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Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi dedicates Aquamarine Hostel at IIT(ISM) Dhanbad to the Nation; the hostel constructed at a cost of Rs 192 crore is equipped with all the modern amenities

In a historic moment for Indian Institute of Technology (Indian School of Mines), Dhanbad, the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today dedicated the Aquamarine Hostel to the nation during a function held at Ulihatu in Khunti, the live telecast of which was held at Golden Jubilee Lecture Theatre (GJLT) of IIT (ISM).

The function was held in presence of Shri Arjun Munda, Hon'ble Union Minister of Tribal Affairs and Shri Hemant Soren, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Jharkhand and others on the occasion of **Janjatiya Gaurav Divas** during which the Hon'ble Prime Minister also launched Pradhan Manti Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups Development Mission and several other schemes and projects meant for tribal people across the nation and also for Jharkhand.

Prof JK Pattanayak, Director IIT (ISM) who graced the live telecast held at GJLT along with Prof Rajni Singh, Dean Corporate Communications; Prof MK Singh, Dean Academic; Prof Subhashish Chatterjee, Dean Faculty; Prof Anshumali, Hod Environmental Science and Engineering and others felicitated, Shri Nitin Bhatt, Representative of Dhanbad MP and Shri Milton Parthasarathy, Media In Charge of Dhanbad Lok Sabha of BJP who represented, Hon'ble Dhanbad MP, Shri Pashupati Nath Singh.

The inception of the hostel was in 2014, which got completed in 2023, stands as a testament to unwavering dedication and innovation; emerges as a symbol of sophisticated infrastructure and advanced academia. Since July 2023, the Aquamarine Hostel has served as the residence for 2nd and 3rd-year students, offering more than mere accommodation; it fosters a dynamic learning environment within the IIT (ISM) Dhanbad.

Encompassing a sprawling 64600m² plinth area, this architectural marvel was realised through an investment of ₹ 192 Crores. This hostel is equipped with modern amenities including 16 lifts, high-speed internet, and an efficient fire-fighting and power distribution system to accommodate and cater to 2000 students.

At the heart of this hostel lies a commitment to sustainable practices, incorporating STP water recycling, energy-efficient LED fixtures, rainwater harvesting, and strict adherence to the Energy Conservation Building Code.

These eco-friendly measures ensure a harmonious coexistence with nature, exemplifying environmental consciousness within the precincts of the Indian Institute of Technology (ISM) Dhanbad. Beyond its physical attributes, the Aquamarine Hostel epitomises an institution dedicated to superior education, distinguished faculty, and forthcoming field courses within the Indian Institute of Technology (ISM) Dhanbad. It embodies an unwavering commitment to holistic student welfare, fostering an environment synonymous with quality education and world-class facilities.

Notably, in consonance with the government focus on tribal welfare, IIT (ISM) also imparts training to different tribal artisans of Dhanbad and ensures the sale of products made by them through, ACIC Foundation. This apart the Department of Management Studies of the institute is also conducting series of workshop in remote areas of Jamatara under the Department of Science Technology funded project to



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ensure the wellbeing of tribal people. The institute under the K-12 outreach programme is conducting laboratory for the students of remote tribal dominated areas to arouse their interest toward Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

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