (ISM) with traditional gaiety & fervour on August 15, 2023 (Tuesday).

The main function of flag hoisting is scheduled at Oval Ground of institute from 9 a.m. in during which Prof J K Pattanayak, Officiating Director, IIT (ISM) will unfurl the national flag in presence of Deans, HoDs, other faculty members, officers, students and staff.

An Independence Day run will also be organized by the Sports and Physical Education Centre during the occasion from 6.30 a.m. for students (5 km run Boys & 2 ½ KM run for Girls) and Employees (2 ½ KM fast walk for Male & Female).

The 5 km independence day run for (boys) will begin from Gate Number 1 of Lower Ground and return to the same venue passing through post office, scolomin house, rosoline Hostel, teachers colony, new petroleum building, new library building, ramdhani chowk, central workshop, old lecture complex, health centre, mandir road, scolomin house, admin block.

The 2 ½ KM race for girl students will also start from same venue of Gate Number 1 of lower ground and pass through ISM Post Office, scolomin house, new petroleum building, new library building, ramdhani chowk, central workshop, old lecture complex, health centre, mandir road, ISM post office and return back to the lower ground..

The 2 ½ fast walk for employees (male) and employees female will also take place on the same route.

This apart, a friendly cricket match from 10 a.m. and a friendly football match 6 p.m. will also be organized by the Sports and Physical Education Centre.

Meanwhile, Bloodline, a chapter of Student Society, Fast Forward India will also organize a blood donation camp at IIT (ISM) Health Centre on the occasion of Independence day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

This apart, *Har Ghar Tiranga* campaign was also launched intensively from August 13 and will continue till August 15, to encourage the campus residents to hoist the National Flag of India in their homes in order to instil the feeling of patriotism in the heart of people and reminisce the journey of India and those who have contributed towards creating this great nation.

Similarly campaign is also carried out under *Meri Mati Mera Desh* initiative envisioned by our honourable prime minister, Shri Narendra Modi to nurture the earth and honour the brave souls.

Under *Meri Mati Mera Desh*, following activities are to be carried out including, installation of nameplates of veers, taking the panch pran pledge, creation of Amrit Vatika with 75 sapling of indigenous trees, honouring freedom fighters/braves who protect the nation and families of braves, hoisting of national flag and singing of National Anthem.

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