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Hindi Seminar at IIT Bombay on 'Reading Culture among Youth: Foundation Stone of a Strong Nation'

MUMBAI | **September 23, 2025:** As part of the Hindi Fortnight celebrations, a seminar on 'Reading Culture among Youth: Foundation Stone of a Strong Nation' was organized at IIT Bombay on 22nd September 2025.

The Chief Guest, Prof. Milind Sudhakar Marathe, Chairman, National Book Trust, Ministry of Education, Government of India, highlighted the importance of cultivating reading habits. He remarked, "If a campaign is launched to promote reading culture, the foundation of the nation can be strengthened."

On this occasion, Prof. Shirish B. Kedare, Director, IIT Bombay, emphasized the invaluable role of books in human life, stating, "Books are our teachers, friends and an inseparable part of life."

The seminar was attended by Institute functionaries, staff members and students from the campus school, adding to the vibrancy of the celebration.

About IIT Bombay:

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 and the outstanding calibre of students graduating from its undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. The Institute has 17 academic departments, 31 Centres/ Programmes/ Academic facilities and three schools. Over the last six decades, more than 70,000 engineers and scientists have graduated from the Institute. It is served by more than 756 faculty members, with 121 women 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. In June 2025, IIT Bombay was ranked 2nd in India and 129th in the world in the Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) World University Rankings for 2026. In March 2025, IIT Bombay was ranked 28th in Engineering and Technology in the Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) World University Rankings by Subject for 2025.

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