

# IIT-K families have their Golden Jubilee moments

**CELEBRATIONS WILL** continue in the institute throughout the year

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**KANPUR:** Golden Jubilee celebrations of Indian Institute of Technology (IIT-K) commenced from Saturday.

Mentor of Infosys, NR Narayan Murthy, marked the beginning of the celebrations by striking a brass gong six times inside the auditorium of the Institute. Murthy also unveiled the Golden Jubilee Stone.

Distinguished guests along with two first year students, Avani Garg and Tushar Garg, as representatives of students, lighted the lamp.

Chairman of the Board of Governors M Anandakrishnan, NR Narayana Murthy, director of IIT-K Dr Sanjay G Dhande and Deputy Director of the Institute Dr RK Thareja signed the scroll which was to be kept in the time capsule to be buried in the campus during the jubilee celebrations.

A 45 minutes documentary directed by Sunil Shanbag was also screened on the occasion.

The documentary traced the complete journey of the institute from its modest beginning at the Harcourt Butler technological Institute (HBTI) campus to its present day, covering both, the bitter and the sweet moments.

One scene showed the first computer of the institute being

carried to the campus on a bullock-cart, in 1960.

At the same time there were also scenes of the two-day total strike by IIT-K employees during recession in 1980 which had disrupted the life at the institute.

Apart from the documentary, a visual story providing pictorial narratives of the development of the Institute over the last fifty years was also screened.

Shubha Mudgal and her group presented a musical programme in evening. The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT-K) plans to mark its golden jubilee with celebrations and events throughout the year.

Students and teachers will participate in the year-long celebrations marking the Golden Jubilee of the ace institute.

## IN A NUTSHELL

- Narayan Murthy inaugurated the celebrations
- A 45 minute documentary tracing the growth of the institute from its inception to its present day was shown
- Distinguished guests along with two students lighted the lamp
- Shubha Mudgal and her group gave a musical rendition
- A visual narrative about the various developments in the institute was screened



■ (Above) mentor of Infosys NR Narayana Murthy begins the Golden Jubilee celebrations of IIT-K, set to continue for the entire year, by striking a brass gong six times inside the auditorium on Saturday and (Right) IITians including relatives of faculty members at an exhibition organised at the outreach building of IIT-K, on Saturday.

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