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I feel immensely happy to preside over the 27th Convocation of B I T Mesra today. At the outset, I would like to congratulate all degree recipients, their parents, teachers and all those who, in their own way, have contributed to your success.

Birla Institute of Technology as a globally acknowledged institution has been doing exemplary work in imparting knowledge to the students for many decades. Over the years, the Institute has not only nurtured technocrats, researchers and managers, but also sculpted them to be good human beings, ready to take up the challenges and surmount any difficulties. India is forging ahead in Engineering and Technological

innovations and BIT has made many notable contributions.

As all of us are aware, ISRO launched Indian Rocket PSLV-C37 with a record 104 satellites into space from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre at Sriharikota, much is expected from young professionals like you.

There is immense potential for industrial growth in this region as has been demonstrated in recently concluded “Momentum Jharkhand”. The wonderful climatic conditions, simple and hardworking people, thrust towards better infrastructure and readily available technical and managerial human resource shall indeed ensure that.

Trained manpower is needed at different levels and therefore institutions like BIT could look at the possibility of imparting specific

technical skills to the people in those areas of this state of Jharkhand where large projects are being established.

BIT is one of the premier institutes of the country and has been contributing in the development of the nation. I expect that it will continue to do so in future with renewed vigour and enthusiasm. The technological expertise of its students, teachers as well as alumni can surely go a long way in ensuring social uplift and advancement.

Dear students, You should have a broad vision, keep honing your skills and broadening your knowledge base constantly so that you have a holistic approach towards growth. You are now a part of Global citizenry, however, the local imperatives, both economic and social, cannot be overlooked. Societal development and upliftment

of the marginalized should be the ultimate goal for all of us. Always aspire to give back to the society more than what you have gained from it. Be job creators not seekers.

As the renowned Scientist, Philosopher and our former President Bharat Ratna Dr. A P J Abdul Kalam said, "All birds find shelter during a Rain. But eagle avoids rain by flying above the clouds. Problems are common but attitude makes the difference".

My dear students, you have earned well deserved degrees with great effort and dedication. BIT Mesra has provided you strong roots and I am pretty sure and convinced that the fruits will be sweet and nutritious.

Once again, I wish you good luck in all your future endeavours and would like to end up with one observation. As they say it is always better to be a student than the professor of the subject; keep this spirit of studentship alive throughout your life.

Thank You,

Jai Hind! Jai Jharkhand!