

IIM Shillong hosted the sixth edition of TEDxIIMShillong



IIM Shillong hosted the sixth edition of TEDx on 17th March, where it invited speakers from across the country to the educational hub of Northeast India to share ideas which have or will have a lasting impact on people's lives. Created with the vision of 'ideas worth spreading', TEDx supports independent organizers who want to curate a TED-like event in their community.

Based on the theme 'The 53rd Card', this year's edition underscored the transformative power of choice. The event was held at the State Convention Center in Shillong, the capital city of the state of Meghalaya.

The list of speakers included Wendell Rodricks, a Padmi Shri awardee and leading international fashion designer, Archana Sardana, India's first female BASE jumper and first Indian to skydive with Indian Flag in USA, Shivam Sai Gupta, a virtual reality evangelist and game developer, Tanvi Bhatt, a personal branding pioneer, Shruti Pathak, a Filmfare Award-nominated Bollywood playback singer and lyricist, Baradwaj Rangan, a film critic and author, and Rajesh Kumar, an actor, best known for his roles in Baa Bahoo Aur Baby and Sarabhai vs Sarabhai.

The second edition of TEDxIIMShillong grabbed the attention of the TED community and earned the license holder a chance attend TEDGlobal in Rio de Janeiro in Brazil. This year's TEDxIIMShillong invited speakers from diverse fields and is expected to scale equal if not greater heights.

Melange 2018



As IIMShillong completes 10 years of establishment, the Alumni celebrated the decade long journey with the alumni at Melange 2018, the annual alumni meet, in Bengaluru.

Honorable Director, Prog. Amitabha De and Prof Nalini Tripathy addressed the alumni and reflected upon 10years of IIMShillong.

New Nomenclature, Consistent Achievement Brings Cheers to IIM Shillong



The **IIM Act 2017** having come into effect from January 31, 2018 will give widespread autonomy to all the 20 IIMs of the country therein steering essential and pragmatic overall efficiency, informed the Chairman, Board of Governors, IIM Shillong, Shri Shishir Bajoria while addressing the media fraternity on 12th February 2018. "The 2017 Act is path-breaking in that it provides independent legal entity to the IIMs of the country in line with the incumbent government's stand of less government, and more governance."

Further, the Act declares existing Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) as institutions of national importance and confers on them the power to grant degrees including PhDs. Earlier, IIMs granted Post Graduate Diplomas.

In the new Act, the Board of Governors will be the executive body of each IIM, comprising up to 19 members. There will be three women members from different walks of life and one of them must be a member of the Scheduled Tribe/Scheduled Caste. The Board will nominate 17 board members including eminent persons, faculty members and alumni. The remaining two members will be nominees from the central and state governments, respectively. The Act further empowers the Board to appoint its own Chairperson.

The Board of Governors will appoint the Director of each IIM. A search committee will recommend names for the post of the Director. The Director is eligible for variable pay, to be determined by the Board.

The Academic Council of each IIM will determine the: (i) academic content; (ii) criteria and process for admission to courses; and (iii) guidelines for conduct of examinations.

Much enhanced impact of the IIMs may be felt with the Act providing an enabling environment for global extension of existing campuses. The IIM Bill which was in active consideration and elicited a lot of debate and discussion is focussed at removing difficulties. One such aspect being the ability of students to now receive MBA degree, which stands to be accepted better globally by all the top universities across the world. This also means better placement opportunities in global companies.

An encouraging aspect of the new Act is the much needed morale booster given the promising ability to attract quality faculty given the much needed autonomy.

Speaking of the fee structure, **Prof Amitabha De, Director IIM Shillong** said, "Every IIM is to decide their own fee structure to make themselves viable, yet enabling students of the weaker section an ambit of hope through need-based assistance scheme from money we set aside from our income. However, furnishing of correct details that he or she (student) is from a deprived background is necessary. The fixing of fees is a complex game as the market has to be kept in mind." Speaking about IIM Shillong, Bajoria said the Institute will be shifting to the new campus in phases but within a given time frame. expertise, and overall excellence of student performance.

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THE PODIUM CUM LEAD Session



Mr. Avnish Sabharwal, Managing Director at OpenInnovation, Accenture India, for an enlightening session on how Accenture is embracing new disruptive innovation into its strategy through their motto "Rotating to the New" at ThePodium – Season 6 cum Lead Session, the Corporate Interaction Series, of IIMShillong

THE PODIUM



Mr Rajesh Nair, Head Business HR Corporate, Tata Motors shares valuable insights with the students of IIM Shillong



Ms. Michelle Suradkar Group Chief Human Resources Officer, MullenLowe Lintas Group addresses the students of IIM Shillong