

BITS Pilani Goa hosts Convocation 2025

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BITS Pilani held its Convocation 2025 at the Goa campus for its graduating students. A total of 968 students at the Goa campus received degrees across BE, MSc, ME, and PhD programs. Across all campuses, including the Work Integrated Learning Programs (WILP), 17,014 degrees were conferred. Medal winners from the Bachelor's programs were Ashman Mehra (Gold), Soham Amit Walimbe (Silver), and Arnav

Goyal (Bronze).

The event was attended by chief guest professor secretary, Department of Science & Technology, Government of India Abhay Karandikar and Vice Chancellor of BITS Pilani professor V. Ramgopal Rao.

Karandikar congratulated the graduates and said, "With the right mindset and commitment, you are well-equipped to solve the grand challenges of our time." He began the day by planting a tree on campus.

Rao added, "This is not just



the end of your academic journey but the start of your impact journey. Go forth and be the architects of change."

This year, 4,563 women

graduated across all programs, 26.8% of the total. At the Goa campus, 48 women received PhDs; accounting for 46.3% of the doctoral graduates, a record for the institute.

Director of the K. K. Birla Goa Campus, professor Suman Kundu, said, "Education is about curiosity, character, and service. Let this be the start of a lifelong pursuit of learning and impact."

The Young Achiever Award was presented to Akarsh Shroff in recognition of his early contributions.

The event also highlighted BITS Pilani's innovation initiatives, including the BITS BioCyTiH Foundation, BGIIES, and industry-linked doctoral programs like IMPACT and DRIVE. The institute reported 179 patent filings and 13 technology transfers in the past year.

Karandikar also inaugurated a state-of-the-art Device Lab and cleanrooms (Class 1000 and 10,000) at the BITS BioCyTiH Foundation, Goa's Technology Hub established under the DST's NM-ICPS scheme.