

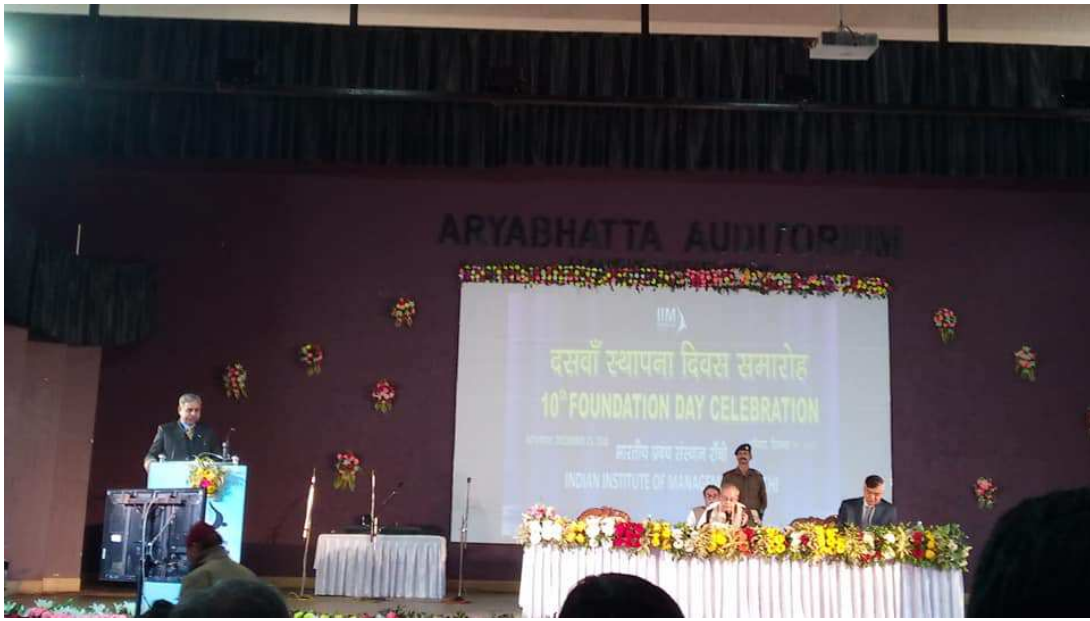
IIM Ranchi celebrated 10th Foundation Day

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It was a day of celebration for IIM Ranchi fraternity as it marked the successful completion of nine years of their foundation. The function took place at Aryabhata Hall, Ranchi University. Shri Pranab Mukherjee, former president of India, graced the occasion with his deemed presence. The programme started with the lamp lighting ceremony by Shri Pranab Mukherjee and Dr. Shailendra Singh, director of IIM Ranchi accompanied by Saraswati Vandana. This was followed by an inspiring speech by the director encouraging the students to strive each day to make their alma mater and the whole nation proud. After this, Shri Praveen Shankar Pandya, Chairman, IIM Ranchi addressed the audience and also described the illustrious career of Shri Pranab Mukherjee and his multi-faceted journey serving as the defence minister and then as the president of the nation.



This was followed by a thought provoking address by the former president. He congratulated the IIM fraternity on the tenth foundation day and appreciated the impact that IIM Ranchi has created in the industry. He narrated how the need of establishing new IIMs arose with the increasing population of India. He expressed his pleasure on the fact that IIMs are today recognised worldwide for their quality training and extensive research. However, he lamented that since 1930, there has been no Nobel Prize Winner from India thereby provoking the students to strive to form a strong learning and research aptitude right from the primary level. He also cited examples of various noteworthy teachers like Rabindranath Tagore to bring forth the point how good education should be aimed right from the grass root level. He ended his speech by narrating a short anecdote from his personal life highlighting the importance of education and urging the students to make the best possible use of their calibre and the education they are receiving at such a deemed institute to take India to newer horizons of success while abstaining from corruption and shortcuts. The students of 2017-19 and 2018-20 who had excelled in academics were felicitated by the Director. The winners of essay writing competition of National Education Day were also rewarded.



To add to the celebrations of the evening, a cultural show was put up by the students which included some mellifluous singing, a classical dance and a gripping dramatics act highlighting the need for social upliftment of women.

The gala celebrations came to an end with the emotional speech of one of the first year students of IIM Ranchi expressing his love and pride for the institute followed by a magnificent dinner.
