Press Release

IIT Bhubaneswar celebrates National Sports Day with sportive fervour

- **Weeklong Sports Tournament concludes**
- **Major Dhyan Chand Trophy awarded to the winning team**

Bhubaneswar, 29th August 2023: Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bhubaneswar has joined the Nation in celebrating the National Sports Day, with sportive zeal and fervour. To mark the occasion, the Institute organized a week-long Sports Tournament among all its members, from 22nd August to 27th August. The concluding ceremony of the programme was held on 28th August. Prof. Shreepad Karmalkar, Director, IIT Bhubaneswar graced the occasion and handed over the prizes to the winners of different competitions.

Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Karmalkar encouraged all the participants for their enthusiasm for the event. He highlighted the importance of sports in the overall development of human personality. He further said that IIT Bhubaneswar has always made efforts to encourage students to play different sports and has made extensive facilities for different games in its premises. He emphasized that observance of National Sports Day gives the members of the Institute an opportunity to unlock their sporting potential.

On this occasion, Major Dhyan Chand Trophy was awarded to the B.Tech. 3rd Year Students Team, who emerged as the Overall Champions of the Tournament by securing first position in four out of the seven sporting events conducted as part of the National Sports Day celebration. B. Tech 2nd Year Students' Team got the Runners Up Trophy and Ph.D. Students' team secured the third position.

Among others, Prof. Rajesh Roshan Dash, Dean (Student Affairs), Dr. Srinivas Bhaskar Karanki, President of Student's Gymkhana and Dr. Anoop Thomas, Faculty Advisor Sports & Games, IIT Bhubaneswar were present on the occasion. The event was organised by the Sports Council of Students' Gymkhana, IIT Bhubaneswar.