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CM pleads for IIT campus in Bhubaneswar

Pioneer News Service | Bhubaneswar

Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik on Friday met Union Minister for Human Resources Development Arjun Singh in New Delhi to discussed establishment of a campus of IIT, Kharagpur in Orissa.

According to an official release here, Patnaik stated that the State Government has offered 300 acres of land next to Bhubaneswar city for setting up the campus and is fully committed to provide all necessary assistance for the institution.

Since Orissa is fast emerging as a hub for industrial activities, an institution of the stature of IIT will provide the much-needed impetus to the efforts of the Government in providing support to these industries, Patnaik said.

The Chief Minister also discussed about establishment of a new Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) in Bhubaneswar. In view of the growth of Bhubaneswar as a major centre for IT and IT-enabled services, it is an ideally location for an IIIT. The State Government is willing to provide land for the institution. Arjun Singh also responded positively.

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Arjun Singh responded positively saying the Center would definitely consider the case of Bhubaneswar favourably while sanctioning new IIITs in the near future.

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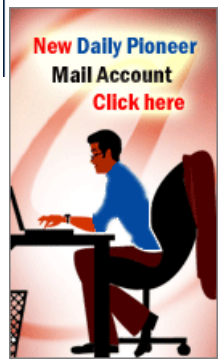
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