

To mark its 20th year, BITS Goa to open doors to state's school, college students

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Panaji: BITS Pilani K K Birla Goa campus will celebrate its 20th year by opening its doors to students from schools and colleges across Goa. Students will get the opportunity to experience the facilities and witness the research projects carried out here.

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high-end research centres will be open to the public and the community. We will exhibit our creations, prototypes, and other science, economics, and literature projects for viewing. Two public lectures will also be held during the open day, including one by Goan architect Dean

D'Cruz," said BITS Pilani K K Birla Goa campus director, professor Suman Kundu.

The public lectures will be held in the sprawling 2,200-capacity auditorium on campus.

"The first of these lectures will be delivered on November 1 by Jayant Murthy,

the most celebrated astrophysicist in the country. Following this, from November 2 to November 5, we are hosting, along with the National Centre for Polar and Ocean Research (NCPOR), a meeting of the Indian Academy of Sciences, Bengaluru," said Kundu.

During the meeting of the Indian Academy of Sciences, a science workshop will be held for teachers of Goa University and colleges across the state.

"Over the years, the number of Goan students studying at BITS Pilani has been increasing. Many of our faculty members are also Goans, and inviting Goan school and college students for the open day will further inspire them to pursue research, we are hoping," said the director.