

newindpress
.com



Orissa

Know Before You Go. Read Reviews from Real Travelers.
www.TripAdvisor.com

Bhubaneswar India

Taste All India Has To Offer With Essence of India Tours. Book Today!
SingaporeAir.com/TourIndia

India Home Loans

Great Choice of Homes in India. Find India Home Loans
Homes.India.MagicBricks.com

[Ads by Google](#)

**Granite
Countertops**

Always happy homeowners! Low prices guaranteed
Starting \$45.
www.IMGMD.com

[Advertise on this site](#)

News

Top stories
Sports
Business
Nation
Orissa
NRIs
All Headlines

Southern News

Andhra Pradesh
Karnataka
Kerala
Tamil Nadu

Cities

Bangalore
Chennai
Hyderabad
Kochi
Thiruvananthapuram

Features

Cinema
Lifestyle & People
Education
Health & Science
Women's Life
Youth
Travel
Flashback
Weird World

Forecast

Meenakshi Rani
Peter Vidal

ORISSA

Apr 9, 2007

Citizens take to streets, demand IIT for State

Monday April 9 2007 10:31 IST

BHUBANESWAR: Jolted by the Centre's move to deny Orissa an IIT, hundreds of people from various walks of life on Sunday took out a rally here protesting the decision. They submitted a memorandum to President APJ Abdul Kalam. It was organised by Agami Odisha, an apolitical platform of eminent scientists, educationists and social activists.

◆The Centre's move has not only saddened the people but has also robbed the State of its rightful claim, ◆rued working president of the forum Lalit Pattnaik.

◆The Government had stated its intention to set up the next set of IITs in backward States and had picked Orissa as one of the prospective places. But it went back on its promise and instead gifted an IIT to Andhra Pradesh, Bihar and Rajasthan, however, got their due share, ◆he remarked.

The decision not only created uproar in the State, but also created fear among the people that other schemes like upgrading UCE Burla into Indian Institute of Engineering, Science and Technology might never be realised.

While the Chief Minister shot off a protest letter to the Centre against the decision, many were surprised over its meek response in the following days.

Today when the Centre has sanctioned Rs 400 crore for the new IITs, Pattnaik said, Orissa should build up a mass movement to extract its claim.

◆We would transform this by creating awareness among the people in every nook and corner of the State, ◆he said.



Special Deals
Get 20% off on All Air Sahara flights
NEW World Cup Videos & more
NEW Shop and get 15% cash back!

[Ads by Google](#)

[Orissa Airfare](#)
[Orissa Flight](#)
[About Orissa](#)
[Angul Orissa](#)

Buy & Sell Used Items

Good show by Angul dist on revenue front

Fire destroys abandoned urea plant

Frequent transfers of SPs hit policing

Shrine that bridges the communal divide

Govt measures fail to check flow of spurious ◆liquor

Edits & Opinions

- First Editorial
- Second Editorial
- Main Article
- Second Article
- Time Out
- Columns

Classifieds

- Lifemates
- Careers
- Tenders
- Real Estate

Place a classified

In our newspapers

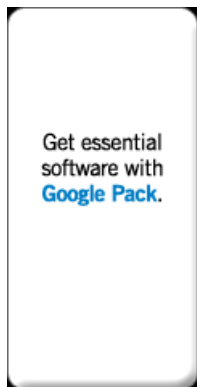
Religion

- Spirituality & Prosperity
- Tirupati
- Sabarimala

Newindpress on Sunday

Sunday's rally coincided with the IIT entrance examination.

Across the country some 2.5 lakh appeared for the test, being held for the first time under the revised format.



Printer-Friendly Format

Email this Article

Google

Search

Web Newindpress

Little care for expectant mothers, infants here

Doctor prescribes spiritual dose for happy living

Ex-minister Pradipta Das dead

Book chronicles Odissi dance form

Cash back offer by retail chain

Trader on morning walk waylaid

Institute to publish rare Oriya classics

Government's tonic for docs

Capital Hospital to be made Medical College

Orissa to develop Satkoshia and Bhitarkanika sanctuaries

Stem cells hold out hope for diabetics

Oriya literature is spiritual: JB

Annapurna theatre: Stage I, Act II

Health system in a shambles

DGP orders removal of

entry gates

ESSAR steel
plant: Farmers
seek better
land prize

Queen of Puri
performs once
in a lifetime
prayer at
Jagannath
Temple

Sleep the Pounds Away

Weight loss and sleep program recommended by Cherie Calbom

www.sleepawayampm.com/

[Ads by Google](#) - [Advertise on this site](#)

INDIAVARTA - DINAMANI - ANDHRA PRABHA - KANNADA PRABHA - MALAYALAM VARIKHA - AP WEEKLY -
CINEMA EXPRESS - TAMILAN EXPRESS

This site is managed by Express Network Private Ltd.

No part of this site should be used in any other media without prior permission.

e-mail: info@newindpress.com