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IIT Bombay celebrates Teachers' Day by conferring
- S.P. Sukhatme Excellence in Teaching Awards to 15 Professors
- Award for Excellence in Academics to 98 Students

Mumbai, September 4, 2026: The Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IIT Bombay) celebrated Teachers' Day at the Institute campus, honouring the invaluable contributions of teachers and recognising excellence in teaching and academic performance. The celebration was held in commemoration of the birth anniversary of eminent philosopher, educationist, statesman and former President of India Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan. **Dr. B.V.R. Mohan Reddy, Padma Shri awardee; Founder Chairman and Board Member, Cyient and Chairman, Boards of Governors, IIT Hyderabad and NIT Warangal,** graced the occasion as the Chief Guest.

The celebrations began with a welcome address by the Institute Director Prof. Shireesh Kedare, followed by the presentation of prestigious awards including the **Professor S.P. Sukhatme Awards for Excellence in Teaching** and the **Excellence in Academics Awards**.

In his welcome address, the IIT Bombay Director Prof. Shireesh Kedare, congratulated the awardees and said, *"Teachers play a transformative role in shaping not only the academic journeys of students but also their values, aspirations and sense of responsibility towards society. Excellence in teaching lies in inspiring curiosity, encouraging independent thought and creating an environment in which every student can realise their potential. On Teachers' Day, we celebrate this enduring relationship between teachers and students, through which both continue to learn, grow and contribute to the nation."*

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The Chief Guest **Dr. B.V.R Mohan Reddy** conferred the **Professor S.P. Sukhatme Award for Excellence in Teaching** to select faculty members in recognition of their contributions to the teaching activities of the Institute.

The Awardees of the Professor S. P. Sukhatme Award for Excellence in Teaching include:

- Prof. Jayadipta Ghosh, Department of Civil Engineering
- Prof. Venkata Santosh Kumar Delhi, Department of Civil Engineering
- Prof. Ramakrishnan Desikan, Department of Earth Sciences
- Prof. Amrita Banerjee, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences
- Prof. S. Akshay, Department of Computer Science and Engineering
- Prof. Amit Arora, Centre for Technology Alternatives for Rural Areas (C-TARA)
- Prof. Prasenjit Basu, Department of Civil Engineering
- Prof. Arnab Jana, Department of Civil Engineering
- Prof. Santiram Chatterjee, Department of Civil Engineering
- Prof. Sankara Sarma V. Tatiparti, Department of Energy Science and Engineering
- Prof. Mazhar Kamran, IDC School of Design
- Prof. Gopalan Rajaraman, Department of Chemistry
- Prof. Meera Raghunandan, Department of Civil Engineering
- Prof. Neeraj Kumbhakarna, Department of Mechanical Engineering
- Prof. Chandra Mouleeswara Rao Volla, Department of Chemistry

Sharing his thoughts on the occasion, the Chief Guest, **Dr. Reddy**, said, “*India has talent in abundance, but talent alone does not build a nation. Teachers shape character, nurture leadership and inspire purpose. On this Teachers’ Day, I salute every teacher who prepares young Indians not only to learn, but also to lead and build the nation.*”

One of the highlights of the programme was the recognition of the top-performing students across classes. **Ninety-eight** students were felicitated by the Director Prof. Shireesh Kedare for their outstanding academic performance.

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The Teachers' Day function witnessed enthusiastic participation from the campus community, including the Dean (Academic Programmes) Prof. Suvarn Kulkarni, Dean (Faculty Affairs) Prof. Santosh Gharpure, Heads of Departments, faculty members, staff and students in large numbers.

About IIT Bombay:

The Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, set up in 1958 as the second IIT, is recognised worldwide as a leader in the field of science and engineering education and research. The Institute was granted the status of 'Institution of Eminence' by the Ministry of Education (the then Ministry of Human Resources Development) on July 9, 2018. IIT Bombay is reputed for the quality of its faculty, cutting-edge research, industry relations, and the outstanding caliber of students graduating from its undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. The Institute has 40 Academics Divisions, 29 Research Centres and 9 Section 8 Companies. Over the last six decades, more than 78,000 engineers and scientists have graduated from the Institute. It is served by 770 faculty, including 121 women faculty (plus 241 part-time faculty), considered not only amongst the best within the country but also highly recognised in the world for achievements in the field of education and research. On June 18, 2026, IIT Bombay was ranked 2nd in India and 134th in the world in the Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) World University Rankings for 2027.

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