

Sixth convocation at IIT-Gn

Meet the Rishabhs who struck gold

Rishabh Anand wins 5 gold medals for outstanding academic performance; Rishabh Jain wins 4 medals for academic excellence and leadership skills

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Two Rishabhs – Rishabh Anand and Rishabh Jain – became the stars at the sixth convocation of the Indian Institute of Technology, Gandhinagar. Rishabh Anand, a 23-year-old BTech graduate, bagged five gold medals for his outstanding academic performance while Rishabh Jain, 21, followed with four medals.

Anand, an electrical engineering graduate merits his success to his love for the subject. Anand, who hails from a business family in Jharkhand, said, "I feel that I was able to perform well because I liked the subjects I had chosen. Often, students take up subjects they have no interest in, which makes it tough for them to do well." His favourite subject was power electronics and electrical machines.

Anand opted out of the placements to pursue MTech from IIT-Bombay. "I have opted for deferred placements," he stated. Ask him about his biggest take-away and he says, "Make sure you remain surrounded by positive people to keep negativity at bay. You will be better focused on your goal," he said.

Meanwhile, Jain, a civil engineering graduate, received accolades for his academic performance and leadership skills. He has bagged Rs 12.10 lakh package.



Rishabh Anand (L); Rishabh Jain (R) with his medals

IIT-Gn to offer double degree courses

Aspiring IITians can look forward to graduating with double engineering degrees soon. IIT-Gn Director Sudhir Jain made the announcement during the institute's 6th annual convocation held at its Palaj campus on Saturday. Jain said, "We have introduced two additional options for our undergraduate students. The first is a double degree option wherein a student can graduate with degrees in two disciplines by spending an extra year. We have also received the nod to start a double degree course in collaboration with Japan varsity. Known as JAIST, students will be able to get degree from IIT-Gn well as this varsity in Japan."

"I was very active in administrative activities of the hostel, welfare committee and was secretary of such committees. I am also interested in writing poems which is a great stress buster for me," he stated. Jain, who hails from Haryana, was also acknowledged for

his outstanding performance in courses of humanities and social science.

The event saw 246 students receive degrees. This included 124 BTech students, 47 MSc students, 5 MA students, 52 MTech students and 14 PhD degree apart from 4 PG diplomas.

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