# IIIT Delhi's Second Newsletter

It is our pleasure to bring to you the second newsletter of IIIT Delhi covering key developments that took place in the past six months, including formal inauguration of the institute's permanent campus and its first convocation. The biannual electronic magazine, which helps you connect with the institute, also contains research news, placement statistics and information about conferences and honours, among other things.

## Formal Inauguration of IIIT Delhi's Campus

The formal inauguration of IIIT Delhi's permanent campus at Okhla was held on 29th October, 2012 in the presence of Smt. Sheila Dikshit, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Delhi; Shri P.K. Tripathi, Chief Secretary of Delhi; and Shri Kiran Karnik, Chairperson, Board of Governors, IIIT-Delhi. Read more

## IIIT Delhi's First Convocation

IIIT Delhi's first convocation, which took place on November 3, 2012, was all about celebrations, emotions and looking back at what the institute has achieved in the years since its inception in 2008. Gracing the occasion with their presence were Chief Guest Shri N Narayana Murthy, founder of Infosys; Hon'ble Lt Governor of Delhi Tejendra Khanna, who is also Chancellor of IIIT Delhi; and former NASSCOM President Shri Kiran Karnik, the Chairman of the institute's Board of Governors. Read more

## New Faculty @ IIIT Delhi

IIIT Delhi has added seven faculty members over the last six months --- Dr Shoba Sundar Ram, Dr Haimonti Dutta, Dr Rajiv Raman, Dr Samresh Chatterjee, Dr P. B. Sujith, Dr A. V. Subramanyam and Dr Angshul Majumdar -- and they hold PhDs from prestigious institutions like University of Texas, University of Maryland, University of Iowa, IISc Bangalore, Nanyang Technological University, University of British Columbia and University of New South Wales. IIIT Delhi now has 33 permanent, 8 adjunct and 4 visiting faculty members. Read More.

## Collaboration with Australia's QUT

IIIT Delhi and Australia's prestigious Queensland University of Technology (QUT) have joined hands for a collaborative PhD programme in a bid to promote cooperative educational exchanges. Under the collaborative PhD programme, the two institutions will jointly develop a system of academic exchanges that will allow a doctoral student to perform coordinated research studies at both institutions with a minimum duration of one and a half year full-time studies spent at each institution. Read More.

## Upcoming Events

**August 2013**
Convocation '13

**16th & 17th August**
Esya '13

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## Placement of the 2nd Graduating Batch

After the successful placement of the first graduating batch of IIIT Delhi, the B.Tech 2009 and the M.Tech 2011 batches have also fared fittingly. The sterling placement statistics of these two batches stands testimony to the fact that our graduates have the best combination of strong technical background with excellent soft skills. Even prior to the placements, many students of the B.Tech and M.Tech batches had already done internships in international universities, IT industry specific R&D labs and IT companies during the summers of 2011 and 2012. Read More

## Honours, Recognition and Awards

The faculty and students of IIIT Delhi have received numerous awards for their papers and posters. Many have also been granted prestigious research grants and fellowships across the world such as Prime Minister's Fellowship for Doctoral Research and IBM Ph.D. Fellowship Award. Read more

## IIIT Delhi's Team Wins Microsoft's Whodunit? Challenge India

A team of IIIT Delhi researchers cracked Microsoft Research India's coveted Whodunit? Challenge, a unique nationwide social gaming competition which aimed to gain insight into how people can use information and communication technologies to mobilise large groups into solving difficult problems. Read more

## IIIT Delhi's Third Research Showcase

IIIT Delhi's third annual Research Showcase took place on 15th-16th March, 2013. A total of 39 posters and demos were presented, which included recent innovations by various research groups at the institute such as  Emerging Architecture and System Design, Cryptography and Forensics , Information Management and Data Analytics, Mobile and Ubiquitous computing, Security and Privacy, Software Engineering and Theory, as well as outstanding course projects developed by students. Out of these, 6 posters and demos were by undergraduates. Read more.

## International Conferences Organized

Since the beginning of this year, IIIT-D faculty members have organised four  international conferences. Dr Amarjeet Singh was involved in 'NORAD Seed Funding 2012: Mobile & Ubiquitous Computing Group', a two-day meet which took place in January; Dr Somitra Sanadhya was behind Advance Techniques in Cryptanalysis of Symmetric Systems, an eight-day conference in February-March; and Dr PK was one of the main organizers of the Indo-UK Cybersecurity Workshop in March, as also 'Second International Workshop on Privacy and Security in Online Social Media, whch was held in Brazil on May 14. Read More

## Fast Emerging Govt Engineering College Award

IIIT Delhi has been bestowed with the 'Fast Emerging Government Engineering College in Delhi' award by the Brands Academy, a premier brand management and consulting firm in India. The institute was chosen for the award in view of the "excellent response" it garnered from the respondents to opinion surveys for Brands Academy Education Awards 2013. Read more.

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