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## **PRESS RELEASE**

IIT (ISM) students, faculty members, officers and staff of IIT (ISM) participate in Meri Mati Mera Desh campaign at Bagula Basti of Dhanbad; took out kalash yatra in the village and collected soil in Kalash.

Students, faculty members, officers and staff of IIT (ISM) participated in *Meri Mati Mera Desh*, a nationwide campaign to pay tribute to martyred brave hearts of the country. The programme began this morning at around 8.30 with the plantation of Rudraksh sapling carried out at medicinal garden under the leadership of Shri M Srikanth, Project Director of Mission Chandrayan-3 in presence of Prof Rajni Singh Dean (Media & Branding).

Prof Vikash Mahto NSS Coordinator of IIT (ISM); Prof Sanjeev Anand Sahu, Associate Dean Rajbhasa Karyanwayan; Prof Ananda Shankar Hati, Assistant Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering who were also present during the plantation later reached at Bagula Basti about six km from the institute where they carried out the plantation in the campus of Utkramit Madhya Madhya Vidyalaya, kusumdaha, a government middle school.

The IIT (ISM) team that comprised of over 50 volunteers of NSS and Centre of Societal Mission also took out a Kalash Yatra in the village as part of Meri Mati Mera Dash and collected soil from the village in the decorated kalash brought by them.

The principal of the school, Neelam Kumari and several other students also took part in the plantation carried out in the school.

The IIT (ISM) team later returned back to the campus at around 11 a. m. and the Kalash bearing the soil of the village was handed over to Ravi Kumar, the nodal officer of Meri Mati Mera Desh Campaign by Prof JK Pattanayak Director of the institute in presence of Prof Dheeraj Kumar, Deputy Director and others. The Director and Deputy Director also carried our plantation at the medicinal garden of the institute.

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